



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,

This term is flying by, with lots keeping us all very, very busy this week!

I felt it was a very poignant church service for us all this week, with the light of all our candles in the darkened church reminding us of the light of Jesus guiding our way, especially as we continue to work through these darker, colder, wetter months as we move into the much awaited spring time.

It's been great to join many varied school groups for sporting events this week, we are so incredibly proud of our children and their enthusiasm, resilience and kindness to others at all of these different event opportunities!

Finally we wrapped the week up with our annual celebration of NSPCC Number Day! This is a day I look forward to every year and it's the opportunity to highlight that Maths is in and around our lives all day and everyday - from the alarm clock going off in the morning, to sharing a snack, choosing a matching pair of socks, playing a game of snakes and ladders to checking the weather forecast! We've had a great day celebrating everything Maths!

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend,

Ms Munday Headteacher [www.csfschools.org](http://www.csfschools.org)

### Candlemas Church Service...

Thank you if you were able to join us for our Candlemas service this week with The Reverends Mike and Matt. This service gave the opportunity for Robins to share the meaning of the candles we light during worship, Kingfishers to share their blessings with us, Owls to share the Bible extract of the presentation of Jesus at the Temple and Red Kites to share their teaspoon prayers with us all. For each to have our own Candlemas candle lit during the service was a very special moment and a poignant reminder of Jesus being the light of our world.



**NSPCC Number Day 2026 and House meetings...**

'Dressing for Digits' brought everyone in with Maths on their minds! From numbers, to shapes, patterns to creative interpretations- you all looked AMAZING!



We began our day with a whole school assembly that reminded us of the many different ways that Maths is involved in our lives all day, everyday- reading the time, measuring, sharing, comparing and spotting patterns as just a few examples along side our reading and writing of numbers and all the varied calculations we learn to do too.

We had class challenges and tasks (do take a look at the class blogs to find out more) to work with through the morning, then leading us to our House meetings throughout the afternoon- full of fun and games, using cards, dice, board games and activities all using our Maths knowledge and skills!



The day also raised the amount of £42.98 to donate to the important work of the NSPCC.

Thankyou to everyone for the support, enthusiasm and engagement with the whole day!

**Owls Football...**

*"On Monday, a few of the Owls class went to Park House School for a 7 a side football event. They wowed us with their positive mindsets, fearless approach and their incredible and compassionate teamwork. Their sense of community, courage and trust for each other really shone through and we are so proud of them." Miss Carter.*



**Speed stacking KS1...**

"On Tuesday six KS1 children took part in a speed stacking event at Park House school. We took part in 8 different challenges including making the biggest tower but the cups were upside down, stacking giant cups and an individual time challenge. The children all had a great amount of fun trying to get as many points as they could. Well done team, you were brilliant!" Mrs Oberholzer.

**Speed stacking KS2...**

"KS2 had a fantastic time at Speed Stacking on Thursday afternoon. We were super speedy, very steady and worked well as a team. It was lots of fun and I was amazed by some of the individual timed scores - 3.7 was the quickest to build one 3 levelled pyramid from our group!" Mrs Chapman.

**Class worship...**

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

With particular focus on our new Christian value of 'Courage' for this term...

	In Robins...	Benjamin, "I didn't want to go on the big water slide but I did!"
		Darcey, " I was scared to go on the trampoline but I had a go."
	In Kingfishers...	Margo, "Drawing our school landscape. I was very proud of myself."
		Teddy, "Drawing our school landscape."
		Otto, "Getting lots of tags in rugby. "
		Everly, "Helping Mummy do the washing up."
		Georgia, "Rolling from my back onto my tummy when I was swimming."
		Lola loved taking part in speed stacking and even managed to achieve a personal best high score!
		Baker is looking forward to his weekend when he will be celebrating his racehorse's birthday with his friend!
		Spencer showed true courage this week when he reached the top of not just one climbing wall but many!
		Freya, "This week I got to jump into the pool that was for the stage above the stage I'm in. I was a bit nervous at first but then I took a deep breath and did it!"
	In Owls...	Violet, "I showed courage when I didn't get much sleep at night, but I still came to school in the morning and did my learning really well."
		Hollie, "I showed courage when I broke my collar bone during a football match and also when I went to the hospital to get it checked out."
	In Red Kites...	Ava-Rayne, "I showed courage to get up in front of the whole school to share my teaspoon prayer."
		Lilly-Rose, "I enjoyed our cricket PE lesson."
		Joseph, "I have liked challenging myself in Maths."

School adult...

Mrs Higgins, " I had the most enjoyable time during our welly walk last week, it gave me a chance to reflect on what a wonderful landscape and community we have on our doorstep - we are very blessed indeed"

Mrs Oberholzer, "I enjoyed watching the KS1 speed stackers show incredible resilience and courage when they took part in the speed stacking event."

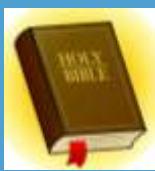
Picture News and the BIG question this week...



