

The Stotty School News 27.6.2025



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Diary dates for the week ahead



Diary Dates for next week	
Monday 30 th June	Lacon Childe / Bridgnorth Endowed Intake Day for current Yr 6 children. September 2025 Reception Children taster day. School 'Moving Up' morning – children will have a morning in the class they will in from September 2025. Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams T1 Rugby After School Club
Tuesday 1 st July	Lacon Childe / Bridgnorth Endowed Intake Day for current Yr 6 children. Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams Lunchtime gardening club. There will not by a Multi Skills After School Club - R/1/2 Rounders After School Club - Yr 3/4/5/6
Wednesday 2 nd July	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams 'Go Green' lunchtime club Lacon Sports Coach with Corve & Severn Class Archery After School Club – Yr 3/4 Science After School Club – Yr 5/6
Thursday 3 rd July	Area Athletics at Lacon Childe School – those children attending from Corve and Severn Class will need water bottle and either waterproof coat or sunhat / sun cream depending on the weather.
Friday 4 th July	NON SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY - Donations of bottles or filled jars for the fete please - if you have already donated, we will not be asking again. Teme / Rea & Corve Class to attend swimming lessons at Highley - please see further information in the newsletter Drama After School club - Yr 3/4/5/6 School & Community Fete on the school field from 5.30pm to 8pm - please come along and support.
	Upcoming Diary Dates
7 th July	Corve Class adventure day - Please note date change
8 th July	Severn Class adventure day - Please note date change
9 th /10 th July	Bikeability for Year 6 Children
15 th July	Sports Morning - Due to start @ 9am
16 th July	Rea Class Severn Valley Railway trip

2025/2026 School Term and Holiday Programme



Please find attached updated term dates for 2025 / 2026.

You will note there is an additional PD day on 26th June 2026.

Also attached is the updated Lacon Childe School version, the PD Days on this differ slightly from the primary schools version in order to support a mock marking and moderation with other secondaries (8th December instead of 3rd November)

Leaving Gift



Sadly, Mrs Karen Martin will be leaving us at the end of this term. Karen has been a valued member of our staff since 2011 so

we would like to purchase a leaving gift to thank her for all her hard work and commitment during the last 14 years.

If you would like to contribute towards this gift please hand your donation into the office as soon as possible.

School Meals - Price Increase



From September 2025, due to rising costs, the Trust has taken the decision to raise the cost of a school meal to £2.80 for early years pupils (Nursery) and £3.00 for children in KS2 (Corve and Severn Class).

Those children in Reception / Year 1 and Year 2 are all entitled to Universal Free School Meals.

School Uniform



We would like to remind parents / children of the appropriate length of girls skirts. Skirts should be knee length but we have noticed there are some very short skirts creeping in (and some of this is choice rather than growth spurts). This is an important part of school uniform to get right in order to maintain pupil's dignity and appropriateness (not revealing too much). We particularly ask our older pupils to set the example to our younger pupils and we ask for parents support in helping pupils maintain a professional approach to coming to school and an expectation that then extends into Secondary. From next week we will be communicating directly with parents if we feels skirts are too short.

Summer Fete - Friday 4th July - Non School Uniform Day

We will be having a non school uniform day on Friday 4th July - we are asking for a donation of either:

- a filled jar (sweets, treats or treasure) if you have not got any jars please bring in a packet of sweets or treats
- or a bottle anything from shampoo to champagne

If you have already donated the above, please be assured we will not be asking for you to do so again!!



Please drop at the school office by Monday 30th June

Items required for activity at Fete



Mr Middleton needs

> tin cans - they need to be the cans with a ring-pull lid as the edges aren't as sharp as those which have been opened by a tin-opener (don't need the lid). Any size will be fine needs loads of them for an activity at the Fete!

If you are able to help, please leave cans with the office.

Summer HAF Programme



Please find attached the HAF Summer programme.

