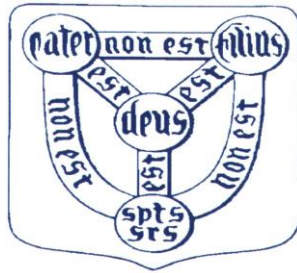


Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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"Inspiring hearts and minds"

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Value for the next two weeks: Honesty and Sincerity

If you want to be trusted, be honest.

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Dear Shellingford School Family,

Thank you for supporting **THE POPPY APPEAL**; The Royal British Legion wish to send their heartfelt thanks for your very generous donations.

Our recent service of **REMEMBRANCE AND DEDICATION AT ST FAITH'S CHURCH** was a very poignant occasion for the school community. We would like to give a very special thanks to Mr Tom Scrivens, and Mr Wally Priest from The Royal British Legion who were in attendance and to The Reverend Jeremy Goulston for leading the service. The school sang three moving songs, each class presented a wreath and poppies were laid as a mark of respect:



We have also had a very positive **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK** which focused on this year's message '**Make a Noise about Bullying.**' Across the school we have been delivering lessons, assemblies and different cross-activities to remind everyone whether it's in school, at home or in the community to make a noise and put a stop to bullying.

Thank you also for supporting our 'Run Pudsey' CHILDREN IN NEED event today. The children had a great time walking across the fields, and taking part in the exercise challenges! We raised £80.00 for the appeal, thank you.

20 mph POSTER COMPETITION

Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) would like to encourage children to enter a competition to design a poster to help promote 20 mph speed limits in their communities. An envelope was sent home last week via the children's book-bags with a template and other activities. If your child would like to enter this competition, please return the poster template with your child's design to the School Office by **Friday 1st December 2023**. Oxfordshire County Council will then make the winning entry into a roadside poster that will be displayed in the local area. This competition is for children in Key Stage 1 (Class 2) and Key Stage 2 (Class 3 & 4).

Reminders and information for the next two weeks:

WHOLE SCHOOL CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY – Friday 24th November (2.30 – 3.00pm)

Our next whole school Celebration Assembly this term is taking place on the above date. Each class will be sharing some of their recent learning and all parents are welcome to attend.

SHELLINGFORD CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 25th November (10.00 – 12noon)

Do come along to support our community. The church together with the village, FoSS and the school will be running several stalls in the Community Hall.

All the children are making and baking products to sell.



Please remember that our next **GENERAL MEETING on Wednesday 29th November at 6.30pm** here at school. Anyone is welcome to join the meeting. Please contact our Co-Chairs of FoSS, Mrs Natalie Cocks or Mrs Jo Perkins for more information: friendsofshellingfordschoolpta@gmail.com

THURSDAY 23RD NOVEMBER– WREATH MAKING WORKSHOP (6.30pm – 8.30pm)

in the Community Hall

£30 a ticket includes all materials, mince pies and mulled wine.

RE AND WORSHIP QUESTIONNAIRES FOR PARENTS

Please can I ask if you would kindly set aside a few moments to return our RE and CW questionnaire. All church schools receive an inspection to evaluate how well the school's Christian ethos and values impact on the development and achievement of the children. We would appreciate your views and welcome your suggestions. Please either email your completed questionnaires to the School Office or post them in the letter box by the main front door.

Thank you.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am pleased to inform you that Mr Ian Anslow has been elected unopposed as a Parent Governor.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

The last week of After-School Clubs is Monday 27th November. *There will be no After-school Clubs for the last three weeks of the term.*

SEPTEMBER 2024 FOUNDATION STAGE (RECEPTION) ADMISSIONS

A reminder for anyone with siblings or anyone with pre-school children that we are taking appointments to view the school for September 2024 Foundation Stage (Reception) places. Please contact the School Office and we would be delighted to show you around. Parents are required to complete an online application by the 15th January 2024 through the Oxfordshire Local Authority <http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/primaryadmissions> There are also places available in other years, particularly the younger year groups due to the decline in national birth rates. If you know of any families interested in our school then please ask them to contact the School Office.

EYFS and KS1 CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION – ROCK THE BABY

Our Nativity Play for parents of children in Class 1 and 2 is on Tuesday 5th December (6.00pm) and Wednesday 6th December (1.30pm). Ticket information will follow next week. In previous years, we have relied upon volunteers who have offered to film the nativity for Class 1 and 2 parents. However this year we currently have no-one to do this. If any parent (or family friend) is able to film the nativity production please contact the School Office by next Friday 24th November. We will then need to obtain GDPR Photograph and Video Consent for each child in Class 1 and 2.

SPRING TERM - SCHOOL LUNCHES and AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Finally will be setting up the school lunches and After-School Clubs for the Spring Term for parents to book meals/clubs and make payments in the next couple of weeks. Please look out for an email notification from the School Office.

With best wishes,

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