**The BIG question...**  
Does seeing yourself in a toy or story help you feel like you belong?

A toy company called Mattel has released a new Barbie doll designed to represent people who have autism, with features such as a fidget spinner and noise-cancelling headphones. The doll was created with help from the autistic community, so more people can see themselves reflected in their toys.

The Bible teaches us to welcome everyone with kindness, just as they are. Even when people seem different from us, we should treat them with love. Jesus welcomed everyone with open arms and made sure they felt like they truly belonged.



*'Accept one another; then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.'*

*Romans 15:7*

### 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...

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

February 2026	
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> -15th	Children's Mental Health Week
Fri, 13 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA Valentine's cake sale, 3.15pm, baked donations welcomed
Fri, 13 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term 3
Tues, 17 <sup>th</sup>	Lunar New Year Shrove Tuesday
Mon, 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Term 4 begins
March 2026	
Tues, 17 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA 'Little Recyclers' collection day
Fri, 27 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term 4
April 2026	
Fri, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Good Friday
Sun, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday
Mon, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Monday
Mon, 13 <sup>th</sup>	Term 5 begins
May 2026	
Mon, 4 <sup>th</sup>	Early May Bank Holiday
Fri, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Last day of term 5
June 2026	
Mon, 1 <sup>st</sup>	Term 6 begins
July 2026	
Tues, 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term 6

[Term Dates - Chaddleworth St. Andrew's & Shefford - C.E. Federated Primary Schools](#)

## Parent and carer community news and information...



### Would your child like to try a new instrument?

Please contact our brass and woodwind music teacher, Mr Crouter, for more information: Call 07776 381 510 or 01488 680 674

Email [timcrouter@aol.com](mailto:timcrouter@aol.com)

Children are welcome to come and try an instrument first if they would like to.

[campbookings](http://www.eliteplayersfa.co.uk/campbookings)

**Half Term Netball Camp**

Experience fun activities, make new friends, and create lasting memories. All abilities welcome.

**NUFFIELD HEALTH**  
10:30 AM - 16:30 PM  
18th February - Years 7, 8 & 9  
19th February - Years 4, 5 & 6  
£30.00 per day

[netballstars.com](http://netballstars.com)



NetballStars - A fun local inclusive club based at Kennet School on Saturday mornings and Nuffield Health, Newbury on Thursday nights from year 3 upwards. NetballStars also have a great half term club for all abilities, see the flyer attached. As part of the clubs offering they support FREE

netball session to schools as part of their connect program. They can umpire fixtures, host a one off training session and after school club. Click the Link to message the team - [HERE](#) or check out the website - [www.netballstars.com](http://www.netballstars.com)



Newbury Junior Netball - The Newbury Junior Netball Club are our local competitive club starting at years 5/6. They hold annual trials for more experienced players that play in the West Berkshire Junior League. See the link here - <https://newburyjunior.netball.co.uk/join-us/>



**HAF 2026**

BOOKINGS GO LIVE ON THE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES PORTAL 25 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 7AM

Parents

Free holiday club places for children and young people eligible for free school meals.

- Activity sessions during school holidays at no cost to you
- Sports, music, arts and crafts
- Outdoor and indoor play, gaming and other exciting opportunities to learn and develop skills
- A nutritious meal each day
- Nutritional resources to keep
- Fun workshops and visits at selected venues

To find out if your child is eligible, please contact your school or our HAF Coordinator.

If you have any questions about HAF please email our HAF Coordinator at [Hannah.Jee1@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:Hannah.Jee1@westberks.gov.uk) or visit our website: [www.westberks.gov.uk/HAF](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/HAF)

Accompany with [Holiday Activities](#)

Now working with Holiday Activities booking system! Check your email inbox soon for your HAF voucher to make your bookings. You will receive 4 booking credits for Easter HAF!

