



The Stotty School News 18.9.2026



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Diary dates for the week ahead



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Monday 21 st September	Flu Immunisations Momentum Gymnastics - Severn Class PE Momentum Gymnastics After School Club - Yrs R / 1 / 2 T1 Rugby After School Club - Yrs 3/4/5/6
Tuesday 22 nd September	Term / Nursery - Muddy Tuesday - Forest Fun Kidderminster Harriers Health Kick Program for Severn Class Lunchtime Gardening Club with Mrs Carter Kidderminster Harriers After School Club - Yrs 3/4/5/6
Wednesday 23 rd September	Severn Class Trip to RAF Cosford - Packed lunch, water bottle and coat required. Prompt departure @ 8.45am Alternative Rounders After School Club - Yrs 3/4/5/6
Thursday 24 th September	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams Orange Button Suicide Training - please see further details in newsletter
Friday 25 th September	
Upcoming Diary Dates	
Friday 2 nd October	Harvest Festival 9.15am @ St Marys Church, Stottesdon
Saturday 3 rd October	Chorley Chapel Cream Teas 2pm to 4pm
Wed. 14 th October	FoSPS AGM / Meeting @ 7.30pm in the school hall
Tues 20 th / Thurs 22 nd October	Parents Evenings
Mon. 26 th - Fri 30 th	Half Term
Wed. 16 th December	Nursery Christmas Stay & Play
Thurs. 17 th December	KS1/Reception Christmas Celebration @1.30pm in St Marys Church
Friday 18 th December	KS2 Christmas Celebration @ 1.30pm in St. Marys Church
21 st December to 1 st January 2027	Christmas Holidays

Flu Immunisation - Monday 21st September

As you are aware, from communication you will have received from the Immunisation team earlier this week, the flu vaccinations will be taking place on Monday 21st September.

NHS school age immunisation service will have contacted you directly to ask for consent via an email or text message which contains a link to an online consent form.

Please use the online form to give consent for your child to be vaccinated / say you do not want your child to be vaccinated / update contact details if needed.

It is important to respond, even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated.

If you have any questions regarding vaccinations or the consent form, please contact the immunisation team at: shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net

FoSPS - AGM / Meeting - 14th October 2026



FoSPS will be holding their Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 14th October @ 7.30pm.

We would love to see as many people as possible at this meeting, a Teams link will be available for anyone that is unable to attend the meeting in person.

RAF Cosford, STEM - Severn Class



On Wednesday 23rd September children from Severn Class will be attending a 'Forces in STEM day' at RAF Cosford.

This is a fun packed day which includes a science show and engages children in all things STEM.

Children will need a water bottle, packed lunch and coat.

Please ensure children are here for a prompt departure at 8.45am.

Admission is free of charge, however we are asking for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the transport of £6.56 per child (those children eligible for FSM £3.28). As always we are very grateful to FoSPS for subsidising the cost of the transport.

After School Clubs



The following after school / lunchtime clubs will be on offer this half term:

*Monday - Momentum Gymnastics - Yrs 1/2 - **now also open to Reception***

Monday - T1 Rugby - Yrs 3/4/5/6 - Attendance at this club from Severn class leads to consideration for the team

Tuesday - Lunchtime gardening with Mrs Carter

Tuesday - Kidderminster Harriers - Yrs 3/4/5/6

Wednesday - Alternative Rounders - Yrs 3/4/5/6

All clubs will take place weekly, starting week commencing 14th September.

If you would like your child to participate in any of these clubs, please sign up via Arbor as soon as possible.

Considerate Parking



Once again, residents of the village have raised concerns regarding parking in and around the school during drop-off and collection times. We fully appreciate that drop-off and pick-up times can be particularly busy and that limited parking leads to congestion. However, we kindly ask all parents and carers to show consideration and respect for the local community when parking.

We therefore respectfully ask that you:

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- *Park legally and considerately*

- *Avoid blocking pavements, driveways, or roadways*
 - *Allow sufficient space for larger vehicles to pass*
 - *Consider alternative arrangements where possible (e.g. walking part of the way)*
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Your cooperation is essential in helping us maintain good relationships within the community and ensure the safety of all road users.

Thank you for your continued support.