This is available for children and young people aged 4 (in reception class or equivalent) to 16, who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Families will need to use their HAF code when making a booking, this code has been sent to relevant families earlier this week.

SGN Summer Holiday Club



SGN Summer Holiday Club will be open on the following dates, subject to bookings:

Monday 21st July to Thursday 24th July

Monday 28th July to Thursday 31st July

W/C 4th August - Holiday Club closed

W/C 11th August - Holiday Club closed

Monday 18th August to Thursday 21st August

Tuesday 26th August to Thursday 28th August

Tuesday 2nd September

Please find attached schedule with prices and timings.

If you would like to book your child/ren into any of the sessions, please do so via Arbor - **FROM MONDAY.**

We will gauge viability towards the end of term and advise if any of the sessions need to be reduced or cancelled.

Visit from Jane Trowbridge, High Sheriff of Shropshire

Children enjoyed meeting and finding out about the High Sheriff role (voluntary Royal appointment for a year). Children felt a sense of belonging to know that the 'ears and eyes' of the King wanted to come and visit them and find out about them and their school! Jane also shared with older children plans for a Shropshire Youth initiative next year (16th October) to support disadvantaged children in our county (more info to follow next year!)









Fortnite



Fortnite

Please be aware that children seem to be playing Fortnite again. Whilst some of this seems to be accompanied by an adult please note that the age rating is 12 (due to in game violence) unless they are playing Lego Fortnite (7) or Rocket Racing (3). Please see advice below from the following link: <u>What do I need to know about Fortnite? A guide for parents and carers | Childnet</u>

- Due to the addictive nature to play again, children may find it hard to self-regulate their screen time (which negatively impacts ability to concentrate and focus) or in game purchasing
- Children may encounter bad or sexual language (especially in Fortnite Festival)
- Children are likely to be playing with others they don't know, shouldn't trust and may be using inappropriate language or unkindness



Safeguarding

Safeguarding

The safety and welfare of our children is at the heart of everything we do. As a result, we are now expanding our use of our reporting system to pupils and members of the

community. On our <u>safeguarding website page</u> there are now links that parents and children can use if they want to report a concern. This comes straight into our Designated Safeguarding Leads (Mrs Jones, Mrs J Jones and Becky Home) who will action and respond as appropriate. Please continue to remember that we are also happy to have meetings, catch ups, telephone calls etc. – this is just another way of you letting us know.

Links that are replicated on our website page:

<u>Click here if you are a child reporting a concern.</u> Or use this QR code:



<u>Click here if you are a Volunteer, Parent or member of the Community reporting a concern.</u> <u>Or use this QR code:</u>



Celebrating Reading





Reading

Reading with children is one of the most powerful gift parents can give. The development of language, creativity and cultural understanding from reading, discussing and sharing is HUGE so if you are giving this gift thank you for helping to keep this powerful, essential activity 'alive'. Reading is also very powerful as it reduces stress (for the child and the adult!).

Teme: 100%

Rea: 87%

Corve: Yr 3=78% / Yr 4=100%

Severn: 93%

We would like to extend our thanks to Mrs Kennett / Mrs George and Mrs Dorrell for giving up their time to come into school to listen to the children reading. The children benefit enormously from this. Thank you.



Would everyone please have a good search at home for any reading books books belonging to the school - the class libraries have reduced greatly. It would be nice to have them fully stocked for the beginning of the Autumn Term.

Our Worship / Reflections this week:

Be generous. Give others more than they expect - time - ideas - connections - kindness

Monday and Tuesday: We began to practice our Fete songs!

Wednesday: Open the book bought us the miracles of Aeneas and Tabitha. We reflected that we may not be able to perform miracles each day but we have the power to spread happiness and kindness.



Thursday: Communication - we looked into what we can learn from people who communicate in different ways.

Making A Difference By Looking After Our Planet

Well done to all the children that have volunteered for our big litter pick so far. Enjoy the pictures below of the most recent children being 'agents of change'.







