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**This Half Term's Value: *Hopefulness***

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to this week's Newsletter. The week has been a busy one across both schools! The Children have been busy preparing Christingles as Christmas crafts as well as busily preparing for the forthcoming Christmas productions.



As we draw towards the end of what has been a busy and exciting terms I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you within our school community; pupils, parents, Teachers and friends. It is at times like this, when you see everyone coming together be it to prepare Christmas productions, host festive events and do so with an enormous smile that I reflect on how truly special our Federation is and what a wonderful community our schools have around them.

I would like to thanks each and every one of you for the support you give the school, your children and our wider community.

With warmest wishes and hoping you all enjoy a restful weekend,

Mrs S. Henney





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**United Kingdom Health Security Agency (UKHSA) update on  
scarlet fever and invasive Group A strep**

There has been a recent national increase in notifications of scarlet fever to United Kingdom Health Security Agency (UKHSA), above seasonal expected levels.

In very rare occasions, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive Group A strep (iGAS). While still uncommon, there has been an increase in invasive Group A strep cases this year, particularly in children under 10.

Scarlet fever is usually a mild illness, but it is highly infectious. Therefore, look out for symptoms in your child, which include a

- sore throat
- headache
- fever, along with a fine, pinkish or red body rash with a sandpapery feel. On darker skin, the rash can be more difficult to detect visually but will have a sandpapery feel.

Contact NHS 111 or your GP if you suspect your child has scarlet fever, because early treatment of scarlet fever with antibiotics is important to reduce the risk of complications such as pneumonia or a bloodstream infection.

If your child has scarlet fever, keep them at home until at least 24 hours after the start of antibiotic treatment to avoid spreading the infection to others.

There are lots of viruses that cause sore throats, colds and coughs circulating. These should resolve without medical intervention. However, children can on occasion develop a bacterial infection on top of a virus and that can make them more unwell.

As a parent, if you feel that your child seems seriously unwell, you should trust your own judgement. Contact NHS 111 or your GP if:

- your child is getting worse
- your child is feeding or eating much less than normal
- your child has had a dry nappy for 12 hours or more or shows other [signs of dehydration](#)
- your baby is under 3 months and has a temperature of 38°C, or is older than 3 months and has a temperature of 39°C or higher
- your baby feels hotter than usual when you touch their back or chest, or feels sweaty
- your child is very tired or irritable

Good hand and respiratory hygiene are important for stopping the spread of many bugs. By teaching your child how to wash their hands properly with soap for 20 seconds, using a tissue to catch coughs and sneezes, and keeping away from others when feeling unwell, they will be able to reduce the risk of picking up or spreading infections.





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**Attendance**



This week's winners are Stiperstones – Well done!

<u>Class</u>	<u>This week ...</u>	<u>Previous week ....</u>
Lawley	95.65%	99.57%
Wrekin	94.74%	98.42%
Caradoc	98.33%	100%
Stiperstones	100%	100%
Whole School	96.96%	99.49%

**This week's Star Pupils!**

This week's pupils of the week are:

**Ercall** – Niall Lutner for taking part and engaging so well with the exotic zoo animals.

**Lawley** - Oliver Ward - For being respectful in class and for setting a wonderful example.

**Wrekin** - Ella Irvine - For settling into her new class so well, always working hard and being kind and helpful towards her peers.

**Caradoc** – William- For always having a positive attitude to all you do and brightening up everyone's day!

**Stiperstones** – Flo- For being really resilient in maths and persevering with some really tricky problem solving. Well done Flo!

**Class News**

**Ercall**

Welcome to our nursery news.

We would like to welcome our student Jess who will be working with us in nursery until the end of the summer term.

**This week we have been busy practicing for our Christmas concert. We hope to see you in Clive Hall on Tuesday 13th December at 9:30am.**

We have also been creating Christmas tree decorations and counting baubles during maths.

We all really enjoyed our visit from the exotic zoo- We held and touched an armadillo, a chameleon, a tree frog, a cockroach, a tenrec, a giant millipede and a giant land snail. The children listened really well as the lady taught us all about caring for these animals.



