



The Stotty School News 23.1.2026



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Diary dates for the week ahead



Diary Dates for next week	
Monday 26th January 2026	Lunchtime Computing Club Kidderminster Harriers - Health Kick for Severn Class Kidderminster Harriers After School Club
Tuesday 27th January	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams Lego After School Club SATs After School Club
Wednesday 28th January	Munch & Maths Group with Mrs Jones Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams Lunchtime Choir Club Momentum Gymnastics - Rea Class Momentum Gymnastics After School Club
Thursday 29th January	SATs After School Club Cookery After School Club
Friday 30th January	Reading Comp Buddies Group with Mrs Jones
Upcoming Diary Dates	
W/C 9th February	Parents Evenings
17th February	Licensing of the new vicar @ St. Mary's Church, Stottesdon @ 7pm
21st February	Chorley Chapel Warm Hub 11am to 1pm

Parent, Pupil, Teacher Consultations



Parent, Pupil, Teacher consultations are due to take place week commencing 9th February 2026 - please see attached letter for further details.

Slots are available to book on Arbor, please ensure bookings are made before 6th February 2026.

These meetings are for sharing information with you and your child to allow us all to work together in achieving the highest standards for your child. Your support is extremely valuable.

A message from the Children's Commissioner



We wanted to share the letter below with all parents and thoroughly recommend the excellent guide that has been produced to support parents in their decision making and oversight of what children are doing online. We would also like to share that a safeguarding alert has been circulated this week from NHS England concerning two young adults (with considerable Tik Tok followers) who have been involved in encouraging self-harm. There is no further details but a request to remind parents/carers to monitor content and share any safeguarding concerns. If anyone has any concerns about their child's online activity and the impact it is having please consider the guide below and know that we are very happy to support and liaise to help keep children safe.

Dear Headteacher,

I am writing to inform you that I have recently published a new guide, [What I wish my parents or carers knew: A guide for parents on managing children's digital lives.](#)

Supporting children's safety is a shared responsibility between families, schools and wider society. For parents and carers, this responsibility has become increasingly complex as children's lives are now deeply intertwined with the digital world. Many parents face difficult decisions about how to balance protecting children from online harm with enabling access to spaces that are now central to learning, socialising and play.

*The last time I published a guide like this, *The things I wish my parents had known: Young people's advice on talking to your child about online sexual harassment*, in December 2021, it was to help parents and carers navigate difficult conversations about sexual harassment online. This guide is different in scope, in recognition of the complex, rapidly evolving landscape in which children – and parents – are navigating. It focuses on the challenge of managing children's everyday online habits.*

This guide was written with the direct involvement of children in England. It is a reflection of their views. My office visited schools to speak to teenagers, and spoke to my Youth Ambassadors and Youth Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Panel to get their expertise on what works and what doesn't work between parents or carers and children in the 21st Century.

When I speak to children about what they would do differently when it comes to being online, with the benefit of hindsight, I ask them: would they give a smartphone to their own teenager? Almost unanimously, they tell me no. They want to be protected from it as long as possible.

As educators and leaders, you play a vital role in supporting parents and carers to navigate these challenges. Responses to my recent school survey show just how concerned school leaders are about their children's safety online, despite most already taking steps to limit or ban devices from the classroom. Children are clear that they value firm, informed and protective boundaries when adults have concerns about the content they are accessing online.

As parents, carers, and educators, our job must begin and end with our children's care and safety. It's what they expect and what they want from you.

As one young person told me: "Don't be afraid to be firm... If you are worried [that] your child is seeing harmful content and you don't know what they're watching and it's affecting the behaviour, just take it that you know best – they don't."

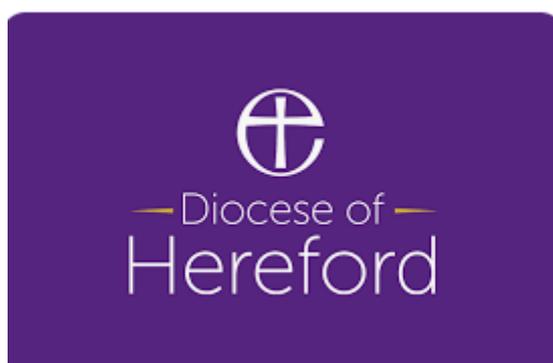
I hope this guide will be a useful resource for your school community, and I encourage you to share it with staff and parents where appropriate.

Yours sincerely,

Dame Rachel de Souza

Children's Commissioner

Licensing of new Vicar - Great news!



