

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,

We have recently been so lucky to welcome several work experience students from local secondary schools who were wanting to find out more about the primary school working environment. All the students have been incredibly helpful to staff and children and been fully immersed in each school day, a big thank you to Willow, Eva, Lily and Sophie.



Our Christian value this term has brought us to consider the meaning of, reasons for and ways of sharing 'Thankfulness'. Our whole school worship times have shared our gratitude for our families, friends and so many important features of the world we live in. This week's focus brought us to consider the books we are grateful to have shared and enjoyed, the books that have made us think, taught us something new and that we want to go back to again and again.



Do you have favourite books that you share at home?

Please look out for the Sports Day information shared this week. We are looking forward to a wonderful community event bringing us all together to celebrate physical activity and fun!

We hope you have a super weekend, whatever the weather!

Ms Munday Acting Headteacher www.csfschools.org

Author visit...

On Wednesday Red Kites were delighted to welcome author Geraldine

McCaughrean to talk about the inspiration for her book, *Under A Fire-Red Sky*, which is being read in class to support learning across the curriculum- especially WWII history. There were lots of questions asked about her characters, and the process of writing and publishing a book.



WWII Evacuation Day...

Red Kites were immersed in their history learning today – from themed clothing to filling in evacuee labels, 1930's style arithmetic lesson, an Air Raid Siren demonstration and discussion with our visitor, Mick, from the RAF Welford Historical Society, to war time food tasting, walking to St Mary's Church to ring the bells, and a visit to the War Memorial to read the names of the men from Great Shefford who lost their lives in WWII. All culminating in learning about the Dig for Victory campaign and designing propaganda posters to encourage people to grow their own food! Thank you to Mrs Chrimes for organising such an amazing learning experience day for our children!



Our class worship Picture News focus...

BIG question

'Why do people explore the past?'

Nearly 140 years after it sank, a team of divers has identified the wreck of a ship, called the SS Nantes, off the coast of Devon, in southwest England. The ship sank in 1888, after crashing into another boat. The shipwreck could finally be named when a diver found a plate with the ship's company logo (or crest) on it.

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...

What an amazing event the Summer Fete was! With fun and games, tasty food and drinks, and competitions galore.



A HUGE 'thank you' to our amazing PTFA and volunteer team for the time, preparation and effort given to our school.

The PTFA has shared that their fundraising efforts and recent events have meant they are able to fully fund our end of year whole school trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park- AMAZING!



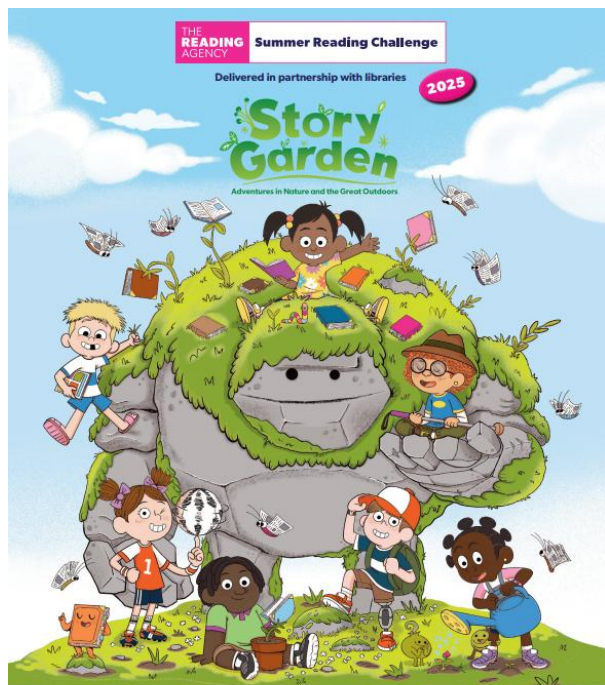
Also, our blue token collection has now begun in Tesco Hungerford. Please do support us by dropping any blue tokens into the middle collection box.

