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Headteacher: Mr. Chris Grey PGCE, MEd

Wednesday 11th November 2020

Dear members of the Great and Little Shelford community,

Over the past week, pupils, staff and a parent have been preparing for our Remembrance Service today. This has been shared in school with all pupils today and you can view it [here](#). I am very grateful to Mrs. Alderson, Mrs. Weston and the Year 6 pupils for leading, organising and preparing the service. Major Carrothers very kindly recited a poem to introduce our 2 minutes silence. It has been lovely to find a way to continue this important service and reflection on *our country's story so far*.



Continuing with the theme of *our story so far*, our [Thursday collective worship](#) sessions continue to explore different responses to our curriculum threads. Thinking about the school's *story so far*,

we have been pleased to welcome Miss Kingman to Y1 this week as a Teaching Assistant. We are also pleased to welcome Rocky to our Reception Class. Thinking ahead to the school's usual traditions, we are keen to continue the ways in which we can preserve the school's unique traditions and events, whilst applying some Shelford *creativity* to adapt to our current restrictions (please see the safety reminders – *right*). Below are three events we have managed to preserve, with some adaptations:

EFYS & KS1 Nativity	KS2 Carols by Candlelight	Shelford Christmas Day
Pre-recorded video	Pre-recorded video	Day for pupils in school
Available for the Week Commencing 14 th December	Available for the Week Commencing 14 th December	Takes place on Friday 18th December 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Variety of responses through acting, singing and dancing; Involvement from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mixture of traditional readings with modern and traditional carols and music; Some congregational carols built into the service for families to sing-a-long at home! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils attend in smart party clothes; Service for pupils in school; Celebrations for Christmas, including school traditions; School Christmas dinner; Pantomime via Zoom to each classroom.

This year more than ever we will be looking towards videoing and sharing services and events. Therefore, if you have not yet given photography permission for your child to appear on the school website, we may approach you directly for a one-off consent to enable us to plan how we film services and events.

Before October half term, we sent home Interim Reports for Y1-Y6 pupils based on the first few weeks of the new academic year. We would be very grateful if you could complete the [very brief survey](#) to confirm you received this safely.

On Friday, pupils are welcome to wear a spotty accessory with their uniform to mark Children in Need. On Monday 16th November, it is our Odd Socks Day to mark Anti-bullying week!

With best wishes, Chris Grey

Newsletter in 30s:

- Remembrance Service;
- Christmas traditions;
- Safety reminders;
- Interim report survey;
- Children in need;
- Odd socks day.

Safety Reminders

Thank you for continuing to support the safe arrival and collection of pupils. Below are some helpful reminders:

- Only **one adult** should drop or collect pupils from each family.
- If your child is in Y5 or Y6, consider signing the [online walking agreement](#). This would reduce the number of adults collecting from the site.
- Non-school **siblings** should not attend the school site where possible.
- **Face coverings** are recommended for adults at arrival and collection times, with the exception of those exempt for medical reasons.
- Please use the **waiting zones** where they are marked for R, Y1, Y2, Y5, Y6 to allow for a pathway through the grounds.





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Celebration Worship - 6th November 2020

As pupils joined the Teams call, we shared a video of inspirational quotes by influential people - linked to Monday's Collective Worship on All Saints.

Signed gathering: Leader: *We live and work in harmony* **Response:** *With love for one another*

Silver Bins (tidiest classes): Y1; Y4

Dinner Winners: Y6

Heateacher's Awards:

- **Rosie B-E** - for excellent art pieces inspired by Monet and Van Gogh.
- **Sam P** - for a beautiful painted tartan design.
- **Jasper C** - for a cartoon strip illustration of how a Christian might be a good steward of God's creation.
- **Max M** - for a beautiful paper garden, suggesting how a Christian might be a good steward of God's creation.
- **Emily F** - for a wonderfully engaging and beautifully presented letter to Ethel from the Worst Witch.
- **Alfie D** - for a focused and thorough piece of work on co-ordinating conjunctions.