The licensing of the new vicar for the benefice of Stottesdon is due to take place on Tuesday 17th February 2026.

The service will be conducted by The Bishop of Hereford and will take place at St. Mary's Church, Stottesdon at 7pm.

Everyone is welcome.

Safeguarding

The safety and welfare of our children is at the heart of everything we do. As a result, our reporting system can be used by pupils and members of the community. 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.

[Click here if you are a child reporting a concern.](#) Or use this QR code:



[Click here if you are a Volunteer, Parent or member of the Community reporting a concern.](#) Or use this QR code:



Roblox



We are aware that children are enjoying playing Roblox outside of school.

Parents may find this 3 min video helpful in talking to their children about safe use. Key is being aware that anyone can talk to anyone (very little restrictions) and how easy it is to pay for virtual items. At the end of the video there are some tips about controls.

We are also talking to children about balancing how long they are online (some it seems to be every night) with doing other things (family time, games, reading together etc).

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/esafety-news/parents-guide-to-roblox-and-how-your-kids-can-play-it-safely/>

If anyone requires any support please do not hesitate to ask.

Chorley Chapel Warm Hub



Chorley Chapel will be holding a 'warm hub' on the following date:

Saturday 21st February 2026

The Chapel will be open from 11 till 1pm, serving bacon/sausage sandwiches, toasted teacakes etc.

If there are any children who would like to be helpers (writing menus, taking orders, serving tables, clearing up) please email the office to let us know.

Children would need to arrive at 10.45pm and stay until approx. 1pm. Mrs Jones will be there to supervise and support.

This is a fantastic way to feel part of the community and get involved in multi-generational events.

School Council Announcement: School Desktop Calendar For Sale - help us raise funds for environmental charities





**STOTTESDON CofE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
PART OF FOUR STONES GATEWAY



**ACHIEVING
TOGETHER**

2026

Children were so inspired by the World Nature Photography Competition that the School Council ran their own competition. The winning photographs have been used to create this calendar to help us to raise funds to donate to a wildlife charity that helps look after our world.

ON SALE!!! - School calendar.

It contains all of the nature photography competition winners from last year - one for each month.

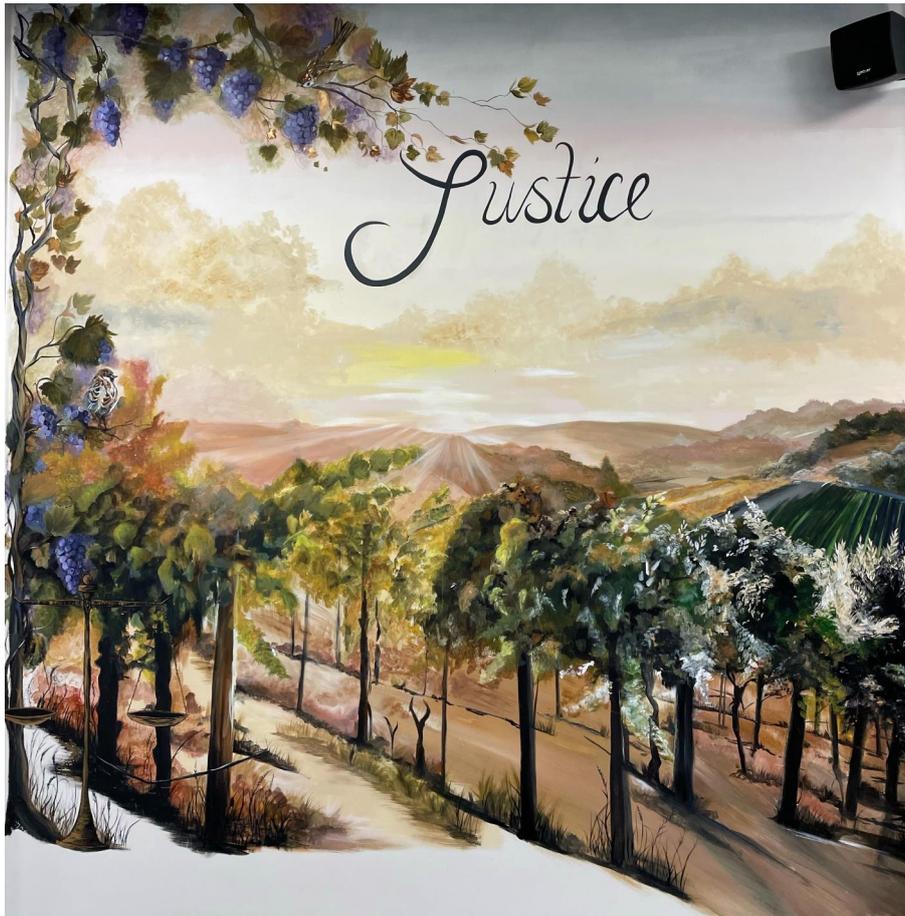
***The desktop calendar is now on sale at a reduced rate of £3.25** - With sales slower than expected, we would really appreciate your support. Buying a calendar helps raise funds for worthy causes and encourages the great work of the School Council. Please consider supporting this initiative and helping us make a positive impact together.*

