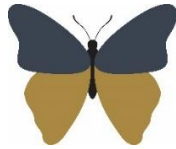


Welshampton Church of England Primary School



**Growing together
in strength, love and wisdom, we shine.**

**Newsletter
Friday 11th July 2025**

Message from the Head

As we approach the final stretch of the summer term, the school is buzzing with activity and excitement and never more so than at the three amazing performances of A Hint of Snow White throughout the week.

Those performance really summed up what our school is all about – a love of one another and a love of life itself. It was just wonderful to see such talented and confident children get up and stage a perform to such a fantastic standard which belies the size of school that we are.

As always, a huge thank you to all staff, parents and the Friends for your support but most of all to all our children for being so delightfully brilliant!

This is always a very busy time of year, and we're so grateful for your continued support. I look forward to seeing many of you at our End of Year Leavers' Service next Friday at the church, starting at around 9am. It promises to be a meaningful and memorable occasion as we say farewell to our wonderful Year 6s.

Orienteering in Oswestry

A special well done to the children who travelled to Oswestry to take part in the orienteering competition during the week—we're proud of your adventurous spirit, stamina and teamwork!

Money Owed to School

As we approach the end of term, please ensure all outstanding debts for school meals and clubs be paid in full before we break up for the summer holiday. We will accept part payments weekly until balances are cleared. Please make every effort to keep any outstanding amount to a minimum. To make payment please visit www.eduspot.co.uk/schoolmoney



The new summer issue of the Family Grapevine is out now! It is full of ideas for local activities, events, and helpful resources for the summer holidays & beyond.

For those who don't receive a print copy directly from school, you can either pick up a free copy at many family venues, leisure centres and libraries across the area, or you can access the full issue on our website:

<https://thefamilygrapevine.co.uk/shrewsbury-telford/magazine/the-shrewsbury-telford-family-grapevine-summer-2025/>

School Shoes

As we approach the summer holidays, we know many families will be preparing for the new school year by purchasing uniform items, including footwear. We'd like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and carers of our school uniform policy regarding shoes.

To maintain our high standards and expectations, school shoes must not be trainers. While we understand the appeal of trainers for comfort and style, they are not part of our standard uniform and should only be worn on designated PE days.

Wearing the correct uniform helps promote a sense of pride, unity, and readiness to learn. We appreciate your support in ensuring that all children return in September dressed appropriately and in line with our policy.

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Holidays In Term Time

There is a real focus at national level on increasing school attendance across the country and as such the Local Authority has once again reiterated the need for schools to uphold the guidance on term time holidays including fines. It is as follows:

For a first offence, the amount will be £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days, doubling to £160 up to 28 days. If unpaid after 28 days, the local authority will prosecute the parents.

Example: (halve if one parent)		
2 parents	1 child	Paid within 21 days: £160 Paid within 28 days: £320
2 parents	2 children	Paid within 21 days: £320 Paid within 28 days: £640
2 parents	3 children	Paid within 21 days: £480 Paid within 28 days: £960
2 parents	4 children	Paid within 21 days: £640 Paid within 28 days: £1280

For a second offence committed by the same parent in respect of the same pupil, the amount will be the higher rate of £160 per parent, per child. If unpaid after 28 days, the local authority will prosecute the parents.

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If there is a third occasion of unauthorised leave of absence related to the same child within a period of three years from the date of the first offence, the local authority must proceed with a prosecution or use other attendance legal interventions, because Penalty Notices have not succeeded in effecting the required change in behaviour.

Pupil Premium Funding

Pupil Premium funding is available for eligible families, which provides additional support for children in our school. This funding can be crucial in enhancing educational opportunities and resources for your child.

The Pupil Premium is available to families who receive certain benefits. The eligibility criteria include the following:

1. Income Support - If your family is in receipt of Income Support.
2. Income-Based Job Seekers Allowance - If you are receiving this allowance.
3. Child Tax Credit - If your family earns less than £16,190 per annum and is not receiving Working Tax Credit.
4. Universal Credit - If your household's taxable earnings are less than £7,400 per annum.
5. The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit - If your family qualifies under this criterion.
6. Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 - If applicable.

If you believe that you meet any of the above criteria, I encourage you to apply for Pupil Premium funding.

To apply, you can complete the form attached to this email or alternatively, please contact our school office, and we would be happy to assist you.

We encourage all eligible families to apply for this funding, as it directly benefits your child and helps our school provide additional resources to enhance their learning experience.

Pen Licenses

This week, they were awarded to Freddie and Zac... with great power comes great responsibility – use them well boys!



Shining Stars of The Week!

This week it will come as no surprise to learn that the teachers of each class gave the Star of the Week Award to the whole class for their brilliance during each performance at the village hall.

Congratulations all!

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Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Emma on achieving two fantastic Brownie badges all to do with looking after our planet. Well done also to Maisie and Poppy for showing us their fantastic swimming certificates.

And to Jessica, who came and showed us a brilliant Food Chain diagram which she had completed but explained to us beautifully!



Weekly Attendance

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow...

Willow Class – 99% ★★

Beech Class - 100% ★★★★★

Oak Class- 96% ★

Weekly average: 98%



Have a wonderful weekend!

Yours sincerely,
Mr Crompton.

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON

The Harry Hooligans are recruiting potential tribe members at SHDC

Do you have what it takes to go forward into the Dragon Initiation Program?

£4.50 PER CHILD

Make a horned hat and practice your yelling, start your own 'Incomplete book o Dragons' with the dragons that visit Shropshire. Learn some dragonese (if you swear never to let Gobber the Belch know who you learned it from) and practice launching sheep from a catapult for dragons to eat.

Monday 21st to Friday 25th July and Monday 11th to Friday 15th August

1pm – 2.30pm

AGES 4–11
Must be accompanied by an adult

BOOKING ESSENTIAL
Book online www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk

Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre, Craven Arms, SY7 9RS

01588 676 060

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITY

Remarkable Romans

1PM - 2.30PM

MONDAY 4TH TO FRIDAY 8TH AUGUST & MONDAY 25TH TO FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST

GO BACK TO BRITANNIA AND SEE IF YOU ARE WORTHY OF BEING A CITIZEN. TRY YOUR HAND AT DIFFERENT ROMAN ACTIVITIES AND THEN SET ABOUT STARTING A STRAIGHT ROMAN ROAD WITH A TRAVEL GROMA. TRY ON A TOGA. USE A WAX TABLET TO WRITE ROMAN NUMERAL PROBLEMS. TASTE THE COLOSSEUM VERSION OF POPCORN, PLAY ROMAN GAMES AND MUCH MORE!

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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.

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