School Council Nature Photography Competition



Children were so inspired by the World Nature Photography Competition that the School Council wanted to run their own competition. Well done to all those that participated. The school council had a tough time selecting the winning entries but below are the fantastic photos and the photographers for each category that were chosen. We will now work to creating a Christmas calendar and the school council are going to debate the environmental charities to donate to.

Categories:

- 1. Mammals: Lillie Trenfield
- 2. Amphibians and Reptiles: Self portrait by Shadow
- 3. Invertebrates: Fletcher Middleton
- 4. Birds: Bea Gittins
- 5. Farming: Harrison Cook
- 6. Plants and Funghi: Libby Grace Walker
- 7. Water: Felicity Robertson
- 8. Landscapes: Grace Richards
- 9. Sky: Maxwell Middleton
- 10. Flowers: Francesca Ralph
- 11. Black and White: Tabitha Keen
- 12. Patterns/Art in Nature: Kitt Hadley

Happy Photography!

















Forthcoming Trips / Activities

As well as the usual Lacon Festivals, during the Summer term we have several trips / activities taking place.

Please find below an overview of what is planned, so far



Adventure Days

On the 7th July Corve Class and on 8th July Severn Class (**PLEASE NOTE THE DAYS HAVE SWAPPED**) will be attending a fun packed 'adventure day' at Shropshire Adventures - they will be taking part in laser tag / orienteering / climbing or archery and watersports.

These always prove to be very enjoyable days for the children. We will be asking for a voluntary contribution of £27 per child (£13.50 for those children who are eligible for benefit related free school meals), to enable the children to participate. This amount has been significantly subsidised by the school's sport provision funding.



Bikeability

On Wednesday 9th / Thursday 10th July **Year 6** children will be participating in the free 'Bikeability' training provided through Shropshire Council. Please ensure consent forms are completed and returned to enable your child to take part.



Severn Valley Railway

On Wednesday 16th July Rea Class will be transported to Kidderminster Station to catch the Severn Valley Railway steam train to Highley, where they have the opportunity to explore The Engine House. They will then do the return journey to Kidderminster station.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £19.45 per child (£9.73 for those children eligible for benefit related free school meals) to cover the cost of the journey, entry to the Engine House and transport - once again we are very grateful to FoSPS for covering half of the cost of the transport for this trip.

We would appreciate it if you could make this contribution via Arbor as soon as possible please.

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Nursery News 27.06.2025



2 - [1] <u>https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/</u>[2] <u>https://kindredsquared.org.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2025/01/School-Readiness-Survey-January-2025-Kindred-Squared.pdf</u>[3]

<u>http://www.startingreception.co.uk/</u> [4] <u>https://help-for-early-years-providers.education.gov.uk/health-and-</u> wellbeing/nutrition [5] <u>https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/</u> [6] <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/z8h7dp3</u> [7] <u>https://www.firststepsnutrition.org/eating-well-resources</u> [8] <u>https://www.bda.uk.com/resource/healthy-eating-for-</u> <u>children.html</u>

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3 - [1] <u>https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/</u>

Rea Class News

	Rea Phonics
/ear	1
•	si and su making the zh sound as in vision and usual.
•	dge making the j sound as in lodge, edge and bridge.
	y making the i sound as in mystery and bicycle.
/ear	
•	When it makes the sound /sh/, ti is usually followed by o, n (tion).
•	When a root word ends with adjacent consonants, we just add the suffix
	Homework
•	Reading Homework is to listen to your child read at least four times over the week.
	Please remember to write it in reading records.
•	Year 2 will have their spelling test on Tuesday next week due to transition day on
	Monday.
•	Numbots, teach your monster number skills or times tables rock stars (for year 2).
	Maths
•	Mastering number - retrieval of all our bonds and why our number bonds are useful
	to us, including related facts eg 2 + 5 = 7 to 70 is equal to 20 plus 50.
	Fractions
Year	1 and year 2
•	Finding out more about clocks.
•	Larger numbers for year 1, eg counting to 56 in tens and ones eg 10, 20, 30,40, 50,
	51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56.
	Subtraction calculations practise for year 2.

