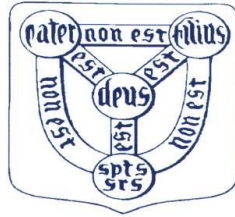


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Value for the next two weeks: Compassion and Forgiveness

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

Ephesians 4:32

Dear Shellingford School Family,

Please read our current news, information and events planned for the remainder of this term.

HILL END RESIDENTIAL

'We had an amazing time at Hill End Outdoor Education Centre last week and every second we made a memory. When we arrived we had different teamwork challenges to complete. Our favourite moment was when 'Storm Merritt' (our teacher) poured water on us. We also visited the WWII bomb crater and Miss Long surprised us! On the Roman Day we dressed up as Celts and Romans and had great fun!'

Written by Eva & Phoebe



ASCENSION DAY SERVICE – THURSDAY 22ND 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 in half-term this year, however we will be holding our service on **Thursday 22nd May at 2.00pm** at St Faith's Church to reflect on the work of the Holy Spirit in people's lives today. We do hope you will be able to join us for this service.

FOREST SCHOOL SESSIONS & WILD CLUB AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB

It is vitally important that the children have the correct clothing for their class Forest School sessions and if they are also attending Wild Club after-school club.

This includes a waterproof jacket, wellington boots, old clothes that are at risk of getting wet/dirty (long sleeved tops and bottoms). It is also important that children are provided with any other equipment that is appropriate to the season e.g. sun hat, sun cream, gloves, warm hat etc.

Thank you!

SUMMER TERM 6- SCHOOL MEALS

Please read the email sent to parent today with booking details of school meals for the Summer Term 6. The deadline to book meals is Monday 19th May at midnight.



GENERAL MEETING – WEDNESDAY 21ST MAY (6.30 – 8.00pm) in Class 4

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

CHILDREN'S SUMMER PARTY – THURSDAY 22ND MAY (5.00 – 7.00PM) in the Community Hall

- £5.00 per child + £3.00 for food.

NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY – FRIDAY 23RD MAY

- £2.00 per child or please bring a donation of sweets for the Sweet Tombola Stall at the Fun Day.

SAVE THE DATE!

Please support our big fundraising event

FUN DAY – SATURDAY 21ST JUNE (11.00 – 2.00PM)

STAFFING UPDATE

We are pleased to have appointed Mr Tom Smith as a Teaching Assistant who will be starting after the May half-term. We will be sad to say farewell to Mrs Helen Weeds at the end of this half-term, and would like to thank her for helping the school since September. We wish her all the very best.

VE DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY - Thursday 8th May

We marked the 80th anniversary of VE Day to honour and pay tribute to the Second World War generation yesterday. The children wrote prayers, poems and messages of peace and placed them in a candlelit 'Pot of Peace' on the green outside the front of the school. The school gathered for a one minute silence under the tree and Alex in Year 6 read a poem. This was followed by cupcakes, squash and the whole school forming a '80' on the school field. There is a box of paper, jam-jar and tea lights under the tree for parents, family friends and members of the community to write their own 'message of peace' over the weekend.





VE-Day Poetry

Why do you cry sky?

We remember the crumble of building, the fall
of ash, the destruction of lives
Second by second. Tick Tock Tick
Tock.

Why are you so high, sky?

We remember the distant screams, the killers of
dreams, the darkness of bombs. Bang
Bang.

Why don't you talk, sky?

We remember the stench of death, the
cries of suffering, the blaring of
Sirens, the spraying of gas.
Spray, spray.



Why do you weep, sky?

We remember the fallen soldiers, the sacrifices,
the weight of grief. Heavy, Heavy.

We remember everything. All too clearly.
All too often.

**Written by Noah,
Year 5**

Finally, just a reminder that the term finishes on Friday 23rd May. Term 6 begins on Tuesday 3rd June.

With very best wishes to you all,
Judith R Terrell

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