



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,

Thank you to families who have already donated for our Harvest appeal. If you feel able to add something from the food bank shopping list to your weekly shop, please drop any donations into school and place them on our Harvest table. These will form part of our Harvest celebration service in school on Tuesday 20th October.

We are all aware that technology, and the access that we and our children have to different devices and online platforms, has been a topic of discussion and consideration over the last few years.

Internetmatters.org is an independent, not-for-profit organisation that launched in 2014, aiming to provide information and advice to parents and carers to help their children navigate the ever-changing digital landscape. Parental controls can help children stay safe while navigating the digital world. Different children can benefit from different controls, and what controls they need will change as children grow. Internet Matters provides advice and guidance to support here: [Managing parental controls for different ages](#).



Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend,

Ms Munday Headteacher www.csfschools.org



Chair of Governors Update...

We would like to share with our school community that Mr Sam Murphy has recently been appointed as the new Chair of Governors for our school.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Mr Jim Hazlewood for his dedication, support and commitment during his time as Chair. We are delighted that he will remain on our Governing Board.

The commitment, support and guidance provided by all our Governors has been, and continues to be, greatly appreciated by the whole school community.

Make a difference—become a school governor! ☀

This week all families have received a paper copy of our school 'Notice of election of parent Governor'. Please do let us know if you are interested in joining our Governing Board.

Would you like to help shape our wonderful school's future? We are looking for an enthusiastic parent governor to join our team!

You don't need to be an education expert. Just your unique perspective, enthusiasm to help our children 'live life in all its fullness', and a desire to contribute to our community. It is a highly rewarding way to gain new skills while giving back.

Please see attached for full details. If you are interested, or would simply like more information, please reply to this email or contact our Chair of Governors or Headteacher for an informal chat.

*Warm regards,
The Governing Board*

Safeguarding and Allergy Awareness...

As part of our commitment to keeping all children safe, we would like to raise awareness of allergies and the importance of allergy-safe practices in school. Following the introduction of Benedict's Law schools across England are strengthening their approach to allergy awareness and safety with staff training, emergency response procedures and support for children with allergies.

Whether a school setting has any children, or not, with known severe allergies, we are aware that allergies can develop at any time. We encourage all families to support good habits by reminding children to:

- Never share food or drinks.
- Wash their hands before and after eating.
- Tell an adult immediately if they or a friend feel unwell.

By working together, we can continue to provide a safe, inclusive and caring environment for everyone. For further information about allergy safety in schools, please visit the [Allergy safety in schools guidance from the Department for Education](#).



Picture News...

This week's BIG question is:

Do wild animals have as much right to the land as we do?



What's happening in the news this week?



Let's have a look at this week's poster!

21st - 27th September 2026

Nepal has announced that its wild tiger population has more than tripled, rising from 121 tigers in 2010, to 429 today. Officials say the turnaround is the result of years of protected wildlife corridors and local communities working hand-in-hand with conservationists to protect the big cats. With tiger numbers now increasing, more encounters between tigers and nearby villages are leaving experts asking how people and wildlife can safely share the same land going forward.

Long ago, the world was not the way God wanted it to be. God asked Noah to build a huge boat, called an ark, and bring his family and two of every kind of animal on board to keep them safe. When the rain came and the waters rose, Noah, his family and the animals stayed safely inside the ark. When the waters went down, they were able to leave and begin again on dry land.



You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you.

Genesis 6:19



Class worship...



How have we all been embracing our school vision of *"Living life in all its fullness"* (John 10:10) this week? Our Christian value focus for this term is 'Community' ...

	In Robins...	Barney, "In Gymnastics we were learning how to balance and I kept wobbling and falling over and Eli helped me."
		Eli, "When it was my turn to balance I wobbled and Barney helped me, we were a team."
	In Kingfishers...	Osea, "Me and Darcey worked together as a team to perform our balance routine in Gymnastics. We really had to listen to each other."
		Darcey, "I have enjoyed doing gymnastics this week with my friends."
	In Owls...	Isla, "I am very proud of myself because I have moved up a level in swimming."
		Spencer, "I played football with the Hungerford team and had a great time!"
	In Red Kites...	Ava-Rayne, "I have enjoyed working together with people from Arlington to rehearse a dance."
		Sophie, "I worked well with other people to create paired balances in gymnastics."
	School adults...	Mrs Langford, "The Robins children have been learning the routines especially at tidy up time, they have been super helpful."

