

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*

20th January 2023

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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. Last Friday, we were delighted to welcome families of children attending Young Voices to Celebration Worship.

- Young Voices
- Staff Update
- Important Reminders
- Whole School Attendance Award
- PTA Announcements
- Celebration Worship

As the school gathered and were sent, the whole school sang 'Sing from your Heart!' At the end of the worship session, the Young Voices choir shared a selection of songs. This included some which required all the pupils and adults to join in with dance moves!



more photos below!

Thank you to Mrs. Alderson for planning and leading the whole experience. On Wednesday, the choir traveled to the O2 Arena and performed with around 8,000 children to around 8,000 adults! I have heard many tales of enjoyment of the event from families and children. What an experience!

Staff Update

This week, we have been pleased to welcome Ms Smith to the Shelford team as a Teaching Assistant in Year 1. I am sure you will join me in warmly welcoming her. Ms Smith brings plenty of educational experience and has strong experience in Year 1.

We currently have a [vacancy for a part-time Teaching Assistant role](#).

Important Reminders

- **PE Kit** is navy blue / black plain tracksuit with the house t-shirt for PE days.
- **Punctuality** – the school day starts at 8:45am with improvement time in class. The gates close at 8:55am. Arrival after this is via the office please to sign in late with a member of staff, ordering lunch.
- **Parking** – in-line with the punctuality reminder above, please do continue to allow enough time to travel to school. If travelling by car, please help us to continue positive relationships with members of the community. The continued parking on double yellow lines makes road use incredibly challenging.

Young Voices



SHELFORD
SCHOOL

YOUNG VOICES 2023



Attendance

This week, we were delighted to be recognised for strong pupil attendance.

We have been recognised as being within the top 10% of schools for our Autumn Term attendance. Meanwhile, we received a second certificate recognising we are in the top 10% of similar schools for our pupil attendance.

The last few years have really highlighted the importance of attendance in school on all aspects of learning.



National School Attendance Award

2022/23 Autumn Term



Great and Little Shelford CofE (Aided) Primary

Top 10% of all FFT Primary Schools in England

PTA Announcements

You are warmly invited to...

*A good ol' knees-up
with 'Catch the Pigeon' Ceilidh band (with caller)*

Saturday 4th February 2023

8pm - 11pm

Great Shelford Memorial Hall, Woollard's Lane



£15 - Includes a Welcome Drink

(Bar and snacks available to purchase on the night by card or cash).

*Limited availability! Reserve your place now by expressing
your interest using the link*

<https://forms.gle/ECGXVhhZZmWFZCiU9>

... pay later!

*All profits to Shelford School PTA
(Registered Charity number 1110813)*





CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Friday 14th January 2023

GATHERING

We entered the hall to a song from Young Voices - **Sing from your Heart**

We gathered with our vision statement - also signed in sign language:

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CELEBRATIONS ->

SENDING

We were sent with our vision statement - also signed in sign language:

we can achieve our potential within a community of life-long learners.

a song from Young Voices - **Sing from your Heart**

Silver Bins - Year 1 and Year 3

Wonderful Walkers - Year 1

Dinner Winners - Year 3

Shelford Mile:

Bronze - Charlotte N, Matylda P, Anna S, Arnav VK, Lola S, Matias B, Jasper C

Star Writer:

Sihali S - for a version of Little Red Ridinghood named 'Little Red Sihali'. This included a good application of phonics, punctuation and descriptive language.

Headteacher Awards:

Willem C - for a fantastic start to Shelford, settling in quickly: learning routines; making friends and developing phonics application.

Ffion M - for excellent writing in lessons throughout the unit on 'Little Red Ridinghood', using a range of vocabulary and punctuation in writing.

Lily-Rose B - for being kind and helpful in the classroom when tidying.

Olivia P - for consistently working hard, listening carefully and setting a great example for others.

Eve C - for being consistently kind and helpful, listening extremely well and always trying hard.

Anesu M - for excellent, hard work in developing handwriting, including work at home.

Emily F - for excellent effort and progress in mathematics.

HOUSEPOINTS

Housepoints: this week's winning house is domus pertendentium - the house of determination - the Red Squirrels

