



Weekly Newsletter

Wednesday 19th September 2018

What a wonderful week it has been since the last newsletter. We have plenty of exciting updates from the past few days, as well as other upcoming events.

175th Anniversary

The celebrations for our 175th Anniversary take place on Friday 28th September. This begins with a church service at 9:30am, followed by the wonderful museum experience that our Key Stage 2 children and teams have been preparing. A big thank you to Rachel Nielson, who has dedicated her time to helping the children understand how to curate the exhibits. Thank you to Mrs. Scott for coordinating the museum project.

'Meet the Teacher' evening

On Thursday 20th September (tomorrow) at 7:30pm, we will be holding our meet the teacher evening in the school hall. This is a fantastic opportunity to get to know the routines for your pupils' classes. I very much look forward to meeting you there, as well as sharing elements of our School Development Plan 2018-2019 with you.

Improving our outdoor environment

A big thank you to Eleanor McCrone, James McCrone, Ben Sidders and all those who were involved in renovating and improving our Reception garden. It looks so inviting, that I would love a chance to explore it properly! Thank you to Ian Wilkinson, who has kindly removed the weeping willow that failed to thrive in its previous location. The School Council voted on replacing it with a new tree – coming soon!

International Schools Award

We are delighted to announce that at the end of last term, Shelford School was awarded the Full Accreditation for the International School Award! We have been on our global learning journey over the course of the past three years and are delighted with this recognition for our school.

Our Assessor's comments included:

"Supplemented by an international curriculum event, the school provides a collaborative, creative curriculum with strong links with pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural learning."

"International themes are integrated across different subject areas, with parents recognising the value of your approach, to pupils' overall development. Exposure to the meaningful opportunities and experiences you present enables pupils to develop self-knowledge, self-esteem and self-confidence, through learning."

"The evaluation process has allowed you to conclude that they have nurtured a positive awareness of current issues and developed a better understanding of their connectivity to their international peers."

The full report can be accessed via the subject page on our school website.

May we please take this opportunity to thank the wider school community for working with us in helping to establish such an enriching global learning curriculum for our children.

Look out for details soon regarding our next International Day which will be after half term.

A huge congratulations to the whole Shelford team for achieving our International Schools Award 2018-2021. A particular thank you to Mrs. Unwin, who coordinated this.

Class List

The PTA would like to ensure that as many parents as possible are aware of 'Class List'. This is a great way to keep in touch with the other parents in your class and should help to ensure good communication between parents. Please get in touch with your class representatives or touch base with any of the PTA representatives at the Meet the Teacher evening.

Kind regards, Mr Grey



General Routines and Reminders

Packed lunches

A reminder, please that packed lunches should be healthy, balanced meals – they should not include fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate bars

Nut Awareness

Please note, we are a 'Nut Free School'. Due to medical needs, pupils and staff should not bring any items in containing nuts. This includes any items in **pack lunches**.

With this in mind, may I take this opportunity to remind parents that the invitation to bring a KS2 break time snack is for **an actual piece of fruit not a cereal bar or fruit snack**.

Thank you for your understanding in this.

School Dinners

Dinner money is £2.30 per meal or £11.50 per week. Year 3 parents please be aware that free school meals are no longer available for your children unless eligible through Cambridge County Councils 'Count me in Scheme'. If you think you are eligible please ask at the office for more details. The school is not able to allow debts of more than £15. A letter will be sent if you are in debt for more than 1 week.

Please will you make every effort to pay this online using www.schoolgateway.com . If you need any information about registering for this please contact the school office.

If you are unable to access the internet then make cheques payable to **Shelford Primary School** and write your child's name on the reverse stating that the cheque is for lunch money. Thank you.

The menu and lots of other information about school lunches can be found on Leicestershire Traded Services website:- <http://www.leicestershiretradedservices.org.uk/Page/1555> Please let the school know of any special dietary requirements.

Medicines in school

Please be reminded that **all** medicines must be given to the school office staff. Please fill out a form in the office if you need a medicine to be given to your child during school hours. The school staff can only administer medicines that have been prescribed by a doctor and for which permission has been signed.

School Uniform

Uniform is ordered online. Please log on via the link below <http://www.brigade.uk.com/direct/index.php?pdPage=login>. Items will be sent directly to you at home. There is free delivery to your home with orders over £50. Alternatively, any order amount can be delivered to school for free.

Payment for book bags, recorders etc.

When paying for items available from the office, please **bring the correct money** as the office does not keep any petty cash for change. Prices are as follows:

Book bags £6.00	Recorder books: £3.50
Recorders: £8 or £15	School hats: £2.50

