



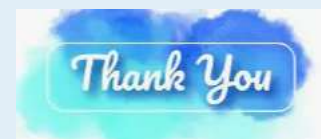
Community, Compassion, Courage, Trust, Perseverance, **Thankfulness**

## Chaddleshworth and Shefford Federated CE Primary Schools

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to our amazing PTFA! What a wonderful Summer Fete was organised for everyone to enjoy. Thank you to each and every member of the PTFA, and their extra volunteers, for all the planning, preparation and time given for this event, and all the super events offered to our school community throughout this year.



We have staffing updates to share with our families as we come to the end of term. We will be saying goodbye to Mrs Harris and Mrs Simpson-Jones at the end of this academic year. We want to thank them for all they have contributed to our school and wish them both good luck in all their future adventures.

We can also share that we will welcome Mrs Brown back into the SENDCo role permanently from September and Miss Lally will be joining our teaching team in Kingfishers.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend,  
Ms Munday Headteacher [www.csfschools.org](http://www.csfschools.org)

### Summer reading challenge...

We were happy to welcome in the West Berkshire Libraries team this afternoon to introduce the 'Summer Reading Challenge' to our children.

The theme of this year's reading challenge is 'Read to the Beat' bringing together stories, rhythm and creativity, encouraging children to discover reading in a lively new way while helping prevent the 'holiday reading dip'.

West Berkshire Libraries are inviting children aged 4-11 to read up to six books over the holidays, collecting free rewards along the way - including



stickers, with medals and certificates for every finisher.

Joining West Berkshire Libraries is free for anyone who lives, works or studies in the district. Babies and children can have their own library cards and borrow up to 15 books at a time. Free access is also available to e-books and e-audiobooks. Further details, including library opening hours and events, can be found at: [www.westberks.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/libraries)

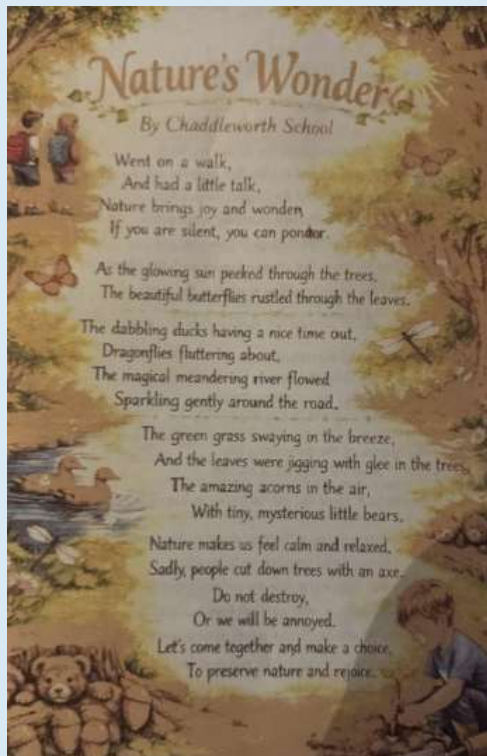
### Poetry performance...



*This week, some of our Year 4 pupils enjoyed a wonderful day at St Gabriel's, taking part in a Poetry Performance event alongside children from other local schools.*



*The day began with a warm welcome where the children enjoyed a drink and a cookie before heading off on a nature walk through the beautiful*



*grounds. Using their senses to notice what they could see, hear and feel, they gathered ideas which were then brought together to create a poem.*

*After a delicious lunch the children worked with St Gabriel's Drama Ambassadors who showed them how to memorise their poem, add actions and bring it to life through performance. It was lovely to see their confidence grow as they rehearsed together.*

*As part of the day the children planted a sunflower seed to take home, a lovely reminder that small ideas can grow into something wonderful. Our poem was published in a booklet alongside the poems from the other schools which made a special keepsake of a very special day.*

*The children represented our school brilliantly throughout the day. They showed excellent teamwork and should be very proud of themselves.*

*A big thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came to watch the performance. It was lovely to see you there supporting the children and helping to make the afternoon so special. Mrs Mirza*



### This week's recommended read...

We have another recommended read of another favourite book to share with

you this week. This week's 'recommended read' is from Darcy.