Parents are able to order via Arbor and then collect at the school office.

Any money raised from the sale of the calendar will be split between 3 different world wide environmental charities:

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- *WWF which protects animals and habitats*
 - *Coalition for Rainforest Nation who are protecting rainforests*
 - *The Clean Air Task Force who are working to keep air clean and reduce pollution.*
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Our Worship / Reflections this week:



Monday: Reverend Val Smith visited and led an assembly on Queen Esther who spoke up when something didn't feel fair or just (standing up for others or ourselves). She showed how important it was to be a friend to those who are being left out or treated unkindly.



Tuesday: We revisited our No Outsiders theme by focussing on our unique strengths and differences through consideration of neurodiversity. The powerpoint is attached to the school news for parents' information. Classes were given age appropriate reading books

that celebrate and consider these differences. Thank you to the FOSPS for funding these books.

No Outsiders



**Everyone different,
everyone welcome.**

Wednesday: Open the book focussed on the story of when Jesus went missing. Children reflected on what to do if they were ever lost and where their safe spaces were.



Thursday: Children learnt about a new award, called the Jane Goodall Earth Medal, which was created to celebrate people who work to help others and care for the world. Dr Jane Goodall spent her life protecting animals and encouraging people to look after nature. The

award recognises kind and caring actions that make a positive difference, even when people are not looking for praise. Children reflected whilst kindness comes from people, not awards, they can help us to notice it, value it, and feel inspired to do more.



Four Stones Gateway Trust Photography Competition



This year marks an exciting new chapter as The Four Stones Multi-Academy Trust and The Shropshire Gateway Trust come together to form Fours Stones Gateway Trust, bringing together seven schools across Worcestershire and Shropshire.

To celebrate this union, we're inviting students, and staff to take part in a Photography Competition that captures the spirit of our new Trust.

The theme is 'Togetherness' we'd love to see photos that show what togetherness means to your child, from friendships, celebrations, to the beautiful landscapes that connect Worcestershire and Shropshire. Do encourage them to take part and represent their Year group, school and community.

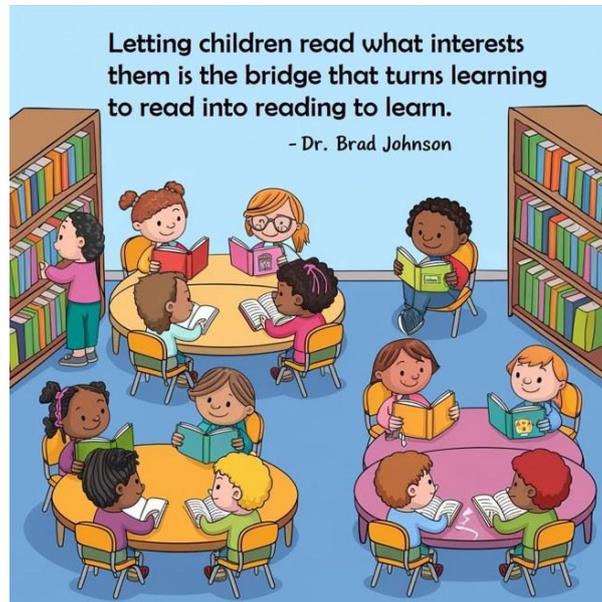
Winning entries will be showcased on our new Trust social media pages and featured in our launch celebrations. Please follow us @fourstonesgateway on Instagram and X.

Let's celebrate our new beginnings, and the power of togetherness.

Students and parents can get further information from the slides sent with the school news.

Please send competition entries to admin@stottesdon-school.co.uk (by 30th January 2026)

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!).

