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11th November 2022

Diary Dates



Monday 14th November	Anti-Bullying Week – Odd Socks Day – Children to come to school wearing odd socks!
	Esther Leverett Williams – Private Music Lessons
	Corve Class will be having a visit from Scott Guilbert, a Ludlow Firefighter.
Tuesday 15th November	Teme Class Visit to British Motor Museum – Please make sure children are in school early, as the coach is due to depart at 9am prompt – Packed lunch, water bottle and small rucksack required.
	Severn Class: visit from West Mercia Police -please see info in newsletter
	Esther Leverett Williams – Private Music Lessons
	Volleyball After School Club
Wednesday 16th November	Esther Leverett Williams – Private Music Lessons
	Choir Lunchtime Club
	Craft After School Club
Thursday 17th November	Netball Team travel to Ludlow for competition – 3.30pm return – Therefore there will not be an after school netball club this week.
Friday 18th	Bags2School Collection Day – Please leave bags under the shelter on the playground by 9am
	T4U Shoebox Appeal – Please bring any shoeboxes you have filled into school today.
	Children in Need Day: Be Spotacular! Donations on the door. Donations of cakes for sales in each class—children to have money to buy e.g. 25p/50p/£1 (learning to use our money!)
	Reception Class Forest Fun Session
	Tag Rugby / Mini Kickers After School Club



CHILDREN FALL IN LOVE WITH BOOKS BECAUSE OF THE MEMORIES CREATED WHEN THEY SNUGGLE UP AND READ WITH SOMEONE THEY LOVE. –RAISING READERS

Well done Teme who all read 4x and signed reading records—they got an extra play!



Benefits of Reading

- Sharpens the mind
- Increases vocabulary
- Improves memory ... and focus!
- Better sleep
- Better creativity and imagination

Our Worship/Reflections this week:

This week we started our new theme of respect.

- We shared and discussed a new song ('As we go now') and an acrostic poem. Classes were given wonderful new books which celebrate diversity: age; gender; disability; race; religion/belief; sexual orientation; relationships.
- As part of Pupil Parliament Week children reflected on democracy in our country.
- Open the book bought the story of Leah 'waiting for a friend' which helped us think about respecting and including each other, forgiving each other and having courage to keep trying.
- Marked Remembrance day together.

Respect is....

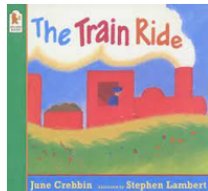


- Readiness to listen
- Everyone being valued
- Showing appreciation
- Praying for people
- Expressing opinions sensitively
- Caring for our environment
- Treating property carefully



- Shared a book called Grace and the Grumbles at KS2 (families will have a copy to bring home). This book has been donated by Open the Book and Christians Against Poverty. The story allowed us to talk about what families might be doing at the moment during the cost of living crisis and that it is okay to need help and talk about it.

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Nursery News:

<p>Talk for Writing: The Train Ride</p>  <p>This week we have looked at the verbs in the story. We have been creating actions to help retell the story.</p>	<p>Rhyme of the Week: Down at the Station <i>(Sing to the tune of 'Alouette')</i></p> <p>Down at the station, early in the morning, See the little puffer trains, all in a row. Here comes the driver to start up the engine, Puff, puff! Peep, peep! Off we go! Puff, puff! Peep, peep! Off we go! Puff, puff! Peep, peep! Off we go!</p> 	<p>Makaton Sign of the Week:</p>  <p>Who</p>
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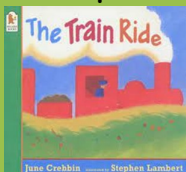
Concept of the Week: QUIET

School Admissions for September 2023

Children can start school in reception at the beginning of the academic year following their fourth birthday. Therefore, children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 can start primary school from September 2023. Applications should be made online at <https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/school-admissions/apply-to-start-or-transfer-school/starting-infant-or-primary-school/>. If you have any queries or encounter any difficulties completing your application, please contact the School Admissions Team through email - school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk. The closing date for applications is the 15th January 2023.



Reception News:



Our Talk for Writing Story: The Train Ride





This week we have used actions to help us sequence out talk for writing story 'The Train Ride'

In maths, this week we have focussed on the language of 'more than', 'fewer than' and 'an equal number' to describe how many objects there are in each set

How can you help at home over the weekend?