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

July	
Mon, 7th	Last week of clubs Owls swimming lesson 9 of 10
Tues, 8th	Sports Day The Downs Transition day
Wed, 9th	Reserve Sports Day The Downs transition day
Thurs, 10th	KAs induction day
Mon, 14th	No after school clubs from this week After school care continues via the School Gateway App or email the office Owls last swimming lesson 10 of 10
Tues, 15th	Red Kites afternoon performance (details TBC) KS1 Multiskills
Wed, 16th	Red Kites evening performance (details TBC)
Thurs, 17th	School reports sent home for all children
Fri, 18th	Year 6 leavers assembly, 9.15am. Families of year 6 children invited to attend. Whole school trip – Cotswold Wildlife Park
Mon, 21st	PTFA school disco and leaver's ball
Tues, 22nd	Leaver's service at St Mary's Church, 10.30am Last day of term 6
August	
September	
Wed, 3rd	Staff INSET day
Thurs, 4th	TERM 1 - All children return to school
Term Dates - Chaddleworth St. Andrew's & Shefford - C.E. Federated Primary Schools	



Parent and carer community news and information...



summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

What's On

The Watermill's FAMILY FÊTE

6 JUL, 12PM

BOOK NOW

Come and join us for an afternoon of family fun at the Watermill Family Fête.

Have a go at some traditional fête activities and try your hand at some crafts. Take part in our world famous duck race, or get creative and have your face painted!

Or relax, enjoy some live music on the lawn from local groups, Three Rivers Community Choir & Front Page Rouge, with refreshments from the bar. Browse our fabulous stallholders and treat yourself to some sweet treats, artisan craft products or a plant or two!

All while raising important funds for The Watermill, to support our artistic programme and community outreach work. Parking will be limited, so please try to car share where possible.

Three Rivers Community Choir

[Family Fête | Watermill Theatre](#)

FAMILY DAY AT THE BASE!

SATURDAY 12 July, 10AM - 5PM

Come and explore The Base during the Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition! We understand the positive impact creative experiences can have on young people's futures, so we've got some ways to help you explore our space together...

- ★ Get creative with our **free art and craft activities** in the Gallery
- ★ Follow an **animal-inspired trail** around the whole building, peeking inside our Resident Artist studios
- ★ Explore the current exhibition, **Wildlife Photographer of the Year 60** with our activity sheets



SAVE THE DATE | Tuesday 5 August, 10AM - 5PM
Wild Walls Family Day

[Click here to find out more thebasegreenham.co.uk](http://thebasegreenham.co.uk)

THE BASE
Greenham

Berkshire Cricket

GIRLS-ONLY TWO DAY HOLIDAY CAMP THIS AUGUST

FALKLAND CRICKET CLUB
MONDAY 18TH AUGUST
TUESDAY 19TH AUGUST
BOTH DAYS 10AM - 3PM

OPEN TO GIRLS AGED 8-11 YEARS OLD
TWO FULL DAYS OF CRICKET SKILLS
RUN BY OUR BERKSHIRE COACHES

DYNAMOS FORMAT CRICKET
BOWLING - BATTING - FIELDING
MATCHES AND SKILLS ON BOTH DAYS

SCAN HERE TO SIGNUP - £60 FEE INCLUDES BOTH DAYS + A CUSTOMISED DYNAMOS T-SHIRT

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Scan me!

THE BIG 'A' ANXIETY WORKSHOP
EMPOWERING PARENTS & PRACTITIONERS TO HELP ANXIOUS CHILDREN
5 WEEK ONLINE COURSE

JOIN US
11th September
18th September
25th September
2nd October
9th October

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?
Session 1: We will explore what anxiety is, how it affects the mind, brain and body and identify signs and symptoms to look out for. We will also examine triggers, types of anxiety, and debunk myths about anxiety. We will begin our journey to learn ways to support a child.
Session 2: We will focus on how to respond and co-regulate in those peak moments of heightened anxiety. You will learn the best approach to use in this 'crisis state', when reasoning and rationalising is out of the window!
Session 3: We will learn how our words have power! Using NLP techniques, we shift anxious patterns of thought and behaviour.
Session 4: We learn how to reflect on 'peak moments' and plan ahead to prepare for potential triggers. Our approach cultivates collaborative relationships, develops emotional intelligence, harnesses autonomy and values mental health and wellbeing.
Session 5: We will equip you with all the tools you need to prep and reset after those wobble moments. This session focuses on a proactive approach to 'Brain health' using mindfulness and breath work techniques. You will leave the session with a tool kit full of knowledge and skills to implement, creating a calmer place for all.

Led by: **KATIE PURDY**
Founder of: **MINDFUL BRAIN**

Katie is a former Head Teacher & leading Children's Wellbeing and Mindset Coach in Reading & West Berkshire.

12.45 - 1.45
OR
19.45 - 20.45

www.mindfulbrain.co.uk/usefulinks

They find change, uncertainty and new things tricky to manage.
Getting things wrong, they have such self-doubt.
They struggle going to school.
Being away from parents.
Low self-esteem and confidence.
They need everything to be a certain way.
Homework & friendships are triggers.