Parenting Signposts

Understanding Your Child Groups - Summer 2025

Understanding your child From toddler to teen

- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?

Join us for one of our free virtual or face-to-face groups, our next groups start: Understanding Your Child Group 3th April 2025 from 9.15am to 11.15am at Crowmoor Primary School, Shrewsbury Understanding Your Child Group 3th April 2025 from 9.00am to 11.00am at Clee Hill Community Primary School Understanding Your Child Group 3th April 2025 from 12.43pm to 2.43pm at Shrewsbury TBA Understanding Your Child Group 3th April 2025 from 12.43pm to 2.43pm at Behidere Primary School, Shrewsbury Understanding Your Child Group 1th May 2025 from 09.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams Understanding Your Child Group 1th May 2025 from 09.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams Understanding Your Child Group 1th May 2025 from 09.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams Understanding Your Child Group 2th May 2025 from 1.05pm to 3.00pm at 5t Lucia Coffe Primary School, Upton Magna Understanding Your Child Group 2th May 2025 from 1.5pm to 3.15pm at Chirist Church Coffe Primary Understanding Your Child Group 2th May 2025 from 1.5pm to 3.15pm at Chirist Church Coffe Primary School, Understanding Your Child Group 2th May 2025 from 1.5pm to 5.15pm at Chirist Church Coffe Primary School, Child Group 2th May 2025 from 1.5pm to 3.15pm to 1.5th at Chirist Church Coffe Primary School, Child Group 2th May 2025 from 1.5pm to 3.15pm to 1.5th at Chirist Church Coffe Primary School, School, Cressage



Sleep Tight Work Shops - Summer 2025



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Supporting

Parenting Help & Support Line



Shropshire Family Information Service



What is Shropshire Family Information Service:

The Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS) is a brilliant universal service. The FIS brings together loads of useful, local information for families, to help take the stress out of things like finding:

- Childcare or baby and toddler groups
- Holiday clubs, events and things to do as a family
- Parenting, relationships, and emotional health and wellbeing support
- Cost of Living info and advice

FIS use our social media channels to bring families news, events and handy information, which links through to our <u>Family Information Directory</u>. Families are welcome to contact us directly for help with anything to do with family life. We have created a brand new short video to explain who we are and what we do. You can view it here on YouTube https://youtu.be/7t1jBqJJTl8?si=LeOiNag8_LeSPzX0

What we would love you to do:

1. Follow us on social media. We use social media as a key tool for reaching parents and professionals, so give us a follow and we will follow you back.

Family Info Service Facebook

Family Info Service Instagram

Family Info Service Twitter

2. Subscribe to our newsletter https://orlo.uk/5RvZN

Solihull Approach - Understanding Your Child

Please watch the video in the link below - it explains brilliantly how good the parenting courses are:

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Bridgnorth Community Information Drop In Sessions



Highley Community Drop In Sessions



OneplusOne



Introducing the Separating better app, a **free** self-guided mobile app for separating parents, designed to facilitate a smoother separation journey and promote positive co-parenting. This app is filled with expert advice, video resources, practical parenting, and budgeting plans, as well as co-parenting tips. It offers an easy-to-follow journey where you can track your progress and unlock app sections as you go.

Find out more and download the mobile app, now: <u>https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-</u> <u>better?utm_source=referral&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=sbaffiliate</u>

For face to face support, go to <u>Getting on better | Shropshire Council</u> and select Free Courses and Workshops.



Anonine course for sparating parents to help manage minimise the injent on children

Getting it right for children

When separated parents argue, it's common for children to feel like they are caught in the middle. This free online course is designed to help separated parents communicate better with each other and parent cooperatively after parting. You will learn positive communication skills like staying calm, seeing things differently, and speaking for yourself so that you can sort out disagreements with your child's other parent and find solutions together. You can do the course on your own, at your own pace.

