### St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery

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Weekly Newsletter—12th January 2024

### 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

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	d Thursday
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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

<u>Monday</u>

Year 1 & 2 Arts & Craft Club (Full)

<u>Wednesday</u>

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.

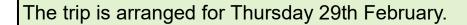
The finals will take place on Thursday 22nd February at Thomas Adams school in Wem.

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.



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





# New School Menu - Jan 24

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/	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	





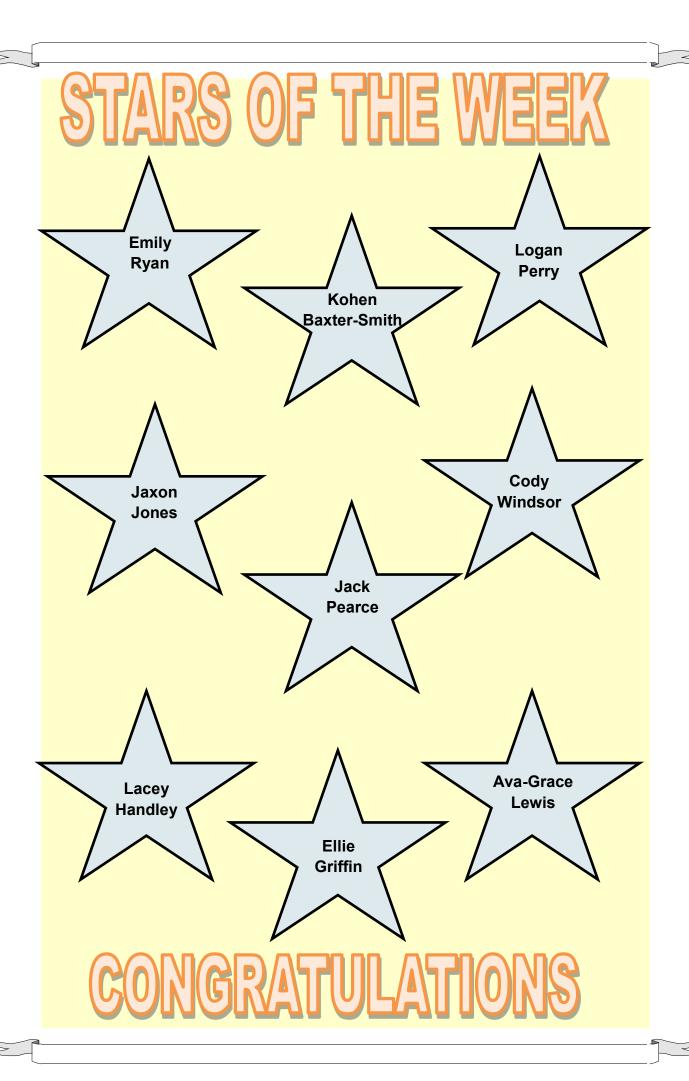
### Applications to Reception class 2024

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)

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



### **Diary Dates Spring Term 2024**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February NSPCC Numbers Day

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February KS1 History Experience Workshop

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February KS1 History Experience Workshop

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February to

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February Children's Mental Health Week

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February Half term break

Tuesday 20th February Screening Vision - reception

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February Dodgeball Final Year 5/6 & Year 3/4

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February KS1 Oracy Exhibition - Sharing of Learning

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February Year 5/6 Hawkstone Park Trip

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March KS2 Oracy Exhibition – Sharing of Learning

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March KS1 Mother's Day Lunch

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March KS2 Girls Football Festival

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March to

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March Science Week

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March Gotta Dance @ Theatre Severn

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March KS2 Mother's Day Lunch

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March Year 3/4 Easter concert

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March Easter Bingo for Elderly Residents of Shawbury

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6pm

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6pm

Wednesday 20th March Grandmother's Day Lunch

Wednesday 20th March Dogs Trust workshop Year 3/4

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March World Down Syndrome Day

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March Easter Church Service

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March PD Day

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March to

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April Easter break



### **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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