- Keep reading and sharing the stories inside your child's reading folder at least 4 times a week.
- Review the letter sounds we have learnt in class,
- practise spelling our tricky words is, the, I

Phonemes we will be focusing on this week in school -

 <p>Pronunciation Phrase - v Put your teeth against your bottom lip and make a buzzing sound vvvv</p>	 <p>Pronunciation Phrase - w Pucker your lips and keep them small as you say w w w</p>
 <p>Pronunciation Phrase - x Mouth open, then push the cs/x sound through as you close your mouth cs cs (x x)</p>	 <p>Pronunciation Phrase - y Smile, tongue to the top of your mouth; say y without opening your mouth y y</p>

Last week at our Forest Fun session we focussed on two of our senses. We used our ears to identify sounds around our school, and we collected different textures with a partner for our 'touchy feely' bag. Then, using the sentence stem 'This is a It feels, we described one of our objects to the rest of the group.



Rea Class News

Phonics for year 1 will be:

Monday - split digraph a-e as in made and same and tricky words Mr, Mrs, Ms, ask and new tricky word could.

Tuesday - split digraph i-e as in time and ripe and new tricky word would.

Wednesday - split digraph o-e as in home and note and new tricky word should

Thursday - split digraph u-e as in cute (making a yoo sound) and rule (making an oo sound) and new tricky word our.

Friday - review day and spelling test.

Phonics and spellings for year 2 will be focusing on which spelling looks write using our different graphemes for the ai (ai, ay, a eigh, aigh, ea, ey), igh (igh, ie, i-e, i and y), ee (ee, ea, e, e-e, ie, y and ey), oa (oa, o, o-e, oe, ou and ow) and oo (oo, ue, u-e, ew, ou, ui, and u) sounds.

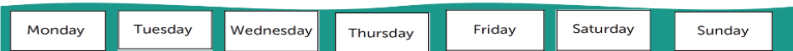
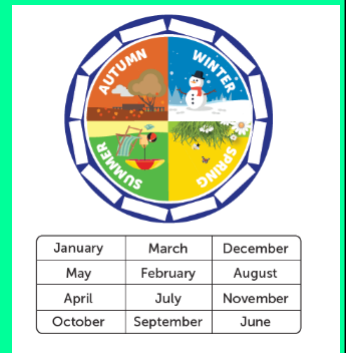
Maths for year one and two will be:

Putting our seasons and months into order and use chronological language to describe the months and seasons

- Learning about seconds and minutes and estimating intervals of time.
- Learning how many seconds in a minute and how the second hand moves around the clock.

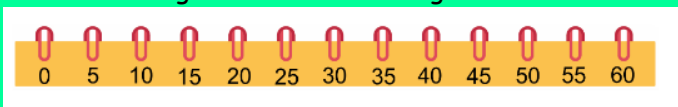
Year one will also be:

- Looking at and using a timetable of a week.
- ordering the days of the week using chronological language.



Year two will be:

- Representing a whole day on a numberline and using this to order the events of the day.
- Counting in fives and relating this to seconds in a minute and minutes in an hour.



- Finding out there are fifteen minutes in each quarter of an hour and that the clock face and the hour are divided into four quarters.
- * Using our knowledge of two digit numbers to help compare our intervals of time.



Name	Finishing Time
Betty	56 seconds
Finley	48 seconds
Judah	50 seconds
Maisie	42 seconds

Please try to complete fifteen minutes numbots per week. This really does help with maths fluency.

Please find below a link to some Little Wandle resources which parents may find useful:

[Primary | Primary English | Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised P – Collins](#)

Visit for Severn Class from West Mercia Police

During the visit the police will talk to children about safety and being safe, they will also touch upon County lines. We will communicate key information from the session, because we know parents would welcome knowing this information so they can build on discussions too.



Corve Class — Quick Sticks at Lacon

Corve Class had a fantastic time at quick sticks where they developed their hockey skills.



Winter HAF Programme:

Following a successful Summer holiday programme, which saw over 3,500 eligible children and young people aged 4 to 16, take part in activity at 60 venues from across the county,

bookings are opening on Friday 11 November for the Winter/Christmas Shropshire HAF (Holiday Activities & Food) programme.

Details of activities and booking information regarding the above will be handed out next week to those families who are eligible.

T4U

Give love in a box this Christmas.

