

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,

What a busy week we've all had!

Our Monday morning began with an introduction to a new member of our school team—Rascal the black Labrador! The children have really taken on board the love and care we need to show Rascal and he has really enjoyed being with everyone!

Rascal is...

- A male black Labrador
- Ms Munday's family pet dog
- 4 years old, his birthday is the 4th May
- Very soft, friendly and gentle



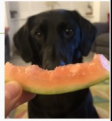
Rascal is coming to school to...

- Be a friend to us all
- Watch us play
- See what we are learning
- Listen to children read
- Keep us company



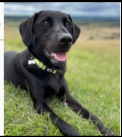
Rascal likes...

- Gentle strokes and cuddles
- Quiet voices
- Being with people
- Walking, running, jumping & swimming!



Rascal needs...

- Lots of love & care
- Fresh water
- A walk every day
- Healthy dog food to eat
- A comfy bed to sleep in



Phonics workshop

This week, Mrs Higgins, Mrs Brown and Mrs Langford delivered our annual Phonics Workshop for parents. This year, we were delighted to see that 86% of new parents to the school came along to listen to and understand a bit more about our approach to teaching reading. At the end of the session, all the children went home with their first reading book! No stopping them now, they will be reading, reading, reading! We think that over the years most, if not nearly all our parents have attended this workshop at some point. Thank you all so much for your commitment in supporting your child become a fluent reader.



Best wishes,
Mrs Stephenson
Headteacher

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Big Question

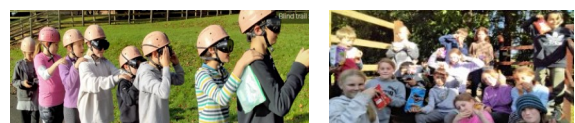
What makes a good leader?

Red Kites at Culmington Manor



Each year, the Red Kites class go on a week long residential trip that includes adventurous activities such as high ropes, canoeing and archery. The children's independence, confidence and teamwork benefit enormously from the experience. Miss Oram, Mrs Wilson, Mr Withers and Mrs Stephenson have been so impressed by the children's achievements. Each evening, the children reflect on their 'Golden Moments' where either they have achieved something special or they have seen someone else achieve something special. Each one of them has shown Courage, Compassion, Endurance, Friendship, Trust and Wisdom—our Christian Values.

Well done Red Kites and thank you to **all** the staff for supporting the trip.



Golden Moments at Culmington Manor

Doing the zip line because this year I did it standing up

Abseiling because it was in the night and it was really scary and I don't like heights but I did it really well

I really enjoyed the kayaking today because it was fun and I love being on the water

High ropes because when you look up it doesn't look that high but when you get up there it is but I still went all the way round

Underground maze because it a challenge but fun at the same time

Kayaking because I used the skills I'd learnt before

Canoeing and the underground maze because I thought it would be scary but we were with people who made it fun

Underground maze because when we got in there I wasn't sure but we came up with our own chant and it was fun

Canoeing and kayaking because it was lots of fun and we kept on bumping into bushes

Zip wire because it looked scary at first but I did it and wanted to do it again and again

When I did the blind trail because you couldn't see anything and your partner had to guide you

The moment we stepped off the bus into Culmington Manor and began the adventure

Canoeing was very hard at the beginning and then I started zooming

High ropes because it was scary and fun at the same time

Abseiling because it was scary but fun

Zip line because it was really fun but when you jumped off it was a bit scary

Zip line because I was really nervous but did it

Rafting and falling in at the end

Being with my friends and making new ones

Showing Courage every day

Class Blogs

Do have a look at the class blog pages to find out about your child/ren's learning—we update it every week.

[Robins Class Blog](#)

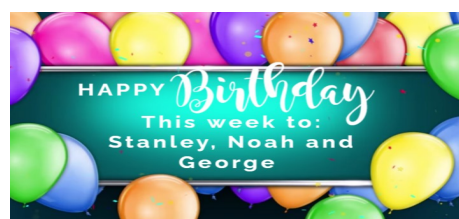
[Kingfishers Class Blog](#)

[Owls Class Blog](#)

[Red Kites Class Blog](#)

Diary Dates

October	Black History Month 
Mon, 9th	Please start bringing in Harvest donations into school
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 Shefford All welcome
Thurs, 12th	JOG Open Evening 4.30pm—7pm
Fri, 13th	PTFA Anvil 'Spooky' Cake Sale 3.15pm
Thurs, 19th	Last day term 1— East Garston Pilgrimage
Mon, 30th	INSET day
Tues, 31st	Term 2 starts
November	
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
December	
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



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Are you ready to **inspire**?
Then you can **transform** lives.
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