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Wednesday 27th January 2021

Dear members of the Great and Little Shelford community,

We hope that you are all well and progressing well with home learning. With the recent variety of weather, we have seen brief glimpses of the joy of exploring snow! As you can see below, families have also used this opportunity to get out and take their Healthy Selfies! This week is week 3 and the focus is *Get a Personal Best or Try Something New*. You can see a summary of the weekly themes [here](#). You can send photos to Miss Beck at: year1@shelford.cambs.sch.uk

Newsletter in 30s:

- Healthy Selfie!
- Candlemas
- Arts Day
- Home Learning Photos

This time of year can sometimes feel a little bit 'unpunctuated' with a lack of a particular focus and the journey to the start of Lent can seem a little long! However, Year 2 pupils at home and at school have been busy preparing for our Candlemas Service that we are sharing next Tuesday. We are very grateful that St. Mary's church has also been available for some of our recording.

Another event that normally takes place at the beginning of February is our annual Arts Day. I am delighted to say that Mrs. Ashton (Art Leader) has worked exceptionally hard to plan and adapt for a 2021 virtual art day! Details are below in the announcements section. We look forward to curating the responses!

As ever, it is a delight to see the vast array of submissions and the continued *creativity* and *resilience* of families. From science experiments, to Seder Meals, mountain adventures to Chinese New Year lanterns and Anglo Saxon helmets, it has been wonderful to see the curriculum continuing so well at home. A selection of home learning photographs can be found below! Thank you for your continued support.

Chris Grey
Headteacher

**Healthy Selfie – Week 2
Get Others Involved**



Home Learning Photos:





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Celebration Worship - 22nd January 2021

As pupils joined the Zoom call, we reflected on this week's theme around equality with [this video](#) around Rosa Parks' achievements, linked also to Martin Luther King Day that we explored earlier this week in Collective 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

Star Writer Awards:

Barnes H - for amazing instructions on how to climb a mountain with, a detailed equipment list and good use of fronted adverbials.

Jake H - for amazing instructions on how to climb a mountain. You also demonstrated good subject knowledge during your class Zoom calls.

Georgia F - for a wonderful alternative ending to The Little Red Hen, including speech marks and excellent letter formation.

Sebastian B - for a wonderful character description of a fenland creature that you created named 'the Reacher'.

Zachary G - for a fantastic character description of a Fenland creature, the Dragon-Dog.

Maths Investigator Awards:

Lottie S - for a systematic approach to a tricky maths problem related to 'perfect numbers'. Well done for your impressive resilience and good explanation to your peers via Zoom.

Heateacher's Awards:

- **Dylan P** - for excellent effort with writing at home, especially spelling and letter formation.
- **Hunter M** - for super effort with handwriting at home, practising different pencil patterns and letter formation.
- **Kayley C** - for fantastic progress with your reading since September.
- **Juno C** - for an excellent attitude to home learning, including helping your younger brother with phonics.
- **Austin C** - for excellent progress in reading this year with enthusiasm and a love of challenge.
- **Eloise L** - for an excellent attitude to home learning, including how you celebrate your friends' achievements.
- **Aaron R-G** - for a positive approach to home learning, working hard on all tasks set, with creative responses.
- **Anna D** - for focus and engagement in the class, often contributing with enthusiasm that demonstrates good focus and listening skills.
- **Harriet L** - for a maths investigation into caterpillar number chains. The results were presented in a neat table and demonstrated systematic working.





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- **Molly C** - for a wonderful, colourful Christmas stocking. This showed excellent attention to detail, including beautifully neat and small stitches.
- **Joshua M-J** - for thoughtful, purposeful and analytical work in Science, organising resources and explaining reasoning succinctly.
- **Joseph B** and **Mia R-G** - both for a positive start to home learning that demonstrates excellent effort and pride.
- **Isabelle L, Teddy P** and **Eli C** - all for going above and beyond with wonderful artwork linked to Mrs. Alderson's Collective Worship of the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist.
- **Siobhan Q** - for excellent effort in writing a Sutton Hoo Newspaper report, based on research.
- **Laurence McC** - for excellent work on the Anglo Saxons, both in the amazing Anglo Saxon helmet and the excellent newspaper report.

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

Announcements

Arts Day

We would usually be busy in school preparing for our annual Art Day in February. This year, we have had to change our plans and will be marking Art Day in a different way both at home and at school.

We will be holding an **Art competition** for an artwork made from recycled materials. This is a whole school competition with a prize of Art materials for the winning entry from each class. More details will be given during the week before half term and the closing date for entries will be Monday 22nd February. Families will be able to submit their entries by uploading a photo so that the whole school community may enjoy seeing what everyone has created.

Mrs Ashton, Art Leader

Friday Celebration Worship – Each Friday at 2:35pm

You can use the same details to join this week's Zoom Celebration Worship at **2:35pm**. It is always lovely to gather together and share reasons to celebrate at the end of the week and see some very proud faces! On that note, as in the previous lockdown, you can email your Celia (pupil acts of kindness) or Cyril (adult acts of kindness) nominations to year2@shelford.cambs.sch.uk. Currently, we are not recording the session because of the additional photo permissions required to do so. We announce the awards each Friday on the website and the following Wednesday in the newsletter.

Fundraising for School

We have joined up to My School Fund which is a scheme where parents can link purchases with participating retailers (currently Sainsbury's and Argos) and earn 2% cashback for themselves and 1% for the school. If you'd like to help please link to our school via: <https://www.myschoolfund.org> - registering is free. Many thanks for your support.

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Raise funds while you shop!

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.





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Home Learning Costs

Two very kind donors in Little Shelford have offered to support costs of home learning. Therefore if are finding the costs of paper, ink etc. a burden financially, please contact us via office@shelford.cambs.sch.uk . We can then pass on details sensitively and support where possible.

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.



Virtual Craft Activity

Monday 8 February

4pm-4:30pm

A fun and interactive session full of stories and a craft activity.
Hosted by our Child and Family Centre Workers.

Suitable for families with children 4-7 years

Delivered by Microsoft Team Booking deadline is the day before at 12 noon

Joining instructions and invite will be sent via email.
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