Shellingford CE (A) Primary School

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School Newsletter

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Value for the next two weeks: Endurance

I can do all things through Him who gives me strength.

Philippians 4:13

Dear Shellingford School Family,

The whole school experienced a wonderful day out at our annual visit to The Watermill Theatre to watch the Michael Morpurgo adaption of **PINOCCHIO**. The children were a credit to our school. We all were mesmerised by the superb acting, music and dancing and some of our older children enjoyed some audience participation, fully immersing themselves in the creative production.

We have also had a very positive **ANTI-BULLYING WEEK** which focused on this year's message '**Choose Respect.**' Across the school we have been delivering lessons and different activities to remind everyone whether it's in school, at home or in the community to focus on the actions they can take to choose respect and what they can do to stop bullying.



Thank you also for supporting our 'Dance-A-Thon!' CHILDREN IN NEED event. The children had a great time dancing throughout the afternoon! We raised £174.62 for the appeal, thank you.

Reminders and information for the next two weeks:

WHOLE SCHOOL CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY - Friday 29th 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. FoSS will also be holding their Christmas Stall on the green at the front of the school at 3.15pm.

SHELLINGFORD CHURCH CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 30th 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 27**th **November at 6.30pm** here at school. Anyone is welcome to join the meeting. Please contact our FoSS Chair Mrs Laura Bond for more information: friendsofshellingfordschoolpta@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY - FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER (5.00 – 7.00PM)
Tickets are £5.00 plus £2.50 for food (optional). Booking deadline 29th November 2024.

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 (see attached). 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.

AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS – LAST WEEK OF CLUBS

The last week of After-School Clubs is Monday 25th November. *There will be no After-School Clubs for the last three weeks of the term.*

SEPTEMBER 2025 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 2025 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 2025 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 - A MIRACLE IN TOWN

Our Nativity Play for parents of children in Class 1 and 2 is on Tuesday 10th December (6.00pm) and Wednesday 11th December (1.30pm). Ticket information will follow next week. We will also need to obtain GDPR Photograph and Video Consent for each child in Class 1 and 2. More details to follow.

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, Iudith R Terrell

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