

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*

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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 week, we loved marking our Book Week with a variety of events. Each day, different staff members shared texts at lunchtime. Y3, Y5 and Y6 also enjoyed meeting authors.

- Book Week
- Book Week Photos
- Celebration Worship
- Announcements

Meanwhile, we enjoyed sharing many buddy reading events throughout the week. On Thursday, we marked World Book Day. Thank you all for your wonderful costumes! There are some photo collages below. During the day, we took part in a parade, book parties and 'Drop Everything and Read', where all pupils and adults stopped to read when Mrs. Alderson rang a bell.

Mrs. Alderson and all the other dalmatians (I mean *staff*) also want to say a further huge thank you to the families and members of the community who supported through purchasing texts via the PTA's book [Wish List](#).

THANKYOU





Book Week



Story time!



PIC•COLLAGE



Book Week



World Book
Day Party!





World Book Day



World Book Day 2022!

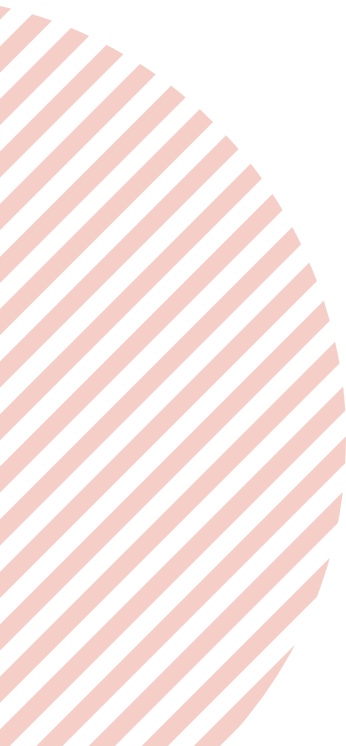




World Book Day



World Book Day!
Secret Librarian!





World Book Day



PIC•COLLAGE



Pupils gathered together on Zoom for our weekly Celebration Worship. As we joined, we shared our song relating to **Positive Choices Week**. 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

Celia - Pupil Acts of Kindness - Mhinaku G - for kindness towards others.

Cyril - Staff Acts of Kindness - Mrs. Alderson - for her organisation of Book Week and World Book day.

Silver Bins: Y1 & Y4

Dinner Winner: Y3

Wonderful Walkers: Y2

Headteacher Awards:

- **Kayley C** - for a positive attitude towards learning and your outstanding kindness.
- **Tom S** - for your hard work and progress in writing and reading. You have been working very hard with you reading always using your phonics effectively to read tricky words.
- **Isabelle S** - for excellent effort during our Forest School sessions. You enthusiastically took part in creating your own stick man by collecting natural resources and attaching them together effectively.
- **Rupert R** - for super effort in writing, creating a fantastic 'Wanted' poster for the gingerbread man.
- **Matias B** - for showing a thoughtful, inquisitive and hardworking approach - taking great care in all subjects.

We said, "Au revoir!" to M. Gance, who had been visiting this week from Verneuil-en-Halatte. We also sang him, "Bonne Anniversaire!" to mark a very special birthday.

Housepoints: this week's winning house is domus praestantium - the house of excellence - The Owls.

Announcements

St. Mary's Church Announcement

NO-ONE SHOULD GO HUNGRY

Food Box for All at St Mary's Church, Great Shelford

Some in our community are going hungry and life feels incredibly hard for lots of people. If this applies to you or someone you know please read on:

Our community really wants to make sure that everyone in Great Shelford has enough to eat, so we have put a Food Box for All in St Mary's Church. Everyone is warmly invited to use it.

We stand united against hunger and hardship.

Tree Felling - St. Mary's Church

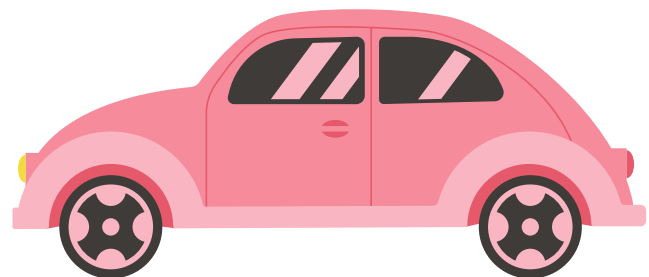
The tree felling at St. Mary's Church, Great Shelford has been moved to 4th, 5th and 6th April - during the school holidays.

