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# 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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Dear Members of the Great and Little Shelford  
Community,

I hope this week's newsletter finds you and your  
family well.

Over this past week, it has really started to feel like  
the start of autumn. On Monday we welcomed Liz  
Jenkin to lead Collective Worship - representing  
Great Shelford Free Church.

The worship session focused on Harvest. With the  
support of some year 6s representing the letters  
that spell out '**harvest**', they rearranged their  
letters to spell out the word '**starve**'. This  
signposted the times when the harvest (or food)  
is not fairly accessed by people. Conversely,  
they rearranged their letters again to spell out  
'**share**' - indicating the times that we work  
together to ensure others have enough.

On Monday 10th October, Year 3 will be leading  
our Harvest Service. This will take place at  
2:30pm at St. Mary's Church, Great Shelford.  
We will be collecting for Cambridge Food Bank.  
Their current wishlist of items can be found on  
the right. We can start welcoming items into  
school from Monday 3rd October in each class.

## NEWSLETTER IN 60 SECONDS

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## OUR CURRENT MOST NEEDED LIST:

TINNED FISH

TINNED MEAT

TINNED VEGETABLES

PASTA/COOK-IN SAUCE

BREAKFAST TEA-BAGS

RICE

BARs OF CHOCOLATE

SNACK BARS

TINNED SOUP

TINNED FRUIT (IN FRUIT JUICE)

SPONGE PUDDINGS AND JELLIES

SAVOURY SNACKS

NOODLES

RICE PUDDING



# House Prefects

As we shared last week, it was a pleasure to interview our Year 6 applicants for the roles of House Prefects. During Friday's Collective Worship, we were delighted to appoint the following applicants to the roles of House Prefect:

<b>Stags</b>	<b>Owls</b>	<b>Eagles</b>	<b>Red Squirrels</b>	<b>Otters</b>	<b>Swans</b>
Emily C & Gus M	Eva B	Joseph B & Harley S	Theo M & Mia R-G	Emily F & Will C	Ruby S & Tomas B

## Dates Summary

The **calendar** on our website is now populated with key dates for this term and the main term dates for the year. This will be the best place to look for upcoming dates, as any changes will be made directly there. Term dates can also be found directly **here**.

Meanwhile, a summary of key dates for this term can also be found **here**, with a snapshot of this half term below!

Key Dates – Autumn 2022-2023

Date	Time	Event	Location
5/9/22	8:45	Autumn Term commences	School
w/c 12/9/22	PMs	New Reception Parent, Teacher, HT Meetings	Reception Class
w/c 12/9/22		Y1-Y6 Online <b>Meet the Teacher</b> presentations available	<a href="#">Meet the Teacher website page</a>
13/9/22 and 15/9/22	15:40 – 16:10	Parent <b>Meet the Teacher</b> drop-in to Classes for Y1-Y6	Y1-Y6 Classes
26/9/22	All day	European Day of Languages	School
October		Black History Month	
4/10/22	All day	Y3 visit to Hedingham Castle	Castle Hedingham
10/10/22	14:30	Harvest Service	St. Mary's
13/10/22	20:00	PTA AGM	Hall
W/C 17/10/22	Various	Parents' Consultations	School Cloud (Online)
W/C 17/10/22	School Day	Y5 Bikeability	School / local area
W/C 25/10/21		October half term holiday	Somewhere relaxing
31/10/22	All day	Professional Development Day for Staff	



# CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Friday 9th September 2022

## GATHERING

We entered the hall to a song relating to **our focus on Taking Notice: Begin Again by Fearless Soul**

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

*We live and work in harmony with love for one another*

## 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.*

We left the hall to a song relating to **resilience: Try Everything by Shakira**

## ➤ CELIA AND CYRIL THE SEAL AWARDS - KINDNESS NOMINATION

**BETHAN M**

for dedicating her own time to save an injured living creature.

**MRS. STEWART**

for her hard work in preparing 'eggciting eggperiments' and adapting all her lessons so that newer members of the class feel welcome.

