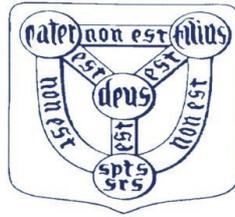


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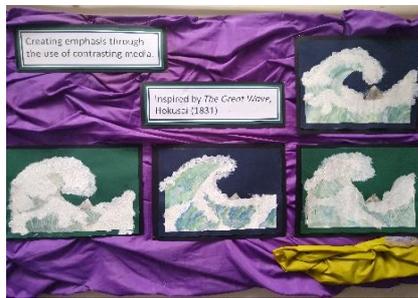
Value for the next two weeks: Kindness and Compassion

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other,
just as Christ God forgave you.

- Ephesians 4:32

Dear Shellingford School Family,

We would like to share with you some magnificent work which the children have done recently- we are very impressed!



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES – FRIDAY 20TH MAY

We hope you will be able to join us at our Celebration Assemblies which are been held next Friday:

- 2.30-2.45pm: Class 1 & 2 – for parents of children in Class 1 & 2 only
- 2.45 -3.00pm: Class 3 & 4 – for parents of children in Class 3 & 4 only

We will still only be allowing ONE PARENT per family to attend and ask parents to use hand-sanitiser on entry and to wear a face covering for the duration of these assemblies.

Please do not come to the Celebration Assemblies if you have any COVID-19 symptoms or have had a positive test result.

FoSS will be holding a stall on the green at the front of the school after our Celebration Assemblies. We do hope you will come and support this stall.

RELATIONSHIPS AND SEX EDUCATION (RSE)

Schools now have a statutory requirement to teach RSE and this term all children will be starting a new unit of learning on 'Growing and Changing.' An email was sent to all parents earlier this week with detailed information for all year groups.

ANNUAL PARENT AND PUPIL QUESTIONNAIRES FEEDBACK

Many thanks to those parents who kindly responded to the questionnaire. We had responses from 34 of the 70 school families. We are delighted that 100% of respondents would recommend Shellingford School to another family. An overwhelming majority (84%) showed positive responses to all the questions, and the results indicate that the children are happy, well-educated and cared for at school.

We very much want you to know that you are always welcome to speak to the relevant member of staff or to myself as Headteacher about *any* concerns. We actively want to hear of anything you are unsure or unclear about. The questionnaire is rightly anonymous, but we do urge any parents who disagreed with, or were unsure how to answer any of the questions or made additional comments and suggestions to make an appointment to meet with me to discuss further. The feedback from the 2022 parent and pupil questionnaire can be viewed on our school [website](#).

FRIENDS OF SHELLINGFORD SCHOOL (FoSS)



BINGO – SATURDAY 21ST MAY (4.00 – 6.00PM) in the Community Hall

- **Entry tickets are £2.00 per person which includes a bingo book, plus £2.00 per person for the buffet. Games, fun and prizes – this is a great family event for both parents and children.**

GENERAL MEETING – WEDNESDAY 25TH MAY (6.30 – 8.00pm) via TEAMS

- All parents are invited to attend. We are always pleased to receive any support and help in organising upcoming events.

SCHOOL LUNCHES – TERM 6 - BOOKING DEADLINE – TUESDAY 24TH MAY

School meal bookings for Summer Term 6, Tuesday 7th June until Wednesday 20th July, has now been activated via School Gateway (please see the email sent to all parents on 11th May). Please access your account by midnight on Tuesday 24th May to make your meal choices and payment.

Children opting to bring their own packed lunches are encouraged to bring in a 'healthy, balanced lunch'. Please note that sweets, chocolate are not allowed, and crisps and biscuits are discouraged. We also have pupils in the school who have a potentially life-threatening allergy to nuts and peanuts. For this reason, please can I remind parents not to include food items in packed lunches which contain nuts and peanuts, e.g., cereal bars. Thank you.

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS – MONDAY 23RD – FRIDAY 27TH MAY

On 6th February this year Her Majesty The Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.



As a school we will be celebrating this unprecedented anniversary during the last week of this term in our lessons and curriculum activities across all classes.

On **Tuesday 24th May** we will be having a **non-school uniform day and asking the children to wear 'RED, WHITE & BLUE'** (no football kits). We are also inviting residents of the village, governors, volunteers and friends of the school to join us for a Community Picnic– please remember there will be no school lunches on this day and all children will be required to bring a packed lunch to school.

Thank you.

STAFFING UPDATE

We would like to inform you that Mr Alex Drew has made the decision to resign from his post and will be leaving us at the end of the academic year. Mr Drew has been with us for the last ten years and will be greatly missed, but we wish him every success in his new ventures. An advert has been placed and as always I will keep you updated of any appointments made as well as class arrangements for September.

ASCENSION DAY SERVICE – THURSDAY 26TH MAY – (2.00PM) at St Faith’s Church

Ascension Day comes forty days after Easter and celebrates Jesus’ ascension into heaven. It marks an important transition in the Church calendar and as a reference point for the faith of Christians. The feast day falls on **Thursday 26th May**, and we will be holding a service at St Faith’s Church, Shellingford for children, staff and parents to reflect on the work of the Holy Spirit in people’s lives today.

AND FINALLY SAVE THE DATES!

There are a number of exciting events to look forward to during the first week back after the May half-term holiday:

Whole School Workshop: Dance Days - Tuesday 7th June

We have organised a 1950’s dance day to link in with The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. Please see the email sent to all parents on 11th May. Please access your School Gateway account by Tuesday 24th May to give consent for your child to take part in this fun event.

Maths & Calculation Strategies: Parent Presentation – Wednesday 8th June (7.00 – 8.00pm)

We will be giving an online TEAMS presentation for Parents on how we teach mathematics and calculation strategies across the school and how parents can best support their child/ren in these areas at home. This presentation will focus on each year group and is applicable for all children in Early Years, Key Stage One (Years 1/2) and Key Stage Two (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6).

We would like to encourage all parents to attend.

Y6 Leavers’ Photograph – Thursday 9th June

Photogenic Photographers will be in school on the above date to take the Y6 Leavers’ Photograph.

FoSS Crazy Hair Day – Friday 10th June

£2.00 per child or please bring a ‘Sweet Jar’ for the Summer Fete Hoopla Stall.

FoSS Summer Fete – Saturday 18th June (11.00 - 300pm)

Our big fundraising event! £1.00 entry fee, BBQ, Bar, Stalls, Bouncy Slide, Silent Auction, Raffle prizes, Children’s Tombola, Face Painting and plenty more!

Finally, just a reminder that the term finishes on Friday 27th May. Term 6 begins again on Tuesday 7th June.

With very best wishes to you all,

Judith R Terrell

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