

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, our Reception class have been delighted to continue to care for their chicks, which hatched last week. You can see their updates on our [Chick Watch](#), including their weekend retreat at Miss Bachewich's home!

Please do get in touch if you are interested in homing the chicks. We are able to identify the hens from the cockerels! We are also pleased to share that avian flu restrictions are being eased. The remaining chicks will be collected on Friday morning to be rehomed in nearby farms.

We have continued to explore the characteristics of effective learners and launched a competition for pupils to create the logos for each of the animals - further details can be found below!

This Week in Collective Worship...

- **Mr. Cairns** shared the story of Jesus appearing to Peter and breakfast on the beach.
- **Mr. Collett** shared an inspirational talk about the Sawston Fun Run and we gave thanks for the funds the school had received in previous years through this.
- We explored the slinky-linky snake as a characteristic of effective learners, making links and thinking of examples of this in the bible.

NEWSLETTER IN 60 SECONDS

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Inclusion Spotlight

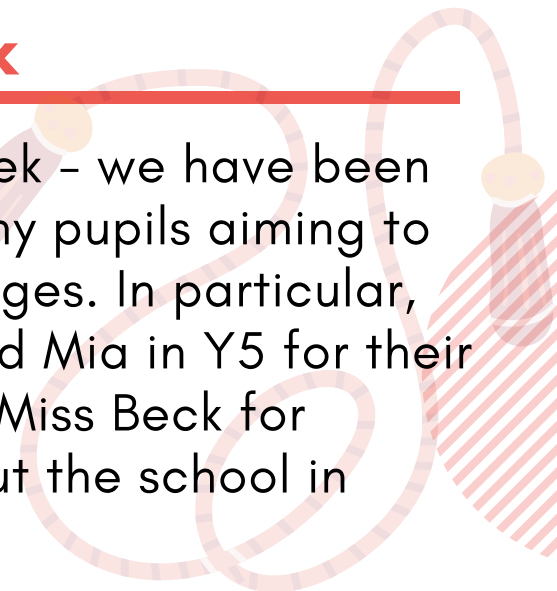
In-line with our vision, we are passionate about inclusion - including all stakeholders at all times. We have three special objectives that we are focusing on between 2021-2024. We aim to share regular summaries and updates of our work against these. One of our actions linked to the objectives is: **challenge stereotyping through the curriculum and wider environment.**

Farewell to Mrs Fox

Today marked Mrs. Fox's last day at Shelford. We were so pleased to welcome Mrs. Fox to the Shelford community this year as Y4 teacher and are very sorry to see her leave. We wish her all the best for her new role. Mr. Kerin will join the Y4 team from 9th May, with the existing Y4 team covering the 3rd and 4th May.

Skipping Week

This week marks skipping week - we have been very impressed to see so many pupils aiming to complete the various challenges. In particular, well done to Annie, Lottie and Mia in Y5 for their triple skipping! Thank you to Miss Beck for initiating the week throughout the school in collective worship last week.



PTA Update

Thank you to all the children for creating wonderful self portraits for the tea towels. They were a big hit with families and have raised over £600. Please send any final payments for tea towels to the PTA bank account.

And we would also like to thank all the children and families who supported the **readathon** over the Easter holidays. We are so impressed with the enthusiasm for reading and fundraising - an amazing £700 has already been raised, and we think this total might go higher once all sponsorship is received. The Amazon book wish list is still live for anyone who would like to donate a book to the school. Teachers and children have been enjoying the arrival of every new book!



The PTA funds you raise have paid for all sorts of 'extras' for the children. Some examples from this academic year so far are; Christmas crackers, fortune cookies for Chinese new year, Easter treats for all the children. The history of toys day for year 1, part of the cost of a trip for year 2, a new camera for year 3, the Verulamium trip for year 4, a science trip for year 5 and materials for a new mud kitchen area (with thanks to Eleanor McCrone for the design and labour).

And finally a date for your diaries - the next **PTA bike sale** will be on **Saturday 18th June** in the Great Shelford Memorial Hall. More details to follow.

Pupils gathered together for our weekly Celebration Worship. As we gathered, we shared our [song relating to Perseverance](#).

We opened the celebration worship with our signed gathering statement linked to our school vision.

International Schools Award - 2021-2024 - we shared our certificate and beautiful wooden plaque that commends the amazing international work of the school undertaken by the whole community, led by Mrs. Unwin.

Letter from the Queen - Mrs. Stewart shared the Corgi Card that she had made to send to the Queen, explaining our crown art competition to her. Mrs. Stewart also read the reply she received from the Queen, we were delighted that it also included a leaflet about the Queen's crowns.

Individual Success - Matthew R - Matthew won the British Junior Golf Tour at Wellingborough in the age 9 to 10 category and won the British Junior Masters at the Belfry in the age 9 to 10 bracket. He also competed in the IMGA Junior World Championships qualifier on Sunday and came 3rd in the 11-12 age group, shooting his best ever score.

Silver Bins: Y2 & Y3

Dinner Winner: Y5 (Second week running)

Wonderful Walkers: Y1

Shelford Mile:

- **5 Miles** - Sam P, Joseph S, Oscar S, Issy H-W
- **Bronze** - Elena D-L, Bertie G-C, Bertie G, Sophie H, Delphie I, Amber K, Ffion M, Evelyn M, Rupert R, Sihali S, Anna S, Leopold S, Wilred S, Jessica S, Alexander S, Bob S, Alice T, Sophia T, Mariam Z, Molly C, Jake H, Freddie S
- **Silver** - Tilly H-W, Lyra N
- **Gold** - Lilianna S

Star Writer - Samantha Q - for an excellent continuation of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory with great punctuation, vocabulary and similes.

Headteacher Awards:

- **Jake H** - for always being polite, kind and hardworking in all subjects and it is wonderful to see the progress you have made.
- **Delphie I** - for creating a wonderful poster on how to take care of the class' new arrivals - the chicks.
- **Alice T** - for a beautiful painting of the chicks, demonstrating careful observation and colour mixing.

Housepoints: this week's winning house is domus inspiratorum - the house of inspiration - The Eagles.

POP IN AND CHAT



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Wednesday
11th May
8th June
2.00pm-3.30pm

10-12 Woollards Ln,
Great Shelford,
Cambridge CB22 5LZ

An opportunity for parents of SEND children to meet and chat. Children will be able to play together. A Child and Family Centre Worker will attend for parents to ask any questions and for signposting.

Refreshments will be available. We look forward to welcoming you to the sessions.



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