We are once again supporting this worthwhile cause; each shoebox is given out in deprived communities in Eastern Europe bringing joy and excitement into an often bleak existence.

To take part, please fill a shoebox with any of the following items:

Boy / Girl box: Toothbrush & toothpaste, hair accessories/brush, soap & face cloth, stationary & paper, gloves, hat & scarf, new socks/underwear, a soft toy, game, puzzle, small musical instruments, toy vehicles, small rubber ball/inflatable ball, sweets (use by date from March), a photo of yourself.

Home Box: Candles, cooking utensils (no knives), plastic containers, t-towels (preferably decorative), hairbrush, small toiletries, plastic utensils, bowls and cups, small Christmas decoration, small decorative item, soap, washing up cloths, clothes pegs, headscarves, new socks/underwear, jewellery, make-up.

PLEASE DO NOT INCLUDE: Food (only exception is sweets), medicines, military themed items (such as toy soldiers/tanks/guns), aerosols or anything highly flammable, sharp items, novels.

Please find more information on the website: www.teams4u.com



Filled boxes will be collected from school on
Friday 18th November 2022.

Bag2School

The next Bag2School collection will be Friday 18th November 2022.

Please leave bags

under the shelter on the bottom playground

by 9am on collection day.



BAG 2 SCHOOL
FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS
In partnership with your school or organisation

Stottesdon Primary School

Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.

By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.
(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit.

Please return your Bag2School on:
Friday 18 November 2022 by 9am

FSC
01609 780 222
www.bag2school.com
helpdesk@bag2school.com



Go Ape Christmas Card Competition

Please find attached leaflet regarding Go Ape's Christmas Card competition.

The winning design will feature on their digital Christmas E Card / win a class trip to Go Ape and a Go Ape family ticket. (Well worth having a go!)

(During the School Council elections this was one of the suggestions put forward!!)

Below is a link to their website which contains more information:

<https://goape.co.uk/groups/schools/christmas-card-competition>

Rea Class Trip

On Tuesday 29th November 2022 Rea Class will be visiting the Shrewsbury Museum and Art Gallery to attend a Dinosaur Workshop.

During the afternoon they will visit the Muslim Centre in Shrewsbury as part of their religious education.

We are very grateful to FoSPS for covering half of the cost of the transport for this trip.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £10 to cover the cost of the workshop and the rest of the transport. (If your child is eligible for benefit related FSM, we request a 50% voluntary contribution – £5.00)

We would be grateful if you would make payment via Squid the online system as soon as possible please.

Children will depart from school at 9am, and return in time for normal home time arrangements. Please provide a packed lunch and water bottle.

SHREWSBURY
MUSEUM
& ART
GALLERY
AT THE
MUSIC HALL



Corve Class Trip

On Wednesday 7th December 2022 Corve Class will be visiting Ludlow Resource Centre to attend a Glorious Groups Workshop where they will be learning about classification by grouping real specimens of living things, like beetles and shells. They will have the opportunity to explore the exhibits too.

We are very grateful to FoSPS for covering half of the cost of the transport for this trip.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £ 8 to cover the cost of the workshop and the rest of the transport. (If your child is eligible for benefit related FSM, we request a 50% voluntary contribution – £4.00)

We would be grateful if you would make payment via Squid the online system as soon as possible please.



Severn Class Workshop

On Wednesday 7th December 2022 Severn Class will attend a

'Viking Raiders' workshop presented by Shrewsbury Museum and Art Gallery.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £ 4.25 to cover the cost of the workshop. (If your child is eligible for benefit related FSM, we request a 50% voluntary contribution – £2.12)

We would be grateful if you would make payment via Squid the online system as soon as possible please.



Snow White

On Thursday 5th January 2023 children in Reception to Year 6 will travel to Lacon Childe School to watch a performance of Snow White, along with children from Clee Hill Primary and Cleobury Mortimer Primary School.

We are extremely grateful to FoSPS who are covering the cost of the transport.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £ 3.30 to cover the cost of the performance. (If your child is eligible for benefit related FSM, we request a 50% voluntary contribution – £1.65)

We would be grateful if you would make payment via Squid the online system as soon as possible please.



Open the Book

Children in Corve and Severn class will be bringing home a copy of the book 'Grace and the Grumbles'.

We would like to extend our thanks to Mrs Sue Vincent from

Open the Book, who has kindly donated a copy of this book to each family in Key Stage 2.

