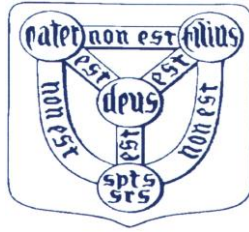


# Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

Headteacher: Miss Judith Terrell



"Inspiring hearts and minds"

17<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Shellingford School Family,

## **Act of Remembrance and The Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal**

We were absolutely delighted that Tom Scrivens from The Royal British Legion was able to attend our Act of Remembrance and Dedication held at St Faith's Church. The Royal British Legion's attendance was felt by all and the service helped the children understand the significance of honouring those who have died in service of our country. Jemima Johnson and Lauren Elvidge-Tappenden in Year 6 read beautifully during the service. Our school choir sang 'Crying out for Love' and Teddie Stockbridge (Year 5) and Hanna Miozga (Year 4) also sang solos beautifully. The Royal British Legion were extremely impressed with the children's conduct and we received many comments commending the school on the service.

Thank you for your donations for The Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal; we are awaiting confirmation of the total amount raised and will let you know in due course.

## **Bag2School**

Our recent Bag2School collection raised a total of £146.40. Thank you to Mrs Viner for organising this FoSS fundraiser and to everyone who donated bags of unwanted clothing.

## **Reminders:**

### **RE and CW Questionnaires**

Please can I ask if you would kindly set aside a few moments to complete our RE and CW questionnaire (attached.) All church schools receive an inspection to evaluate how well the school's Christian ethos and values impact on the development and achievement of the children. We would appreciate your views and welcome your suggestions. Please post completed questionnaires in the box by the School Office or post-box outside the front door. Thank you.

### **Illness**

Please remember that if your child has had sickness and diarrhoea that they should be kept off school for 48 hours after their symptoms disappear. This will help avoid other pupils or staff from becoming ill.

### **Collection Arrangements**

Please inform the School Office if you have arranged for someone else to collect your child/ren from school. The school cannot release children to other parents, family or friends without the permission of the parent, even if they are known to us.

### **September 2018 Foundation Stage (Reception) Admissions**

A reminder for anyone with siblings or anyone with pre-school children that we are taking appointments to view the school for September 2018 Foundation Stage (Reception) places. Please contact the School Office.

Parents are required to complete an online application by the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 through the Oxfordshire Local Authority [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions)  
Shellingford is a very popular school and does get highly subscribed. Although there appears to be a perception that there is a high demand for places this shouldn't put people off applying.

***Dates for your diary:***

**Watermill Theatre – The Borrowers – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

The whole school are off on our annual trip to The Watermill Theatre next Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November. **We ask for all children to arrive at school at 8.45am as the coach will need to leave promptly at 9.00am.** *Please also remember that all children will need to bring a packed lunch to school on this day.*

**FoSS: General Meeting: Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 7.30pm in Class 4**

Our General Meetings are open to all parents. We are especially looking for some help with serving the refreshments at our Christmas Production (see below). It is always appreciated when volunteers step forward to help with these events. Please speak to Mrs Linsey Legge, our Chair of FoSS or email: [friendsofshellingfordschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofshellingfordschool@gmail.com)

**FoSS: Non-School Uniform Day: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November - donations of chocolate please!**

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding a non-school uniform day and asking for all children to bring to school a donation of chocolate for the 'Chocolate Tombola' stall which FoSS will run at St Faith's Christmas Fayre (see below.) There will be a collection box outside the School Office. Thank you very much for your support.

**Family Service at St Faith's Church: Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 10.15am**

Everyone is welcome to come along to this family service. Please see the attached poster for details.

**Christmas Wrapping Fundraiser at The Quad: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December from 5.00 – 7.00pm**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Faringdon Guides are organising a Christmas Wrapping Fundraiser and would be very grateful for your support. Please see the attached poster for details.

**Autumn Term Clubs**

Please note that the last week of clubs will be the week of 27<sup>th</sup> November – 1<sup>st</sup> December. There will be no clubs from Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

**St Faiths Christmas Fayre: Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 10.00am to 12noon**

Do come along to support our community. The church together with the village, FoSS and the school will be running several stalls in the Community Hall. Each class will shortly be making and baking ready to sell their products.

**Christmas Production - 'The Very Hopeless Camel': Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 6.15pm & Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 1.15pm**

Finally, a letter will be sent out during the week commencing Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November for parents to request tickets for the Christmas production. Please return the ticket request form to the School Office indicating the number of tickets you require, and tickets will be issued accordingly. Please note that there is a maximum of two tickets per family due to the capacity of the hall.

With best wishes,

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