Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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School Newsletter

Autumn Term Two 2022 - Issue 4

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Value for the next two weeks: Service and Belonging

If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.

Mother Teresa

Dear Shellingford School Family,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. There are many exciting events taking place for the children and for parents over the coming weeks. Today, Class 4 have been to the National Trust site at Coleshill as part of their World War II project, Class 2 have been involved in a Great Fire of London workshop and later this term Class 3 will be visiting Stonehenge. The whole school will also be raising money for Children in Need, taking part in Anti-Bullying Week activities, visiting the Watermill Theatre to see Rapunzel and celebrating Christmas – it's a busy term!

At the end of this newsletter, I have included a revised list of diary dates for this term, however, please continue to read our fortnightly school newsletters and check email correspondence regularly as event information may change.

Our **Act of Remembrance** is next **Friday 11**th **November at 10.45am in St Faith's church.** The service is also open to parents and we hope you will be able to join us for this occasion. The Royal British Legion will be in attendance. As a mark of respect, we invite any children who are part of the Brownies, Rainbows, Guides, Beavers, Scouts or Sea Cadets to wear their uniform. We will be continuing to collect for The Royal

RE AND WORSHIP QUESTIONNAIRES FOR PARENTS

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 which it serves. In our most recent review of the effectiveness of our school as a church school we were judged as 'Outstanding' in all areas. As part of our ongoing evaluation, one important aspect is to seek your views on our school as a Church of England school.

I know we are approaching a busy time of year, but I would very much apprec ive some time to reflect on the attached questionnaire. We have also put a copy of this questionnaire in the children's book-bags. *Please complete and return to the School Office by Monday 21st November*. Thank you.

British Legion's Poppy Appeal next week and hope you will support them. Every poppy shows you care about the lives of our Armed Forces Community.

Reminders, requests and information for the next few weeks ahead:

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2022: 'REACH OUT - 14TH - 18TH NOVEMBER

Anti-Bullying Week takes place in schools across England each November. The theme for this year's Anti-Bullying Week is 'Reach Out.' On the Monday 14th November we would like everyone to wear odd socks as this easily demonstrates that we are all different. The whole school will come together, on that day, for a special worship that will introduce Anti-Bullying Week. Over the week the children will use role play scenarios to discuss and practice how to be assertive, the role of the bystander and how to support someone being bullied.

Our Anti-Bullying Policy is written in accordance with OCC guidelines and can be found on our school website.

CHILDREN IN NEED APPEAL 2022: WALK AND TALK - THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER

Miss Long and Mrs Setchell are organising our fundraising event this year. On Thursday 17^{th} November we are going to put on our walking clothes and wellies and take part in an orienteering challenge across the fields. We are mindful of the benefits of fresh air and are looking forward to 'spotting the spots' and enjoying our countryside with the children. We kindly ask for a donation of £1.00 per child which will go to Children in Need.



A huge thank you for supporting the following fundraising events at the end of last term.

- **❖ SMARTIE CHALLENGE £211.59**
- **❖** CRAZY HAIR DAY £80.76
- **❖** BINGO £244.24
- **❖ FOSS AUTMN STALL £266.50**
- **❖** ALL HALLOWS TRAIL £120.00
- **❖** FLIM CLUB £166.50

This means that an amazing total of £1089.59 has been raised from all FoSS events since September.

Forthcoming events...

POND PROJECT

We have been awarded £1500 by the Tesco Community Grant scheme to renovate the pond area for the children.

We need your help, please to start clearing the area before we start landscaping the ground on the following dates:

Sunday 6th November (2.00 – 5.00pm)

Friday 11th November (3.15 – 6.00pm depending on light)

Sunday 20th November (2.00 – 5.00pm)

ONLINE QUIZ NIGHT - FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER £5.00 per team

BAG2SCHOOL – MONDAY 14TH **NOVEMBER** Please sort out any secondhand adults or children's clothing, shoes, handbags, hats, belts, scarves, ties, soft toys and bring into school by 9.00am on the above collection date.

Information about events can be found on the FoSS Facebook page or please contact our Chair of FoSS, Mrs Natalie Cocks for more information: friendsofshellingfordschoolpta@gmail.com

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am pleased to inform you that Mrs Anne Smales has been elected unopposed as a Parent Governor.

HEALTHY SNACKS

As part of our Food and Healthy Eating policy we encourage children to pursue a healthy and balanced diet. Children in Foundation and Key Stage One receive a free piece of fruit or vegetable every school day at break-time through the School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme administered by the Department of Health. At lunchtimes our school meals provided by OCC comply with nutritional standards. Children opting for homemade packed lunches are also encouraged to bring in a healthy, balanced lunch. Sweets and chocolate are not allowed in packed lunches and crisps and biscuits are discouraged. Thank you.