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**MOVIE IN THE HALL**

SHAW HOUSE

Fantastic Mr. Fox

Tuesday 17 February | Adults £5 Child £3

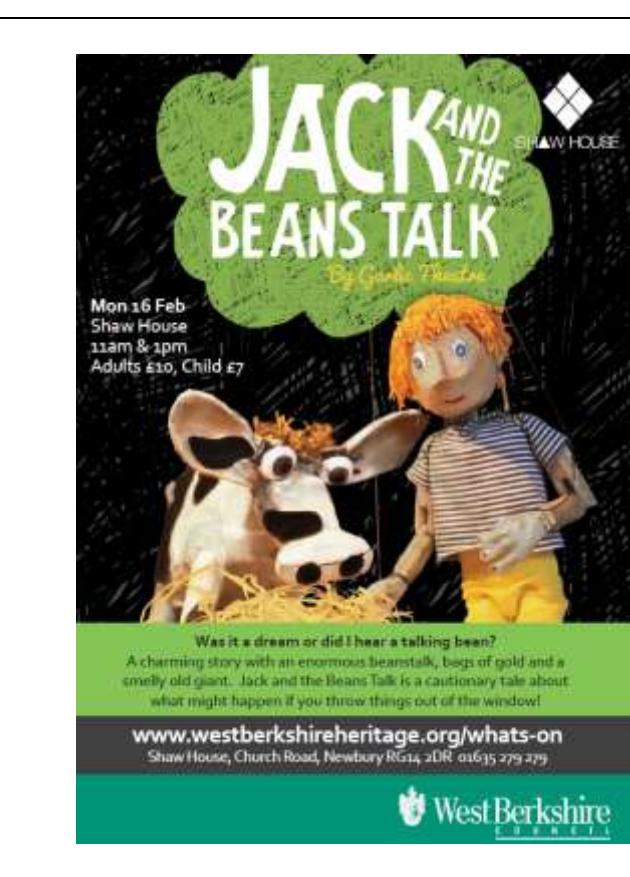
Doors open at 10am, film starts at 10.30am

The cafe will be open serving cinema sweets and treats.

Book online: [www.westberkshireheritage.com/whats-on](http://www.westberkshireheritage.com/whats-on)

Certification: PG | 109m | Running time: 1h 40m | Searchlight Pictures

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**JACK AND THE BEANS TALK**

By Granville Pritchard

SHAW HOUSE

Mon 16 Feb  
Shaw House  
11am & 1pm  
Adults £10, Child £7

Was it a dream or did I hear a talking bean? A charming story with an enormous beanstalk, bags of gold and a smelly old giant. Jack and the Beans Talk is a cautionary tale about what might happen if you throw things out of the window!

[www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on](http://www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on)

Shaw House, Church Road, Newbury RG14 2DR 01635 279 279

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WEST BERKSHIRE MUSEUM

Museum Explorers

Tuesday 17 February | 10.30am – 12pm | Free

A relaxed morning for children with additional needs and their families to enjoy the Museum when there is less hustle and bustle (as we are closed to the public on Tuesdays).

The downstairs museum galleries will be open, and there is an opportunity to take part in a craft.

Book online:  
[www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on](http://www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on)

West Berkshire Museum, The Wharf, Newbury, Berkshire RG14 5AS  
T: 01635 529562 E: [museum@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:museum@westberks.gov.uk)

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**Open to follow ROCKET PROPELLED GAMES**

**Opening Times**

- Mon 12-10pm
- Tue closed
- Wed closed
- Thursday 10-10pm
- Friday 10-10pm
- Saturday 10-10pm
- Sunday 10-4pm

**Table Prices**

Per table (1-6 people)

- 1 hour £6
- 2 hours £10
- 3 hours £15

**Rocket Propelled Games**  
Board Game Shop & Cafe  
150-151 Bartholomew Street  
Newbury RG14 5HB

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[ROCKET PROPELLED GAMES](https://www.facebook.com/ROCKETPROPELLEDGAMES)

**How to reserve a table**  
We do accept walk ins  
But it's best to book in advance

**ROCKETPROPELLEDGAMES@OUTLOOK.COM**

**01635 885655**



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**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**MONDAYS**

12-2pm Brunch Club £5 pp  
Includes sausage roll & hot drink  
2 hour game play  
Suitable for solo players

4-6pm After School board game Club  
£2.50 per child (Parents free)  
Neurodiverse Friendly



**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**THURSDAYS**

10-12pm Baby & Toddler Session  
Free to meet up

12-4pm Home Education Session  
£2.50 per child, parents free

4-6pm After school club  
£2.50 per child, parents welcome for free  
Pokemon & Warhammer



**WEEKLY EVENTS**

**FRIDAYS**

12-2pm Brunch Club £5 pp  
Includes sausage roll & hot drink  
2 hour game play  
Suitable for solo players

4-6pm After School Club  
£2.50 per child (Parents free)  
Dungeons & Dragons, RPG



The Oxford Brookes Science Bazaar will be held on Friday 21st February, 9:30am-4:00pm, at our Headington Campus (OX3 0BP). The event is designed to inspire curiosity and excitement around science through hands-on, interactive activities, and is most suitable for children aged 5–12, though all ages are welcome.

With over 70 drop-in activities, families can explore science together in a relaxed and engaging environment. On the day, visitors can enjoy:

- Hands-on science activities led by real scientists, researchers, and students.
- Live science shows and demonstrations throughout the day.
- Interactive workshops covering topics such as psychology, medicine, engineering, robotics, coding, nutrition, and more.
- STEM games and challenges, with prizes to be won.

The Science Bazaar is a great opportunity for children to experience science outside the classroom, ask questions, and see how science connects to everyday life and future careers.

#### Event details

- Date: Saturday 21st February 2026
- Time: 9:30am-4:00pm
- Location: Oxford Brookes University, Headington Campus, OX3 0BP
- Cost: Free
- Booking required: [\[booking link\]](#)

