



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,

Rascal was very happy to see our school represented in the Education tent at the Newbury Show. I hope, if you were at the show, that you were able to go and find our display of our learning inspired by 'outside the classroom'. Thank you again to Mrs Liddiard and Mrs Emmerson who also returned all the wonderful artwork and writing back to school to be displayed in our KS2 library area.

A reminder to all families that children are welcomed to store their scooters and bikes on site during the school

day. For the safety of everyone please ensure your child/ren do not ride their bikes or scooters in the school grounds.

Please continue to encourage your child/ren to share their achievements from outside of school with us, it's wonderful to hear about the hobbies, skills and talents that our children are developing.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend,

Ms Munday Headteacher www.csfschools.org



House meetings...



This week we were able to gather for our first house meetings of the year. The task was to work together to create house team posters for this year! We look forward to sharing the final creations next week. The leadership speeches will be shared next week from our year 6 children to then give the house teams opportunity to vote for their house captains for this academic year!

Harvest festival...

We are preparing for our Welcome and Harvest church service on Wednesday 8th October and have committed to supporting the West Berks Food Bank with the donations we receive. Please take a look at their Harvest appeal shopping list, and if you are able, to add something from the list to your basket when out shopping in the next few weeks to then drop it into school for the Harvest donation collection. Thank you in advance for anything you are able to donate and share.



Sing & Celebrate Worship...

Our end of week whole school worship brought us together again to share achievements of the week.

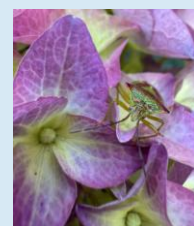
We were able to celebrate lots more green community leaves this week which have been



given to children in recognition of the Christian value of Community that they have demonstrated, such as; care and kindness to others and working together.

We were also so happy to be able to celebrate...

* William's player of the week trophy at his first football session!



* Everly's amazing photo of the beetle in the flowers has been awarded another prize, as the runner-up position in the Berks, Bucks & Oxon Wildlife Trust Children's and teens photography competition! Amazing!



- * Nancy and Elizabeth's success in the Newbury show horse competition arena.
- * Elizabeth's win with her decorated egg at the Newbury show!
- * Alfred's success with his painted eggs and shortbread bake at the Newbury show!

We were also able to celebrate Mrs Stephens, Mrs Buckingham and Miss Carter, who were able to complete the 'Moonshine Walk' last weekend, walking over 13 and a half miles in in about 4 and a half hours! Through their sponsorship these amazing ladies have raised nearly £1000 for Cancer Research. If you would like to donate please click on the following link...



<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/emmas-giving-page-326818130>

Picture News this week...



The BIG question...
Can anyone break a record if they try hard enough?

The Guinness World Records book is celebrating its 70th anniversary. The book was first published in 1955 and is now sold in over 100 countries. Each year it collects unusual and amazing records, from the fastest runners to the tallest buildings and silliest challenges. To mark its birthday, they have shared some records that no one has tried yet and is encouraging people to have a go.

The Bible tells us that we should have courage to persevere through challenges. If people can persevere, they will be rewarded in their relationship with God.

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...

The PTFA AGM will be on Friday the 10th October – exact time and location to be confirmed.

Please also see the diary dates for PTFA dates coming up.

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

September 2025	
Sat, 27th	West Downlands Got Talent! (pre-entry required, see details below)
October 2025	
Wed, 1st	Individual and Sibling Tempest Photographs
Fri, 3rd	School Nurse - Flu Vaccine (parental consent required)
Wed, 8th	Welcome and Harvest service at St Mary's Church, Great Shefford. 9.30am start.
Fri, 10th	PTFA AGM
Mon, 13 th – Fri, 17th	Parent teacher meetings – appointment timings TBC
Tues, 14th	Year 3 and 4 hockey event, Henwick Astro
Thurs, 16th	Year 1 & 2 Multiskills, Park House
Fri, 17th	KS2 Hungerford Tag Rugby Tournament
Thurs, 23rd	Last day of term 1
Fri, 24th	INSET day
HALF TERM Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st October	
Fri, 31st	Application deadline for year 7 placements in Secondary schools
November 2025	
Mon,	INSET day
Tues, 4th	First day of term 2
Wed, 19th	PTFA Bags 2 Schools collection day
Fri, 28th	PTFA non-uniform day – bottle tombola donations request
December 2025	
Sat, 6th	PTFA winter / Christmas Fair
Term Dates - Chaddleworth St. Andrew's & Shefford - C.E. Federated Primary Schools	

Parent and carer community news and information...

Chaddleworth St. Andrew's and Shefford
Church of England Federated Primary Schools



'Living life in all its fullness'

Starting school in September 2026?
Come and see what makes our school special!

We are a small, nurturing school where every child is known, valued
and encouraged to thrive academically, socially and spiritually.



We would love to welcome you for a visit.

Come and meet our staff, see our classrooms and discover why
our families love being part of our community.

To book a visit, please contact our school office...

Tel. 01488 648657 Email: Office@csf.w-berks.sch.uk

We look forward to meeting you!