Time: 91%

Rea: 86%

Corve: Yr 3=87% / Yr 4=100%

Severn: 100%

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Spring 1: Winter & People Who Help Us									
<p>This week in EYFS, we have been learning all about 'People Who Help Us'. Our focus has been on understanding who helps us when we feel unwell. The children have enjoyed exploring the roles of doctors and nurses, learning how they help us get better by checking our temperature, listening to our heartbeat, and giving us medicine when we need it. Through stories, role-play, and discussions, the children have begun to recognise how these important helpers keep us healthy and safe. It's been lovely to see their curiosity and care as they used toy doctor's kits to practise looking after each other!</p>									
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<p>Talk for Writing</p> 	<p>Makaton Sign of the Week:</p> 	<p>Phonics Sound of the Week:</p> 							
RECEPTION									
<p>Talk for Writing</p> 	<p>Mastering Number: This week, the children consolidated their understanding of the composition of 5. They explored how numbers can be composed and decomposed by investigating part-part-whole relationships, such as seeing that 5 can be made from 3 and 2. Through practical activities—like moving frogs from a log to a pool in a nursery rhyme—the children deepened their understanding of how a 'whole' is made up of smaller parts. They began recognising that numbers can be made by combining parts in different ways and were encouraged to make links by noticing the similarities and differences in ways of making 5. A key focus was partitioning 5 and considering the missing parts; the children were encouraged to visualise numbers within 5 and to work out how many were hidden when they knew the whole number in a set.</p>								
<p>This week's phonics:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td> zoom to the moon</td> <td></td> <td> hook a book</td> <td>oo</td> </tr> <tr> <td> march in the dark</td> <td>ar</td> <td> barn with a horn</td> <td>or</td> </tr> </table>		 zoom to the moon		 hook a book	oo	 march in the dark	ar	 barn with a horn	or
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<p>Tricky words: was you they</p>									

Parenting Signposts

You and Me, Mum Group

An 8 week course to help understand how domestic violence impacts on you and your children.

Every Wednesday from 14th January - 11th March

You and Me, Mum Group

This 8-week course will help you understand how domestic violence impacts on you as a parent and how it affects your children. The course objectives are to empower, support and develop further understanding of your role as a mother in addressing the needs of your children and young people

To book and secure your place on this course please call **01743 250400**

Every Wednesday from
Wednesday 14th January 2026 – Wednesday 11th March 2026
09:30-11:30am
Venue: Shrewsbury SY1

Facilitated by
Early Help and Support Team with Shropshire Domestic Abuse Service



The Best Start in Life campaign, aims to increase awareness of the importance of early years in a child's development and the role of early years education.

Please visit their website (formerly Childcare Choices): <https://www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/>

The website contains a wealth of information from pregnancy through to starting school.



Please find link below to the excellent guide that has been produced to support parents in their decision making and oversight of what children are doing online:

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>

Understanding Your Child Group - January 2026 - Clee Hill Community Academy

Face to face group - Understand your child SEND commencing on Thursday 15th January 2026 @ Clee Hill Community Academy from 9am to 11am - every Thursday for 10 weeks (excluding the school holidays).

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 our free face-to-face group

Understanding Your Child SEND
Thursday 15th January 2026
9.00am to 11.00am
Clee Hill Community Academy
Tenbury Road, Ludlow SY8 3NE

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

SEND groups are for parents/carers of Children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950

Find more free online courses at inourplace.co.uk/shropshire



Shropshire Supporting Families Through Early Help

Shropshire Council

Understanding Your Child Groups - Spring 2025

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- 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 12th January 2025 from 8.30am to 11.30am at Oaks Primary, Shrewsbury

Understanding Your Child Group 13th January 2025 from 6.30am to 7.30pm at Oaks Primary, Shrewsbury

Understanding Your Child SEND Group 14th January 2025 from 10.30am to 11.30pm at Clee Hill Community Academy

Understanding Your Child Group 14th January 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually via MS Teams

Understanding Your Child SEND Group 14th January 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm at Llanfyllter Primary, Church Stretton

Understanding Your Child SEND Group 15th January 2025 from 9.00am to 11.00am at Clee Hill Community Academy

Understanding Your Child SEND Group 15th January 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually via MS Teams

Understanding Your Child Group 16th January 2025 from 8.30am to 11.30am at Highley Primary School

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

SEND groups are for parents/carers of Children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950

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Shropshire Supporting Families Through Early Help

Shropshire Council

Sleep Tight Work Shops - Spring 2025

Does your child struggle with their sleep?

