



Community, **Compassion**, Courage, Trust, Perseverance, Thankfulness

Chaddleshworth and Shefford Federated CE Primary Schools

'Living life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to everyone for Term 2!

What a wonderful start to the term with a surprise visit from Bishop Mary. She has shared with Reverend Mike that she's hoping to come back soon to spend more time with our children in our school.

As the weather has really turned autumnal now, please ensure children have coats and hats each day to enable outside playtimes 'whatever the weather'.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend,

Ms Munday Headteacher www.csfschools.org

A special visitor...

We were very lucky to be able to welcome Reverend Mike into school for an



extra visit this week, with a special visitor too! Bishop Mary was able to visit our school, meet some of our children and take part in some class

collective worship. She was very impressed with the children's interactions and learning shared!



Red Kites Greek day...



Today Red Kites had the most fantastic time for their Greek Day! With the most fabulous costumes on display. There was learning about Greek pottery and then creation of 2D versions of Greek amphorae. The Greek alphabet was explored and names written. The Greeks believed in lots of different Gods so research was done and top trump cards were created about each one. The final part of the day was all about food,

with pitta bread, olives, tzatziki, feta, traditional salad and honey with yogurt all on offer for tasting!

Tesco Stronger Starts...

Congratulations!

We've received communication from the Tesco Stronger Starts scheme to let us know that our school PTFA have been awarded a grant for the school to invest in equipment for healthy cooking and foods!



Thank you to everyone who was able to direct their blue tokens earlier this year towards this scheme!



Anti-Bullying week & Odd Sock Day...

Monday 10th November 2025 is Odd Sock Day! Odd Socks Day is a light-hearted but powerful way for pupils and staff to mark the start of Anti-Bullying Week each year by wearing odd socks. It's a simple, fun way to celebrate what makes each of us unique – and to reinforce the idea that differences are something to be celebrated, not bullied. It sends the message: everyone is welcome, everyone belongs, and kindness to each other matters.



Wearing odd socks gives us a visual, memorable way to start conversations about individuality, respect and community.

- It shows that being different is okay – in fact, it's great.
- It creates an inclusive atmosphere where everyone can feel seen.
- It helps open up discussion about treating one another with kindness and challenging behaviour that excludes or hurts.
- It links directly to our mission to create classrooms and schools where kindness is the culture – and where children become courageous advocates for positive change.'

**Class worship...**

How have we all been..." Living life in all its fullness" (John 10:10) this week?

	In Robins...	Darcey, "I have enjoyed phonics."
		Rosie, "I have enjoyed reading and learning."
		Tilly, "I have enjoyed sharing kindness."
	In Kingfishers...	Kaleb, "I have lived my life in all its fullness by watching people play football and then joining in."
		Isla, "I have completed my big and little Lego Pandas."
		Aster, "I moved to Stage 5 in swimming!"
		Ivy, "I got to take my cast off, now I can move my arm around more!"
	In Owls...	Grace, "I felt proud because I had my hair cut and donated it to the Little Princess Trust. My hair will be made into a wig for people who are unwell."
		Elizabeth R, "I lived life to the fullest when I took my dog out for a walk and played with it using its favourite ball."
	In Red Kites...	Lilly-Kate, "I've loved seeing everyone's outfits for our Greek Day!"
		Evie & Sophie, "We've enjoyed making our names using the Greek alphabet. It's been interesting looking at the different shapes that are used."
Our school adults...		Mrs. Mirza, "I have lived life in all its fullness this holiday by practicing <i>Shinrin-yoku</i> , a Japanese concept of forest bathing, taking peaceful nature walks, slowing down, breathing deeply, and reconnecting with the natural world."

Picture News and the BIG question this week...

The BIG question...
Should fireworks be changed so we protect animals and people at the same time?

An animal charity, called Redwings Horse Sanctuary, has asked the government to make fireworks quieter to help protect animals and people. Loud fireworks can scare pets, wildlife, and some people who find sudden noises upsetting. Supporters of the campaign say we can still celebrate with low-noise fireworks or light shows that keep everyone safe and happy.

The Bible teaches us that God loves and cares for everything He has made. We should try to be kind and caring like God is, always making sure we are compassionate and loving to all people and animals.

**Class Blogs**

Click on the class bird to link to the class blog pages sharing your child/ren's learning this week...



Robins



Kingfishers



Owls



Red Kites

PTFA news and updates...

Please start gathering donations for the 'Little Recyclers' collection day on Tuesday 18th November...



Bags can be dropped off into the bike shelter to the front of the school in preparation for collection.

The PTFA are preparing for the Christmas Fair and are requesting quality cuddly toys in a cuddly toy amnesty. Please send any donations to the school office - by Friday 28th November.

**Diary dates...** (New dates are added in green)

November 2025	
Mon, 10th	Anti-Bullying week Odd Sock Day
Tues, 11th	Great Shefford Flood Alleviation Scheme Celebration Evening.
Fri, 14th	Children in Need, Pennies for Pudsey
Tues, 18th	PTFA 'The Little Recyclers' collection day
Fri, 28th	PTFA non-uniform day - bottle tombola donations request
December 2025	
Tues, 2nd	Red Kites trip to Oxford National History Museum
Sat, 6th	PTFA Christmas Fair, 11am - 2pm
Tues, 9th	Nativity and Carols dress rehearsal day 1.15pm
Wed, 10th	Nativity and Carols afternoon performance 1.30pm
Thurs, 11th	Nativity and Carols evening performance 6pm
Thurs, 18th	Whole school pantomime trip to the Corn Exchange, Newbury



Term Dates - Chaddleshworth St. Andrew's & Shefford - C.E. Federated Primary Schools



Parent and carer community news and information...

