

Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday 14th November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well! I am pleased to give you an overview of some news over the past week and upcoming events for the week ahead.

Last week, many Year 5 pupils have enjoyed taking part in their '**bikeability**' sessions, to equip them with the skills to cycle on roads safely. On Friday 9th November, the Year 6 pupils enjoyed an especially busy day! Firstly they led our **Remembrance Service**, including the laying of a wreath by Major Carrothers. A big thank you to Major Carrothers for coming in in his full regalia and celebrating our service with us. Thank you to Miss McLoughlin and Year 6 for their hard work in preparing and leading the service. Later that day, we also welcomed parents of Year 6 children for their **Class Briefing** on Reading Skills. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend. This Friday will be the turn of Year 1!

This week, **Year 2** have delighted in a visit from the Welding Institute, where they led an exciting chocolate welding workshop. Tomorrow, they will visit 'The Chocolate Lady' to experience the making of chocolates in action! Turning our attention to the school site, you may have noticed a much-needed spruce up of the **School Church Garden**. A big thank you to Bridget Hodge, Judy Boothroyd and Eleanor McCrone for their endeavours in clearing, tidying and enhancing this space. We will be looking for further ways to develop this space in the coming months. **Children in Need** takes place this Friday. As you will remember, we recently fundraised for CAMFED, so we will not be holding a range of events. However, **pupils are welcome to wear an accessory that demonstrates their support of the event, alongside their full school uniform**. The school are happy to collect donations for Children in Need and pass these on if you would like to take part and show your support.

With best wishes,

Mr. Grey

Announcements

School Photos

Please look out for the proofs of photos in your child's book bag today. Orders can be made directly with the photographer online or return the form to the school office by Friday 23rd November.

Non-uniform Day – 30th November

We will be running the usual non-uniform day on 30th November 2018 to support our Christmas Fair, which this year is part of the 'Shelford Lights Switch On'. As usual, the fee for the non-uniform is in the form of a bottle for the bottle tombola.

Shelford Twinning Association

Parents and pupils are warmly invited to meet representatives of the Shelford Twinning Association on Friday November 23rd from 3.15pm in school. There will be French pastries and drinks for all, free of charge! Do come along and hear more about the forthcoming trips to our twinned village of Verneuil en Halatte.

Sarah Haddow.

Parking

Please can we remind parents not to park on double yellow lines as this frequently causes obstructions which add to the traffic issues along Church Street. Thank you.

Netball Club

Please note that netball club will finish for the winter at the end of November and start again in February. The last session will be Monday 26 November and will resume on Monday 4 February. Please ensure the children have warm clothing for each session including gloves which they can wear for the warmup.

Samara's Aid Appeal

This year, the school will not be collecting contributions to the Operation Christmas Child project. In its place, the school will be supporting another aid appeal called Samara's Aid Appeal. We will be running this in the new year and it will be linked with our Candlemas Service.

If you do still wish to contribute to Operation Christmas Child, Great Shelford Free Church will be supporting the campaign this year.

Class List

The PTA would like to ensure that as many parents as possible are aware of 'Class List'. This is a great way to keep in touch with the other parents in your class and should help to ensure good communication between parents. Please get in touch with your class' PTA representatives for assistance.

General Routines and Reminders

Class Briefings / Assemblies

All of the class briefings will start at 2:00pm in the Hall and will follow the timings below:

Presentation to Parents	
Activity with parents based on the theme of the presentation in the hall	
Set up the hall for Celebration Assembly	
Celebration Assembly Commences, parents welcome to stay	
The remaining Class Briefings will take place on the following dates:	
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^h November	Year 1
^d November	Year 2
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Packed lunches

A reminder, please that packed lunches should be healthy, balanced meals – they should not include fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate bars

Nut Awareness

Please note, we are a 'Nut Free School'. Due to medical needs, pupils and staff should not bring any items in containing nuts. This includes any items in **pack lunches**.

With this in mind, may I take this opportunity to remind parents that the invitation to bring a KS2 break time snack is for **an actual piece of fruit not a cereal bar or fruit snack**.

Thank you for your understanding in this.

School Dinners

Dinner money is $\pounds 2.30$ per meal or $\pounds 11.50$ per week. The school is not able to allow debts of more than $\pounds 15$. A letter will be sent if you are in debt for more than 1 week.

Please will you make every effort to pay this online using <u>www.schoolgateway.com</u>. If you need any information about registering for this please contact the school office.

If you are unable to access the internet then make cheques payable to **Shelford Primary School** and write your child's name on the reverse stating that the cheque is for lunch money. Thank you.

The menu and lots of other information about school lunches can be found on Leicestershire Traded Services website:- <u>http://www.leicestershiretradedservices.org.uk/Page/1555</u> Please let the school know of any special dietary requirements.

Medicines in school

Please be reminded that **all** medicines must be given to the school office staff. Please fill out a form in the office if you need a medicine to be given to your child during school hours.

School Uniform

Uniform is ordered online. Please log on via the link below

<u>http://www.brigade.uk.com/direct/index.php?pdPage=login</u>. Items will be sent directly to you at home. There is free delivery to your home with orders over £50. Alternatively, any order amount can be delivered to school for free.

Payment for book bags, recorders etc.

When paying for items available from the office, **please bring the correct money as the office does not keep any petty cash for change.** Prices are as follows:

Book bags £6.00, Recorder books: £3.50, Recorders: £9 or £16, School hats: £2.50