Cambridgeshire Constabulary Newsletter

The March Cambridgeshire Constabulary Newsletter can be found [here](#).

Parking and Turning

As we all know, parking and turning on Church Street is very challenging. Please be particularly considerate to our local residents and respect private entrances, which should not be turned around in.



PLAYSCAPE

GREAT SHELFORD

Wheelscape

With the success of the Playscape under our belts, we are now looking at large grants for the [Wheelscape](#), a small skate park designed by specialists for all types of wheels: from bikes to boards, skates to wheelchairs. This is a crucial element of the adopted Master Plan that grew out of major consultations and it seeks to cater for learners through to the more experienced, with Cam Skate and the SSYI's resident experts reviewing the design for us.



Demonstrating demand is essential for any grant application and it has been a while since our original consultations (indeed skateboarding is now an Olympic sport!) so we want to understand how far people travel to access skateparks now and what a difference having a local one will make for them.

If you use skate parks (or more importantly, would like to!) tell us about it via our survey!

Early Intervention Family Worker Newsletter 7th March 2022

Parent Carer Support Line

Offers the opportunity to speak to a friendly professional from the E I Family Worker Team about your young person aged 4 to 12 in Cambridge City and surrounding areas.

You can ask question, seek support around behaviour, routines, and boundaries, or just talk about how it is to manage parenting during current times. We will give advice, support, and help with signposting or just listen. You can telephone or email for support any time. Please leave a message with contact details, someone will call you back within 10 working days. We are not an emergency service.

Phone 01354 750420 Email-

Districtearlyhelpteam.cambridgecity@cambridgeshire.gov.uk



Activity Idea

To celebrate international women's day why don't you make some cards with the children to send to special women in your lives to make them feel loved and treasured and to know they are important.



[International Women's Day 2022
\(internationalwomensday.com\)](https://internationalwomensday.com)

World Sleep Day Hosted by World Sleep Society
MARCH 18, 2022
QUALITY SLEEP | SOUND MIND | HAPPY WORLD

Sleep tips for Children



- Get into a regular bedtime routine
- Keep regular sleep & wake times
- Relax before bedtime
- Make sure your child feels safe at night
- Check noise & light in your child's room

Have a Good Night

Age	Recommended Hours of Sleep
Preschoolers (3-5 years)	10 to 13 hours
School-aged Children (6-13 years)	9 to 11 hours
Teenagers (14-17 years)	8 to 10 hours

Activity Idea

Ocean breathing (for relaxation)

Have the child lie or sit in a comfortable position. Ask your child to slowly breathe in through their nose, and then out through their pursed lips (as if they are blowing through a straw). Point out that the slow and steady breathing sounds like ocean waves, gently crashing on shore. Let your child continue breathing and making the ocean sound for two minutes.

Does your child have, or potentially have, an additional need or disability? Pinpoint (www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk) have lots of information, advice and tips. For Cambridgeshire's Local Offer go to www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer



Online Workshops



These workshops are aimed at parents and carers that would like to learn and explore more about Anxiety, Birth Order and Sibling Rivalry. You can attend just one or both workshops. Please email the worker who will be facilitating the workshops you would like a place on.... places are limited!!

16th March at 10am – Anxiety
(Amanda.Gilbert@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

24th March at 10am Birth Order and Sibling Rivalry
(Sarah.Haddrell@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

If you'd like to join the workshop you will need internet access and a device able to connect to Microsoft Teams via web browser. The sessions will last 1 hour approximately.
(Full access instructions will be given once your place is booked)

We understand that you may have children in the house with you and so there is no obligation for you to stay on the call the entirety of each workshop, as we appreciate you may have to leave from time to time.