Free Sleep Tight Groups

- Join us on one of our virtual or face-to-face groups and:
- Find out why sleep is important for our health and emotional wellbeing
 - Get support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines
 - Meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences

Sleep Tight Group Monday 12th January 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm **Virtual** via MS Teams
Sleep Tight Group Thursday 10th January 2026 from 8.30am to 11.30am **Highley Primary School**
Sleep Tight SEND Group Monday 22nd February 2026 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm **Virtual** via MS Teams
Sleep Tight Group Tuesday 24th February 2026 from 8.30am to 11.30am **Greenock Primary School**

The groups run for 8 weeks excluding the school holidays
 SEND groups are for parents/carers of children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups

To book a place email Parentingteam@shropshire.gov.uk or call 0145 250950

Find out more here



Send Meet & Chat Family Drop-In

SEND MEET & CHAT FAMILY DROP-IN

SPRING TERM

Hosted by Shropshire Early Help



LUDLOW - HELENA LANE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Tuesday 20th January 2026
12.30pm-1.30pm
Helena Lane Community Centre, 20 Market Rd, Ludlow, SY8 2NP

Do you care for a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?

These sessions are open to anyone supporting a child with SEND – whether you're a parent carer, family member, or professional.

Come along to ask questions, get practical advice, and connect with professionals who understand your journey

Speak with experts in:

- EHCPs
- School support
- Health and wellbeing
- Social care
- Mental health

SHREWSBURY THE LANTERN

Thursday 19th February 2026
10:00am-12:00pm
The Lantern, Meadow Farm drive, Shrewsbury, SY1 4NG



MARKET DRAYTON RAVEN HOUSE

Tuesday 24th March 2026
13:00pm-15:00pm
Raven House, 123 Cheshire Street, Market Drayton, TF9 3AH



Parenting Help & Support Line

Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line

01743 250950

Mon - Thurs, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Fri, 9.30am - 3.30pm

No judgment, just support.



Shropshire Public Health Nursing Team



Shropshire Family Information Service



Hello from the **Family Information Service** (FIS for short).
Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother. We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, clubs, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays, for all ages
- Getting parenting and family support
- Finding health and wellbeing support

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

Follow us on social media for all the latest news and info.

 @ShropshireFamilyInfo
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www.shropshire.gov.uk/fis

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 [Family Information Directory](#). 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/7t1jBqJTI8?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>



From 1 December, a new, free 24/7 mental health text support service is available for people of all ages living in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin (STW), delivered by qualified mental health professionals. The service is delivered by SHOUT on behalf of Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (MPFT) who are commissioned by NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. Why is it important? The service expands access to immediate mental health support, complementing existing services such as NHS 111 option 2, and supports the national transformation of NHS mental health care by improving responsiveness, inclusivity and accessibility.

How to access?

Text **'STW'** to **85258**, free of charge and at any time, to start a conversation with a trained mental health professional.

Benefits to Patients

- **Easy access.** No need to speak on the phone or wait for an appointment. Text at any time from anywhere.
- **24/7 support.** Available day and night, including weekends and holidays.
- **Mental health-focused.** Tailored to people experiencing mental health difficulties, delivered with compassion and understanding.
- **Discreet and private.** Ideal for those who prefer not to talk on the phone or need support in a public place.
- **Inclusive and equitable.** Helps reduce inequalities by offering support to anyone across STW.
- **Integrated with local services.** If needed, text responders can help you signpost to local services like NHS 111, crisis teams, or other community-based mental health support.

If someone feels unsafe or at immediate risk, they should call 999, as the text service is not intended for urgent emergencies. Individuals already receiving mental health support should contact their named worker first, in accordance with their care plan.

Further information can be found by following this link:

<https://www.shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk/news/mental-health-text-service-launch/>

BeeU Emotional Health and Wellbeing



Are you a parent/carer to a child under the age of five?

Are you concerned about meeting their emotional needs or some challenging behaviours that you are seeing?

Would you like to have a better relationship with your baby or child?

Do you worry about your bond or attachment with your baby or child?

Do you worry that you are not able to meet the needs of your baby or child?

Here at BEEU we can help you explore the answers to some of these questions and many more issues that you may be affected by

Our practitioners can offer a listening ear and help you make sense of some of the thoughts and feelings you have around your relationship with your baby/child.

