

The Stotty School News 20.10.2023



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Diary dates for the week ahead



| Diary Dates for next week | | |
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| Monday 23 rd | Private music lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams | |
| October | D. Charles 1 / D. H. / T. H. Caralla di a 220 T. | |
| | Rea Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 7pm Severn Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 1.30 - 5.15pm | |
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| | Multi Sport After School Club - Yrs 1 & 2 | |
| | (To replace club Mrs Wood was unable to do last week - as detailed in Arbor) | |
| Tuesday 24th | Reception Children Vision Screening - Please notify the office if | |
| October | you do not want your child tested. | |
| | Teme Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 6pm | |
| | Corve Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 7pm | |
| | Severn Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 6pm | |
| Wednesday 25 th October | Teme Class Parents Phonics Workshop 8.55am to 9.20am | |
| October | Severn Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 5.15pm | |
| Thursday 26 th | Rea Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 7pm | |
| October | Corve Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 3.30 - 7pm | |
| | Severn Class Parent / Pupil / Teacher Consultations 1.30 - 5.15pm | |
| | Gardening After School Club - Yrs 1 & 2 | |
| | (To replace club Mr Simpson was unable to run last week) | |
| Friday 27th October | Last day of term - Non-Uniform Day - £1 donation on the door | |
| | Cake Sale - donations welcome please | |
| Monday 30 th Oct | SGN Holiday Club Open - pre-booking essential via Arbor | |
| Thursday 2 nd Nov. | | |
| Monday 6 th Nov. | PD Day - SGN Holiday Club Open - pre-booking essential | |
| Tuesday 7 th Nov. | 1st Day of the second half of the autumn term | |
| Upcoming Diary Dates | | |
| Thurs. 9 th November | FoSPS AGM @ 8pm | |
| Friday 1st December | FoSPS movie night | |
| Thursday 14th Dec. | Carols by Candlelight, St. Mary's Church 6pm - 7pm | |
| Monday 18 th Dec. | Nursery Christmas 'Play and Stay' @1.30pm | |
| Tuesday 19th Dec. | KS1 Christmas Celebration - in the church @ 1.30pm | |
| Wednesday 20 th Dec. | KS2 Christmas Celebration – in the church @ 1.30pm | |
| Dec. | | |



To support parents we have now included another section in the diary dates - we have listed important upcoming event dates, please see below:

Arbor

Nursery Parents

As the Trust is now using Arbor there are changes to how you will see your Nursery invoices. Nursery invoices will be created once a month on Arbor. Please go to your nursery child; quick actions; payments; nursery; invoices (in left menu under nursery) you will see the monthly invoice which details the pattern you have been invoiced for the whole month. Please go back to the main dashboard and go to nursery and top up the account to clear the balance.

From now on when the Finance team create the Nursery invoices, an email will be sent to let you so you know they have been created on the Arbor system.

For those whose payments are directly into the SGET bank account because you use a Government Tax-Free Childcare scheme, or other private voucher schemes Please look at your children's account at the end of each month to see the amount due. As before, instruct the payment into the SGET bank account. The Finance team will put the amount received in the SGET bank account as a Top Up on your child(ren)'s account. Please go to your child; the wrap around care account (main dashboard); click top ups on the left hand menu (under wrap around and Nursery). You will see where the finance team are applying payments once received. Please keep on eye on your account to clear any further monies as appropriate.

Increase in price of School Lunches



As notified previously......

Due to rising costs in the price of ingredients and continued underfunding from central Government unfortunately, we will have to apply an increase to the cost of school meals.

From November 2023 the cost of the school meal will increase to £2.60.

October SGN Holiday Club



The October half term holiday club is now open for bookings via Arbor. The following activities are available:

| Monday 30 th October: (HT+LK) | Autumn craft |
|--|------------------------|
| Tuesday 31st October: (HT + BH) | Pool meadow |
| 3 years and above ONLY | |
| Wednesday 1st November: (finishes at 3:15pm) (HT + | Bike and scooter club |
| BH) | |
| Thursday 2nd November: (HT + 5C) | Baking spooky cupcakes |
| Friday 3rd November | CLOSED |
| Monday 6th November (HT + BH) | Baking Biscuits |

A packed lunch, including drinks, will be required on each day.