Signed sending: Leader: *We can achieve our potential* **Response:** *Within this community of life-long learners*

Housepoints: this week's winning house is the house of courage, domus fortium- the Stags.

Announcements

PTA

Raise funds while you shop!

With Black Friday on its way, why not raise a bit of extra money for the PTA when you shop online?

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that has the same products, prices and service as Amazon.co.uk BUT when you shop on AmazonSmile Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to your chosen charity. There is **no extra cost to you** - the donation is made by Amazon. When you visit AmazonSmile you simply choose Great and Little Shelford School PTA as your chosen charity. And then start all your Amazon shops on smile.amazon.co.uk to support the PTA.

With **easyfundraising** you can raise free donations for the PTA whenever you buy anything online. There are over 4,000 shops and sites – including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds. All you need to do is sign up on the easyfundraising website and visit the site before you shop online.

You can find out everything you need to know about using both websites [here](#). Every penny raised through these websites will help raise valuable funds for the PTA to support the school's activities and equipment.

Advent Windows

Great Shelford Free Church invite you to create an Advent Window! Create a Christmas themed window, take a photo of it, and send it to us at administrator@shelfordfreechurch.org.uk by the 10th of December. On each day of Advent we will reveal a different window on our website!

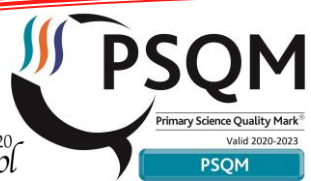
You can be as imaginative and creative as you want! You can use paints, papers, models and other accessories to decorate your window. Ideally your window will be stuck to the window inside your home and visible from the street. Will your window be one of those to be revealed on our website? Photos should be accompanied by names and contact details (addresses) of the creators.

Have fun creating!!

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Do you have links with other schools?

We were delighted that School Council recommenced this week. As part of our International Schools Award re-accreditation, School Council are lead an **international** competition. We are inviting schools to respond to the question: *Is it the responsibility of the young to protect the planet?* The competition is open to all schools across the world. We have been very fortunate to invite our current partner schools in other countries and those that the school currently has links with in the UK. However, if you know of a school you feel would be interested in taking part, please let us know. Initial details on the competition can be found [here](#).

Shelford COVID Support Group

The Shelford COVID Support group has been created to help people access basic amenities (shopping, prescriptions, post etc.) should they become unable to do so as a result of COVID. We have a network of 78 volunteers who ensure every street in Great Shelford has at least one key, local contact who are willing to give their time to do this. In the first instance, touch base with Chris Smith - Christopher.i.smith3@gmail.com and you will receive details of your local volunteer.

Art Competition

ENTRY DETAILS:

"Cambridge is..."

Draw or paint a picture representing what you love about Cambridge the most. It could be the people, the buildings, the parks, the cows, the bikes, the shops, your school - anything that you love!

- Deadline is midnight on **4th December 2020**
- Entrants must be 12 years or younger and affiliated to a Cambridgeshire-based school or nursery
- Please submit your drawing or painting on A4 size paper
- Accompanying your picture, please submit your full name, age, contact details, and the name of your school
- Please post your entry, along with your contact information, to Bidwells, Marketing Department, Bidwell House, Trumpington Road, Cambridge, CB2 9LD

For further details, head to: www.bidwells.co.uk/artcomp

BIDWELLS

Art Competition 'Cambridge is...'

What does Cambridge mean to you?
What do you love about the city? - the people, buildings, the parks?

Draw it!
Send us a drawing or painting of your favourite thing(s) about Cambridge for your chance to win £50 worth of art tools for yourself and £450 for your school.

Deadline 4 December
Entrants must be 12 years or under. Winners will be announced in January 2021.

Send your entries and contact details to:
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Entries must be on A4 size paper

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