

Kindness

Resilience

THE SHELFORD STAR

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY UPDATE

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

Responsibility

Creativity

29th September 2021

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NEWSLETTER IN 60 SECONDS

Dear Members of the Great and Little Shelford Community,

I hope this week's newsletter finds you and your family well. It has certainly been a busy start to the week at school.

This half term, we commenced our Autumn 1 thread of Identity. This means all our topics link to the theme of identity, but in different and age-appropriate ways.

One way that we have been exploring Identity, through the lens of our school community, has been through creating self-portraits in our hall and the Think Tank. Some of these were so realistic, that they were triggering 'face recognition'!

- Identity Curriculum Thread
- Y3 Medieval Day
- Harvest 2021
- PTA Updates
- Navigating Covid Cases
- Staff Announcements
- Celebration Worship
- Announcements





Y3 Medieval Day

On Tuesday 28th September, Y3 celebrated their Medieval Day with History off the Page. They enjoyed a great variety of immersive activities - some of which you can see below! Thank you to Mrs. Scott for organising the day!

Charging into Battle



Weaving



Making Nosegays



Cooking



Harvest 2021

On 5th October at 2:30pm, Y3 pupils will be leading our Harvest Service 2021. This will be held in St. Mary's for Y3 pupils and **one guest per child**. Each year we support a charity through gifts of food and/or money. This year, we will be supporting the Cambridge Food Bank and a summary of the items they currently need can be found below. **We would be glad to collect items from now onwards until the morning of 5th October.**



Providing 3-days of nutritionally-balanced emergency food to those in crisis

Shopping List

- Bag for life (or similar strong carrier bag)
- Noodles
- Instant coffee and tea bags
- Olive oil 500ml
- Puddings—angel delight, jelly, sponge puddings
- Pasta sauce
- Jam
- Rice
- Ketchup
- Laundry powder

We currently have plenty of baked beans and pasta

PLEASE NOTE: that we CANNOT distribute ALCOHOL, BOTTLED WATER or INFANT FORMULA

ALL GOODS SHOULD BE UNDAMAGED & HAVE LONG BEST BEFORE DATES PLEASE

Thank you for your support!



PTA

Revised date for PTA AGM

Please note the revised date for the PTA AGM is **8pm on Thursday 7 October** via Zoom. This is when the PTA will meet to confirm new members of the PTA and a new Chair and Secretary. All parents are welcome to attend even if they don't want to join the PTA at this point. It's a good opportunity to find out more about what the PTA does. Details will be available soon.

SCHOOL FUNDRAISER THANK YOU!

Our online fundraiser to raise £4,000 to buy additional resources and equipment for next year closed on Friday. We are all astounded to surpass the target and raise a total of £5,070! Sincere thanks to everyone who donated! We are delighted with the amazing support for the work of the school and know that the funds raised will make a tangible difference to all the children's learning and school experiences.

House T-Shirts

The PTA will be organising the **House T-shirts** again this autumn. As soon as we're ready, we'll put information on how to order on Classlist and also in the weekly newsletter. We expect they will be ~£15 each. If you are experiencing financial hardship, please contact the school office, who can liaise with us on the cost.

If anyone would like to donate house t-shirts they no longer need to the PTA, please contact Anna Sidders via Classlist. We'll offer these for sale at a future second hand uniform sale.

PTA Bike Sale

The famous second hand bike sale will be held in Great Shelford Memorial Hall in the morning of Saturday 6th November. If you've got a bike or scooter you'd like to sell, please email shelford.bike.sale@gmail.com

You'll receive 70% of the sale price, with 30% going to the PTA.



Navigating Covid Cases

Firstly, thank you so much for the incredible support from parents, staff and governors over the past week in dealing with the positive cases in the community.

We wrote to families recently to outline the total number of cases since Saturday 25th September. Please do remain vigilant and seek a PCR test if in any doubt. We are also happy to work with and support families that have a confirmed case if they choose to isolate all members of the household.

Staff Appointments

Last Week, Mrs. Alderson, Mrs. Jenkin (Governor) and I were delighted to interview and appoint Miss Moralee and Mrs. Fowler as Teaching Assistants to the Shelford team.

Mrs. Fowler will be working in the Year 5 team and Miss Moralee will be working in Year 6 and Year 1. I am sure you will join me in warmly welcoming them to the school community in the coming weeks.

CELEBRATION WORSHIP

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CPupils gathered together in the hall for our weekly Celebration Worship.

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

Cyril: Mrs. Weston, Mrs. Kingman and Mrs. Alderson - for their excellent commitment to planning and ensuring a wonderful residential visit for our Y6 children. They worked really hard to make it a special and adventurous trip... thank you!

Silver Bins:

- Reception
- Year 4

Dinner Winner:

- Year 4

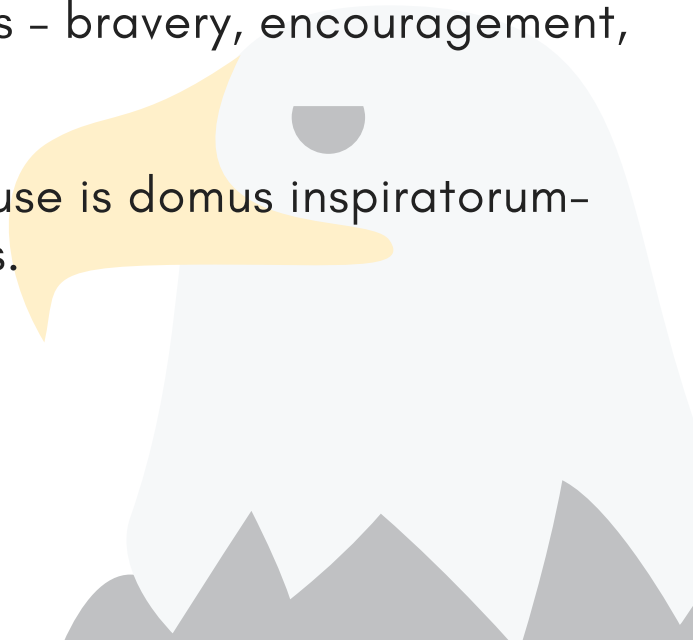
Wonderful Walkers:

- Reception

Headteacher Awards:

- **Joseph S** - real enthusiasm, diligence and perseverance when working on class - especially when making a Roman pot.
- **Seb S, Bea P, and Eleanor HW** - all for meeting a variety of the Grafham Challenge qualities - bravery, encouragement, safety, teamwork

Housepoints: this week's winning house is domus inspiratorum- the house of inspiration - the Eagles.



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPPORTUNITIES, REMINDERS AND EVENTS

HALF TERM ATHLETICS AND NETBALL

South Cambridgeshire Schools Sports Partnership are offering Athletics and Netball Camps during October Half Term. Click for details: [Athletics Camps](#); [Netball Camps](#).



GIRLS' FOOTBALL



WE ARE BACK!

Join us for wildcats, to have fun, make friends and play football

TO BOOK OR ENQUIRE
CONTACT:

BURLING.PAUL@GMAIL.COM

PRICE

£3 a session £30 for block booking

WHEN&WHERE

Starting from:

Friday October 1st

@ Netherhall school

5-6pm

CAMBRIDGE UNITED KICKS FOR FREE

Cambridge United are running some free sessions for children Y5 and upwards. To find out more, see their flyer [here](#). The booking form can be found [here](#).