Romany Wood Concert -19th September - Cleobury Mortimer



Children in KS2 have been fortunate enough to have the opportunity to learn songs from Romany Wood (a composition by David Gaukroger and David Carr). There is a concert on the Saturday 19th September at St. Mary's Church Cleobury Mortimer (6.30pm) which children can participate in – it would be wonderful to have them there. The Deputy Lieutenant of Shropshire, Katherine Garnier will be attending, she would be delighted to meet and talk to the children taking part.

Revised timings will be:

4pm: Children from the schools arrive at St Mary's Church.

4.15 - 5.45pm: Rehearsal of Romany Wood (parents & family members are welcome to watch)

5.45pm-6.15pm: Children have a break; Cleobury Mortimer Concert Brass (CMCB) position instruments and set-up percussion set (on the staging behind the font)

From 6.00pm: Concert audience arrives (paid tickets)

*6.30pm-7.15pm: **Romany Wood performance***

7.15pm-7.45pm: Interval / CMCB set-up

*7.45pm-8.30pm: **CMCB performance***

Children participating will be asked to wear smart casual clothes in bright autumn colours (eg reds, browns, yellows and greens).

It is a wonderful opportunity and experience for the children which will enable them to be part of a public performance.

NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe

I am pleased to inform you that we are participating in the **NSPCC's 'Speak out. Stay safe.'** **programme this term.** This is a programme for children aged 5-11 which aims to help children understand and recognise the signs of the different types of abuse. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a safe adult or Childline.

This child friendly, age-appropriate programme is fully aligned with the curriculum and consists of a short film and supporting classroom based activities. The content is delivered in an engaging and interactive way with the help of the NSPCC mascot Buddy.

To find out more about the programme, please watch the NSPCC's Speak out. Stay safe. ['Introduction for Parents/Carers film'](#).

Parents and carers are asked to let us know if your child has experienced anything (in the past or happening now) which may mean they need extra support before, during or after taking part in this programme.

Additional NSPCC resources for families to help keep children safe

The NSPCC have shared some important information below on wider NSPCC resources and support to help keep children safe.

Parent/Carer support

Take a look at information, support, advice and activities from NSPCC for parent and carers.
www.nspcc.org.uk/parents www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout.

Activities to extend learning at home

Take part in games and activities at home to help children learn about speaking out and staying safe. www.nspcc.org.uk/activities

Online Safety Hub

For information on a range of different online safety topics including gaming, social media, sharing images, parental

controls and more. www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety

Childline – under 12's

Childline have an accessible website with advice, support, games and activities. Children can change the language, enlarge text and also listen to the content.

www.childline.org.uk/buddy (5-7) www.childline.org.uk/kids (7-11)

Talk PANTS with your children

Talk PANTS is a simple conversation to help keep children safe from sexual abuse. From P through to S, each letter of PANTS provides simple but important messages. Download the free resources at www.nspcc.org.uk/pants.

FSM Applications



Free School Meals: Please Check If You're Eligible

From September 2026, more families receiving Universal Credit may qualify for Free School Meals.

*Applying is quick and easy, and it could benefit your family through free school meals and access to additional support. If your child qualifies for **Targeted Free School Meals**, they may also be eligible for programmes such as Holiday Activities and Food (HAF).*

Even if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and already receives Universal Infant Free School Meals, we still encourage you to apply. Eligible applications can attract additional funding for the school, helping us provide extra resources and support that benefit all pupils.

Applications can be made online via the Shropshire Council Free School Meals portal [Apply for free school meals | Shropshire Council](#), or by phone if needed: [0345 6789008](tel:0345 6789008).

Please take a few minutes to check your eligibility and apply. Your application could make a real difference to both your family and our school community.

