

### **Playground Improvements**

**15<sup>th</sup> December** – new playground markings are happening on the main playground!!

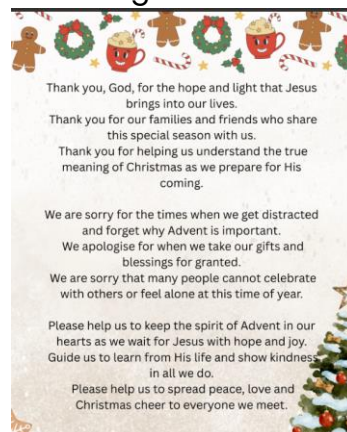
**7<sup>th</sup> January** – initial meeting to discuss site and possibilities for large play equipment for the playground or field!

### **Pre School/Reception/Year 1** **SPONSORED WALK**

Thank you for all your sponsorship. We raised a whopping **£1476.40**. We will share what the money has been spent on in the new year!

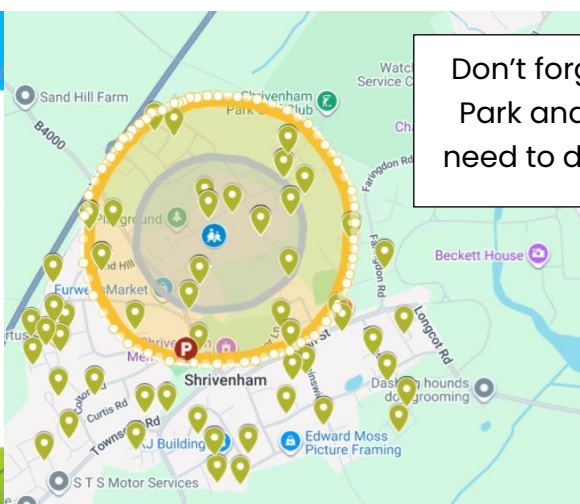
### **Advent**

Monday, we held our very special advent service. We sang wonderful Christmas songs and Reverend Patrick came to talk about the meaning of Christmas.



### **Terrific Travelling to School!**

Shrivenham Church of England Primary School is proud to announce that it has been awarded accreditation under the Modeshift STARS Education scheme in recognition of its work to promote walking, cycling, scooter and other sustainable travel among pupils, staff and families.



Don't forget to use the Park and Stride if you need to drive to school.

Modeshift STARS is a nationally recognised accreditation programme supported by the Department for Transport. It celebrates schools that show excellence in encouraging active, safe and environmentally responsible travel through well-designed travel plans, ongoing initiatives and community-wide engagement.

## Friendship Ambassadors

### A message from Mrs Forrester

At Shrivenham our Friendship Ambassadors are a group of children who have a passion for helping and supporting others. They play an active role in supporting children who may be feeling lonely or worried on the playground or in their classrooms and ensure children at Shrivenham are never without a friend. They help to raise awareness of bullying and hold an Anti-bullying assembly to promote the keys message.

Their responsibilities include:

- Supporting children on the playground
  - Be a good role model for others
- Support children in their class who may need a friend
  - Lead assemblies about friendships
- Raise awareness and organise an Anti-bullying assembly



## Spiritual Ambassadors

### A message from Mrs Butler

We are children who are in Year 2 to Year 6 and are proud to say that we are Spiritual Ambassadors for the school. We help to write prayers for our school termly values, as well as important events in the Christian calendar like Harvest and Christmas.

We think about how we can make our school a more spiritual place for everyone. We are also looking forward to running our own very special collective worship assemblies! We can't wait to show you some of our hard work soon!

From Florence, Zachary, Eliza, Ariana, Izzy, Sebastian, Beatrice, Freddie, Artan and Ferne.

This term our Christian Value is **Compassion**. We have written a prayer which we use in Collective Worship

#### A Prayer for Compassion – Spiritual Ambassadors

Thank you, God, for showing us what compassion means.  
Thank you for people who care when we are sad or lonely.  
Thank you for giving us hearts that can be kind and understanding.  
Help us to notice when others need our help.  
We're sorry for the times we've walked away when someone needed a friend.  
Sorry when we've been unkind or thought only about ourselves.  
Forgive us when we forget to show love and care like you do.  
Help us to make things right when we hurt others.  
Please help us to be brave enough to stand up for what's kind.  
Teach us to listen, to comfort, and to share with others.  
Fill our hearts with your compassion every day.  
So that we can make our school a kinder place.

Amen





### Calendar Dates

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Activity</b>
05.01.2025	TD Day
06.01.2025	Welcome Back: Term 3 begins!
08.01.2025	Young Voices
20.01.2025	International Day
22.01.2025	Year 4 Science Visit: Warneford
06.02.2025	NSPCC Number Day
09.02.2025 – 13.02.2025	Children's Mental Health Week
10.02.2025	Safer Internet Day
11.02.2025	Year 5 Class Assembly 2pm
16.02.2025 – 20.02.2025	Half Term
23.02.2025	Welcome Back: Term 4 begins!
24.02.2025	Science Day
04.03.2025	Science Fair – more information to follow
05.03.2025	World Book Day
09.03.2025 – 11.03.2025	Year 5 Residential
10.03.2025	Year 4 Class Assembly 2pm
16.03.2025 – 20.03.2025	Year 5 Bikeability
30.03.2025 – 10.04.2025	Easter Holidays