AUTUMN/WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS

As the weather becomes wetter and colder, we require all children to have the appropriate outdoor winter clothing in school daily:

- A waterproof and windproof coat
- A warm hat, scarf and gloves
- A pair of wellington boots. These are essential! *Please note: children are only allowed on the field in wellington boots. Wellies are also required for our outdoor curriculum activities.
- A PE Kit. It is also useful to include in your child's PE bag black or navy tracksuit trousers to wear for colder days and a spare pair of socks as most PE lessons are currently taking place outside. (A plastic bag for muddy trainers is also a good idea!) Please be aware that for health and safety reasons, watches and earrings are not to be worn for PE and long hair must be tied back. Please provide a small box or envelope for your child to take out their own earrings or tape for us to cover them, as well as hair ties if this applies to your child.

<u>Please check all clothing and footwear are clearly named to ensure any lost items can be returned.</u> If any of the above items are not bought into school a reminder letter will be sent home to parents. Thank you.

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DIARY DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM 2022:

	AUTUMN	TERM TWO
Week	Date/Time	Event
1	Monday 31st October	Autumn Term Two begins
		(School opens at 8.45am)
		Class 2: TA Sports Stars (pm) weekly
	Tuesday 1 st November	Year 5/6 Swimming Lessons continue
	Thursday 3 rd November (pm weekly)	Class 3: 'Violin' Tuition' (Oxfordshire County Music
		Service)
	Friday 4 th November	Class 2: Great Fire of London workshop
		Class 4: Coleshill Estate visit
		FoSS: Film Club 'Coco' (3.15 – 5.15pm)
2	Sunday 6 th November (2.00 – 5.00pm)	FoSS: Pond Project
	Tuesday 8 th November	School Council Meeting
	Wednesday 9 th November (3.30 – 4.30pm)	Year 5/6 Yenworthy Parent Meeting (Class 4)
	Thursday 10 th November (7.30pm)	FoSS: Events Meeting
	Friday 11 th November (10.45am)	Whole School Event: Remembrance Service at St
		Faith's Church – all parents welcome
		FoSS: Pond Project (3.15 – 6.00pm)
		FoSS: Online Quiz Night (8.00 – 10.00pm)
3	Monday 14 th – 18 th November	Whole School Event: Anti-Bullying Week
	Monday 14 th November	Whole School Event: Odd Sock Day
		FoSS: Bag2School collection day
	Thursday 17 th November	Whole School Event: Orienteering Challenge for
		Children in Need
	Friday 18 th November	Watermill Theatre 'Rapunzel' (whole school trip)
4	Sunday 20 th November (2.00 – 5.00pm)	FoSS: Pond Project
	Monday 21st – Friday 25th November	Year 5/6 Yenworthy Lodge Residential
	Tuesday 22 nd November	Class 3: Stonehenge visit
	Friday 25 th November	FoSS: Non-School Uniform Day
	Saturday 26 th November (10.00- 12noon)	St Faith's Church Christmas Fayre
5	Monday 28 th November – Thursday 1 st	Last week of After-School Clubs
	December	
	Tuesday 29 th November	Big Christmas Sing (Oxford Town Hall)
	Wednesday 30 th November (6.30pm)	FoSS: General Meeting (Class 4)
	Thursday 1st December (6.30pm)	FoSS: Christmas Wreath Workshop
	Friday 2 nd December (2.30 – 3.00pm)	Whole School Event: Celebration Assembly in the
		Community Hall – all parents welcome & FoSS Stall
6	Tuesday 6 th December (6.00pm)	EYFS & KS1 Christmas Production
	Wednesday 7 th December (1.30pm)	EYFS & KS1 Christmas Production
	Thursday 8 th December (all day)	SEN Parent Consultations
	Friday 9 th December	Nasal Flu Immunisation Programme: FS – Y6
		FoSS: Christmas Film Club (3.15 – 5.15pm)
7	Sunday 11 th December (5.00pm)	Carols by Candlelight' at St Faith's Church - TBC
	Thursday 15 th December (2.00pm)	Whole School Event: Christmas Service (led by Class
		3) at St Faith's Church - all parents welcome
		FoSS: Christmas Party (5.00 – 7.00pm)
_	Friday 16 th December	FoSS: Christmas Jumper Day
8	Tuesday 20 th December	End of Autumn Term Two
		(School closes at 1.30pm for the Christmas holidays)

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