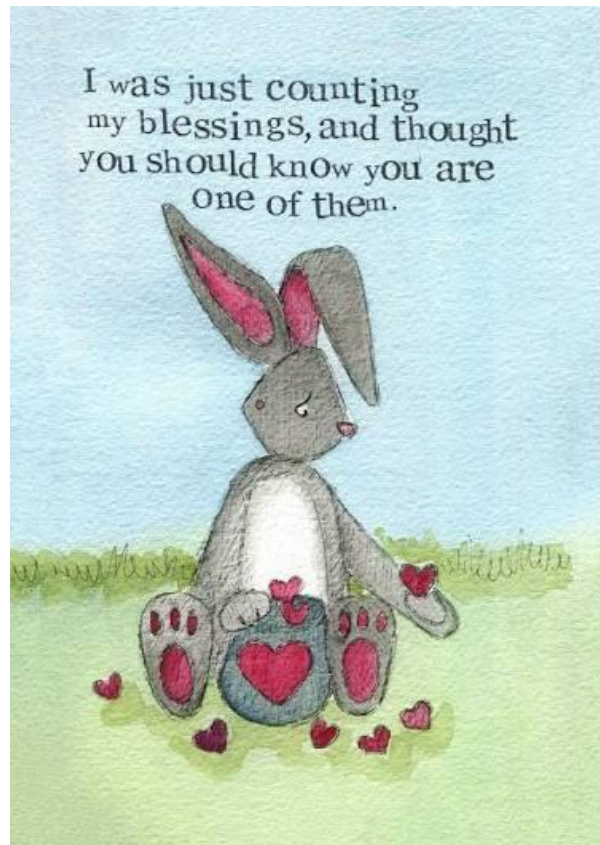
Year 6 Pupils: Transfer to Secondary School - September 2027



Children in Year 6 will have received a letter to give to parents today containing information from the Shropshire Council Admissions team regarding the applications process for transferring to Secondary School, September 2027.

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2026. Applications received by Shropshire Council after the closing date will be classed as late, which may result in your child being disadvantaged, so please ensure you make your application on-time. Late applications will not be processed until all on-time applications have been offered.

Our Worship / Reflections this week:



Monday: As we continued to focus on our theme of thanks we considered the phrase 'count our blessings'. We reflected that all of us have bits to our day that are upsetting, annoying or not as good as we'd like BUT that doesn't mean we can't remember the good things we have (family - friends - shelter - food - people who help us - the nice weather - our toys). We can still 'count our blessings'.



Tuesday: Speak out Stay safe is the NSPCC's safeguarding programme. With the help of Buddy, their Speak out Stay safe mascot, the programme covers types of abuse and harm in an age appropriate and accessible way. Children watched an age appropriate virtual assembly which helped them to understand the different types of abuse and that it's never a child's fault. It underlined that children have the right to be kept safe and to know who they can talk to if they need help.





Wednesday: Open the book bought us the creation story and the children reflected on the parts of creation they are really thankful for.



Thursday: Jigsaw Launch assembly – Being me in my world - how we can use our words and actions and what we say to be kind to someone else

Chorley Chapel Cream Teas



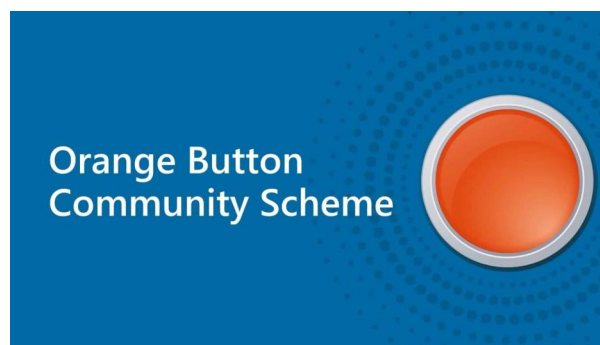
The next cream tea community event at Chorley Chapel will be held on Saturday 3rd October from 2pm to 4pm.

If there are any children who would like to be helpers (preparing cream teas, taking orders, serving tables and clearing up) please email the office to let me know.

As we have been doing previously, we will split the children into two groups - a 2pm to 3pm group and a 3pm to 4pm group, please let me know which shift you would prefer.

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

Orange Button Suicide Awareness Training



Orange Button is a community initiative from Shropshire County Council to help equip people to support someone feeling suicidal. It's very much a first port of call and covers how to offer support and find professional help.

It's not meant to be training as a counsellor but more what to do if faced with the situation. It's free to anyone who would like to attend, there are places available.

The training is due to take place on Thursday 24th September, please email Reverend Sally for details: revsallwj@gmail.com

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: 67%

Rea: 52%

Corve: 100%

Severn: 97%

Autumn Safety Guide: Top tips for keeping children safe

As the leaves start changing colour and the nights begin to draw in, new hazards emerge. So, here are our top tips for keeping children safe from serious accidents this autumn.

