

Dear parents and carers,

It is hard to believe that we are approaching the end of our first half term. It has been a very action-packed and exciting half term, with the dedicated staff team continuing to provide a great range of engaging and enriching activities for pupils in class, outside and out of school! It has been lovely to welcome new families to the school, including our new reception pupils.

We are currently in the middle of our Parent, Pupil Teacher consultations. It has been lovely to see so many of you throughout the session that has taken place so far. I look forward to the remainder of the consultations. Thank you for your support of your child's education. If you have already attended, you may have noticed a change to our Success at Shelford reflection prompt. We have included our Shelford Star as part of this to enable pupils to reflect on the personal qualities we strive to nurture in school.

Last week, our Y2 pupils travelled to the Chocolate Museum. They learnt about the historical and geographical context of chocolate production... as well as some of their own chocolate production! Photos can be found in the website updates box (*right*)

In-line with our vision as *a community of life-long learners,* Teachers from cluster primary schools and Sawston Village College met together for an evening of networking and professional development with respect to curriculum. This is part of the work I shared at our Meet the Teacher event for us to develop our curriculum even further, in-line with our school's vision.

Yesterday, pupils in Y1 and Y2 enjoyed a range of themes in their Science Workshops led by Mundipharma. Pupils in Reception and Y1 took part in skeleton related activities, while Y2 enjoyed a workshop on digestion. Pupils enjoyed the hands-on activities! Wednesday 16th October 2019

- Newsletter in 30 seconds...
  Parent, Pupil, Teacher Consultations
- Y2 visit
- Cluster Meeting
- Science Workshops
- Collective Worship
- Ministry Team

Website updates... Have you seen...?

Y2 trip to the chocolate museum



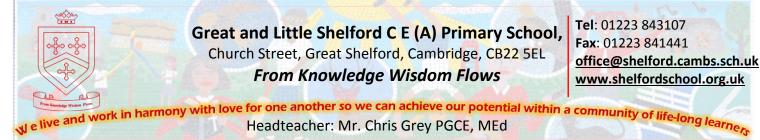
Collective Worship page

The Bellbird Primary @bellbirdprimary · 10 Oct Such a great meeting - so many thoughts and ideas to share.

Stapleford CPS @Stapleford\_CPS · 10 Oct Our cluster group working together on the curriculum. @Duxford\_School @bellbirdprimary @SawstonVC #williamWestleyschool







In part of our work around developing our Collective Worship even further this year, we have been engaging in some fantastic pupil-led Collective Worship sessions. This week, a group of Y6 pupils explored the theme of trust as part of friendship. They told the story of Noah's Ark, which pupil volunteers acted at the front, before playing a blindfolded trust game. We have also developed a section related to recent themes explored in Collective Worship, which is displayed on our altar and website.

This week, Y 5 pupils were invited to apply for an internal vacancy in the school to form a new pupil leadership team: The Ministry Team. This role was shared with the Y5 pupils in class and listed on the school's website. Those children that registered their interest were interviewed by Mrs. Alderson, Mr. Cuff and me. I am very pleased to announce that we were able to offer the role of Ministry Team Member to the following pupils:





Charlotte N Astrid M	Sara B	Oliver S	Max A	Filip B
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Creativity

I wish you and your families a peaceful and restful half term holiday together.

With best wishes, Chris Grey Headteacher

# Announcements

# Flu vaccinations

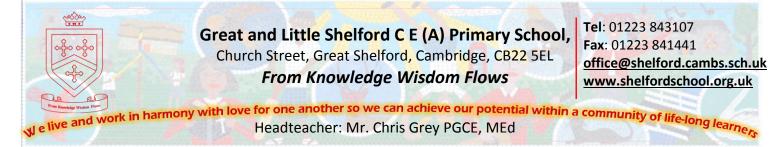
Responsibility

Parents are still able to consent for their children to have the vaccination if they haven't already done so. The deadline for this is tomorrow (Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October). Please use the following link:

# https://tinyurl.com/y2czpk2a If you should need any further information please call the School Immunisations Team directly on 0300 555 5055 Kindness Resilience BRITISH Good INTERNATIONAL Provider 2018-21 2017/18 ambridg The Church of England

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#### Change to menu

We will be operating our new menu when we return from half term. This can be found on the school website or pick up a hard copy from the office We will be starting back on week 2, however for Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct the menu will differ slightly (as below). The rest of the week will follow week 2 as normal.

# Monday 28th Oct

Stuffed crust Margherita pizza Stuffed crust Roasted veg pizza Jacket potato & vegetarian chilli

Orange & cinnamon roll

# Lunchtime supervisor vacancy

If you or someone you know would be interested in applying for the post of lunchtime supervisor, please see the information on the website under 'vacancies'. The closing date is 31<sup>st</sup> October.

#### Volunteer helper induction

If you would like to attend the induction session on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November (9.05am), please contact the school office.

#### Sawston Village College Parent Drop-in – Today

Mr. Woodcock will be available for parents to drop in from 3:30pm onwards in the Library on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October. This drop in is open to any Year 5 or Year 6 parents who would like to find out more about Sawston Village College, the application process and transition into Year 7.

# School prayer meeting - Thursday 7th November

A small group meet together each term to pray for the school and we'd love more people to join us. We will be meeting at 15 High Street, Little Shelford on Thursday 7th November at 8pm, so please do come along if you are free at that time.

# Aldi promotion

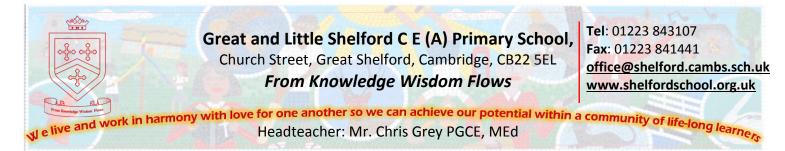
We are taking part in an Aldi (other supermarkets are available!) promotion to be in with a chance of winning 1 of 20 prizes of £20,000 to help build a health legacy for our School e.g. buying or renovating sports equipment, supporting sports teams, healthy eating initiatives etc. The promotion is live (started on Friday 6 September) and runs until Sunday 3 November.

Please collect your Team GB stickers when you spend £30 or more in any Aldi store and bring them into School. We need 300 stickers to enter and you get 1 sticker for every £30 you spend.

More details here: <u>https://getseteatfresh.co.uk/kitforschools</u> and video clip here: <u>https://twitter.com/i/status/1169935975604207617</u> Many thanks

The PTA team





#### **Illness in school**

Please can we remind parents that if your child vomits or has diarrhoea they must be kept off school for <u>48</u> <u>hours</u> after the last episode (as recommended by the NHS and Department for Education). These rules are put in place to limit the spread of illness throughout the school (both for children and staff members). In severe cases it may be necessary for your child to avoid swimming for two weeks to avoid cross contamination. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

# **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.

