



## Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school this week and hear of all their adventures during their half term. I hope that you and your families were able to share some time together and enjoy last week.

Thank you to those of you who expressed wishes of good luck for the school's recent OFSTED Inspection. We are awaiting our outcome of the inspection and will share this with you when it is available. This half term is full of plenty of exciting opportunities, including this week's International Day (further details below). Our Reception pupils have begun their 'Balanceability' course, developing and refining their skills for cycling and our Year 5s will begin their 'Bikeability' course next week. Pupils will also take part in a Remembrance Service in school led by Year 6 on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Class Briefings and Celebration Assemblies**

I am pleased to inform you that the class briefings will focus on inspiring a love of reading and developing the skills of reading comprehension. The format for the sessions is as follows:

<b>2:00pm</b>	<b>2:15pm</b>	<b>2:35pm</b>	<b>2:45pm</b>	<b>2:50pm</b>	<b>3:10pm</b>
Parents' Presentation in the Hall	Pupils arrive in the hall and share an activity with their parents related to the pedagogy / theory covered in the presentation.	Tidy and arrange the hall.	Whole school arrives for Celebration Assembly.  Celebration assembly introduced by the leading class.	Remainder of Celebration assembly continues as usual.	End

The dates are as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Class</b>
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 1
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Year 2
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 3
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 4
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 5

Kind regards, Mr Grey

## **French Club**

SPACES STILL REMAINING - We are holding an Extra-Curricular French Club FREE TASTER SESSION after school on Thurs 8th Nov. This is open to pupils in Year 1 and 2 only and will take place in the Think Tank. We are aware that some pupils attend other clubs after school on Thursdays, so please express your interest even if your child cannot make this taster session. We may be able to arrange for a second taster session and could look to run the club on a different day of the week so as to not conflict with others.

REMINDER - Used Book Sale this Friday after school in the Think Tank. Thank you to those of you who have brought in your book donations. Cakes and biscuits can be brought to the office in a named container on Friday morning. Please help support our Used Book Sale event raising funds for CAMFED!

Many thanks - Mrs Unwin

## **Announcements**

### **Change to menu tomorrow Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Please note that the kitchen will serve roast turkey tomorrow, rather than gammon as advertised.



### **School photos**

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Children will be photographed individually and with siblings in different classes. If you wish your child to be photographed with a younger sibling you can book an appointment between 8.00am and 8.40am. Please contact Alison Melton via Classlist, or email the PTA at [pta@shelfordschool.org.uk](mailto:pta@shelfordschool.org.uk) to arrange time slot.

### **Poppy appeal**

Poppies will be available to buy from the 1<sup>st</sup> November. As in previous years, children from Year 6 will

### **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.

### **Scooters**

Please can we remind parents that all scooters should be stored in the scooter racks during the school day, rather than in the car park.

### **Chat with Champs Evening** - helping our children live more confident and happier lives.

All Saints Little Shelford invite parents and carers to an evening with Beckie Whitehouse, Confidence and practical life-skills Champs Coach.

8pm Thursday November 8th in the North Building.

A free event with coffee and cake.

Growing up is tough in today's world.- learn tips and techniques to improve your child's confidence and resilience.

### **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**

### **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 £2.30 per meal or £11.50 per week. The school is not able to allow debts of more than £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 [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) . 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:- <http://www.leicestershiretradedservices.org.uk/Page/1555> 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

<http://www.brigade.uk.com/direct/index.php?pdPage=login>. 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**