## ➤ CLASS AWARDS

Silver Bins - Y1 and Y3

Dinner Winner - Reception

Wonderful Walkers - Y5

## ➤ HEADTEACHER AWARDS

**Alice T** - for thoughtful and kind comments to others each morning, when talking about the Star of the Day.

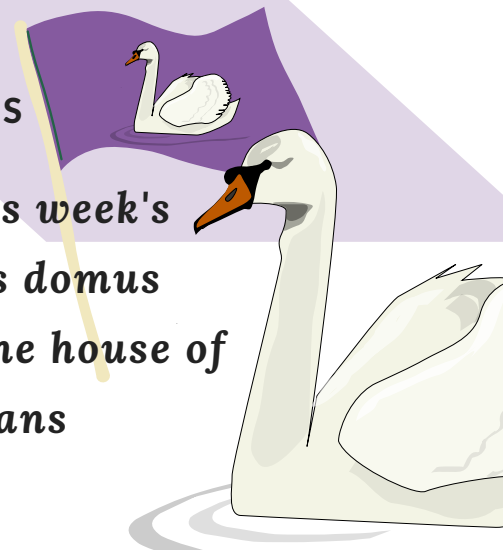
**Arnav VK** - for making an excellent start to Shelford School, especially for a positive attitude and helpfulness.

**Jessica H** - for a fantastic start to Shelford School, particularly excellent determination in new challenges!

**Ralph S** - for always demonstrating a quiet focus, positive attitude and creative flair in school.

## ➤ HOUSEPOINTS

Housepoints: this week's winning house is **domus venerantium** - the house of respect - the Swans



# Belongings

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With the cooler and wetter weather, please can pupils remember to bring a coat every day to school. If it is light rain, pupils still access the outdoor areas of the school site.

A few children are bringing in toys / items from home. Please can we refrain from this happening. Often, this become mis-laid or broken. Meanwhile, it can be very distracting for pupils during the school day.

# Community Issues

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As always, we work hard to uphold positive and strong relationships with all members of the community. Due to continued concerns about parking on Church Street, you will notice that a trial commenced this week.

The zig-zagged area and double yellow lines are coned to further prevent parking (as these lines should indicate).

Thank you for continuing to support the positive relationship between the school community and the wider community by parking responsibly if you need to travel by car. Meanwhile, it has been brought to our attention that some members of the school community have been noticed littering. Please take responsibility for your own waste and help keep Great and Little Shelford the special villages that they are.



# **PTA Annual General Meeting - Thursday 13th October, 8pm in the School Hall**

All parents are welcome to attend the **PTA AGM** in a few weeks time. Over a glass of wine/soft drink, we'll review the 2021/22 year, and vote in any parents who would like to join the committee.

Myself, Ellie Rugg Gunn and Suzanne Dootson will be staying on as Co-Chairs, and we already have a parent volunteer to take on the Secretary role, as Rachel Bousfeld will be stepping down this year.

As well as 'regular' committee members, **we are seeking a new treasurer**, as Ilse Patterson will be stepping down from this role. If this is something you'd be interested in taking on, Ilse can have a chat with you about what it entails and a full handover would be provided. We are very supportive of this being shared between two people, if preferred.

**Many thanks to Ilse and Rachel for taking on these roles for last few years, it is really appreciated.**

The funds raised by the PTA make a huge difference to the resources available in school, and our children's educational experience. In this new academic year, we have already been asked by the teaching team to fund PHSE workshops and new phonics and book-band book sets worth £2500. It's fantastic that thanks to previous PTA events being run and supported by parents, we can 'yes' to these requests quickly. Being on the committee is rewarding, and now that meetings in the pub can resume, sociable too! So if you are interested in joining the committee, please do get in touch with me or come along on the 13th October.

Anna Sidders, PTA Co-Chair



# Have your say on active travel and the future of transport near you

Cambridgeshire County Council has developed three new transport strategies, and we want to know your thoughts.

Two district-based transport strategies for Fenland and Huntingdonshire set the detailed transport vision for the districts. The Active Travel Strategy for Cambridgeshire sets the detailed approach for improvements to active travel across the county. All strategies sit under the Combined Authority's Local Transport and Connectivity Plan.

## We are holding consultation events at:

Ramsey Market	Saturday 1 October	10am-1pm
Tesco superstore Huntingdon	Saturday 1 October	2pm-5pm
St Neots Market	Thursday 6 October	10am-1pm
Waitrose St Ives	Thursday 6 October	2pm-5pm
March Market	Wednesday 12 October	9am-12noon
Tesco superstore Chatteris	Wednesday 12 October	2pm-5pm
Whittlesey Market	Friday 14 October	9am-12noon
Wisbech Market	Friday 14 October	12.30pm-3pm
Grafton Centre	Wednesday 19 October	10am-3pm
Ely Market	Thursday 27 October	10am-3pm



Have your say by visiting [consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com](https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com) to view the draft documents and to complete a short survey by **7 November 2022**.

Contact us by email at [Transport.Plan@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Transport.Plan@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) or telephone on 0345 045 5200