Parent Pupil Teacher Consultations



Parent/pupil/teacher consultations will be taking place this week - please ensure you have booked your appointment via Arbor with the relevant class teacher.

The meetings will take place on the following dates during times given below:

Teme: Tuesday 24th October 3.30 - 6pm

Rea: Monday 23rd October / Thursday 26th October 3.30 - 7pm

Corve: Tuesday 24th October / Thursday 26th October 3.30 - 7pm

Severn: Monday 23rd October 1.30-5.15pm/Tuesday 24th October 3.30-6pm/Wednesday 25th October 3.30-5.15pm/Thursday 26th October 1.30-5.15pm



In the past we have asked parents to order school sweatshirts / polo shirts / coats / book bags and rucksacks via the office, as we have held these items in stock.

After discussions with other schools within the Trust (who are no longer doing this), we have decided to ask parents to order these items directly through our supplier. We are asking parents to order through Lads and Lasses Schoolwear (formerly Bristows), who are based in Bridgnorth.

Please see the link to their website below:

 $\underline{https://www.ladsandlassesschoolwear.co.uk/product-category/primary-schools/stottesdon-c-of-e-primary-school/}$

If you would like, they will deliver to school; they provide a monthly free delivery. There is an option to deliver or click and collect. If you choose the click and collect option, and add on the notes: deliver to school and the child's name and class, the order will be delivered on the closest delivery run.

Alternatively, parents can choose home delivery or to click and collect from the Bridgnorth store.

We do have a small quantity of items left in stock so please check with the office prior to ordering.

2024 London Residential



As advised early in the week, plans for the London Residential are now progressing. This is a wonderful experience, which we feel the children will benefit enormously from.

The initial outline of the itinerary is listed below - more details will follow in due course:

Monday 3rd June - Travel down to London - Go on the London Eye, followed by river cruise.

Tuesday 4th June - Visit the Houses of Parliament (TBC) - Go to the Science Museum (to include a 45min workshop)

Wednesday 5th June - Trafalgar Square / National Gallery / Buckingham Place - Theatre to see 'Matilda'

Thursday 6th June - Hampton Court (to include a 1hr workshop - return to Stottesdon

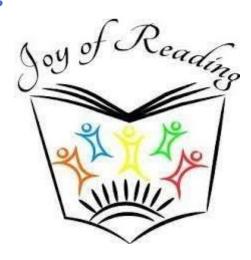
The children will be staying at the London Lee Valley YHA, Windmill Ln, Cheshunt, Waltham Cross EN8 9AJ

We have received a deposit of £30 from children planning to attend, the remaining balance of £295 (50% less for those children who are in receipt of FSM) is now available to pay on Arbor, we have set it up so that parents can either pay in full or by instalments of £10 or more.

We will be holding a detailed parents meeting at a later date to let you have further information.

In the meantime, should you have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Celebrating Reading



Well done for those that are reading 4 x or more a week and logging it in reading diaries. Please keep regular reading and enjoyment of books a high priority.

Teme: 100%

Rea: 90%

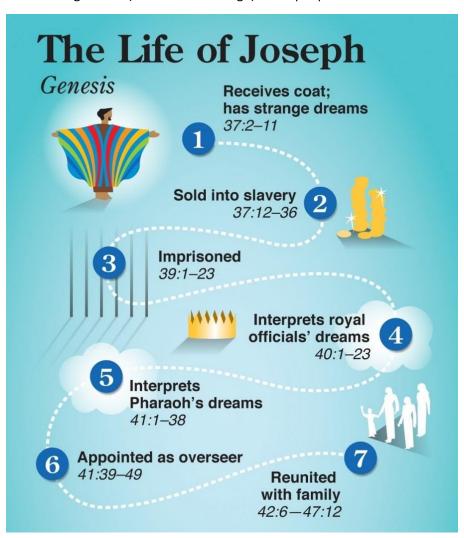
Corve: 87%

Severn: 100%

Our Worship/Reflections this week:

We talked to children about the school council - see below for poster explaining this.