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www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents or scan the QR code To access the course, you will need a good internet connection and a smartphone, tablet, or computer.





Me, You and Baby too

Tiredness and stress are common when you're caring for a baby. If parenthood is leading to more arguments between you and your partner, this free online course could help. With tips and advice on how to talk about difficult topics, share stress, and prevent arguments, this short course will help you and your partner navigate challenging times together.



Create your free account at www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents or scan the QR code To access the course, you will need a good internet connection and a smartphone, tablet, or computer.

Health Visiting Information

Every family with children under 5 has access to a health visitor.

Families can access advice and support up until the age of 5 years old by calling **The Single Point of Access on 0333 358 3654.**

If parents don't want to talk to someone, they can send a text and one of the team will get back to them on **07520 635212**

This is a Monday to Friday service 09:30am until 4pm where a Health Visitor is on the line to offer the appropriate advice and support and referrals can be made to the appropriate practitioner.

If parents need extra support or support for potty training, behaviour, sleep, eating we have two Healthy Child practitioner who they can be referred to who will come out to their home or to a clinic to support the family with these issues.

This referral can be completed through the single point of access and sent to the appropriate team.

If it is specialised targeted work the family will be seen by a Health visitor for example low mood or complex development issues, safeguarding or specialised referrals.

All children are seen universally at one years and at two years and they are offered a full health growth and development review via a letter with an appointment.

These are now completed at Cleobury Mortimer Health Centre, Ludlow or Bridgnorth depending on where they live.



PACC (Parent Carer Council) have created an information sheet of charities and organisations that can provide help and support.

Please let us know if you would like a copy.

Otherwise please contact PACC for support and information on <u>info@paccshropshire.org.uk</u>

Celebrating Children's Achievements



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



Numbots:

Rea: Harriet Foster

Corve: Lucas Kench



Time Tables Rock Stars:

Rea: Ella Dorrell Corve: Fletcher Middleton Severn: Noah Wilson



Spelling Bee:

Bronze:

Silver: Lottie Boo & Aaron

Gold:

Platinum:



Sports Stars:

Teme: **Alfie** for following the instructions for standing jump – landing with two feet softly and swinging arms to gain greater distance.

Rea: Arthur for improvement in his jumping skills.

Corve: **Ralph** for organising a team in rounders / **Phoebe S** for an incredible rounder.

Severn: **Lorelei** for great interceptions and supporting other players / **Noah** for reading the game well / **Lottie Boo** and **Bella C** for swimming a length today at Highley.



Pride and Presentation: Award for pupil focus on presentation of work across the curriculum.

Teme: **Alfie** for his story writing.

Rea: **Calvin** for his work in his new book for his new teacher.

Corve: **Reggie** for careful full sentences in reading comprehension.

Severn: **Ruby** for her work in Geography.



Great Sentence using words of the week:

Teme: My mum let me have a few sweets. Cordelia

Rea: In a church, I saw a preacher giving a sermon. Leo P

Corve: Yesterday I was on cloud nine to hear that I was invited to a nerf party. Leon

Severn: I inadvertently knocked over a glass. Lana



Class Achievers:

Teme: Kitt for perseverance with trying new fruits in DT.

Rea: Tara for great focus on editing this week / Chloe for her independence in her work - definitely ready for year 2 / Harriet and Phoebe R for their science work about unfamiliar habitats, explaining why animals are suited to different habitats.

Corve: William M / Fletcher for neat and accurate time telling.

Severn: Lottie for making great progress in English.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Finley** for stopping what he was playing with to support a peer to find their water bottle.

Year 1: Kai for always helping others to make good choices.

Year 2: Eva for helping children younger than her.

- Year 3: Lincoln for noticing a friend needed something and bringing it without being asked.
- Year 4: **Oliver** for helping others in DT.
- Year 5: Ellie for being Mrs Walker's all round helper this week.
- Year 6: Samuel for understanding that we all have varying abilities in PE.