

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. This week is our annual **Kindness** Week. We started the week with 'Odd Socks Day', which celebrates differences and uniqueness.

Meanwhile, throughout the week, we have been exploring messages that underpin the Kindness Week and the themes of Anti-Bullying Week 2022 - 'Reach Out!'

We also had a special performance for Reception to Year 4 children around these themes and workshops for Year 5 and Year 6 children.

Reception to Year 4 children were introduced to two puppets - Millie and Philip who were in the same class. They used to be good friends but their friendship suffered when Millie was encouraged to be unkind to Philip by a different group of children. We looked at how Millie and Philip were feeling and saw how to 'reach out' to Philip: to show him how to stand tall and be confident, what he might say strongly to someone saying something unkind and the importance of telling a trusted adult that these things were happening. We learnt the 'reach out' rap and completed the 'reach out' challenges. **Thank you to Mrs. Ashton for organising the events.**

NEWSLETTER IN 60 SECONDS

- Welcome Back!
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I liked when they were showing kindness at the first part.
Mariam, Y1

I like the puppets, because they helped us know what to do if someone bullied you.
Lola, Y4

I like how they made it funny.
Sophia, Y4

Kindness Week - Odd Socks Day

I enjoyed how you could wear any kind of socks to show how everyone is different.

Felix, Y6

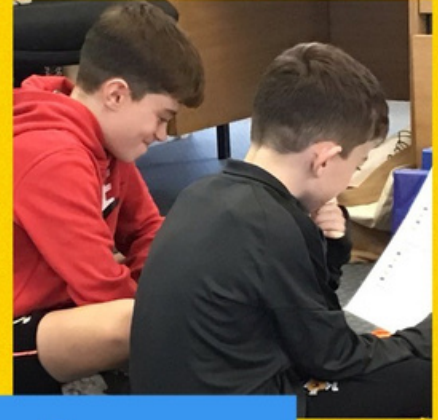
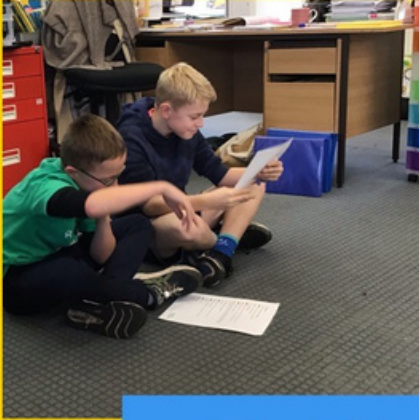
Odd socks day!
Kindness week 2022!



Kindness Week - Odd Socks Day



Kindness Week



Anti - bullying Workshop



We acted out different scenarios and discussed calm, confident, polite tones.



I enjoyed how it got everyone involved and how it taught us something in a fun way!
Jacob, Y6

Remembrance

On Friday, we are looking forward to marking Remembrance Day.

Our Year 6s will be leading our annual Remembrance Service in school. This will involve poems, prayer and songs, helping the school to reflect on the theme of remembrance.

We also have a stock of poppies that pupils and families can buy. These are currently available from the office.

Additionally, we have been busy creating poppies to adorn various windows around school (*below*).



Y1s Visit to Pizza Express

Y1 really enjoyed their trip to Pizza Express, linked to their Shelford Stars topic, where they have been exploring the local community. Within their DT for the term, they are focusing on hygiene and where food comes from.

"We got to make pizzas ourselves" - Delphie

"We put tomato and cheese on" - Jessica H

"We took our pizzas back on the bus" - Alice

"We ate them!" - Jessica S

"My favourite part was eating it." - Amber

"I thought our trip to Pizza Express was brilliant," - Bertie GC

"I liked EVERYTHING!" - Toby



Y4s Visit to the Verulamium Museum

Y4 all had the most incredible (if a little wet) trip to the Verulamium Museum in St. Albans. We learned so much about the Roman way of life, linked to our topic - The Romans Who were they and how did they change Britain?

We are not sure we would like our skin held back by special clamps to treat a wound, nor would we like to use crushed beetle blood as lipstick!

All of Y4 achieved a Headteacher's Award on Friday 4th November for their fantastic behaviour on the trip.



Individual Photographs

On Friday 11th November, pupils will have their individual photographs taken.

These will take place during the school day and all children should wear school uniform on Friday 11th November.

Children with siblings in school will also have a sibling photograph.

If you have children who are not at school with us, you are welcome to bring them from 8am. The photographs will take place in the Think Tank room, which you can access this via the car park.

Christmas Event Dates

We are delighted to share our various Christmas dates with you for the end of this term. We are also very pleased to see a return to the 'normal' arrangements for these, but we recognise that many families will not have experienced these yet!

Early Years and Key Stage 1 Nativity

- 9th December - Dress Rehearsal for pupils in school
- 12th December - 2:15pm - Performance for Families
- 13th December - 2:15pm - Performance for Families

Carols by Candlelight (KS2 at St. Mary's)

- 19th December - 6:00pm - Service led by all KS2 pupils

Shelford Christmas Day

- 21st December - all day - Christmas Service in school for pupils; smart Christmas clothes; Christmas dinner;



CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Friday 4th November 2022

GATHERING

We entered the hall to a song relating to **our focus on Resilience: Never Give up 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 ANNIE S

for giving up some of her lunchtime to help clear up items.

MRS. STEWART

for inspiring others to take part in sport by completing laps of the Shelford Mile during Friendship Run Week.

➤ CLASS AWARDS

Silver Bins - Not this week
Dinner Winner - All the classes
Wonderful Walkers - Y2

➤ HEADTEACHER AWARDS

Joseph S - for showing excellent determination and perseverance in all of your subjects this week. You have taken responsibility for your own learning and it has benefitted your learning tremendously. I was particularly impressed with your effort and achievement in our tricky spellings this week.

Year 4 - for a brilliant trip to the Verulamium Museum - contributing to the market stall activity and working sensibly during a self-guided tour of the museum.

➤ HOUSEPOINTS

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