We may also be able to offer a therapeutic intervention if you wish and is appropriate

We have two practitioners who are trained in Video Interaction Guidance (VIG) therapy which is an evidence-based approach to supporting better relationships with parents and their baby/infants in the early years. You can find out more about VIG at [What is VIG? | AVIGuk](#)

If you would like to find out more about our service and if it is right for you or would like to speak to one of our practitioners please contact BeeU via email:

beeearlyyears@mpft.nhs.uk

We welcome contact from parents/carers directly.

Togetherness for better emotional health (previously known as the Solihull Approach):

Togetherness is an online learning environment developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing accessible learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships.

To find out more about the free online courses please visit:

<https://inourplace.co.uk/shropshire/>

For more information on the change from 'Solihull Approach' to 'Togetherness' please visit:

<https://inourplace.co.uk/becoming-togetherness/>



How to sign up:

Residents can access these courses for free by entering the Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin

Access Code:

DARWIN18

at inourplace.co.uk.

inourplace 

Bridgnorth Community Information Drop In Sessions

Family Drop-In

Here to help

Free information, advice and support

You can chat, have a drink and see how we can all help you with:

- Family Life
- Children's health and wellbeing
- Drug and alcohol support
- Housing Support
- Domestic abuse support
- Financial advice
- Home fire safety
- Healthy living advice
- Help with getting back to work

Bridgnorth Youth Centre
45 Innage Lane, Bridgnorth WV16 4HS

Every Tuesday from 1.30pm—4pm



Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities)

We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.



www.shropshire.gov.uk



COFFEE & CHAT

Stay & Play

Every Tuesday

1pm until 3pm

**Bridgnorth Library, 67 Listley Street,
Bridgnorth, WV16 4AW**

All families within the local area welcome

Free information, support
& advice around:

- Family Life
- Housing & Finance
- Special Education Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND)
- Parenting Support
- Training & Employment
- Domestic Abuse Support
- And much more...

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED
"PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN SEALED
CUP/TRAVEL MUG"



shropshire.gov.uk/early-help



What's on in October at Bridgnorth Early Help Coffee and Chat

Tuesday 7th October 2025	Who can you talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health visitors DASH Family support worker Early Help Family support worker Young Carers Housing support 	Look what's on today... <p>SmileLife with the 0-5 team - Learn how to care for your baby's teeth from the very first tooth! Our friendly staff will come to you on healthy habits for little mouths.</p> <p>Stay and Play Fun A safe and welcoming space for little ones to explore, play, and learn through age-appropriate activities that support early development. Join us for a fun, relaxed, and engaging Stay and Play session.</p>	<p>Free sessions</p> <p>You do not need a child to attend the session to access family help. Safe, comfortable, confidential and informal space to talk. Early Help Family support workers available to chat to every week.</p> <p>We look forward to seeing you</p>
Tuesday 14th October 2025	Who can you talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health visitors DASH Family support worker Early Help Family support worker Domestic Abuse Housing support SEND professionals 	Look what's on today... <p>SmileLife with the 0-5 team - Learn how to care for your baby's teeth from the very first tooth! Our friendly staff will come to you on healthy habits for little mouths.</p> <p>Stay and Play Fun A safe and welcoming space for little ones to explore, play, and learn through age-appropriate activities that support early development. Join us for a fun, relaxed, and engaging Stay and Play session.</p> <p>SEND Meet and Chat These sessions are open to anyone supporting a child with SEND – whether you're a parent, carer, family member, or professional. Come along to ask questions, get practical advice, and connect with professionals who understand your journey.</p>	
Tuesday 21st October 2025	Who can you talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Help Family support worker Shropshire domestic abuse service Housing support 	Look what's on today... <p>Stay and Play Fun A safe and welcoming space for little ones to explore, play, and learn through age-appropriate activities that support early development. Join us for a fun, relaxed, and engaging Stay and Play session.</p>	
Tuesday 28th October 2025	Who can you talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early Help Family support worker Housing support 	Look what's on today... <p>Come and Celebrate Halloween and Autumn Join us for a super Stay and Play session that will have you and your little ones ready for Halloween and Autumn crafts.</p>	

Bridgnorth Library, 47 Jubilee Street, Bridgnorth, WV16 4AD. 100 until 3.00

Highley Community Drop In Sessions

Community Drop-ins

How can we help you?

Come along to:
Highley Library, Halo Severn Centre, Bridgnorth Road,
Highley, WV16 6JG

The fourth Friday
of each month
9.30am-12.30pm



Free information, advice
and support around;

- Housing support
- Getting older
- Family Life
- Domestic Abuse
- Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) support
- Parenting support
- Finance support
- Healthy living, and much more!