It is a children's book about dignity, poverty and the support available to those who need it. The book is from Christians Against Poverty.



Anti-Bullying Week

We will be celebrating Anti-Bullying Week in a variety of ways next week:

- Odd socks day—we are all different and we should be ourselves, accept one another and celebrate difference.
- Assemblies to talk about bullying—what it is and how we deal with it.
- Reviewing and revisiting our behaviour and anti-bullying policies. These can be found on our [policies page](#) and may be of interest to parents. Please do not hesitate to send any comments or queries.
- The Shropshire Educational Trust has also reviewed its overarching behaviour and exclusion policies which, once approved by Directors next week, will be on the Trust [policies page](#).

Message from the Education Improvement Service: Operation Christmas Care Leavers 2022

The leaving care team in Shropshire work with 204 young people, with many spending Christmas without their families. The festive season can be very lonely so please help us make their Christmas a little easier by ensuring they all have something to open on Christmas Day.

Help us raise £2,040, so we can give a £10 gift bag filled with Christmas treats, toiletry sets and something warm and cosy for each young person we support. This makes our young people feel loved and cared for on an often difficult day for them. It means so much and one of last year's recipients messaged:- "Oh Wow, thank you all so much. I've actually got something to open on Christmas now. LOL. It means a lot xx"

For the past two years we were blown away by everyone's generosity, which made such a difference.

We will be collecting up to 24 November, [donations can be made here](#)



Noah's Christmas Cookie Collection

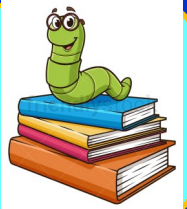
Together at Christmas is an initiative in Bridgnorth that provides Christmas lunch for those who are struggling financially or spending Christmas alone. Traditionally, a gift of a **box of biscuits** is given to everyone who attends. With high numbers expected this year, they need all the help they can get. **Could you donate a box of biscuits?** We are collecting between **now and the end of term**. If you are able to help, that would be amazing and hugely appreciated in increasingly difficult times for everyone. Please leave donations at reception.



Class Reading Information:

Tem: 100% Rea: 87% Corve: 76% Severn: 97%

PLEASE HELP OUR CHILDREN AND READ WITH THEM 4 TIMES A WEEK TO HELP DEVELOPMENT WITH THIS CRUCIAL LIFE SKILL.



Achievers

Well done this week to:

Jackson for his knowledge of a range of transport, where it may travel and differentiating between old and new models.

Handwriting star of the week: **Isabelle**

Sofia, Fletcher and **Lucas** for fantastic progress in their reading skills.

Lincoln, Theo, and **Aubrey** for their independent focus in their work.

Samuel, Noah Wilson and **Tabby** for their effort in their writing this week.

Gabby for working hard to use the think 10 strategy to do mental addition.

Florence for her work naming the parts of the human digestive system.

Heidi, Ana, Charlie, Rhys, Noah W, Jasmin and **Nils** for preparing thoughtful and engaging presentations for the school council elections.

Bronze Spelling Bee: Harry, Isabelle & Ronnie

Votes have been verified and counted — we are pleased to announce our New School Council is:

Rec: Jackson Atwal

Yr 1: Aubrey MacNaughton

Yr 2: Fletcher Middleton

Yr 3: Gabriel Weston

Yr 4: Harriet Williamson

Yr 5: Eliza Lewis

Yr 6: Charlie Barnett & Ana Petra Pop



Tem Class — Numbots — **Harriet Foster**

Rea Class — Numbots — **Sofia Mladezic**

Corve Class — Times Tables Rock Stars — **Harrison Cook**



Sports stars of the week:

Tem Class: Harriet for her focus and perseverance to maintain a balance during our 'Cosmic Yoga' session.

Rea Class: Frankie for good sequence work.

Corve Class: All of Corve Class for their fantastic effort, behaviour and sportsmanship at quick sticks on Thursday.

Severn Class: Nils, Zach, Henley, Noah W., Jack & Rhys for fantastic communication and support in gymnastics.



Using words of the week

Me and Walter have the same colour jumper. **Ned**

I had a very basic car. **Oliver**

I was browsing the internet, when I found an exquisite picture of some chocolate cake. **Hugo D.**

A strange man came out of the forest and started haranguing me and waving his hands about like an octopus. **Nils**