# Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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**School Newsletter** 

**Spring Term Three 2023 - Issue 2** 

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Value for the next two weeks: Perseverance

Look to the Lord and His strength; seek His face always.

**1 Chronicles 16:11** 

Dear Shellingford School Family,

Our Year 5 children were trained as **ACTIVE JUNIOR LEADERS** last week. The training programme took 4 days to complete and was led externally by 'Active Leaders'. Our Year 5 pupils are now trained in leading practical outdoor playground games for younger pupils with an emphasis on teamwork, confidence building and being confident role models. It also included First Aid and CPR training which was led by local student paramedics. The trainer was very impressed with the children's enthusiasm and attitude and was extremely complimetary about the school's ethos. Thank you and well done to Year 5!



Next week we are looking forward to the whole school taking part in a **JUNK PERCUSSION WORKSHOP**. This promises to be a day of great fun, excitement and noise! The day will take an environmental theme and will focus on whether percussion items are 'rubbish' or 'reuseable'.

# CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK - Monday 6th - Friday 10th February

This year's them is 'Let's Connect' and during this week we will be encouraging the children to connect in healthy, rewarding and meaningful ways.

We will also be focusing on **SAFER INTERNET DAY** on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February** and this year's global theme is: **Want to talk about it?** with a focus on making space for conservations about life on line. During the day, we will be discussing where children can play games and how we interact with others safely and respectfully online.

## SPRING TERM 4 - SCHOOL LUNCH BOOKINGS for Monday 20th February to Friday 31st March

An email was sent on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January notifying all parents that school lunches can now be booked for next half-term.

Please note the deadline to book your child/ren's lunches is MONDAY 6TH FEBRUARY.

## FEBRUARY ON THE FLOOR - Half-term challenge

Every year we choose a charity to support for an annual sponsored event. This year we will be supporting 'Stand By Me'. This is a Christian charity that helps children across the world receive the 'essentials' they need in order to have the very best start to their school day and be able to concentrate on their learning. We will be raising money to provide breakfast, new underwear, smart school uniforms and basic educational resources.

We are asking that the children to give up their cosy bed for just one night in half term and for friends and family to sponsor them.

Sponsorship can be made via this link: <a href="https://www.standbv.me/shellingford2023">www.standbv.me/shellingford2023</a>

Please read the email sent to all families on Friday  $20^{\rm th}$  January 2023. We hope that you will support this worthy cause as we would love to be able to help as many children as we can.

#### MEDICAL AND DENTAL APPOINTMENTS

Parents are kindly reminded that they should not be making dental or GP appointments for their child/ren within the school day unless emergency attention is required. We acknowledge that some hospital appointments and clinic times are such that absence from school is necessary in order to attend. Parents are asked to let the School Office know in advance and in writing the date and time of the appointment and when the child will be collected from and/or returned to school. The school may request a copy of the appointment details to verify the appointment. Thank you.

## PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS (PTIs) - TELEPHONE CONSULTATIONS

Our Parent Teacher Interviews will be held as **telephone appointments** this term from **3.30-6.30pm** on the following dates:

- O Class 2 & 4: Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th February
- O Class 1 & 3: Wednesday 8th & Thursday 9th February

Each Telephone Consultation will last for 10 minutes. Your child's Class Teacher will ring you at the time of your appointment on the telephone number linked to your School Gateway account.

Please sign up on the board displayed outside the front of the school to make an appointment to speak to your child/ren's Class Teacher(s).

It is very important that we talk to all parents about their child/ren's progress and overall wellbeing. If you are not able to attend the PTIs, please email the School Office to make an alternative mutually agreeable date for a telephone consultation.

Please remember all After-School Clubs are not taking place week commencing Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February (as previously informed) in order for Teachers to speak to parents.

# PARENTAL EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Please remember to inform the School Office if any of your contact details have changed. This includes telephone, email and postal address for yourselves as well as any nominated emergency contacts.



# WEAR SOMETHING PINK OR RED - Friday 10th February

We will be holding a non-school uniform day to raise money for FoSS. We ask children to wear something pink or red (no football kits) and request £1.00 for your child/ren to take part.

### FILM CLUB -'Sing 2' Friday 24th February (3.15 - 5.15pm)

£4.50 per ticket. Bookings are now open and can be made via the FoSS Facebook page.

With Best Wishes, Judith R Terrell

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