Sponsored by:



Logos for Shropshire Supporting Families Through Early Help, a yellow smiley face, and Shropshire Council.

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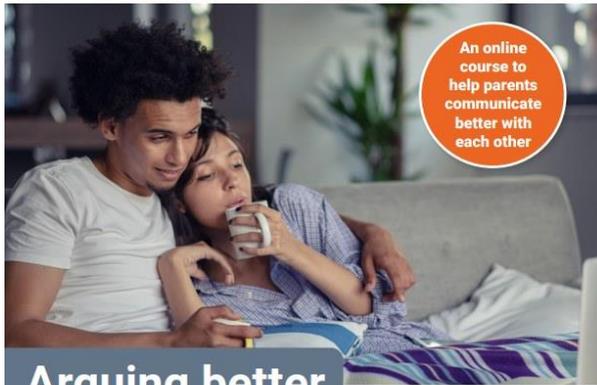


Introducing the Separating better app, a **free** self-guided mobile app for separating parents, designed to facilitate a smoother separation journey and promote positive co-parenting. This app is filled with expert advice, video resources, practical parenting, and budgeting plans, as well as co-parenting 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:

https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-better?utm_source=referral&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=sbaffiliate

For face to face support, go to [Getting on better | Shropshire Council](#) and select Free Courses and Workshops.



An online course to help parents communicate better with each other

Arguing better

Disagreements are a normal part of life, and most couples argue from time to time. How you deal with disagreements can make a big difference to you, your partner, and your children.

This free online course can help you learn to manage difficult conversations, avoid conflict, and improve things for your whole family.



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.



An online course for separating parents to help manage conflict and minimise the impact 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 co-operatively 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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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.

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Pharmacy First can help families – a new service available in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin

Pharmacy First can help families with minor illnesses and seven common conditions. If appropriate, treatment can be offered without a prescription for seven common conditions, and it can be quicker to see a pharmacist than a GP. Normal prescription charges and exemptions (those who do not have to pay, including children) will apply.

A pharmacy is a great place to get healthcare advice and treatment. Pharmacies are easy to reach, usually located within local communities, and often open evenings and weekends. This service may help children and colleagues get well and back to nursery/school/work quicker.

Integrated Care System
Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin

NHS
Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin

Kiley, Alex, Chelsie, Jayne, Jasdeep, Karen

**Worried about your child's health?
Think 'Pharmacy First'**

You can now get treatment for a variety of common conditions and minor illnesses from your local community pharmacy.

Your pharmacy can help with:

- Earache (ages 1-17)
- Infected insect bites (from age 1)
- Impetigo (from age 1)
- Sore throat (from age 5)
- Hay fever (all ages)
- Conjunctivitis (all ages)

If you don't know whether a pharmacist can help with what you need, give them a call first or just pop in.

If you get a prescription through your pharmacy, you'll never pay more than if you had seen your GP.

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.

PARENT CARER COUNCIL
PACC
Supporting your voice
SHROPSHIRE

Accessing Support

Knowing how to access support and who to speak to can be overwhelming and difficult at times. We have created this information sheet of charities and organisations that can provide help and support. You can also contact PACC for support and information on info@paccshropshire.org.uk

Shropshire IASS
Information Advice & Support Service
We provide information, advice and support to parents and carers of children aged 0 to 25, and young people aged 16 to 25 who have, or may have, special educational needs or disabilities (SEND).

autism west midlands
We are the leading charity in the West Midlands for Autistic adults, children, young people and those who love and care for them. Our passionate, expert staff and volunteers work across a range of age groups and abilities.

contact for families with disabled children
We're here for families wherever they live in the UK, and whenever they need us.

SHROPSHIRE LOCAL OFFER
The SEND local offer is a single place for information, services, and resources for children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and/or disabilities, their families, and the practitioners who support them.

PREPARATION FOR ADULTHOOD
PACC
The PACC Preparation for Adulthood (PFA) Navigator service is available to help SEND families understand the options available for young people with SEND on their preparation for adulthood journey.

IPSEA
International Professor of Special Education Advice
IPSEA is a registered charity in England that provides free legal advice and support to families of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

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 info@paccshropshire.org.uk

Celebrating Children's Achievements



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



Numbots

Rea: **Alfie Dorrell**

Corve: **Isabella Collins**



Times Tables Rock Stars

Corve: **Monty Barklam**

Severn: **Cash Donnelly**



Spelling Bee

Bronze:



Sports Stars:

Teme: **Memphis & Renley** for their big controlled movements in our giant dance.

