# Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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"Inspiring hearts and minds"

**School Newsletter** 

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Value for the next two weeks: Hope

"Hope is a thing with feathers that perches in the soul – and sings the tune without the words and never stops at all."

**Emily Dickenson** 

Dear Shellingford School Family,

Welcome back to the final term of the school year. We hope you all had a lovely half-term week and managed to find some time to rest and relax together as a family.



We had the most wonderful week just before half-term celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee in school. On the Tuesday we held a Community Picnic Lunch and welcomed residents from the village to join us. The weather stayed fine (just!) and towards the end of the afternoon we gathered on the field to create a big '70.' The school presented each child with a special Platinum Jubilee pin badge engraved with the official emblem, we watched part of The Queen's Coronation and we ate cupcakes to celebrate too! It was such a lovely occasion and one which hopefully will remain in the children's memories for many years to come.







### **SUMMER TERM SIX EVENTS**

This term is always busy with transition visits, sporting activities and our KS2 summer production. I have included a list of diary dates at the very end of this newsletter as a reminder of school events scheduled to take place. Please check your emails regularly as well as the children's book-bags, the FoSS Facebook page and noticeboards displayed at the front of the school for further information.

Please also remember to look at our school website. It is a source of information for parents as well as for prospective families or visitors to gain information about the school. All our latest newsletters, diary dates and school news, school term dates, key school policies and curriculum information can be found at <a href="https://www.shellingford.oxon.sch.uk">www.shellingford.oxon.sch.uk</a>

Earlier this week we welcomed back **Dance Days** who led 1950's dance sessions with each class to conclude our celebrations of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Next week we have booked a **Skip2Bfit** workshop for the whole school. **Cotswold Forest Schools** will be continuing to work with the children this term and once again we will be holding our very own **ShWimbledon** (tennis sessions and coaching) which will culminate in a competition for the whole school.

## One of our highlights this term is our

# **FUN DAY**



## **SATURDAY 18TH JUNE 11.00am - 3.00pm**

FOSS are working tirelessly behind the scenes to raise money for the school and our children. We are currently aiming to help purchase some new iPads.

Please come and show your support at this event.

Each class will be performing and we ask all children to be present at the following times:

- CLASS 4 12noon
- o CLASS 3 12.30pm
- CLASSES 1 & 2 1.00pm

Thank you everyone.

### **STAFFING UPDATE**

I am really pleased to announce that we have appointed Miss Sarah Hill, a highly experienced full-time teacher for Class 4 from September. Sarah is well-known to the school and covered Mrs Elliott's first maternity leave. We are delighted that she will be working with us and will be a great asset. This is fantastic news for the school, particularly considering the difficult recruitment issues nationally for schools and we are very excited about Miss Hill returning.

## Foundation Stage Visits and September 2022 arrangements

We are holding three whole school transition sessions to coincide with our visiting new Foundation Stage children this term. These sessions will give all children a 'taster' of their new class in September as well as maintaining quality teaching and learning time across the school.

<u>Teachers and classes from September are currently planned as:</u>

Class 1 (FS) Miss Villar (3 days) and Mrs Setchell (2 days)

Class 2 (Y1/2) Mrs Roberts

Class 3 (Y3/4) Mrs Merritt (4 days) and Miss Long (1 day)

Class 4 (Y5/6) Miss Hill

### MATHS AND CALCULATION PARENTS RESENTATION

A big thank you to Mr Drew for his presentation on Wednesday to parents. We appreciate that not everyone was able to attend so we have recorded the presentation and we plan to email this to all parents next week.

### **PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION**

We currently have one vacancy and therefore must hold an election. As many of you may already know, the governing body has an extremely important role: it is responsible for working strategically in partnership with the Headteacher and staff to identify the most important aspects of the school that need to be improved, approving plans to achieve this and ensuring progress. If you are interested in taking on this role and are committed to making the governing body as effective as it can be then please read the email sent to all parents earlier today outlining the procedure. The closing date for nominations is 12noon on Thursday 16th March.

