Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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"Inspiring hearts and minds"

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Dear Shellingford School Family,

CLASS 4 MUSEUM OF OXFORD

Class 4 enjoyed a visit to the Museum of Oxford to compliment the work that they have been undertaking in class on their topic, Oxford - city of spires. During their visit they investigated the many ways in which transport has affected the geography of the city from the construction of the canal and the 'canal city' of *Jericho that was subsequently built to support it to the factories and industries* that developed following the construction of the railway. Today, a busy road network serves Oxford and pupils used maps to identify how roads are connected



and noticed that industrial units, park & ride facilities and factories are all built within easy access of these arterial roads. Following their visit to the museum, Class 4 pupils stepped into the fantasy world



created by Philip Pullman, following in the steps of Lyra and her daemon, Pan, walking her Oxford and identifying significant landmarks connected with both the city and the university. It was a wonderful day! (Mrs Sucksmith – Class 4 Teacher)

CLASS 1 & 2 WINCHESTER SCIENCE CENTRE

Class 1 and 2 had a great day at the Winchester Science Centre with lots of hands-on activities and space-themed workshops. The highlight for many was the Planetarium Show, where we got to take a trip into space to learn more about the planets in our solar system before heading into deep space to learn about other galaxies. It was definitely 'out of this world'!









SHWIMBLEDON

The whole school took part in the annual event ShWimbledon (Shellingford's Wimbledon!) last week. All classes were involved in competitive sessions and mini coaching games led by the Faringdon Tennis Club. The coach commented that the children's behaviour was outstanding and that they are a credit to the school.

Please read the following information about the next two weeks:

LAST WEEK OF AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS - Monday 23rd June

The last week of After-School Clubs for the summer term is next week - Monday 23rd June. This is due to the number of events happening in school during the last few weeks.

Please note: All clubs **except** Archaeology Club and Wild Club (next Tuesday 24th June) have now finished for the Summer Term.

ANNUAL PUPIL REPORTS

Annual Reports will be sent home via the children's book-bags next Friday 27th June. If you have more than one child at the school, then all the reports for your children will be in one envelope and given to the eldest child to take home. Please email the School Office if you would like to make an appointment to discuss your child's progress with the relevant Teacher.

LATENESS TO SCHOOL

We have noticed that there are some families arriving late to school. Late marks are reported to the Local Authority. **Lessons begin at 8.55am.**

Please ensure that you leave enough time to travel to school to allow for your child/ren to arrive promptly at 8.45am ready for lessons at 8.55am.

Late arriving pupils disrupt lessons, and it can be both embarrassing and unsettling for the child and the rest of the class.

STAFFING UPDATE

We are delighted to inform you that we have appointed Miss Justine Carnegie as EYFS Teacher who will be working alongside Mrs Setchell from September 2025.

FOUNDATION STAGE VISITS AND SEPTEMBER 2025 ARRANGEMENTS

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

Teachers and classes from September are currently planned as:

Class 1 (FS) Mrs Setchell (3 days) and Miss Carnegie (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) Mrs Sucksmith

SEN TELEPHONE CONSULTATIONS - Thursday 10th July

SEN appointments will be taking place on the above date for parents of pupils on the SEN register. These are particularly important and give parents the opportunity to discuss aspects of your child's learning with Miss Long, our school's SENCo Teacher and your child's Class Teacher. A separate email will be sent to relevant parents with a link to book your appointment time. This needs to be completed by 12noon on Thursday 3rd July. The School Office will then send a confirmation email of your appointment time.

FOSS FUN DAY - TOMORROW - 11.00am - 2.00pm

Please join us and help support the school at our big annual event. If your child/ren are in **Class 3 or 4** they will be performing at: **12noon** If your child/ren are in **Class 1 or 2** they will be performing at: **12.30pm**

KEY STAGE TWO – SUMMER PRODUCTION (Classes 3 & 4) (MYSTERY AT MAGPIE MANOR' - Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th July at 6.15pm

<u>Tickets:</u>

Each family in Class 3 and 4 will be allocated **two tickets per family per performance**. A separate email has been sent to all relevant parents earlier this week with a link to book your tickets. <u>This needs to be completed by noon Tuesday 1st July</u>

GDPR Photograph and Video Consent Form:

A letter has been sent home yesterday via the children's book-bags. The school is required to have parents signed consent to photograph and video the production to comply with GDPR. This must be **hand-signed** and returned to the School Office by Tuesday 1st July.

It is essential that we have 100% return in order to film and photograph the production.

Costumes:

Please refer to the letter emailed to Class 3 and 4 parents earlier this week. All children in Classes 3 and 4 will need to bring their costume into school <u>by Wednesday 2nd July</u>.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday.

Best Wishes,

Judith R Terrell