Rea: **Chloe** and **Poppy** for their accurate forward rolls in gym.

Corve: **Walt** and **Ada** / **Joey** and **Ella** - for their fantastic dance, moving like a spy.

Severn: **Harrison & Bea** for their great use of space and passing to their team during Kidderminster Harriers PE session.



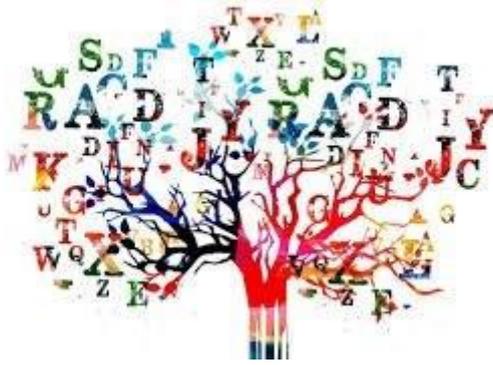
Pride and Presentation: Award for pupil focus on presentation of work across the curriculum.

Teme: **Daisy-May** for her letter formation and finger spaces.

Rea: **Wilf** for his neat handwriting in English sentences.

Corve: **Ralph** for his fantastic handwriting in his recent James and the Giant Peach book review.

Severn: **Esme** for her work in History on Ancient Greece.



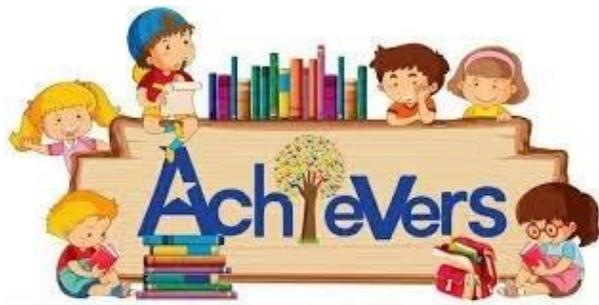
Great Sentence using words of the week:

Teme: When I'm in my dinosaur bed Mummy sleeps **next** to me. **River**

Rea: He could **stomp** down the castle walls. **Cordelia**

Corve: I **successfully** learnt how to drive my quad bike. **Leo P**

Severn: I was so tired, I **lumbered** to school. **Ellie**



Class Achievers:

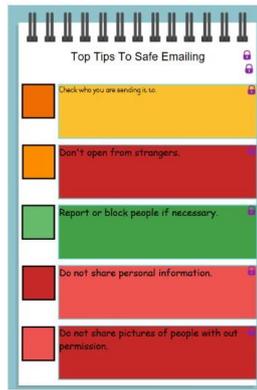
Teme: **Monty** has shown great effort and focus in improving his letter formation. He is working carefully and with growing confidence—well done, Monty!

Rea: **Kitt** for good recall of facts in science / **Margot** for always being ready for learning and setting a great example at this / **All of year 2** for their addition calculations where they have used facts they already know.

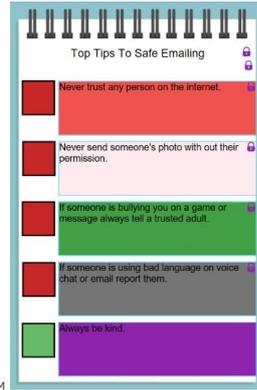
Corve: **Grace, Joey, Walt, Leo P, Leo R, Ned, Phoebe S, Raith, Ralph** and **William M:** excellent, clear and well-presented advice for using emails safely (please see below images for a sample of what they created to advise people on how to stay safe online).

Ralph for how focused he was during computing - creating an internet safety poster / **All of year 3** for a fantastic start to their ocarina learning / **Skyler** for setting a good example to his peers.

Severn: **Noah** for his progress in reading comprehension / **Bea** for her work in English / **Alfie** for great focus in lessons.



William M



Leo R



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Tommy** for stopping and helping a friend when they fell over on the playground.

Year 1: **Bella W** for helping on the playground.

Year 2: **Victoria** for being helpful in the classroom.

Year 3: **Raith** for helping Mrs Carter find the door stop.

Year 4: **Isla** for being helpful and picking up equipment from our maths lesson that she never dropped.

Year 5: **Sofia** for picking up other people's belongings in the cloakroom to ensure they were not trodden on.

Year 6: **Ellie** for helping a Teme Class friend after they tumbled over.