**Parents of 3 or 4
Year Old Children**

Apply now for a
Reception Year
school place

For September 2026

Closing date for applications
15 January 2026



Contact details

Admissions Team, Council Offices, Market Street,
Newbury RG14 5LD
Office hours - 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday,
8.30am to 4.30pm Friday
Call 01635 551111 Email: admissions@westberks.gov.uk

**Applying for
a secondary
school place**

For September 2026

Closing date for applications
31 October 2025



Contact details

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Newbury RG14 5LD
Office hours - 8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Thursday,
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Join Thatcham's Junior Orchestra!

Being part of an orchestra is a wonderful way to develop your musical skills, work as a team, and share the joy of performing together.

Playing in an ensemble helps build confidence, encourages listening and collaboration, and is a fun way to make new friends while making great music — so why not join us for this exciting opportunity?

When?	Where?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fridays, 4-5pm First rehearsal: Friday 26 September 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music Department (Room Mu2) @ Kennet School
Who Can Join?	Why?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to all children aged 9-13 Must have been learning an instrument for at least six months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be part of an exciting new musical journey Meet other young musicians Build confidence Enjoy making music together!

Interested? Simply scan the QR Code and sign up!



Directed by Pedro Santos, Music Lead at Whitelands Park Primary School

FAMILY DAY AT THE BASE!

SATURDAY 27 Sept, 10AM - 5PM

Come and explore The Base during our **Festival Of Art 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**
- ★ Follow an **arty letter trail** around the whole building
- ★ Explore the **Festival of Art exhibition** with our spotter activity sheet

SAVE THE DATE | Saturday 18 Oct, 10AM - 5PM
 Lines of Influence Family Day

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

Evening Support Group



"A drop-in group to meet with other local parents & carers to share support, knowledge and advice"

Support Group for Parents of Neurodivergent Learners



Join us every month at:
The Hare & Hounds
 A4 / Bath Road, Speen
 Newbury RG14 1QY

2025 Dates

Weds 1st October – Weds 5th November – Weds 3rd December

7.30 – 9.30pm

In association with Newbury SEND Parent Carer Café



JOIN US TO DISCUSS

West Berkshire SEND Parent Carer Forum

BEEN MEANING TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE PCF?

CURIOUS ABOUT THE WORK WE HAVE BEEN DOING THIS YEAR?

WANT TO HELP SHAPE WHAT HAPPENS IN WEST BERKSHIRE SEND SERVICES?

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU JOIN US AT OUR NEXT ONLINE FORUM MEET UP ON

**TUESDAY
30TH SEPTEMBER
2025
7-9PM**

PARENT CARERS YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US AND TALK

WHAT HAVE WE BUILT?

WHAT HAVE WE CHANGED

WHAT WE HAVE LEARNT

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES

The West Berkshire SEND Parent Carer Forum is hosting our first online Parent Carer Meet-Up of this academic year on:

Date: Tuesday 30 September 2025

Time: 7:00-9:00pm

Venue: Online - Microsoft Teams
 register using this link <https://bit.ly/WBPCF>

MINDFUL BRAIN PRESENTS...

Big feelings, Brave Minds

A family workshop on the Brain & Body!

Age: 7-12 & their grown-ups



Friday 31st October 2025 9.30 - 11.45am

Birch Copse Primary School

Limited Spots - Reserve Yours!

BOOK NOW

£44 per pair (1 adult & 1 child)
 £19 per additional child
 £19 per additional adult

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

For more information:
katie@mindfulbrain.co.uk

<https://www.mindfulbrain.co.uk/useful-links>

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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

BOOK HERE:

[Events | Mindful Brain](#)

West Berks Foodbank
Together with Trussell

Harvest appeal



Help support your food bank this Harvest

In the three weeks leading up to Harvest, the food bank will provide over 230 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

- Fruit Squash
- Baked Beans
- Dried Pasta
- Tins Tomatoes/Passata
- Tea Bags (small boxes)
- Tinned Custard
- Tinned Soup
- Sweet Biscuits
- Confectionary
- Deodorant

West Berks Foodbank
westberks.foodbank.org.uk

Registered Charity in England & Wales (1151996)



Scarlett's Smiles
SPOTLIGHT UK
Creating positive memories

MAKING A REAL DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE'S LIVES

Discounted days out to Merlin Theme Parks to make special memories

Mental healthcare "Pick Me Up" packs

Free and low cost activities including bowling, laser tag, swimming, ninja warrior and fun days out

Peer and parenting support

£5 per person per year.
 Register Here →



SCAN HERE

SCARLETT'S SMILES

- Young carers - to give respite from their daily 'duties'
- Children who have a terminal illness or long-term medical condition, or their siblings or parents do
- Children experiencing loss or separation
- Children in care
- Children affected by domestic abuse
- Armed forces families with a parent serving abroad
- FREE SCHOOL MEALS CHILDREN

Visit our website: www.spotlightuk.org
 Get in touch: 07804 880072 | scarlettsmiles@spotlightuk.org