

Preen Scene

19th April 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to what has been a busy start to the Summer term.

Our clamberstack, the new playground equipment kindly funded by the PTA, was installed over the Easter holidays and there has been great excitement about using it.

Last week our Y3 and Y4 pupils went to the Pioneer Centre in Cleobury Mortimer for one night, with their peers from across the federation, where they took part in a variety of adventure activities, including high ropes, zip wire and abseiling. The children had a wonderful time. Thank you to the staff who gave their time to enable this visit to take place.

This week, Tom in Severn Class and mum Louise brought in a ewe and lamb to show us after he enjoyed his very first lambing season. Tom was featured recently on the Farmer's Weekly social media. Congratulations Tom, I'm sure you will make a first-class farmer in the future.

Next week, I am looking forward to joining our Y5/6 pupils for their residential visit, where we will be glamping and enjoying some outdoor adventure activities. Do look out for updates on our social media page.

Finally, as a polite reminder, term time family holidays cannot be authorised, except in exceptional circumstances. It is really important that your child does attend school and arrives on time. Starting the day with a calm arrival is crucial. Walking into the classroom after others can have negative effects on your child where they may feel nervous, embarrassed, worried, and stressed, impacting their ability to absorb new learning so I thank you for your support in this matter.

Mrs Phillips



Eco Committee

In our school, we are mindful of the impact we have on our planet. Monday 22nd April is Earth Day. We have chosen to celebrate this special day by launching our Big Battery Hunt! This nationwide battery recycling programme aims to increase the number of batteries currently being recycled in the UK. Find out more here:

Battery Hunt

https://www.bigbatteryhunt.co.uk

Launched by our Eco-Committee in assembly this week, we invite pupils to collect as many used batteries as they can, and encourage others in their community to do so as well. See below a guide for making a battery recycling container. Once your container is full, bring it into school, and our Eco-Committee will record how many each

pupil collects. Based on battery per pupil, we will enter the Duracell Big Battery Hunt competition, where our school could win prizes!

Happy battery hunting!







- o Would you like to know more about why sleep is important for our health and emotional well- being?
 - Does your child struggle with their sleep?
 - o Would you like to access help and support to improve sleep and bedtime
 - o Would you like to meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences?

SLEEP TIGHT WORKSHOP

Starts on Monday 15th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am at Whitchurch Infants School, Station Road, SY13 1RI

Starts Wednesday 17th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams

Starts Monday 10th June 2024 from 12.30pm to 2.30pm at Bridgnorth Youth Centre

Starts Wednesday 12th June 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams

The workshops are delivered virtually via MS Teams or face to face at a venue in Shropshire Our workshops run for 5 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

To book a place on one of our workshops or for further information on the workshops we run please contact the Parenting Team by: Emailing Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk Or call us on 01743 250950

All our Workshops are free to Shropshire Council residents







If you would like to find out about further help and support the Parenting Team offer please email

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PARENTING HELP AND SUPPORT LINE

available

Monday to Thursday from 9.30am to 4.30pm and

Friday 9.30am to 3.30pm You can contact the Parenting Help and Support Line by calling 01743 250950

Parenthood can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. It can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting. The Parenting Team is here to help and support parents and carers to raise healthy, well-rounded children in a loving and stable environment.

Do you have any questions around your child's development and parenting?

Why not call our Parenting Help and Support Line where one of our trained Parenting Practitioners will be ready to listen.

(Please note the Parenting Help and Support Line will not operate on Bank Holidays)

If you have concerns about a child's safety or well-being, please call

First Point of Contact 0345 678 9021







www.shropshire.gov.uk General Enquiries: 0345 678 9000



- o 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?



SOLIHULL APPROACH

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD GROUPS From Toddler to Teen

Understanding Your Child starts on Wednesday 10th April 2024 From 12.30pm to 2.30pm in Shrewsbury at Sunflower House

Understanding Your Child SEND starts on Thursday 11th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams

Understanding Your Child starts on Thursday 11th April 2024 From 1.15pm to 3.15pm in Bridgnorth at St Marys Bluecoat Primary School

Understanding Your Child SEND starts on Friday 12th April 2024 From 09.30am to 11.30am in Shrewsbury at Sunflower House

Understanding Your Child starts on Friday 12th April 2024 from 12.30pm to 2.30pm Virtually via MS Teams

The groups are delivered Virtually via MS Teams or Face to Face at a venue in Shropshire. 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.

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CLOSURE NOTICE

from Shropshire Beam and Shropshire Wellbeing Zones Services

Shropshire Beam has been operating with the BeeU partnership in the area since 2017 and over the years we have supported many fantastic children, young people & parents. Unfortunately, our funding will come to an end in April 2024 and as a result both the Beam and Wellbeing Zone service will close.

Within the past year The Children's Society have had the privilege to work with 1578 young people for individual support and 4607 young people in therapeutic workshops. We recognise the impact this will have in the area once our service closes and are terribly disappointed by the news the funding will not continue.

Our staff have started to notify our children, young people and their families of the closure, with further details to be shared on wider TCS social media accounts. We have also provided links to our website which has a range of resources which will support children, young people and parents whilst identifying other great services across 🛭 Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

There is so much for us to be proud of and we greatly appreciate all Shropshire Beam and Wellbeing Zone teams and would like to thank you for your support over these fabulous

The Children's Society Beam & Wellbeing Zone Teams



Should you wish to address this closure with comment please do send an email to The Service Manager at shropshirebeam@childrenssociety.org.uk







Dear Parents,

It's been a wonderful start to the summer term in Class Severn! In lead up to the Paris Olympics, Class Severn will be learning about The Ancient Greeks. We will discover links to the Olympics in our local area, and how Ancient Greece has influenced the world today. The children have thoroughly enjoyed performing scenes from A Midsummer Night's Dream (set in Athens), as we explore the world of Shakespeare.

Year 3&4 pupils had a brilliant time on their residential to Pioneer. From zip wires to caving, rock climbing to archery, the children all had the courage to step out of their comfort zone and try something new! We are so proud of our pupils taking responsibility for their belongings, developing their communication skills, and supporting their peers through each activity.

This week, we also had a lovely treat! At Church Preen, we love celebrating our rural identity. Earlier this term, one of our pupils was featured in Farmers Weekly sharing his lambing season story. Presented in a fantastic assembly to the whole school, he explained the lambing process and shared their success showing Oreo the sheep at local agricultural shows. Pupils then got to meet some of this season's gorgeous lambs: Boris and Daffoldil with mum, Bluebell. Huge thank you to parents for helping facilitate this wonderful experience.

This term we will be holding a range of events, linking to schools across the county. Keep an eye out for any communications via Scholar Pack mail.

Upcoming dates:

23rd – 25th April: Year 5&6 Residential – Oakerwood

13th - 16th May: Year 6 SATs

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school to make an appointment, send me an email, or catch me on the playground at the end of the day. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Best wishes, Mrs Williams











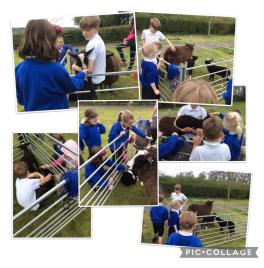
Cound Class have had a very busy and exciting week.

Wednesday saw them enjoy some cricket games with Lara and Craig from Shropshire cricket. There was certainly a lot of enthusiasm, resilliance and team work on display.

On Thursday Tom from Severn class delivered an informative assembly on his sheep and then we had the pleasure of meeting Bluebell and her lambs, Daffodil and Boris in the afternoon.

To round the week off we immersed ourselves in some science, exploring seeds and bulbs. Thank you to Harley Nurseries for their kind donation of some daffodil bulbs for us to cut and examine as well as looking at the plants from roots to flowers.



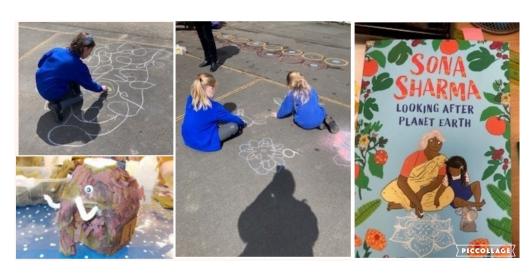


This week in RE KS1 have been finding out about a sacred places- the children found out about why Muslims try to go to Mecca at least once in their lifetime. Reception have been talking about what special things are inside a church and why this is a special place for Christians. We are planning to visit a church in the next few weeks to find out more about these things. In History, the children have enjoyed learning about the amazing discovery of fossilised mammoth bones in 1986 only 6 miles away from our school. Reception made a wonderful ice age scene complete with woolly mammoths in our classroom. We will be learning why there are so many castles in Shropshire over the coming weeks so why not go and explore one of them and bring in some photographs of your visit? Ludlow, Stokesay and Whittington castles are all nearby!

Reading for pleasure: Cound class have been enjoying the class story Sona Sharma and had a go at making Kolam (Rangoli) patterns at lunch time on Tuesday- it was lovely to feel the sun on our backs!

Reading club: Mrs Ross will be introducing the children to the Author Dick King Smith and finding out about some of the books he has written, such as The Sheep Pig, The Hodgeheg and The Queen's Nose.

We will also be holding an after school event for parents on Tuesday 30th April- called "How to support your child with reading." Mrs Ross and Mrs Williams will be there to offer ideas suitable from early readers to more fluent readers. 15.30-16.30pm in the school hall and library. A letter + reply slip will be going out shortly.



Cricket Engagement Day

On Wednesday the school welcomed Lara and Craig from Shropshire Cricket to host a day packed with learning opportunities to develop cricket skills. Learning all about the beautiful game of cricket from fielding to batting skills and most importantly team work was the order of the day! We have some very promising players within our school community who showed great promise.

Cound Cricket club will be hosting the All Stars cricket training sessions again this year on a Sunday morning 10:30—11:15am starting on the 19th May. So if your child was enthused about the experience they had why not try this out and develop what could be a life long love of the game. Register on the All Stars website details are on the leaflet sent home with the children.











Spring 2 Sports Stars



All keywords completed! Well Done

New events (in bold) so please keep an eye on the diary April

23rd -25th - Y5/6 Oaker wood Residential

May

Monday 6th May - Bank Holiday 8th-KS1 X Country

Monday 13th - Thursday 16th - SATS WEEK

Monday 27th - Friday 31st - HALF TERM

Tuesday 4th - School Photographs

Wednesday 5th—Y5 & Y6—Macbeth Concord College Friday 7th-Y5 & Y6-Crucial Crew

Monday 10th - KS2 Shropshire Sings 18:30pm

Tuesday 11th - 16th July SWIMMING & PE SEVERN CLASS

Friday 14th - Cound Kwik Cricket

26th—Cound Class—Church Preen Manor visit

Friday 19th July - End of Term



Prizes will be awarded by Stephen Moss: Award winning Naturalist, Author and TV Producer, at the University Centre Shrewsbury on 27th June 2024.

Submit up to 4 of your best nature photographs and/or up to 4 digital copies (photographs of digitally created) works of art (yes, you are allowed to enter both competitions) to:

naturephoto@chester.ac.uk by midnight 30th April 2024.

Age categories for both competitions:

8 under, 9-11, 12-15, 16-18 and 19-22.

Winners will be notified by the end of May and will be invited to attend the prize ceremony at the University Centre Shrewsbury.

Please state your (child's) full name, age (as of the 1st May 2024), and "Photo" or "Art" in the subject line and in the first line of the message.

If you (your child) are entering the Photography and Art competition, please send two separate emails, but otherwise multiple entries can be submitted in one email.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to send prizes, so please make sure you are available to come to Shrewsbury on the 27th June. Any queries, please email naturephoto@chester.ac.uk. We can't wait to receive your entries!



Are you following us on our social media platforms or missing out?

Twitter: @churchpreen

Facebook: @churchpreenprimaryschool



Menu Weeks & Additional Information

04/09/2023 25/09/2023 16/10/2023 13/11/2023 04/12/2023 01/01/2024 22/01/2024 19/02/2024 11/03/2024 15/04/2024 06/05/2024 03/06/2024 24/06/2024 15/07/2024

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Each day your child can enjoy:

- A choice of main meals and seasonal vegetables.
- A dessert, piece of fresh fruit or yoghurt.
- Access to our salad bar, fresh bread and water station.

Free school meals:

Your child may be eligible for free school meals please contact your school for further information.

Theme day calendar Look out for these fun menus throughout the year!

























for further information T: 01743 250250 www.shireservices.co.uk













Mid-week





Are you in receipt of any benefits?

Could you be entitled to

Free School meals,

Even parents of children in

Reception, Year 1 and Year

2. Free school meals gener-

ates funding for your school so follow the link

and see if you are entitled.

shropshire.gov.uk/free-

school-meals/

MONDAY

Everyday

TUESDAY WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FREDAY Take-away

SAMMY SWEETCORN SAYS....



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OPTION 1	Pork Sausages & Gravy	BBQ Chicken	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Chicken Nuggets
orton 2	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans v	Vegetarian Sausage Roll v	Cheese & Potato Pie v	Vegetable Goujons v	Pizza Selection v
CARBS	Mashed Potatoes or Crusty Bread	Pasta or Diced Potatoes	Roast & New Potatoes	Garlic & Herb Bread or Potato Wedges	Potato Crunchies or Pasta
PUDDIIG	Mousse	Waffle	Iced Cake	Cookies	Fruity Friday A selection of chilled, frozen & fresh fruit desserts

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		Everyday favourites		Mid-week roast		Take-away day
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lunch'	CARBS	Diced Potatoes or Crustry Bread	Potato Crunchies or Garlic & Herb Bread	Roast & Mashed Potatoes	Rice or Potato Wedges	Chips
	PUDDING	Chocolate Crunch	Waffle	lce-cream Tub	Toffee Apple Slice Custard	Fruity Friday A selection of chilled, frozen & fresh fruit desserts
ALL SERVED WITH — A choice of two vegetables, baked beans, freshly prepared seasonal salads, crusty bread, fresh fruit salad & yoghurts						
Church Preen Primary School Food allergen & intolerance information - before ordering speak to our staff about your requirements						















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TERM DATES 2023-24

Monday 4 th September	Training Day for school staff – school not
	open to pupils
Tuesday 5 th September –	Pupil days
Thursday 26 th October	
Friday 27th October	Training day for school staff – school not open
	to pupils
Monday 30th October -	Half term holiday
Friday 3 rd November	
Monday 6th November -	Pupil days
Wednesday 20th December	
Thursday 21st December -	Christmas holiday
Tuesday 2 nd January	
Wednesday 3 rd January	Training day for school staff – school not open
	to pupils
Thursday 4th January -	Pupil days
Friday 9 th February	
Monday 12th February –	Half term holiday
Friday 16 th February	
Monday 19th February –	Pupil days
Friday 22 nd March	
Monday 25 th March –	Easter holiday
Friday 5 th April	
Monday 8th April –	Pupil days
Friday 24 th May	
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday - school not open to pupils
Monday 27 th May –	Half term holiday
Friday 31 st May	
Monday 3 rd June –	Pupil days
Friday 19 th July	