Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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"Inspiring hearts and minds"

School Newsletter

Summer Term Five 2021 - Issue 1

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Value for the next two weeks: Trust

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

Psalm 56:3

Dear Shellingford School Family,

Welcome back to the summer term! I trust you all had a relaxing holiday and a happy Easter. It was good to see the sun shining too and we were blessed with some warmer days so let us hope it continues! We would like to extend a warm welcome to Miss Sarah Hill who will be joining our team this term and teaching the children in Class 2.

Thank you so much to everyone for supporting the FoSS Easter stall and Easter Trail at the end of last term – a marvellous £445.96 was raised. The Non-Uniform Day raised £158.00, and we were also very impressed with the Easter Bonnets and clearly much effort had gone into creating these. Here are some photographs of the winning entries:







We begin the new term thinking about Trusting others in our daily Collective Worship. We will be reflecting on how 'Trust' must be earned and if we do not trust someone it is very hard to build a good friendship with them. I have attached one of the Home School Value activity sheets which we hope families might find helpful to explore together at home.

Curriculum

Our whole school topic this term is 'Going for Gold' and has a focus on History. Please read the relevant Curriculum Newsletter for your child/ren which our teachers have prepared to give you an overview of work covered in each class, along with a list of things you can do at home to support your child's learning (see attachments.)

There will also be a real emphasis on developing the children's Growth Mindset and 'can do' attitude, as well as encouraging them to be independent and think for themselves. These are areas which we have found particularly noticeable since the children have returned to school. As a whole school we talk about

our 'Shellingford School Learning Culture' approach during lessons to enable the children to be successful learners. We would appreciate anything you can do promote this at home, such as modelling getting things wrong sometimes and showing how you learn from it! Our Learning Culture is on our <u>school website</u> for you to look at.

Diary Dates for the Summer Term

I have included some key dates at the end of this newsletter which you may like to add to your diary, details of which will follow as the term progresses. We have planned some really exciting events for the children such as a Dance Workshop and a Climbing Wall. We are delighted to welcome back Cotswold Forest Schools and have scheduled a number of sessions throughout the Summer Term for each class. We have also re-arranged for the Chickenwired Sculpture Workshop to take place which you may recall we had to postpone in January.

School Uniform and equipment reminders

We would appreciate your support with the following:

Please ensure that children bring to school daily the appropriate school PE kit, art apron and book-bag (containing reading book, home-school diary and homework) to support curriculum activities. We understand that occasionally these items are forgotten but when frequently left at home it makes it difficult for the children to fully access the curriculum.

Water bottles are also a vital item which must be brought into school every day. Bottles can be purchased from FoSS at a cost of £3.00 for 1 or £5.00 for 2. Spare lids are available at 60p per lid. Please speak to a member of the FoSS committee.

We always aim to use our wonderful school grounds and to take learning outdoors throughout the school year. Please ensure that the children now bring a sun hat (clearly named) to school every day. Sun-cream should be applied before school. If in exceptional circumstances sun-cream needs to be reapplied during the school day the children need to do this themselves. Please provide labelled sun-cream which can be kept in school. Please can the children continue to have wellington boots in school every day - just in case the weather is not on our side! Thank you.

Home Learning Surveys

You will recall that a Home Learning Survey was sent out last term and attached to this newsletter are the results from both pupils and parents. We would like to thank you for this feedback.

Mrs Thorp's Bench

Following Mrs Thorp's retirement as a Teaching Assistant at Christmas, the Thorp family have given the school a bench with the words 'May God hold you in the hollow of His hand' inscribed on the seat. Mrs Thorp had been involved in the school for over thirty years. During the Easter holidays the bench has been placed on the field for everyone to enjoy.



FoSS: Bag2School Collection - Wednesday 19th May

Please sort out any secondhand adults or children's clothing, shoes, handbags, hats, belts, scarves, ties, soft toys and bring into school on the above collection date. Thank you for your support.

Requests and Deadlines

There are a number of events taking place in the Summer Term and it is important for your child to be able to participate in these, but they can only do so if consent and payments have been made by the deadline specified. Deadlines are in place for a reason, and we cannot extend deadlines set. We would appreciate if parents could continue to check emails regularly to ensure information and deadlines are not missed. If you think you are not receiving correspondence from the school, then we ask that you please ring the School Office to confirm your correct email address. Thank you.

All existing **COVID-19** measures currently remain in place for schools such as the staggered drop-off and collection times, and the children remaining in their 'Class Bubbles' throughout the school day. We will keep you updated should any Government guidance and Public Health England advice change.

With Best Wishes.

Judith R Terrell

DIARY DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM:

SUMMER TERM FIVE		
Week	Date / Time	Event
1	Monday 19 th April	Summer Term Five begins
	Thursday 22 nd April	SEN Telephone Consultations (all day)
2	Thursday 29 th April	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
3	Wednesday 5 th May	FoSS: General 'Virtual' Meeting (6.30pm)
	Thursday 6 th May	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
	Friday 7 th May (am)	National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP): EYFS &
		Year 6 (School Health Nurse Team)
	Tuesday 11 th May	Whole School Event: Dance Days Workshop and FoSS
4		'Carnival themed' Non-School Uniform Day
	Thursday 13 th May (2.00pm)	Ascension Day Service
	Friday 14 th May	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
	Monday 17 th May	Whole School Event: Chickenwired Sculpture Workshop
5	Wednesday 19 th May	FoSS: Bag2School Collection Day
		Photogenic Photographers: Class photographs
	Thursday 20 th May	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
6	Thursday 27 th May	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
	Friday 28 th May	End of Summer Term Five (school closes at 3.00pm – Classes
		1 & 3; and 3.15pm for Classes 2 & 4)

SUMMER TERM SIX		
1	Tuesday 8 th June	Summer Term Six begins
	, and any or your	(school opens at 8.45am)
	Wednesday 9th June (3.30 – 4.30pm)	New Parents meeting for September 2021 Foundation
		children - TBC
	Thursday 10 th June	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
		FoSS: Events Meeting (7.30pm)
	Friday 11 th June	Photogenic Photographers: Y6 Leavers photograph
2	Wednesday 16th June (pm)	New FS children visit and school transition session
	Thursday 17 th June	Photogenic Photographers: Whole School photograph - TBC
	Friday 18 th June	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
3	Tuesday 22 nd – Thursday 24 th June	Whole School Event: ShWimbledon
	Wednesday 23rd June (pm)	New FS children visit and school transition session
	Friday 25 th June	Whole School: Cotswold Forest Schools
	Monday 28 th June – Friday 1 st July	Year 6 – Cycling Proficiency
4	Tuesday 29 th June (pm)	New FS children visit and school transition session
	Wednesday 30 th June	FoSS: Annual General Meeting (6.30pm)
	Friday 2 nd July	Annual Reports sent out to Parents
	Tuesday 6 th July (pm)	New FS children visit only (no school transition session)
5	Wednesday 7 th July	Whole School Event: Adventure Plus Climbing Wall
	Thursday 8 th July	SEN Telephone Consultations (all day) - TBC
6	Tuesday 13 th & Wednesday 14 th July	Year 6: FCC Transfer Days - TBC
	Tuesday 13 th July (6.15pm)	Whole school summer production - TBC
	Wednesday 14 th July (6.15pm)	Whole school summer production - TBC
	Monday 19 th July (pm)	EYFS / KS1 Sports Day
7	Tuesday 20 th July (pm)	KS2 Sports Day
	Wednesday 21st July (2.00pm)	Year 6 Leavers Service
	Thursday 22 nd July	End of school year
	-	(school closes at 1.30pm for the summer holidays)

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