Open the book bought us the 2nd part of the Joseph story. Children showed fantastic understanding of the importance of forgiveness (rather than revenge) when people have hurt us or been unkind.



Children reflected on the fact the October is Black history Month. This year's theme is 'Saluting our Sisters' and children celebrated the role Black women have played in shaping history, inspiring change and building communities.



EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News



Talk for Writing: The Enormous Turnip

The children have been changing the lyrics to the song 'Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush' to fit The Enormous Turnip theme. 'This is the way we.. 'Pull the turnip,' 'dig the turnip' or 'cut the turnip'. The children have also been learning the following story actions









Makaton Sign of the Week:



Concept Word of the Week:

EMPTY

Finished Nursery Rhyme of the Week:



Our Learning This Week



This week we have been naming our feelings: Happy, sad, excited, surprised, and angry.

In maths this week we have continued to explore the number 2 and what the numeral looks like.



TINY Happy PEOPLE

Your words build their world

Tiny Happy People is a website to support parent's with developing their child's language skills. Why not explore the simple activities and play ideas and find out about toddlers' amazing early development. https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people[1]

Video of the Week: Helping toddlers talk in full sentences - BBC Tiny Happy People^[2]

Recasting is a term used by speech and language therapists to refer to a way of responding to children when they say words or phrases incorrectly or slightly oddly. It simply means repeating the sentence you think your child is trying to say back to them correctly.

This doesn't mean saying 'no, that's not right', or drawing attention to their error, but just saying the sentence back to them as it should be said. So, for example, if they rolled a ball down a slide and said 'ball go down', you might say 'yes, the ball goes down the slide when you drop it.'

Don't forget to book in your Parents' Evening on Arbor.

1 - [1] https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people [2] https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/tools-for-talking-2-3years/zt7bydm

Reception news

Talk for Writing: Owl Babies



This week Reception have begun to write simple CVC captions from images from the story. We have been listening to all the sounds we can hear as we segment a word.

E.g., Sad -s-a-d = followed by using our sound mat to write letters which represent the sounds we have heard.



When practising letter sounds at home, it's important to pronounce "pure sounds": for example, the sound /m/ is pronounced 'mmmm' and not 'muh' or 'em'. This makes it much easier for children to blend sounds together to

read. Check out the videos here at Little Wandle's Parent page to support pronouncing the 'pure' sound. https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/forparents/[1]

Concept Word of the Week:



Nursery Rhyme of the Week:



In phonics this week the children have been consolidating Autumn 1 sounds and blending practice.



Tricky Words Recap

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is

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In maths this week Reception have been building upon their subitising skills. They have continued to use 'perceptual' subitising - instant recognition - by saying the number of sounds that they can hear, such as claps or drumbeats, without needing to count.

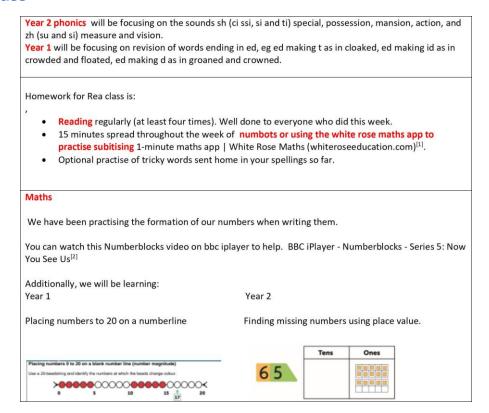
This week we have introduced Numberblock Four and the investigated the shapes made arranging four cubes. The children have noticed the sub-groups that can be perceived within a larger set and recognise the whole at the same time. For example, they will see that Numberblock Four can be arranged with 2 blocks on top of another 2 blocks or as a line of 3 with 1 on top and connect both to 4.



2 - [1] https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/

Don't forget to look at Tapestry or Class Dojo this week!

