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Wednesday 6th January 2021

Dear members of the Great and Little Shelford community,

Happy New Year! I hope you and your families had a peaceful Christmas.

As you will know, this was not quite the return that any of us had expected. I would like to start by thanking all the members of the community for their *kindness* during Christmas. This was seen in the thoughtful messages, cards and gifts shared with the staff team – thank you on behalf of all of us. 2020 was like no other year and we are incredibly proud of the school community's collective achievements in unprecedented times. Another example of the *kindness* we saw was in the messages relating to the Nativity and Carols by Candlelight concert, not to mention the donations to Save the Children (below).

Newsletter in 30s:

- Welcome Back!
- End of Autumn Term
- Start of Spring Term
- Epiphany and Collective Worship



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There has been so much *kindness* shared by families that are adapting their arrangements to keep their children at home. I - and many of our staff who are keeping our children at home - can relate to the *kind* and significant contribution you are making to keeping our community safe. Thank you for your commitment to your children's learning. Importantly, our fabulous staff team have shown endless *kindness*, support and hard work in their preparation for opening today. From receiving news at 8pm on Monday 4th January, staff have: shifted their entire curricular to home learning; adapted our Recovery Plan; engaged with Critical Worker families around provision; reviewed our Risk Assessment; turned up today at school for work and doubtless many more tasks! On that note, due to every member of staff available working on-site at school, our capacity to further enhance our offer of home learning has been limited. We are endeavouring to continue to add extra online support for families – however, the uptake from Critical Worker families has been around 12 times greater than in March 2020.

We will continue to offer a range of Collective Worship resources. These will predominantly be shared [here](#). You will be able to see Mrs. Alderson's Collective Worship on Epiphany at the top of the page. Tomorrow's Collective Worship will also appear here, focusing on our new curriculum thread: *Our Environment: Local and Global*. At the end of the session, pupils, parents, staff and governors are invited to share their New Year's Resolutions. You can do this through [this](#) page. We will be aiming to hold live Celebration Worship sessions through Zoom each Friday for families at home and children in school. We will confirm the starting date for this with you, along with the necessary link and details.

Once again, thank you everyone for your continued support.
Chris Grey





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Announcements

PTA

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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.

French Club

There are still a few spaces available at Le French Club which takes place on line due to current circumstances.

KS1 French Club: Tuesday 8.00 am -8.30 am

KS2 French Club: Tuesday at 4.45 pm -5.25 pm

Cost is £6 per session. Please email Beata Kovacs

(french.beata@gmail.com) if you'd like to enrol your child for Spring term.

Admissions Consultation

Due to some changes in guidance, we have revised our admissions criteria for the 2022 intake. In accordance with the Admission Code 2014, we must put the proposed criteria out to consultation with local families for at least 6 weeks. This consultation runs until January 10th 2021. The proposed criteria for the 2022 intake can be found on our school website near the bottom of the Admissions page or at [this](#) link. Comments may be directed to the Chair of Governors, Anna Caroe, chair@shelfordschool.org.uk or the school's postal address.

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.

