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*We live and work in harmony with love for one another so we can achieve our potential within a community of life-long learners*

Headteacher: Mr. Chris Grey PGCE, MEd

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear members of the Great and Little Shelford community,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your family well. As I write to you this week, I can see and hear the school's **creative** curriculum being delivered very enthusiastically! Squeals of excitement are coming from the School Church Garden (and that's just the staff!). Year 2 are currently extinguishing the 'Great Fire of Shelford'! (No children were warmed in this dramatisation.) Later on today, they will also enjoy their virtual visit to the Museum of London. Meanwhile, Year 4 are preparing for their virtual visit tomorrow afternoon to the Museum of Ely and Year 6 are gearing up for their adventurous day at Grafham Water. In addition, Year 3 will enjoy a Medieval Castle Day on Tuesday, with a visit from History off the Page.

This week, we were delighted to see some of the results of our continued partnership work – in line with our **community of life-long learners**. [This animation](#) was born from the relationship between our STEM Ambassadors at The Wellcome Trust and us. We are delighted that the pupils were involved in the script writing and delivery advice to tailor it for children.

We were also delighted to receive the news that we have been nominated for a Music Mark award. This nomination was made by Cambridgeshire Music as we were recognised as being 'highly supportive of music'. Music is a significant part of the identity of the school and our shared love and strength of this partly informed our inclusion of the scripture passage **live in harmony**, when forming our school vision. We are delighted our commitment has been recognised and look forward to continuing to develop music at Shelford, including adapting procedures to keep it alive within the current restrictions.

Year 3 are busy preparing for our annual Harvest Service. This will take place in St. Mary's church with Year 3 pupils and staff only. We will be recording the service this year so that all pupils can take part in it in their bubbles. We are aiming to publish it on the school website, so that families can enjoy the service too. Naturally, we are not able to accept donations of food this year. Therefore, we have set up a [Just Giving page](#) for Jimmy's Cambridge as our Harvest fundraiser. You can also add Gift Aid to help the charity receive even more. You may also or alternatively wish to make donations of food directly to a food bank.

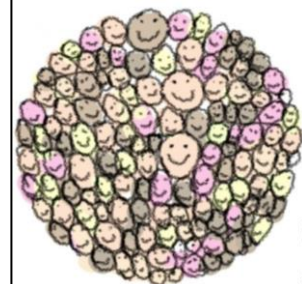
As with Meet the Teacher and Harvest, we are aiming to be as creative as possible with the annual events so that we can still share these as a community in a safe format. Watch this space for Remembrance, the Nativity, Carols by Candlelight and more!

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to the community for the incredibly generous support of the PTA. Whether through book donations on the [wish list](#), donations of funds to the [laptop appeal](#) or in undertaking a role within the PTA, we are all hugely grateful.

With best wishes,  
Chris Grey

### Newsletter in 60s

- Creative curriculum!
- DNA Animation
- Music Mark
- Harvest
- Thank you!



*We are all different*

*What does DNA do? – an animation to explain.*



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**Announcements**

**Parking**

Please park **responsibly!** It can damage the school's reputation amongst the village community if you are seen to be parking carelessly or illegally.

**PTA**

**New appointments needed for Shelford PTA**

Do you fancy getting a bit more involved? Do you want to help fundraise for additional resources and activities for the school? The Shelford School PTA will need a new Chair and Secretary when Sarah and I step down at the October AGM.

Being on the PTA committee is a lot of fun, very rewarding and for a fantastic cause! If you're interested in finding out more about joining the PTA, or think you could be the person for the Chair or Secretary jobs please see [here](#) and contact Hannah Mohamad or Sarah Hallebro via Classlist for any further info. You will be well supported by the members of the PTA, including no less than three former Chairs and two former Secretaries!

**PTA AGM**

Everyone is welcome at the PTA Annual General Meeting which will take place at 8pm on Tuesday, 6th October, by Zoom. You can hear about how your generosity is making the school an even better place for all our children. Please also consider if you'd like to take on the Chair or Secretary role. Hannah Mohamad and Sarah Hallebro would be happy to answer any questions you may have, and they can be contacted through Classlist.

To join the meeting follow the link [here](#) (Meeting ID: 612 802 3143, Password: 0Fv9xD).

**House T-shirts**

House T-shirts will be available to order soon. Watch this space for further details.

**PTA Fundraisers**

As fundraising is a little difficult at the moment while we're unable to hold events in person, there is a really easy way that you can support our school – from the comfort of home. Please see [here](#) for more details. You could also help us to win a £300 donation to the school - if you shop through easyfundraising before 11th October, you will get us an entry into a draw to win!

We are focussing specifically on the key things that the school needs additional funds for - namely LAPTOPS and BOOKS. Without your generosity it just isn't possible for the PTA to support the school with buying these items. So many of you have already been so generous in donating to the laptop fundraiser and buying books from the Amazon wishlist, with books and donations coming in throughout the summer holidays. If you haven't already donated please do consider chipping in - the school urgently needs new laptops and new books for the classrooms and the library.

You can donate to the laptop fundraiser [here](#) - every little really helps and we're now over halfway to raising what we need. And you can buy books direct from Amazon (or elsewhere if you prefer) and have them shipped straight to the school - the school's wishlist is [here](#) - Thank you!

**Sawston Fun Run**

**SAWSTON FUN RUN & WALK CHALLENGE EVENT**  
**SUNDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2020**  
In aid of Sawston Village College Minibus Appeal, Cambridge Aid, Sawston Sports Centre hoist and other local charities and organisations  
**INFORMATION: [www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk](http://www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk)** Follow us on facebook  
**PLEASE SUPPORT THE SPECIAL 100 VOLUNTEER RUNNERS ON THE DAY TO RAISE £10,000 OR DONATE VIA THE WEBSITE**



SCHOOL GAMES SILVER 2018/19  
Cambridge School Sports Partnership  
University of Cambridge Faculty of Education Partner School 2019-2020  
The Church of England Diocese of Ely  
PSQM Primary Science Quality Mark Valid 2020-2023  
MUSIC MARK  
BRITISH COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL AWARD 2018-21  
Ofsted Good Provider