



Community, Compassion, *Courage*,

Trust, Perseverance, Thankfulness

Chaddleworth and Shefford Federated CE Primary Schools

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

Dear Parents and Carers

We started our week with several 'new things' which included our first steps into the triangle reflection garden, the appearance of cricket nets on the field (a generous donation from a local family), a new food waste bin for composting and our term 4 Christian value displayed on a purple leaf to represent 'Trust'. The beautiful weather brought a close to our week with frosty mornings and then warm sunshine to accompany the Watermill bake sale.

We'd like to wish our Reverend Mike a very 'Happy Birthday' for Saturday!

See you all next week,

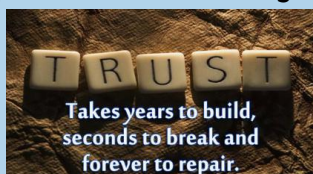
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Our Christian value of 'Trust'...



This term our value moves to 'Trust' and our first worship together gave us all the opportunity to explore our own understanding of this word. We were able to explain that trust,

and being trustworthy, would involve various attributes including; being kind, being honest, following rules, keeping promises and looking after things and people. We were challenged to explain the meaning behind the statement...



Children were able to discuss and describe that trust takes time to build with others and relying that they will do right by us. Unfortunately, trust can be broken when people are unkind or hurtful and that can then take a long time for us to be able to trust again.

Reverend Mike joined us for Wednesday worship and reminded us of the Bible story of Jesus calming the storm. The words 'Trust' and 'Hope' were used to describe how we feel or describe our beliefs, especially as we lead up to the season of Lent.



(Click the story image to share the Bible story)

Fruit snacks...

Penny from the Hungerford Food Community group kindly offered her support to promote our fruit snacks and food waste collection within school this term. Our children were delighted with the option of a fruit salad bowl prepared by Penny for Tuesday snack time! The reins were then taken by Erin, Jess and Lilly-Rose with Penny's guidance to prepare the fruit for the Wednesday fruit bowls. Once again it was a popular snack option- well done everyone! We now have food waste bins sited at the fruit



table and also outside ready for food waste rubbish collection and future composting opportunities too.



<https://hungerfordfoodcommunity.org/>

HEALTHY SNACK & WATER BOTTLES reminder... We always have a healthy fruit and or veg snack available to every child each day in school. Please can we encourage families that provide snack for their children to opt for a healthy option (fresh or dried fruit, rice cakes or cereal bar). We encourage children to stay hydrated through the day, bringing in their water bottles and drinking plenty of fresh water (no squash or juice please).

Football Fun...

Tuesday brought us to the much-anticipated football friendly with Brightwalton, which was such a lovely experience for the team! They showed all of our Christian Values wrapped up into one match, with great sportsmanship as they encouraged each other one, often needing to swap between positions for the good of the team, even if this meant not playing in their preferred position. The first match saw us take a fantastic win of 10-5 with even a rainbow coming out to celebrate our success and when the 'slate was wiped clean' for the second match Brightwalton came back strong but we showed courage and determination, trusting not only in ourselves but also in our team mates! We ended the second match 7- 1, our second win to date! We couldn't be prouder of our team! Mrs Brown

Friday lunchtime now promises more football fun on the field with Alfred and Joe's newly organised club. What a fantastic idea from two of our vision leaders!



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

March	
Mon, 3rd	- Kingfisher Class Trip to WB Museum - Year 3 & 4 football, after school, Park House
Wed, 5th	- Ash Wednesday
Thurs, 6th	- World Book Day - Year 3 & 4 Touch Rugby, afternoon
Mon, 10th	- Year 5 & 6 Girls football, after school Park House
Tues, 11th	- Year 3 & 4 football finals (pending), Park House
Wed, 12th	- PTFA meeting, evening
Thurs, 13th	- Year 5 & 6 Touch Rugby, afternoon
Fri, 14th	- Level 1 Bikeability, year 5
Mon, 17th	- St Patrick's Day
Tues, 18th	- Netball friendly match with Brightwalton at Shefford
Fri, 21st	- Great Big School Spring Clean 2025 begins. - Red Nose Day 2025
Tues, 25th	- KS2 Cross Country, afternoon, Newbury Showground
Thurs, 27th	- Level 2 Bikeability, year 6, day 1
Fri, 28th	- Level 2 Bikeability, year 6, day 2

Movie night...

Our PTFA provided our children with a wonderful 'movie night' experience with Ratatouille shown on the big screen to a comfy cinema style audience. Snacks a plenty and an interval ensured everyone had everything they needed to enjoy the film together.



Another successful bake sale with Watermill donations this week- enjoy your tasty treats! Thank you to the PTFA team for your super fundraising events that are planned to fund equipment for cooking and gardening with our children.



PTFA news and updates...

Our school needs YOU! Please look out for the PTFA membership form sent home on paper and via parent comms, can you spare some time and energy to help the team? Our PTFA is a super group of volunteers who work so hard to provide extra opportunities and resources to support our children in, 'living life in all its fullness'.