Th New Girl, written by Cassandra Calin

"I like this book because it shows that people from different backgrounds can be friends. It also shows that everyone can be kind and look out for each other." Darcy







**Class worship...**

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

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



	In Robins...	Jesse, "I am thankful to daddy for buying a dinosaur swimming pool."
		Albi, "I am thankful for all my toys and my family."
	In Kingfishers...	Margo, "I am thankful that my grandad has come back from his holiday because I really missed him."
		Teddy, "I am thankful to my teacher at Beavers for setting up the tents."
		Georgia, "I am thankful that I am nearly on stage 2 in my swimming lessons."
		Hunter, "I really enjoyed going to watch Fiji vs Wales in the Rugby at the weekend. Wales won!"
		Isla, "After my swimming lesson, I enjoyed going to the Lido to cool down even more! My favourite part was going on the water slides"
		Spencer, "I've enjoyed learning about fire safety in Beavers this week."
		Baker, "I enjoyed my playdate with a friend from Kingfishers- we got to have a water fight and go down the water slide!"
		Aster, "This weekend I can't wait to go and see my family in Tetbury, we are going to the yearly festival. My favourite part is spray painting my own t-shirt!"
	In Owls...	George, "I am very thankful to my parents who will be getting us new rabbits in August."
		Leo, "I am thankful to my parents for my drum kit that I got for my birthday."
		Reuben, "I am thankful to my parents for looking after me and giving me a happy life."
	In Red Kites...	Evie, "I'm thankful we were able to design our own costumes."
		Amelia, "I am thankful we were able to learn a dance with the Watermill."
		Alfred, "I am thankful for the shade out at the back (of the school)."
		Joseph, "I am thankful for rehearsals and the play."

Picture News and the BIG question this week...

The BIG question...

What makes something popular?



*'Then he said to them, "watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in abundance of possessions".'*

**Luke 12:15**

Squishy dumpling toys have become popular with many children in recent months. Videos showing people squeezing, collecting, and opening the toys have helped them spread quickly online. As more people have bought these types of toys, Trading Standards officers have been called in to carry out safety checks on some of the products being sold in shops and online.

The Bible teaches that the most important things in life are not the things we own. Instead, they are things that money cannot buy, such as being kind, being a good friend, and caring for our family. We should focus on these important values rather than always wanting more possessions or following the latest trends.



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...**

***PTFA summer fete***

*Thank you to everyone who came along, volunteered at, and contributed to our fete on Saturday! It was a brilliant day, and it was great to see so many people!*

*The winners of the bake-off competition were Stanley for the under 8s best cupcake and Seb for the over 8s best cookie!*

*The costume competition winners were Quinn and Kaleb! Well done to those children and to everyone else who took part.*

*If you have any feedback from the day, please feel free to share this with us via email at [chair@csptfa.org.uk](mailto:chair@csptfa.org.uk) or by contacting Mrs Chrimes or Lottie Hadland.*

*The PTFA are excited to share that we have raised all the funds needed for our whole school trip to the Cotswolds water park and beach!*

*Thank you all for continuing to support our PTFA.  
Lottie Hadland*



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

July 2026	
Wed, 15 <sup>th</sup>	Red Kites afternoon performance
Thurs, 16 <sup>th</sup>	Red Kites evening performance
Fri, 17 <sup>th</sup>	Drum with Alex performance assembly 2pm
Mon, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school trip to Cotswold Water Park & Beach
Tues, 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term 6 Leavers service at St Mary's church 1.30pm
September 2026	
Wed, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	School closed (INSET)
Thurs, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Term 1 begins.
October 2026	
Wed, 21 <sup>st</sup>	Last day of term 1
Thurs, 22 <sup>nd</sup>	School closed (INSET)
November 2026	
Mon, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Term 2 begins
December 2026	
Fri, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term 2
<i>Term Dates - Chaddleshworth St. Andrew's &amp; Shefford - C.E. Federated Primary Schools</i>	



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



### Great British Summer Savings

The government is cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on family days out — from cinema and theatre tickets to attractions, and children's meals out.

Less to pay, more summer to enjoy.

25 June – 1 September 2026, right across the UK

As part of this campaign, the Government have launched an attraction finder website which allows families to type in their postcode and find participating venues near them to make the most of summer savings.

To use the attraction finder, please visit <https://summersavings.gov.uk>

**Find your family's  
summer offer**

**GO ALL IN.**  
Summer Reading Challenge

## West Berks Book Challenge

For everyone 12+ years

**1 July to 15 September**

Complete the challenge by reading 3 books from our suggestions, to form a vertical, horizontal or diagonal line.

Pick up a challenge card from any West Berkshire library to get started. Return your completed card by 15 September to enter a prize draw to win a book token.

