

# NEWSLETTER

Chaddleshworth St. Andrew's and Shefford  
CE Federated Primary Schools

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



Christian Values: **Courage**, Compassion, Trust, Friendship, Wisdom, Endurance

## Dear Parents and Carers,

The teachers would like to say a huge thank you to parents for coming into school this week for **parent/teacher meetings** and are looking forward to a few more appointments still to come. They have found the conversations helpful and from your feedback, you have found them helpful too. Thank you for your feedback about the website— you asked for more information about what to look out for so we have included some links in today's newsletter.

The **garden design** is being finalised following your input. We even had a fantastic response from one of our past pupils! As you can imagine, the votes for each design were very even so we took the elements you liked: a large circular seating area, a tree seat, a willow and plant troughs that include plants you can touch and smell.

It has been an absolute pleasure taking several families round the school this week, showing them what we do and what makes our school special.

They said:

'The children are so focussed in class'

'You have so many resources!'

About music opportunities: 'That's a lot of choice'  
'Your children spoke so eloquently about what they like about the school'

'It's a really caring school'

What a great way to end the week!

Best wishes,

Mrs Stephenson



## Class Pages and Class Bogs

Did you know that each class has a **class page** and a **class blog**? The class page has the information about the whole term and changes once a term.



From the home page, click on the **CLASS LEARNING** shortcut to get to the class pages and blogs

Click the links below:

[Robins Class Page](#)

[Kingfishers Class Page](#)

[Owls Class Page](#)

[Red Kites Class Page](#)



Click the links below:

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Class blogs are updated weekly and let you know what your child has learnt that week so you can talk about it



**Saturday 30th September**  
From 12 noon until 3pm  
**Sheffield School Site**



**Free Entry!**  
We will be selling burgers, hotdogs and vegan options, along with soft drinks.  
Enjoy an afternoon in our lovely school grounds with lots of free family games and activities



## Have your say!

West Berkshire Council has launched two consultations about children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and would like you to take part in our surveys to share details of your experiences within West Berkshire.

Please share details of your experiences within West Berkshire. We're particularly interested in the views of:

- Children, young people or adults with SEND
- Parents & carers of people with SEND
- Professionals working with people with SEND

Our two consultations are:



Draft Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Strategy 2023-2028. The Strategy is a plan for the next 5 years, to make sure we're giving children with SEND the support, adjustments and interventions they need.  
<https://www.westberks.gov.uk/draftsendstrategy>



We're also working with the Department for Education's Delivering Better Value (DBV) in SEND programme to develop an action plan and apply for a £1million grant to fund improved outcomes for children with SEND in 2024/2025. Delivering Better Value in SEND Programme (DBV in SEND) Survey 2023 <https://westberks.gov.uk/DBV2023>



Both surveys can be completed in around 10 minutes and will be available until the 29th October. If you have any questions about either survey, please contact [SENConsultations@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:SENConsultations@westberks.gov.uk).

Kind regards,

*Michelle Sancho*

Michelle Sancho, Acting Head of Education Services



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*Would you like to make a difference in an outstanding village preschool?  
Are you a dedicated, patient and caring early years educator?  
Do you have a passion for working with young children?  
If you've answered 'yes' to these questions, we would love to hear from you!*

**We currently have an exciting opportunity for a**

## Deputy Manager

**to join our long-standing team, working up to 22 hours per week, term time only.**

Rated outstanding in all areas by Ofsted in December 2022, Great Sheffield Under 5s is a warm, inspirational setting, where children develop a strong sense of community and staff go beyond expectations in supporting children and their families.

The ideal candidate would have an NVQ/III or Early Years Educator qualification, with experience of working with families and children under five years of age.

**For a full job description and application pack, please contact us.**

**Closing date: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

Great Sheffield Under Fives is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. An enhanced DBS disclosure will be sought from the successful candidates.

## Diary Dates

<b>September</b>	
<b>October</b>	Black History Month
Sun, 1st	Harvest Festival at The Beacon Down, Chaddleworth
2nd—6th	Red Kites to Culmington Manor, Shropshire
Tues, 3rd	Phonics Workshop for Robins parents and carers (including grandparents and childminders - everyone who listens to children read welcome!)
Tues, 10th	Harvest Festival—9am—donations for West Berks foodbank please. Parents and carers welcome to attend the service. World Mental Health Day— wear something yellow
Wed, 11th	PTFA AGM 7.30pm at The Great Sheffield All welcome
Thurs, 12th	JOG Open Evening 4.30pm—7pm
Fri, 13th	Anvil 'Spooky' Cake Sale 3.15pm
Thurs, 19th	Last day term 1— East Garston Pilgrimage
Mon, 30th	INSET day
Tues, 31st	Term 2 starts
<b>November</b>	
Wed, 8th	Whole School Flu Immunisation
Fri, 10th	Topsy Turvy Day Arlington 'Bonfire' Cake Sale 3.15pm
Sat, 18th	Winter Fair PTFA event
Thurs, 30th	St Andrew's Day silver coin collection for Great Ormond Street Hospital
<b>December</b>	
Sat, 2nd	300th Anniversary of Chaddleworth St Andrew's School Come and join us at Chaddleworth 10am—12pm for free coffee and birthday cake!
Fri, 8th	Watermill 'Christmas' Cake Sale 3.15pm
Tues, 12th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 1.30pm—2.00pm KS2 Carols 2.15pm
Wed, 13th	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 6.00pm—6.30pm KS2 Carols 6.45pm
Fri, 15th	Elf Mile PTFA event
Tues, 19th	St Mary's Church Service 9am All welcome Christmas Lunch

### Red Kites are off to Culmington Manor!

Red Kites are going on their residential trip for a week of adventurous activities and team building. Mrs Stephenson will be at Culmington during the week but will be in touch with school daily. Please let Ms Munday know if you have any questions or concerns during the week. Safeguarding will be led by Mrs Higgins and Mrs Kimber.