**CHADDLEWORTH & SHEFFORD SCHOOLS
PTFA MEMBERSHIP FORM**

We are fortunate to have a committed Parent Teacher and Friends Association (PTFA) which works hard to run fundraising events for the school. Many resources and school trips have been funded by the PTFA including outdoor play equipment, leavers' hoods, and days out to the seaside and pantomime.

As a parent or carer with a child at the school you are automatically a member of the PTFA. The PTFA is run by a small committee of parents and staff, and events are supported by volunteers.

Many hands are needed to keep up the good work and enable us to continue making a difference to the school. Whether you have a little or a lot of time to give, we would gladly welcome your support.

Please tick the boxes to indicate how you are interested in getting involved:

- Setting canteen, school uniform, or ice lollies at after school sales.
- Preparing fruit snacks and tea lolly treats at sports day.
- Putting up event posters in the village.
- Supervising children at movie nights and school discos.
- Supervising games, face painting and activities at fetes.
- Setting up or clearing up at events such as winter/summer fetes.
- Attending our monthly meetings and sharing ideas for future fundraising.

Thank you!

Name: _____

Contact number: _____

Email: _____

Which class/classes do you have children in? _____

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

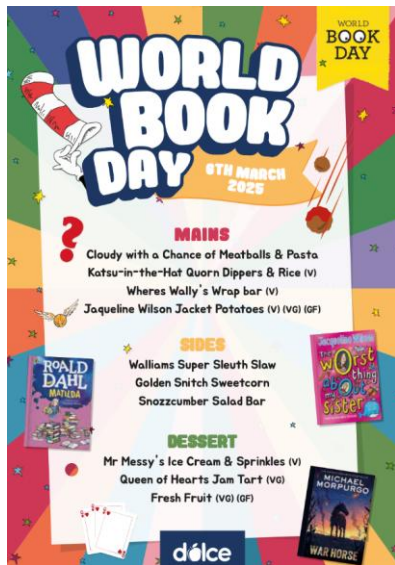
Our class worship Bible story... (Click the image to share the Bible story)

The Big Question...

"Can we trust in things we can't see?"



Parent and carer community news and information...



WORLD BOOK DAY
9TH MARCH 2025

MAINS
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs & Pasta
Katsu-in-the-Hat Quorn Dippers & Rice (V)
Whereas Wally's Wrap bar (V)
Jaqueline Wilson Jacket Potatoes (V) (VG) (GF)

SIDES
Walliams Super Sleuth Slaw
Golden Snitch Sweetcorn
Snoozumber Salad Bar

DESSERT
Mr Messy's Ice Cream & Sprinkles (V)
Queen of Hearts Jam Tart (VG)
Fresh Fruit (VG) (GF)

Includes book covers for Roald Dahl's Matilda, The Worst Thing I Ever Did to Myself, and Michael Morpurgo's War Horse.

Stephen Powles is coming to Leckhampstead to talk to us about HEDGEHOGS and their habitat. Stephen will be coming to the village hall on **March 4th** to give his presentation "All About Hedgehogs" - "his talk is about hedgehogs in general and describes them, their lives and the threats they face. It also describes what we can do to help this declining but much-loved British mammal."

Tickets are to be sold at £5 an adult and £10 a family. A hot drink and a pancake will be included in the price as this talk coincides with SHROVE Tuesday!

<https://tickets.myknowchurch.co.uk/gb/NjEOMiOzMA/t> Please book in advance as we are expecting high numbers from surrounding schools.

We will also have a limited number of activity packs available for children at the talk and every ticket bought will be instantly entered into the raffle. The prize...you guessed it will be hedgehog related.




FREE FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!
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SCIENCE BAZAAR BEYOND
Saturday 1 March 2025
9:30am - 11:30am (Relaxed autism-friendly early opening 11:30am - 4pm Open to all)

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BOOK TICKETS

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ATOM Festival of Science & Technology
ATOM 2025 15th - 26th March

Workshops for kids, Science Market and other free events, Campus tours and visits, Talks & lectures

What's On at ATOM Festival '25

ATOM Science Market Day
Saturday March 15th 10am - 3pm
Abingdon Market Place
Free event - booking not required

Science comes to the Market Place in Abingdon, with science exhibitors and communicators all assembled to show you why they love their scientific work! When you have looked around the Market Place don't forget that there are activities, talks and shows going on in the Museum and in the Guildhall, both a few steps away.

More details about this event including how to take part if you are a science organisation [here](#)

Science Market Day ...in the Museum
Saturday 15th March - drop in between 10.30am and 3pm
Abingdon Museum
Free event - booking not required

Fossil and Mineral Day by Oxfordshire Geology Trust
Take a deep dive into the fossils and minerals collection of the Oxfordshire Geology Trust. You can handle the fossilised bones of a young ichthyosaur and a dinosaur footprint cast. Have a look at a reproduction of the Stonesfield Megalosaurus jaw found by William Buckland 200 years ago! Feel free to bring in your own fossils for identification and take part in our Trails, Fossil Lucky Dip and dinosaur mask-making.

ATOM Science and Technology Festival, Abingdon-on-Thames - Programme



OPEN MORNING
Saturday 1 March
9.00am - 12.30pm

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