

Shobnall Primary School



Dear Parents,

As you are no doubt aware, the school is frequently used as a community Polling Station for any form of election, whether this is a local election, or indeed a full general election. Due to the local authority choosing to use the school building, then this poses huge safe-guarding concerns as the school site is then open to all members of the community who are not required to sign in to the school premises and therefore we are unable to follow the school's safe-guarding requirements as we would so wish. Your child's safety is of paramount importance and I am sure you can appreciate that such decisions by the government to call a snap general election on June 8th poses a problem for both the school and you too, as members of our school community.

You are aware of the forth-coming school closure on Thursday May 4th due to local elections being held. However, it is with great frustration to both the school and you as parents, to announce that once again, we are required to close the school to children for the general election on Thursday June 8th. Whilst I understand that this is very short notice, I am sure you understand that none of us were aware of a general election being called prior to the Easter break.

I fully understand and appreciate the great frustration that school closures cause to our families, especially with such short notice however, after consulting with Julie Brewer and Tiddlywinks, she has chosen to run a day care club from the Key Stage 1 building as this is separate from the rest of the school and therefore is able to comply with her own safe-guarding requirements.

Tiddlywinks will be running a full day's child care, starting at 8.00am and finishing at 5.30pm and plan to organise a range of activities, including Forest School provision on both days. However, please can I ask all our parents to let Tiddlywinks know that they wish to use this child care service at the earliest opportunity so that they can sort out staffing and additional resources required. Furthermore, please be aware that payment will be required in advance of the day.

The cost of day care does vary, depending on the need of each family so please can you complete the slip below and return it either to the school office or after school provision in the hall. Please be aware that all children attending will need their own packed lunch and drinks.

Therefore, please can I ask all our families to make a note of all school closures to avoid any confusion or upset. The school will be closed on Friday 28th April, Thursday 4th May and Monday 5th June 2017. These three dates were shared with all parents at the start of the year and have been communicated through newsletters on a regular basis throughout the year. However, in addition to these three dates, the school will now also be closed on Thursday 8th June due to the general election being called.



Thanking you all for your ongoing patience and understanding in this matter.

Yours sincerely



Mr. R. Cruise

Headteacher.

Tiddlywinks School Closure Child Care

Thursday 4th May	Please tick	Thursday 8th June	Please tick
All day care: 8.00am – 5.30pm @ £15.00		All day care: 8.00am – 5.30pm @ £15.00	
½ day morning care: 8.00am – 12.00pm @ £10.00		½ day morning care: 8.00am – 12.00pm @ £10.00	
½ day afternoon care: 12 – 5.30pm @ £10.00		½ day afternoon care: 12 – 5.30pm @ £10.00	
Your total <i>(please complete)</i>		Your total <i>(please complete)</i>	

Child's name(s): _____

Age: _____

Please return this form with cash or cheques which are to be made payable to:
Tiddlywinks