Chaddleshworth St. Andrew's and Shefford Church of England Federated Primary Schools



'Living life in all its fullness'

**Starting school in September 2026?
Come and see what makes our school special!**

We are a small, nurturing school where every child is known, valued and encouraged to thrive academically, socially and spiritually.



We would love to welcome you for a visit.

Come and meet our staff, see our classrooms and discover why our families love being part of our community.

To book a visit, please contact our school office...

Tel. 01488 648657 Email. Office@csf.w-berks.sch.uk

We look forward to meeting you!

Parents of 3 or 4 Year Old Children

**Apply now for a
Reception Year
school place**

For September 2026

**Closing date for applications
15 January 2026**



Contact details

Admissions Team, Council Offices, Market Street,
Newbury RG14 5LD
Office hours - 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday,
8.30am to 4.30pm Friday
Call 01635 551111 Email: admissions@westberks.gov.uk

Great Shefford Flood Alleviation Scheme Celebration Evening



Invitation to our event

- **Date:** Tuesday 11 November 2025
- **Time:** Doors open at 5:15pm
- **Presentation:** 5:30pm
- **Place:** Shefford CE Primary School, RG177DB
(Please do consider walking as parking will be limited. Thank you to the school for hosting us!)



Email GreatSheffordFAS@environment-agency.gov.uk
Floodline 0345 988 1188

Incident Hotline 0800 80 70 60



SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes -
more funds for
your organisation
1 kg = £0.45

**YOUR COLLECTION IS
ARRANGED ON:**

**18 NOVEMBER
TUESDAY**

**FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND
BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION
WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM**

WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DON'T ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvets & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- Workwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

**RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BY GIVING
AWAY YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES**

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Wednesday 12th November @ 7.30pm online **Dads Do Pads**

our original session on disposable and reusable period products. Join us for this unique workshop, designed to help Dads learn about the wide variety of period products available today. From pads to tampons, menstrual cups to period underwear, we'll provide a comprehensive overview that demystifies these essentials and equips you with the knowledge needed to guide and support your daughters as they navigate their menstrual health journey.

Register here:

<https://bit.ly/DadsDoPadsNov2025>



Tuesday 18th November @ 7.30pm online **Dads Do Pads: Menstrual Cycle Edition**

Join us for a relaxed, informative session designed especially for dads, carers, and any men curious to learn more about the menstrual cycle and how it affects those who have periods, especially our young people.

Register here:

<https://bit.ly/DadsDoPadsMCENov2025>



Christmas AT SHAW HOUSE

Winter Public Opening

6, 13, 14, 20 & 21 Dec | 11am – 3pm | Free
Inspired by Christmases gone by, we invite you to admire decorations through the House representing different eras, from Tudor times to the present day. A reindeer trail will be available for younger visitors at a suggested donation of £2.

Christmas Fair

Sunday 7 Dec | 11am – 3pm | £2 adults, £1 child
Browse over 70 stalls selling locally made gifts, food, drink, decorations and craft. Warm up with mulled wine and seasonal treats from the café and outdoor caterers. Plus a themed craft in our Activity Room and a reindeer trail (trail suggested donation of £2). With vintage music from Gramofun.

Wreath Making

9 & 10 Dec - 10am & 6.30pm | 11 Dec - 10am | £55
Master the technique of mossing your own wreath and then add foliage, dried fruits and cinnamon sticks, fir cones, baubles and sparkles! Price includes a hot drink and mince pie.

Midwinter Revels

Thursday 11 Dec | 7.30pm | Adult £15, Child £5
A celebration of Yuletide Past guaranteed to warm the cockles of the most Scrooge-like heart, featuring Christmas carols, winter folk songs, toe-tapping tunes.

A Visit from Beauty and her Prince

Sunday 14 Dec | 11am, 1pm & 3pm
£10 per child, one accompanying adult free.
The royal couple will delight young audiences with a fun sing-a-long, themed games and story time.

Christmas Carol Concert

Friday 19 Dec | 7.30pm | Adult £12, Child £6
Newbury based chamber choir, Cantemus, will be giving a concert of festive music telling the Christmas story from Advent to Epiphany along with an opportunity for the audience to join in with some of the well-known pieces.

Children's Magic Show

Sunday 21 Dec | 11am, 12.30pm & 3pm
£8 per child, one accompanying adult free
Featuring Mr Muddle the charming, if muddlesome, magician who captivates and amazes children with his comical slapstick magic.

Movie in the Hall: Frozen

Tuesday 23 Dec | 10.30am | Adults £5 Child £3
Fearless optimist Anna teams up with rugged mountain man Kristoff and his loyal reindeer Sven in an epic journey to find Anna's sister Elsa, whose icy powers have trapped the Kingdom of Arendelle into eternal winter.

www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on



Autumn edition of All About Family.

The free digital magazine aimed at giving your parents valuable information for their children. There is exclusive content from NSPCC, St John Ambulance, plus more.

Within there is advice on;

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Cyber Bullying with NSPCC

Parental Controls on Devices

New Books

Child Protection in Sports with NSPCC

Halloween and Bonfire Night First Aid with St John Ambulance

Benefits of Outdoor Play

Family Law Advice from Dawson Cornwell

Encouraging More Girls to Play Football

Understanding ADHD

Healthier Packed Lunches

Plus more.....

Below is a link to the Autumn edition;

www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine