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Diary dates for the week ahead



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Monday 28 th September	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 29 th September	Teme / 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 30 th September	Private Music Lessons with Mrs Leverett Williams
Thursday 1 st October	
Friday 2 nd October	Harvest Festival 9.15am @ St. Marys Church, Stottesdon. All welcome, FoSPS will be providing refreshments to help raise funds
Upcoming Diary Dates	
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
Fri. 30 th October	FoSPS Halloween Spooktacular - 5-7pm @ Chorley Village Hall
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

Harvest Festival - Friday 2nd October

The children will be celebrating the Harvest Festival in church on Friday 2nd October.

Parents are welcome to attend the service, which will take place at St. Mary's Church, Stottesdon @ 9.15am.

FOSPS will be serving teas, coffee and sweet treats to raise funds, so feel free to go straight from drop off and we will join you as soon as possible.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PARK RESPECTFULLY, WE WILL OPEN THE BOTTOM PLAYGROUND ONCE TAXIS HAVE DEPARTED TO SUPPORT.

During the festival, we will celebrate the season and give thanks for our food and fruits of the season.

It would be lovely if children could bring in a donation for Cleobury Mortimer Food Bank - the food bank is open on a Friday morning from 9.30am to 11.30am. Any donations will be taken directly to the food bank on Friday ready for them to distribute when they open at 9.30am.

Any donations of the following items are welcomed for Cleobury Mortimer Food Bank: Tinned meals; tinned fish; tinned tomatoes and tinned vegetables; soup (tins or packet) and baked beans; pasta and cook in sauces; spaghetti; pasta and rice; tins of fruit / rice pudding / sponge pudding; tea bags; coffee; sugar; long life milk; squash; fruit juice (concentrate not fresh); jars of jam / honey; boxes of cereals (or selection boxes); biscuits / snack bars; toiletries (e.g. soap or handwash; shampoo; deodorant; toothpaste and brushes; razors; toilet rolls) Cleaning items (e.g. washing up liquid and washing powder / laundry liquid); baby items - baby food; wipes; nappies.



Reception Phonics Stay and Play Sessions

We are delighted to invite Reception parents and carers to our Phonics Stay and Play Sessions next week.

These sessions provide an opportunity to see how phonics is taught in school and to take part in some fun phonics activities with your child.

Sessions will be available on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Places are limited to a maximum of 5 parents per session.

Please sign up via ClassDojo if you would like to attend.

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.

FoSPS Halloween Spooktacular



RAF Cosford, STEM - Severn Class



Thank you to RAF Cosford for an amazing day exploring science, technology, engineering and maths.











Forest Fun

On Tuesday afternoon this week, children in Teme Class enjoyed this term's first Forest School Session.

They had a lovely afternoon exploring the new environment.

Once again we are very grateful to the Datlen family for allowing us to visit Pool Meadow for these sessions.









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.

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: We revisited our vision (ambition, commitment, creativity and integrity) and focused on making the most of our gifts and talents: grabbing all opportunities to further them; working with others to combine gifts and talents to solve problems and be inventive.

Tuesday: Reverend Sally told us the story of 'Great oaks from little acorns grow' based on the Parable of the Mustard Seed. Children reflected on how sometimes big things start tiny; we all have the potential but sometimes it takes time and practise. We also reflected on taking care of all the things around us that could blossom and grow.....



Wednesday: Open the Book bought us the story of 'the fall'. Adam and Eve had a relationship with God (we all have relationships with people who are special to us) but they were tempted by the snake to do something God had asked them not to. Sometimes we make mistakes and choose to do things that let people who are important to us down (not doing as we are told; not helping; doing something unkind). Children reflected on taking responsibility when we make mistakes and putting things right.



Thursday: The Prime Minister, Andy Burnham, has pledged that, by Christmas, everyone sleeping rough in England will be offered a safe place to stay. Children reflected on how we help others in need. We remembered how we had supported Shelter Box and Crisis and wondered how the next school council might choose to make things more just or fair?

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.

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: 86%

Rea: 62%

Corve: 100%

Severn: 100%

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: **Maeve** for following instruction well - beautiful fairy moves.

Rea: **Halle** for brilliant running technique in our fundamentals lesson.

Corve: **Kai** for good sportsmanship and skills during Kidderminster Harriers.

Severn: **Ralph** for challenging himself in gymnastics, having great focus and effort / **Mason** for fantastic rolls on the block in gymnastics using a great technique.



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

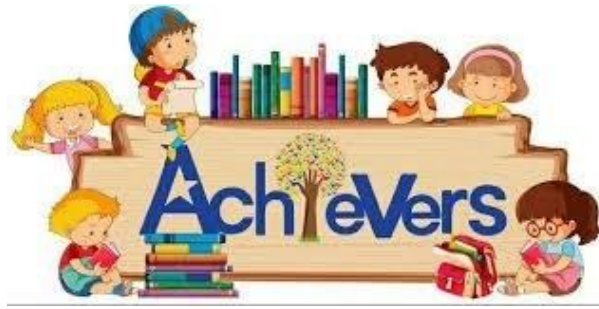
Teme: **Georgina** for remembering a capital letter at the start of her sentence.

Rea: **All of Rea Class** for their amazing spiral snail drawings in art using oil pastels.

Corve: **Ned** for neat and logical layout of his work and handwriting.

Severn: **Cash** for his presentation in his spelling book.





Class Achievers:

Teme: **Teme Class** for their fantastic danger spotting and problem-solving skills demonstrated during Forest Fun this week.

Rea: **Oliver** for accurately keeping the beat whilst playing the maracas in music.

Corve: **Ada** for independently working through 2 sheets of maths problems / **Grace** and **Florence** for always being ready to learn, sitting quietly and waiting for instructions.

Severn: **Mason** for his focus in all lessons / **Lincoln** for his mental maths.

Aubrey / Oliver DG & James for contributing to an amazing performance of Romany Wood at St. Mary's Church, Cleobury Mortimer last Saturday.

A special mention to the 'Gardening Club' (**Fletcher / Oliver / Alfie / Aubrey / Isla / Sofia / Esme / Ottilie / Joey / Boyd / Ada / Leo P** and **Libby Grace**) for tidying up the back garden, weeding and sorting the greenhouse.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Amelia** for always making a space for a friend on the carpet.

Year 1: **Memphis** for including others at lunchtime.

Year 2: **Margot** for being a kind friend and sharing.

Year 3: **Tara** for always making sure things are fair so no one feels left out.

Year 4: **Libby Grace** for always being a kind friend and asking friends to play when they are feeling sad.

Year 5: **Isla** for being happy and cheerful for her friends.

Year 6: **Ottile** for helping others by picking things up and helping in the classroom.