Rea Class



3 - [1] https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000t2vb/numberblocks-series-5-now-you-see-us?seriesId=m000t16j

Severn Class STEM

Severn Class enjoyed a STEM morning at Lacon Childe as forensic scientists.









School Council Elections

Who would you like to represent your class views and ideas at the school council?



Each class needs to vote for someone to represent their

- year group so they can:

 represent the ideas of their year group?

 meet with the headteacher and other organisations to review and plan ways forward? You might be talking about safety, behaviour, being healthy, raising money for good causes, looking after the environment, learning, clubs, community activities.....

Skills you need:

- noppy to give time to do activities
 qood listener to the ideas and views of your class
 confident to talk in front of others or at a meeting

What do I do if I'd like to give it a go?

- Let your teacher know you would like to be a School Council member.

 Talk to class and find out ideas and views

 Come up with a 1 minute speech to explain 1 practical idea to improve our school and why you would be agood at representing the class

 Respect everyone's right to have a voice and have a vote

Speeches and Elections: by Friday 10th November



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T4U Give love in a box 2024



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:



Filled boxes will be collected from school week commencing 6th November 2023.

Vision Screening - Reception children(Teme Class)



As detailed in the diary dates Reception children are due to have their sight tested in school on Tuesday 24th October 2023.

If we do not receive a opt out form from you we will assume you are happy for your child to have their sight tested in school.

Parent Zone



Please see link below for Parent Zone, this month's discussion is regarding 'how to stay in control of the data we share':

https://youtu.be/ZqbFl7bOmFc

Parent Zone have also developed Everyday Digital to help families build great media literacy skills - further information can be found by clicking on the following link:

https://parentzone.org.uk/EverydayDigital

Sports News



So far this term we have attended:

Rea Class (year 1 and 2) Multi sports

Severn Class (year 5 and 6) Football

KS2 Netball which we have qualified for the next round on 25th April 2024.

Girls Football (years 5 and 6)

Still to come this term

Cross country, Yrs 3 / 4 Quick Sticks Hockey.

In 2024 we can look forward to.....

Volleyball, Athletics, Tag Rugby, Multi Sports, Tennis, Golf, Swimming, sports day and the School games if we are lucky enough to qualify.

In November Severn Class will be trained as Jumping Jaxx leaders and will start to lead playtime activities for all to enjoy.

Primary to Secondary Transfer 2024

Parents of Year 6 Pupils

Secondary Application deadline – 31 October 2023

The closing date for secondary applications is 31 October 2023 which falls in the half-term holidays. If you have not already done so, we encourage you to submit an application as soon as possible but before the deadline date. This will ensure that if you encounter any problems, you can be supported/helped and to submit your application on time. There is no grace period for late applications. The link for the website is — Transferring to secondary school | Shropshire Council

The School Admissions Team strongly encourage parents to name three preferences, particularly if you reside in the Shrewsbury area. Please see the Parents' Guide to Education in Shropshire Booklet for further information. The link to the document is <u>Parents' quide to education | Shropshire Council</u>

If you have already made an application and wish to add additional preferences please contact school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk

Forest Fun Sessions for Reception



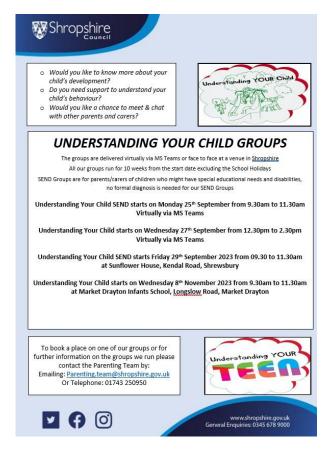
Forest Fun sessions for the autumn term are running on a Tuesday afternoon for just reception only.

There will be 6 sessions but only charging for 5 due to a session cancelled in Summer 1.

The trip is available on Arbor, thank you to those parents who have made the voluntary contribution, however there are several contributions outstanding.

Parenting Signposts

Understanding Your Child Groups - September 2023



The Parenting Team will be delivering free Understanding Your Child and Understanding Your Child SEND groups from September 2023 (poster attached).

