

# CALSHOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

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### School Vision

I have included the School Vision Statement and highlighted the key values that we adhere to. I am proud to be the Head Teacher of Calshot School and all it stands for. The pupils have gone through a hugely disruptive couple of years and yet they continue to maintain the high standards we expect and flourish in their learning and attitudes to school life.

'At Calshot we aim to provide the highest quality of **learning** and **care** for **ALL** children in a **safe** and **enjoyable** environment, **nurturing** personal values, in **partnership** with parents, carers and the wider **community**. We expect everyone in our school to **strive to achieve** their full potential'

### Car Parking!

I want to remind parents of the dangers of car parking on the zig-zags by the school crossing and on double yellow lines around school. This week we have had too many near misses where children have nearly been hit because of dangerous parking and drivers not looking where children cross the road. I have had lots of parents contact me to say how dangerous some drivers are including a parent in a blue BMW and a parent in a white Mercedes that despite knowing not to park illegally have ignored the signs and done so anyway. As parents themselves it staggers belief that they show no regard for the safety of our pupils. I have contacted the police and car details have been reported to them. In future, details of any car that is parked illegally around our school will be passed on to the police. The police have assured me they will be visiting the school site before and after school and will issue fines for cars parked where they shouldn't be.

### January Date Amendment

Last week you were given a set of dates for the school year with a slight error which some parents have queried. I have changed it as it should read for the Spring Term:

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January - Teacher Day  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January - Children Start Back to School

## Governor Statement

Every year the Governing Body issue a 'Safety Statement' to promote mutual respect within the school. Please take the time to read it as Calshot should always be a place that pupils, staff members and parents feel safe. The notice will appear around school so that any visitors are also aware of the expectations we have in how we treat each other in school.

### THE GOVERNING BODY SAFETY STATEMENT

**The Governing Body values the school community (Staff, Parents & Children) and the commitment they all make to the school.**

**We expect the school community to treat each other with mutual respect and dignity. Violence, threatening behaviour or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.**

**The Governing Body value the parents and visitors to our school and aim to do our best for you and help you with any concerns that you may have.**

**We always fully support our staff. If staff are injured, property is damaged, or they are treated in a disrespectful/rude manner it will be reported as appropriate and legal action may be pursued (civil/criminal).**

**Thank you for reading our statement.**

**Full Governing Body**

## Outdoor Learning

This year we are promoting learning outside the classroom which will help pupils develop their problem solving and social interaction skills. There are lots of creative and enjoyable activities that children can take part in but we do need some additional resources that I hope you may be able to help us acquire. If you have any resources from the list below please let me know so I can collect and store them ready for the children to use.

**Rope (various lengths), tarpaulin/canvas for shelters, bamboo poles, plastic drain pipes (40-80cm), buckets, 6ft planks of wood, carpet tiles and milk crates.** We are also building our collection of gardening equipment but we can always do with more such as **spades, trowels, gloves and secateurs.** Thank you in advance for your continued support.

## Brownies

Brownies now take place at the CK building each Friday from 6.15pm. If you have a child that would like to attend then please contact Zoe on 07715573655.

'I go to Brownies, we do lots of fun stuff. On Friday at Brownies we decorated our own pencil pots, played games and did some singing. It's a lot of fun going to our Brownies, you should come too!' - Clara-Maye (3H)

## To Hire the CK Building

We are trying to make better use of the CK building and raise funds for school. If you would like to hire the building for parties, clubs or events on weekday evenings or weekends then please contact Miss Atterbury or myself. The CK building hire rate is between £20 and £25 per hour. This includes using the two rooms and the kitchen.

## Reception & Nursery Starters

It has been fantastic meeting all the new pupils as they start school for the very first time. It was wonderful meeting them and their parents on this very important day, seeing them start their journey at Calshot. They will love their time here and we welcome them with open arms. I want to thank all of the Early Years team for organising and making their first days so special.

## Children Walking To/From School Safely

If your child walks to school, or walks home, on their own it is important that as a school we are aware of this. Therefore, if you decide to allow your child to do this, there is a form which we will need you to fill in. Please note, that if you have completed one of these forms in the past, there is no need to complete another one.

## School Fund

This week £34.40 was collected in School Fund this week, which is superb! May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid. It does mean we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