	Miss Carter, "Someone fell over in After School Club and Jesse helped them by saying 'take a deep breath', all the After School Club children showed concern and respect for the person who was hurt - they all showed caring community spirit."
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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](#)

Diary dates... (New dates are added in green)**September 2026**

Wed, 30 th	Individual and sibling photograph day
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October 2026

Tues, 6 th	PTFA Bag2school collection
Wed, 7 th	Welcome church service, 9am St Andrew's, Chaddleworth The school community is welcome to join us
Fri, 9 th	Wear yellow in recognition of World Mental Health Day.
Mon 12 th - Fri 16 th	Parent teacher meetings
Fri, 16 th	PTFA fancy dress disco
Tues, 20 th	9am Harvest worship in school Families welcome to join us
Wed, 21 st	Last day of term 1
Thurs, 22 nd	School closed (INSET)

November 2026

Mon, 2 nd	Term 2 begins
Sat, 14 th	PTFA Winter Fayre

December 2026

Wed, 16 th	Christmas Church service, 9.30am St Mary's Great Shefford
Thurs, 17 th	Whole school pantomime trip
Fri, 18 th	Last day of term 2

January 2027

Mon, 4 th	School closed (INSET)
Tues, 5 th	Term 3 begins

February 2027

Wed, 3 rd	Candlemas Church service, 9.30am St Mary's, Great Shefford
Fri, 12 th	Last day of term 3
Mon, 22 nd	Term 4 begins

March 2027

Wed, 24 th	Easter Church service: 9.30am St Mary's, Great Shefford
Thurs, 25 th	Last day of term 4

April 2027

Mon, 12 th	Term 5 begins
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May 2027

Mon, 3 rd	May Bank holiday
Fri, 28 th	Last day of term 5

June 2027

Mon, 7 th	Term 6 begins
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July 2027

Wed, 21 st	Leavers Church service, 1.30pm St Mary's, Great Shefford
	Last day of term 6
Thurs, 22 nd	School closed (INSET)

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

PTFA news & updates...

Please drop off any donations at the bike shed from now onwards, where they will be stored until collection day.

If you would like to find out more about how you could help please see one of the co-chairs; Lottie Hadland or Charlotte Chrimes or email chair@csptfa.org.uk



* Myles & Baker *

Parent and carer community news and information...



Saturday 3 October

10am-3pm | drop-in
£1 per person payable on the day (under 5s free)

Learn about life in Roman Britain with historical reenactors from Butser IX Legion.

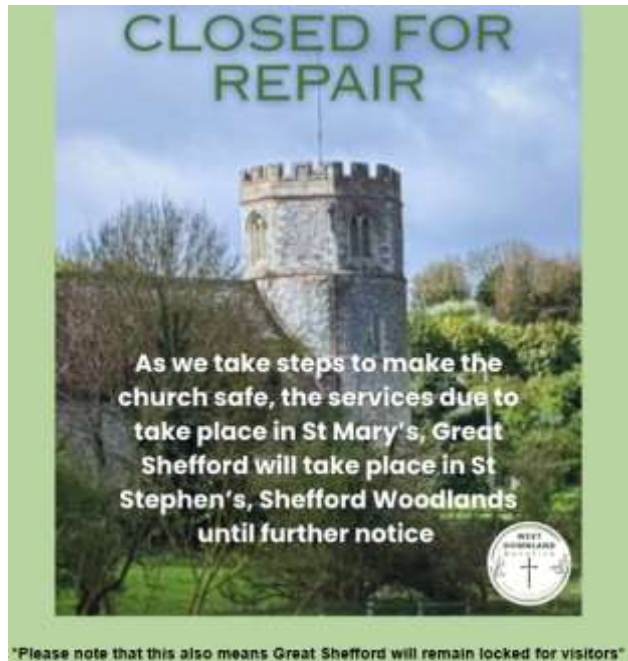
With hands-on activities, demonstrations, crafts, and a trail.