**Prizes in every library!**  
[www.westberks.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/libraries)

West Berkshire LIBRARIES

**READ to the BEAT**  
Summer Reading Challenge 2026

**1 July – 15 September**

Sign up in your local library for your **FREE** booklet and start collecting stickers.

**Medals for everyone who completes their reading challenge!**

West Berkshire LIBRARIES

**FACE July 2026 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](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)  
 Recordings available for 48 hours

Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	6 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	6 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	13 July 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	13 July 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	14 July 7pm
<b>FREE - Supporting Healthy Screen Use</b>	16 July 7-8pm
Autism-Improving Communication	20 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	20 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Understanding Anger	27 July 10am
School Anxiety	27 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am
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**SHAW HOUSE SUMMER FAIR**  
 SUNDAY 19 JULY 11AM-4PM  
 Adults £2, Children £1 (Under 3 yrs free)

Local Craft Stalls  
 Artisan Food and Drink  
 Mr Muddle the Magician  
 Children's Rides  
 Live Music, Outdoor Trail

Please note: an additional entry fee will be applicable to visit inside the House and exhibition rooms

[www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on](http://www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on)  
 Shaw House, Church Road, Newbury RG14 2DR E: [shahouse@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:shahouse@westberks.gov.uk)

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**Newbury Pride Family Craft Morning**

Join us to celebrate Newbury Pride, with a family craft morning where you can make and decorate a rainbow hanging decoration.

NEWBURY PRIDE

Please dress for mess!  
 An adult must remain with the child throughout the session.

**Saturday 11 July | West Berkshire Museum  
 10am-11.45am | Free, drop-in**

West Berkshire Museum, The Wharf, Newbury, Berkshire RG14 5AS  
 T: 01635 519562 E: [museum@westberks.gov.uk](mailto:museum@westberks.gov.uk)

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A little more information on the day (and a video) is available here:

<https://newburyracecourse.co.uk/racing/news-and-information/pupils-parents-to-enjoy-racing-for-free-this-august/>

request free tickets directly via this link: [ow.ly/ebKZ50ZcaqH](http://ow.ly/ebKZ50ZcaqH).



### Altered States

Open air sculpture exhibition

Saturday 1 August - Sunday 27 September

11am - 4pm | Free

All works on display available for purchase

[www.alteredstatesculptures.co.uk](http://www.alteredstatesculptures.co.uk)

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



Your local basketball club

## BASKETBALL

We have spaces for children in school years 2 & 3 and 4 & 5

Seeking sporty children to learn and play the game in a fun setting  
Fully qualified & DBS checked coaches

**SATURDAYS from September '26**  
0900-1000 & 1000-1100

Newbury College Sports Hall

To apply for a place please email [enquiries@kennetbasketball.net](mailto:enquiries@kennetbasketball.net)

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Please contact us for more information  
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all our coaches are DBS checked

Clari Mary Anne

## Summer Holiday Sports Days

At Lambourn Sports Centre  
Close End, Lambourn,  
Hungerford RG17 8N

**Ages 5 - 15**

Full Day: from £30*	Half Day: £15
10am to 3pm	10am to 1pm or 12pm to 3pm

Sports Days where children will be taught by qualified adult coaches to play a variety of sports including: Badminton, Fencing, Athletics and Softball Cricket. The children will also learn about fitness, ball skills and teamwork.

Contact [cmsportscamp@gmail.com](mailto:cmsportscamp@gmail.com)  
for more information Or visit [cmsportscamp.co.uk](http://cmsportscamp.co.uk)  
to book online

\*if booked two days in advance otherwise £35 a day



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AGES 7-14

**BPB Boys**

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REUBEN@BOOGIEPUMPS.CO.UK

The poster features a vibrant, colorful background with splashes of paint. It includes a QR code, a photo of two boys in white t-shirts, and a silhouette of two boys performing a dance move.



**boogie pumps** **SUMMER INFANT WORKSHOPS**

FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

WOOLTON HILL CHURCH HALL, WOOLTON HL RD, WOOLTON HILL, NEWBURY RG20 9XF

FOR AGES 3-6

10:00-10:45 STREET DANCE £5.50  
10:50-11:20 YOGA £3.90

ENQUIRES CONTACT:  
REUBEN@BOOGIEPUMPS.CO.UK

The poster has a purple and blue background with a circular inset photo showing a group of children in a dance studio.