### SPONSORED SUNFLOWER CHALLENGE FOR UKRAINE

We hope the children have been busy watering and looking after their sunflowers, and that families have been sponsoring their sunflower's height (a copy of the sponsorship form is attached) to raise money for Ukraine.

Children need to take the <u>final measurement of their plant on TUESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JUNE</u> and collect and return their sponsorship monies to the School Office by **FRIDAY 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE**.

Thank you everyone.

#### ANNUAL REPORTS

Finally, Teachers are busy writing the children's end of year reports. The format of the Annual Reports will be slightly different again this year due to the period of national school closures and less engagement in the foundation subjects (such as art, geography etc) during remote learning. Reports will be sent out to parents on Friday 1st July.

With best wishes,

**Judith R Terrell** 

## **DIARY DATES FOR SUMMER TERM SIX:**

| SUMMER TERM SIX |  |   |
|-----------------|--|---|
|                 | Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June                               | Summer Term Six begins                                    |
| 1               | , , ,  | (school opens at 8.45am)                                  |
|                 |  | Whole School Event: Dance Days Workshop                   |
|                 | Wednesday 8th June   | Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools                     |
|                 | ,  | New Parents meeting for September 2022 Foundation         |
|                 |  | children (3.30 – 4.30pm)                                  |
|                 |  | Mathematics and Calculation Strategies: Parent            |
|                 |  | Presentation (7.30pm)                                     |
|                 | Thursday 9th June  | Photogenic Photographers: Y6 Leavers photograph           |
|                 |  | FoSS: Events Meeting (7.30pm)                             |
|                 | Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June                               | FoSS: Crazy Hair Day                                      |
|                 | Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June (pm)                          | New FS children visit and school transition session       |
| 2               | Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June                             | Whole School Event: Skip2BeFit Workshop                   |
|                 | Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> June (11.00 – 3.00pm)            | FoSS: Fun Day   |
| 3               | Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> June                               | Whole School Event: ShWimbledon (Tennis coaching)         |
|                 | Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June (pm)                       | New FS children visit and school transition session       |
|                 | Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> June                               | Sponsorship competition deadline for 'Sunflower for       |
|                 |  | Ukraine'  |
|                 |  | Whole School Event: ShWimbledon                           |
|                 |  | Whole School Event: Celebration Assembly (2.30 –          |
|                 |  | 3.00pm) & FoSS Stall                                      |
|                 | Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> June (pm)                          | New FS children visit and school transition session       |
| 4               | Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June                              | Whole School Event: ShWimbledon                           |
|                 | Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June                            | Whole School Event: ShWimbledon                           |
|                 |  | FoSS: Annual General Meeting (6.30pm)                     |
|                 | Thursday 30th June   | Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools                     |
|                 | Friday 1st July  | Whole School Event: ShWimbledon Competition Day           |
|                 |  | Annual Reports sent out to Parents                        |
| 5               | Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July (pm)                          | New FS children visit only (no school transition session) |
|                 |  | KS2 summer production (6.15pm)                            |
|                 | Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July                             | KS2 summer production (6.15pm)                            |
|                 | Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July     | Year 6 - Cycling Proficiency                              |
|                 | Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> July                              | SEN Telephone Consultations (all day)                     |
|                 | Friday 8th July  | Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools                     |
|                 | Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> , Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> &      | Year 6 – Cycling Proficiency                              |
| 6               | Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July                               | WC3 C   |
|                 | Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July (pm)                          | KS2 Sports Day  |
|                 | Tuesday 12th July (pm)                                     | EYFS / KS1 Sports Day                                     |
|                 | Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July | Year 6: FCC Transfer Days                                 |
|                 | Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July (12noon – 1.00pm)             | FoSS: Year 6 Leavers BBQ                                  |
| -               | Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July (2.00pm)                     | Year 6 Leavers Service at St Faith's Church, Shellingford |
| 7               | Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July                            | End of school year  |
|                 |  | (school closes at 1.30pm for the summer holidays)         |