JOIN US

Events | Mindful Brain



July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

All Yours Period Boxes

Over this academic year we have provided over 5000 period boxes to individuals and families. Many of those supported have been part of the school community and we are pleased to be able to continue this support as we enter the summer holidays. If you require period products for yourself or your young people, please do not hesitate to let us know what you need. If you could place your request as soon as possible, it will enable us to deliver them before the holidays start, ensuring everyone has what they need for the summer break.

All requests are free and confidential.

You can request your All Yours box here: <https://www.allyoursbox.co.uk/request>

All our boxes are prepared by volunteers, and most boxes are delivered by volunteers as well. Where we are not able to hand deliver a box, we use 2nd class Royal Mail to send our boxes. We ask that you allow at least 21 days for delivery, but we do aim to drop off boxes far quicker than this.

Summer Holiday Support

You are welcome to request period products via our website during the summer holidays, but our volunteers typically take time off to be with their families and sometimes delivery is a little slower than normal.

If you need period products urgently over the summer, please visit our website to find a list of our local collection points. This will be the quickest and easiest way to get the products that you need: <https://www.allyoursbox.co.uk/box-collection-points>

If you would like to find out more about All Yours, or learn about the different ways you can support our work, please visit our website: <https://www.allyoursbox.co.uk/>

Thank you to everyone for their support during the school year and we would like to wish you all a safe and happy summer break.

With best wishes,

All Yours

Schools are closing for the summer holidays but FACE will be open for your parents



Ongoing online advice, information and support.
No waiting lists, no referrals, a friendly face!

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk
facefamilyadvice.co.uk



FACE August Timetable	
All sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each or FREE with School Membership - 90 minutes long Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk Recordings available for 48 hours	
Anxiety Explained	4th 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	4th 7pm
What is ACT?	5th 10am
Introduction to OCD	5th 7pm
Raising Self Esteem	11th 10am
Decreasing Depression	11th 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	12th 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	12th 7pm
Improving Family Communication	18th 10am
Autism: Improving Communication	18th 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	19th 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	19th 7pm
Understanding Anger	25th 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	25th 7pm
Facing Defiance	26th 10am

MINDFUL BRAIN PRESENTS...

Big feelings, Brave Minds

A family workshop on the Brain & Body!

Age: 6-12 & their grown-ups



Wednesday 20th August
9.30 - 11.45am
Englefield Village Hall

Sunday 31st August
9.30 - 11.45am
Birch Copse Primary School

Limited Spots - Reserve Yours!

£39 per pair (1 adult & 1 child)
£16 per additional child
£16 per additional adult

Adult with a max of 3 children
Children are not permitted without an adult

<https://www.mindfulbrain.co.uk/usefullinks>

For more information:
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BOOK NOW

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Big feelings, Brave Minds

A family workshop on the Brain & Body!

Join us for a fun interactive family workshop designed to help children (and their grown-ups) understand how your brain and body react to tricky situations - and what you can do to stay calm, focused and confident.

What's in store?

- BRAIN SCIENCE MADE SIMPLE** - meet your Amygdala (your brain's alarm system) and your Prefrontal Cortex (your brain's smart decision maker)
- CONNECTION GAMES** - strengthen the brain's self-regulation skills through fun, interactive play
- CREATIVE CALM KIT** - start building a personal toolkit of calming resources to use at home
- MINDFULNESS & BREATHWORK** - learn simple powerful techniques to manage big feelings
- PARENT & CHILD BONDING** - work together to build resilience, confidence & emotional regulation

Let's empower our kids with **BIG FEELINGS AND BRAVE MINDS!**

This workshop is perfect for families who want to help their children navigate challenges with courage and calm - while having fun together.

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For more information:
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Family fun for £2 at leisure centres this summer.

Looking for an affordable way to keep kids active, engaged and off screens during the holidays? The Everyone is Family campaign, run by our leisure operator Everyone Active, is back with a variety of family-friendly activities at [Hungerford Leisure Centre](#), [Kennet Leisure Centre](#), [Cotswold Sports Centre](#), and [Lambourn Centre](#), all for just £2 per person.

Running from Saturday 19 July to Wednesday 3 September, the campaign will offer something for all ages-from swimming and racquets to pickleball and badminton.

Activities vary by centre, ensuring there's something for everyone.

The campaign aims to provide quality family time without the financial burden.

Activity schedules and booking information are now available on the [Everyone Active website](#) and app, with many of the activities suitable for all ages and abilities.

[Find out more](#)