These 10 week groups aim to:

- Promote understanding of children's behaviour within the context of developmental issues
- Promote the development of parent/child relationship
- Increase confidence and self-esteem in both parents and children
- Give parents a strategy for repair when things go wrong
- Promote reflective, sensitive and effective parenting

We are also offering a free SLEEP TIGHT workshop from September (poster attached).

These 5 week workshops cover:

- Recognising the role of sleep hygiene to improve sleep
- Identifying causes of sleep issues and appropriate practical strategies to try
- Completing sleep diaries and identifying potential sleep issues

Please do not hesitate to contact us directly if you have any questions: parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or give us a call on 01743 250950



Parenting Support Line Poster Autumn 2023



Working on your relationship



Shropshire Family Information Service



Solihull Approach - Understanding Your Child



Cleobury Community Information Drop In



Miscellaneous but important!

Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service



Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service is urging you and you family to stay safe this Bonfire Night and Halloween.

There are several ways you can ensure your family is safe while enjoying bonfires, fireworks and trick or treating.

We advise you to visit an organised event rather than having a bonfire or setting off fireworks yourselves, however if you do decide to celebrate at home please take a lot our advice for safe handling of fireworks and bonfires here www.shropshirefire.gov.uk/campaign/bonfire-and-firework-safety.

We also work closely with other organisation to ensure you have the most up to date safety advice and information.

StayWise has some fantastic advice for Halloween and you can check out their top tips here Halloween Safety Advice | StayWise

If you're concerned about teaching your children the dangers of fireworks, or not sure what to do if your child suffers a burn or scolded, the child Accident protection Trust (CAPT) has some great advice and you find a host of information on their website here.

Extras:

Useful links-

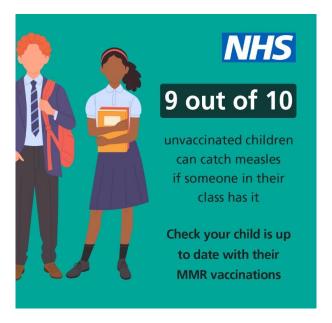
Burns first aid | Child Accident Prevention Trust (capt.org.uk)

Firework safety for children: Lessons for little ones (capt.org.uk)

Firework safety tips: How to have safe fireworks at home (capt.org.uk)

How to buy fireworks safely UK: A Fireworks buying guide (capt.org.uk)

Measles / MMR Vaccination



Message from The Early Years Entitlements Team:

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease.

The <u>Back to school MMR Guidance</u> from the NHS includes up to date information.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in an early years setting can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.

Job Vacancies within the Trust



Please find attached adverts and job descriptions regarding job vacancies within the Trust.

Celebrating Children's Achievements

The children representing all the hard work and positive attitudes in our school this week.



Sports Stars:

Teme: **Enfys** for stopping the ball on command with her foot and keeping her balance.

Rea: **Theo** & **Esther**, **Reggie** & **William M**, **Skyler** & **Leon** for their Great Fire of London Canon Performance.

Corve: **Teddy** and **Tabby** for their use of travelling and turns in a gymnastic sequence.

Severn: **Samuel** for successfully intercepting the ball during netball / **Torrhen** for his enthusiasm and participation in netball.



Great Sentence using words of the week:

Teme: Victoria "There were more presents by my door."

Rea: Last October it was inclement because the wind was wet from the West. Skyler

Corve: When I went to London for my holiday I saw Big Ben in the window of my hotel, it **towered**

over the city. Esme

Severn: After winning the lottery, I was uncharacteristically secretive. Ruby



Class Achievers:

Teme: **Boyd** for his independent caption writing; using his phonics knowledge to segment and his sound mat to write letter/s to represent the sounds he heard.

Rea: **Frankie** and **Rosie** for their place value work on two digit numbers / **Phoebe R** for her focus in maths work on the teens numbers.

Corve: **Scarlett** for her effort and accuracy when doing mental addition. / **Lucas** for his effort in his writing this week.

Severn: Cameron, Marnie, Nate and Eliza for thoughtful and engaging work in PSHE.