

Head's Update

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this newsletter finds you well and that you have had a lovely week so far. I wanted to take this opportunity to share some exciting news with you all.

This week, we had the pleasure of hosting a community project led by the RAF. The project aimed to improve the environment outside of the Key Stage 1 classrooms. The RAF team, worked tirelessly to transform the outdoor space into a usable area for our children to enjoy.

In addition, to the outdoor improvements, the nursery playhouse also received a much-needed makeover and made pallet benches. Thanks to the RAF team's expertise, the playhouse was re-roofed, ensuring that our little ones can continue to enjoy imaginative play in a safe and dry environment. The children were overjoyed with the results and wasted no time in exploring their newly improved playhouse. The benches not only provide a comfortable place for children to sit and socialise.

We are immensely grateful for their support and hard work in making our school environment even more welcoming and enjoyable for our children. Please see a few photographs below.

Have a wonderful weekend!
Best wishes,

Sarah North Headteacher



Vision Screening - Reception

The optometrist will now be coming into school on **Tuesday 20th February** to undertake vision screening with the reception children.

The optometrist contacted the school today to change the date as they have staff illness.

Your reception child brought home a letter yesterday with full details.

Please only return the opt out form if you DO NOT wish your child to be screened.

Thanks

PE Days

Nursery	Tuesday and Thursday
Class 1	Tuesday and Thursday
Class 3	Tuesday and Friday
Class 4	Tuesday and Wednesday
Class 5	Monday and Friday
Class 6	Monday and Wednesday
Class 7	Thursday and Friday
Class 8	Thursday and Friday
Class 9	Monday and Wednesday
Class 10	Monday and Wednesday

Please note change of date for Class 6

We apologise for any confusion

Your child needs to come to school in their PE kit on their class PE days.

PLP Meetings

If your child is on the SEN register you had the opportunity to have a ten minute meeting with Mr Al-Asmar and your child's class teacher last term, to discuss their personal learning plan.

Unfortunately, some of you couldn't make the meeting or we ran out of appointments. We have now set up another couple of dates for those of you who couldn't make the December meeting.

Wednesday 17th January

1pm -4pm

Wednesday 24th January

1pm - 4pm

If you would like to book a slot, please speak to the school office asap

After school clubs

Monday

Year 1 & 2 Arts & Craft Club (Full)

Wednesday

KS2 Multi Sports Club

Thursday

KS1 Multi Sports Club

All the above clubs are charged at £4 per session. All sessions must be booked and paid for on Arbor before the club commences.

Please book places on the above clubs on your Arbor app and pay when booking.

Please Note:- Dance Club will continue to run on a Tuesday for those children already signed up.

Upcoming Trips

Nursery Trip to RAF Shawbury

As part of their topic work on vehicles and transport we will be taking the Nursery children to RAF Shawbury on Monday 22nd January, to look around lots of different vehicles.

Letters have come home this week with full details. Please complete and return your consent slip for your child to attend this trip.

Shropshire Primary Chess Competition

Four or our year 4 children will be attending the Shropshire Primary Chess Competition which is being held at **Press Primary School on Thursday 25th January.**

If our team is successful they will go through to the grand final due to be held in the Spring term.

We wish them good luck!

Florence Nightingale Workshop

Year 1 & 2

As part of classes 3, 4 & 5's topic work on Florence Nightingale we have invited Shrewsbury Museum and Art Gallery into school for their Florence Nightingale workshop.

A letter has come home with your child this week with full details.

Please consent and pay for this trip on Arbor by 24th January.

North Shropshire School Games Dodgeball Final

Congratulations to both our year 6 and year 4 dodgeball teams who have made it through to the dodgeball finals.

The finals will take place on Thursday 22nd February at Thomas Adams school in Wem.

Letters will be coming home soon.

We wish them all good luck

Class 9 & 10 trip to Hawkstone Park Follies

As part of their topic work on 'The Natural World' we are planning to take class 9 & 10 on a visit to Hawkstone Park Follies.

The trip is arranged for Thursday 29th February.

A letter will be coming home next week with full details and how to consent and pay.



New School Menu - Jan 24

	WEEK 1	WEEK 2
	W/C: 4th Jan, 15th Jan, 29th Jan	W/C: 8th Jan, 22nd Jan, 5th Feb
MONDAY	'Harry Ramsdens' Fish Fillet Jacket Potato Mashed Potato, Baked Beans, Broccoli Mini Doughnuts	Crispy Baked Fish Fingers Jacket Potato Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Green Beans Muffin
TUESDAY	Beef Burger Quorn Burger Jacket Potato Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Peas Muffin	Bolognaise Vegetable Finger Jacket Potato Wholemeal Pasta, Peas, Broccoli Iced Bun
WEDNESDAY	Roast Gammon with Gravy Quorn Sausage Roast & Mashed Potatoes, Carrots Iced Bun	Roast Chicken with Gravy Quorn Fillet Roast & Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Cauliflower Cookie
THURSDAY	Chicken Goujons Quorn Nuggets Jacket Potato Potato Waffle, Sweetcorn, Green Beans Cookie	Tasty Sausage Quorn Sausage Jacket Potato Mashed Potato, Peas, Baked Beans Mini Doughnut
FRIDAY	Ham & Pineapple Pizza Margherita Pizza Jacket Potato Chips, Baked Beans, Peas Ice Cream	Pepperoni Pizza Margherita Pizza Jacket Potato Chips, Sweetcorn, Baked Beans Ice Cream

Applications to Reception class 2024

The deadline for applications for your child(ren) to start school in Reception in September 2024 closes on **Monday 15 January 2024**.

Please ensure that you make an application online via the Shropshire Council's portal - [Synergy - Homepage \(shropshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/synergy)

Please note that if you do not make an online application, your child will not be allocated a school place.

If you have any queries regarding the application process, please contact the School Admissions Team via email school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk

STARS OF THE WEEK

Emily
Ryan

Kohen
Baxter-Smith

Logan
Perry

Jaxon
Jones

Cody
Windsor

Jack
Pearce

Lacey
Handley





Ellie
Griffin

Ava-Grace
Lewis

CONGRATULATIONS

Diary Dates Spring Term 2024

Friday 2 nd February	NSPCC Numbers Day
Wednesday 7 th February	KS1 History Experience Workshop
Thursday 8 th February	KS1 History Experience Workshop
Monday 5 th February to Friday 9 th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February	Half term break
Tuesday 20 th February	Screening Vision - reception
Thursday 22 nd February	Dodgeball Final Year 5/6 & Year 3/4
Tuesday 27 th February	KS1 Oracy Exhibition - Sharing of Learning
Thursday 29 th February	Year 5/6 Hawkstone Park Trip
Tuesday 5 th March	KS2 Oracy Exhibition – Sharing of Learning
Wednesday 6 th March	KS1 Mother's Day Lunch
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Friday 8 th March	KS2 Girls Football Festival
Friday 8 th March to Friday 15 th March	Science Week
Tuesday 12 th March	Gotta Dance @ Theatre Severn
Wednesday 13 th March	KS2 Mother's Day Lunch
Thursday 14 th March	Year 3/4 Easter concert
Monday 18 th March	Easter Bingo for Elderly Residents of Shawbury
Tuesday 19 th March	Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6pm
Wednesday 20 th March	Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6pm
Wednesday 20 th March	Grandmother's Day Lunch
Wednesday 20 th March	Dogs Trust workshop Year 3/4
Thursday 21 st March	World Down Syndrome Day
Thursday 21 st March	Easter Church Service
Friday 22 nd March	PD Day
Monday 25 th March to Friday 5 th April	Easter break

House Points at St Mary's CE Primary School and Nursery			
Peake	Rashford	Thunberg	Webster
			
104	116	141	84

Parent Fundraising Group

We are a small team of Parents who are keen to raise extra funds for our school. Throughout the year, we organise extra fun events (big and small) for our school children and wider community.

If you would be interested in joining us or willing to help at an event, please email us or find us on Facebook.

Contact details-

Email- fundraising.g@shawburystmarys.co.uk

Facebook- St Mary's Primary School Fundraising Group

Attendance during week starting – 8th January 2024

Attendance Target – 96%

Attendance This Week – 95.47%

Attendance This Year – 94.4%

Children who missed morning registration 6.69% (16 children)

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions.

A morning registration at the start of school – 8.45am and an afternoon registration after lunch—1pm for the afternoon session.

Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

It is important that the children are at school on time every day to prevent disruption and upset to their day and for the rest of their class.

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