Be Bright Be seen - [Road Safety](#)

Halloween hazards- [Halloween](#)

Fireworks- [Fireworks](#)

Hot soups and drinks- [Burns Fact Sheet](#)

Parenting Signposts - Key Links....

Please note the following websites now all have up to date comprehensive information. In addition we will continue to forward key information and newsletters to parent emails.

- **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

[Family Information Service | Shropshire Council](#)

- **Early Help:**

[Early help | Shropshire Council](#) - great links from here: [Family help services | Shropshire Council](#)

- **SEND Local Offer:**

[The SEND local offer | Shropshire Council](#)

- **Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Services:**

[CAMHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin :: Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust](#)

- **Early Years Best Start In Life:**

[Best Start in Life - Best Start in Life](#) - The website contains a wealth of information from pregnancy through to starting school.

- **Health Visitor Information:**

Every family with children under 5 can access support from a Health Visitor. Advice and support are available until a child's fifth birthday through the Single Point of Access on **0333 358 3654**. Parents can also text **07520 635212** and a team member will respond.

The service operates Monday to Friday, 9:30am to 4:00pm, providing advice, support and referrals.

All children are offered health, growth and development reviews at ages 1 and 2. Appointments are arranged by letter and take place at Cleobury Mortimer Health Centre, Ludlow or Bridgnorth, depending on where the family lives.

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- **Community Hubs:**

[Community hubs | Shropshire Council](#)

- **Togetherness:** 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.

[Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin | Togetherness - Togetherness](#)

- **Online Advice from the Children's Commissioner**

<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/>

Celebrating Children's Achievements



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



Sports Star:

Teme: **Teddy** for moving safely and stopping with control while playing our pirate game.

Rea: **Harry** for his excellent football skills with Kidderminster Harriers.

Corve: **Ella** for excellent netball skills, using her landing foot to pivot.

Severn: **Joey, James, Esme G & Otilie** for excellent movement and travel in the gymnastics session this week / Ms Eldridge would like a special mention to go to **Cash & Esme** for their focus and willingness to help during the Jumping Jaxx training.



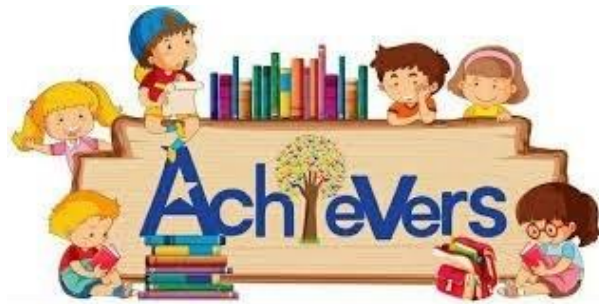
Pride and Presentation: Award for pupil focus on presentation of work across the curriculum.

Teme: **Phoebe** for her excellent labelling of her picture.

Rea: **Wilfred** for amazing, careful handwriting in our writing lessons about aliens and monsters.

Corve: **Harriet** for continuous neat handwriting and layout of work through all subjects and books.

Severn: **James** for joining his handwriting.



Class Achievers:

Teme: **Henry** for fantastic effort to whole body listening in Phonics.

Rea: **Isabella E** for always being ready to listen and challenging herself by doing additional sentences in writing without being asked.

Corve: **Halsey** for being independent in finding ways to help herself in her work / **Ada** and **Leo R** for good focus and contributions in PSHE / **Boyd** for independently working through his English and showing his amazing handwriting.

Severn: **Leo D** for his explanations about misconceptions of how we see light, with accompanying diagrams in science / **Monty B** for representing the whole class with his focus in spelling practise.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Max** for helping his friend with their shirt buttons when getting ready for PE.

Year 1: **Arthur F** for playing with others and checking they are alright when they fall over.

Year 2: **Harry** for being a good friend and moving objects so others can join in.

Year 3: **Halsey** for always smiling, which makes her friends happy.

Year 4: **Phoebe R** for always making sure everyone has a friend to play with and asking them to play if someone is on their own.

Year 5: **Reggie** for trying to be helpful in football by making sure the ball gets passed to everyone.

Year 6: **Leo D** for lending a friend a jumper for the photographs.