

Dear members of the Great and Little Shelford community,

I hope this week's newsletter finds you all well. It is hard to believe that we are over halfway through November already! Pupils in school have been enjoying their topics related to Our Story so Far and have also been enjoying our <u>Thursday Collective Worship</u> sessions – led by a variety of staff members - that relate to this thread.

Looking at the school's story so far, we have been proud in recent years to continue to maintain and develop our International School Award. Internationalism is an area that is currently alive in school. We recently celebrated our new partnership with Secteur Solaire

Wednesday 18th November 2020

Newsletter in 30s:

- International Projects;Odd Socks Day and
- Anti-bullying Week
- Report Reply Slip
- Mask reminder
- Hamper Raffle

Annour – a school at the foot of the Atlas Mountains in Morocco. You may remember the wonderful <u>video</u> they shared with us at the start of our partnership. Both schools have also been taking part in a variety of projects linked to our countries and sharing these via 'Padlet' (*below*)



As you can see from the variety of the above communication it has already proven to be a very successful link in exploring opinions, differences and preconceptions about each country. Year 3 also explored a little more about Morocco and looked at traditional artefacts. They wanted to know more from our School in Morocco and to check that our perceptions were accurate. (*below*)





the world that might be interested, please signpost them to this letter.

On Monday, we enjoyed the start of our Antibullying week – marking it by wearing odd socks (*right*)! This highlighted how we are all unique but treated equally and fairly. Children have been completing specific activities in classes, as well as the whole school sharing themed Collective Worship sessions.



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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 <u>very brief survey</u> to confirm you received this safely.

With best wishes, Chris Grey

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Celebration Worship - 13th November 2020
As pupils joined the Teams call, we reflected on our <u>Remembrance Service</u> from Wednesday.
We opened the celebration worship with our signed gathering statement linked to our school vision:
Leader: We live and work in harmony Response: With love for one another
Sporting Achievements:
Virtual Cross Country:
o Bronze - Lily and Theodore
o Silver - Hannah and Tom
o Gold - Lelaini
• School Sports Partnership Friendship Run: All pupils that took part in Y1, Y4 and Y5 have received 2 house points.
Silver Bins (tidiest classes): Y2; Y5 Dinner Winners:Y4
Star Writers: Joseph S - for applying great focus in writing an interesting interview with an eye-witness who has just seen the Loch Monster; Jake W - for thoughtful questions with descriptive detail in your interview with an eye-witness who has just seen the Loch N
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- Hannah B Great determination and resilience in completing the Friendship Run.
- Eloise L Excellent growth of confidence and reasoning in maths.
- Issy H-W Lovely, original and carefully-sculpted clay Loch Ness Monster.

House Points: this week's winning house is the house of excellence, domus praestantium- the Owls.





Announcements

Site Safety

Please remember – only one adult per family should bring or collect pupils from the school site. All adults bringing or collecting pupils are recommended to wear face coverings. Please do observe this guidance as it is for the safety of all the pupils and enables the school to remain open.

<u> PTA</u>

CHRISTMAS RAINBOW HAMPER RAFFLE – BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW

Even though we won't be having a fundraising event this Christmas, the PTA will still be running the annual Christmas Rainbow Hamper Raffle. Tickets are now on sale at **£1 each** (buy as many as you like!). You'll be in with a chance to win one of seven beautiful colour-themed Christmas hampers – filled with gorgeous goodies.

Class reps are kindly organising the hampers so please do donate a coloured item to your year group's hamper collection.

Tickets will be on sale until **Thursday 10 December** and the winners will be chosen at random on **Monday 14 December**. Mr Grey will be drawing the raffle and hampers will be available for delivery/collection during the last week of term. To buy a ticket or tickets please **send Hannah Mohamad a message on Classlist** with the number of tickets you'd like. You will need to transfer the money for your tickets to the PTA bank account (**Sort: 30-91-74 and Account No: 01248038**) using the reference **Xmas Raffle**.

Once the money has been received you will be sent an image of your tickets and your ticket numbers. If you're a lucky winner we will let you know on 14 December and you will then be able to arrange collection of your hamper with the relevant class rep.

Thank you and GOOD LUCK! 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 <u>smile.amazon.co.uk</u> 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 <u>here</u>. Every penny raised through these websites will help raise valuable funds for the PTA to support the school's activities and equipment.





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live and work in harmony with love for one another so we can achieve our potential within a community of life-long learn. Headteacher: Mr. Chris Grey PGCE, MEd

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 <u>administrator@shelfordfreechurch.org.uk</u> 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!!

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 - <u>Christopher.i.smith3@gmail.com</u> and you will receive details of your local volunteer.

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Create a Christmas-themed window. Take a photo and send it to us by Dec 10th Each day of advent we will reveal a different window on our website. For more info visit shelfordfreechurch.org.uk

Art Competition 'Cambridge is...'

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

Drawit!

Sendus 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: Bidwell, Marketing Department Bidwell House, Timopington Road Cambridge, C82 9LD

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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 Cambridgeshirebased 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