West Berkshire Museum | The Wharf | Newbury | Berkshire RG14 5AS
T: 01635 519562 E: museum@westberks.gov.uk
www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on



For more information on school admissions, including information on each school in West Berkshire, go to

www.westberks.gov.uk/secondary-school-admissions



Please note that this also means Great Shefford will remain locked for visitors



Hungerford & Area Family Hub Timetable September-December 2026



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	EXTRAS
Kirtbury Stay and Play 9.15 - 10.45 Starts 7th Sept 26 Free drop-in session Term Time only (Alternative venue may be available in holidays) Venue - Kirtbury St Marys Primary School RG17 9DQ	Lambourn Stay & Play (Little Lambourn Lights) 10.00am - 11.30am A group run in collaboration with the Lambourn Primary School Cost £1 Term Time only (Alternative venue may be available in holidays) Venue - Lambourn CofE Primary School	Baby Group Hungerford 9.30am - 11.00pm Free drop-in session Baby Weighing available Breakfast provided Venue - The Croft Hall, The Croft RG17 0HY	Stay & Play Hungerford 9.30am - 11.00am Free drop-in session Venue - The Croft Hall, The Croft RG17 0HY	Events yet to be decided	Growing Resilient Parents 5-week course Free course Starts 24th Sept Venue TBC
Triple P Parenting Program 10-week program Starts 12th Oct 12.30 - 2.30 Venue - The Croft Hall, The Croft RG17 0HY		Cruisers & Crawlers (Prep themed) 11.30 - 1.00pm Free drop-in session Venue - The Croft Hall, The Croft RG17 0HY			Halloween themed Messy Play session within our Stay & Play session - 22nd October Post Natal - Weaning session within our Baby Group - 23rd September



Follow the QR code to explore West Berkshire Family Hubs and register today.



Follow the QR code to book online.

Hungerford Family Hub (Office based in Hungerford Nursery School), The Croft, Hungerford, RG17 0HY



Harvest Supper

Friday 9th October 7:30pm
At Great Shefford Village Hall

Delicious home cooked meal
(inc. vegetarian & GF options)

Social Club bar open.

Tickets £15

Everyone is welcome

Please call or text 07867 934 387

Email denise.herrington@btinternet.com

Funds raised will support and maintain our historic parish churches



Harvest appeal

Help support your food bank this Harvest

In the three weeks leading up to Harvest, the food bank will provide over 600 food parcels for local individuals and families facing hardship.

Donate food



Donate an item or two from our shopping list, ensuring we can provide food for people facing hardship in your community.

Donate money



Help to cover the costs of storing and distributing food, as well as developing sustainable projects.



Shopping list

Tinned veg

Pasta Sauce

UHT Milk

Coffee

Cereal

Tinned tomatoes

Sugar

Sponge puds

Toilet roll

Shower gel

westberks.foodbank.org.uk

Registered charity in England 1121996



- Take control of your finances
- Create your own personal budget
- Learn how to live to your budget
- Transform your financial well-being
- Free course with on-site parking

Newbury Baptist Church
Wednesdays 10am – 12pm
October 7th, 14th and 21st

Register via QR code, or call:
David Clark on 07803 838917



**Don't miss
money coaching**

capuk.org/trymoneycoaching

SPECTACLE of LIGHT

WELFORD PARK

Half Term
Treat -
Kids Go Free*
on 25th October

Alice's Amazing
Adventures in Wonderland!

* One free child ticket with every paying grown up.
Offer ends Sunday 6th Sept

FACE **September Timetable**
All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long
£24 each or FREE with School Membership
Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk
Recordings available for 48 hours

Understanding the Teenage Brain	21 Sep 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Sep 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	22 Sep 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	22 Sep 7pm
FREE - Masking Awareness	24 Sep 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	28 Sep 10am
School Anxiety	28 Sep 7pm

FREE talk for parents
22 October 7-8pm

If you don't have time to listen

Just book online and receive a link to the
recording available for 48 hours



ADHD & Homework

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



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Raising Self-Esteem	5 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	5 Oct 7pm
Decreasing Depression	6 Oct 10am
Introduction to OCD	6 Oct 7pm
Improving Family Communication	12 Oct 10am
What is ACT?	12 Oct 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	13 Oct 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	13 Oct 7pm
Understanding Anger	19 Oct 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	19 Oct 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	20 Oct 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	20 Oct 7pm
FREE - ADHD and Homework	22 Oct 7-8pm
Facing Defiance	26 Oct 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	26 Oct 7pm
School Anxiety	27 Oct 10am
Anxiety Explained	27 Oct 7pm