Outside in the nursery garden we have been exploring the frost and ice- beginning to recognise the signs of winter.

In provision this week we have been exploring the arctic animals in the ice tray and Christmas characters in the snow tray.



**Best wishes Mrs Butler and Mrs Arblaster, Mrs Jones and Miss Hughes.**

## Lawley

This week we have been looking at The Animal Kingdom in science. The children were super excited for our Exotic Zoo trip on Wednesday afternoon. The children were lucky enough to hold frogs, stick insects, spiders, lizards and many more. The Exotic Zoo lady called Eleanor told us all about the animals and their habitats. It was a great afternoon loved by all.

Our tuff trays have been getting Christmassy this week and the children have had a great time exploring The Nativity set linked to our RE topic this term and practicing their phonics and numbers linked to their next steps.

In maths this week we have started our one-week Geometry topic. Reception have been exploring 2D shapes whilst Year One have been exploring 3D shapes. We talked about how 2D shapes are flat and how 3D shapes are solid.

In Phonics we have been having a revision week of all learnt sounds. The children have blown us away with their phonics knowledge.

Well done.



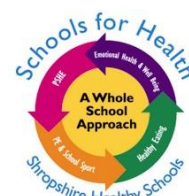
**Mrs Greenway and Mrs Dykes.**

**Wrekin**

Amongst the hustle and bustle that comes with this exciting time of year, we have continued to work hard in all areas of our curriculum this week. After a thrilling trip to the pantomime on Monday we stepped straight onto the stage to rehearse our own Christmas performance; showing off our amazing singing and dancing skills.

In Maths we are developing our addition and subtraction skills by solving problems in a range of contexts, such as word problems, number sentences and column method. Ensuring we are confident with number bonds to and within 20 is really helping us to solve problems in the most efficient way.

In English we are writing our own fact sheets all about owls, using what we learnt from our owl visit, from the story 'The Owl Who was Afraid of the Dark' and various other methods of researching. We have sectioned off our facts into sub-headings and will be concluding with a section of interesting facts!



In PSHE we have been exploring how we can recognise the feelings and emotions of others through their body language and facial expressions. We acted out a range of emotions and looked at what our bodies were doing and how our faces changed. We had great fun trying to guess the emotions that our partners were acting out.



**Miss S. Jones & Mrs Burns**

### Stiperstones

#### Cycling

This week the children in Stiperstones undertook their Bikeability training Level 1 and 2. They braved the cold conditions and went onto the roads to show that they are capable and competent enough to cycle safely on the roads with traffic and potential hazards around them. They showed that they could be safe at junctions- both pulling out of a junction and turning into a junction and that they also know the safest way to manoeuvre around parked vehicles. Our instructors were really pleased with all the children who were involved and said their behaviour was impeccable. Well done to all the children who took part!



**Mrs Baillie**



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**other news ....**

**Ukulele Club**

A big thank you to all the children from the ukulele club (and Ophelia) for playing Jingle Bells in assembly on Thursday. We all loved it and everyone sang along!



**Mrs Vaughan**



**Young Voices**

The Young Voices concert will soon be here, please look at the school website for details of the songs so that you can practice at home.

**Please note that there will be NO after school club on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December.**



**Christmas Jumper Day**



On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December, our school will be taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. We know times are tough, so please remember that donations are optional, and any amount you can spare - 10p, 20p, 50p makes you an awesome fundraiser.

Also, this year, whatever anyone donates will make double the difference because the UK government is going to match all donations to Christmas Jumper Day between 1<sup>st</sup> December and 1<sup>st</sup> March! All that extra cash

will go towards a wonderful cause, helping 200,000 mums and babies in Kenya get the food and medicine they need!

Remember, there's no need to buy a new jumper. You could upcycle an old jumper, get crafty or head to your local charity shop to buy a pre-loved festive knit. If you want to get creative and decorate a jumper, the Christmas Jumper Day website contains lots of fun craft ideas. We'd appreciate your support to make Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day a success. Together, we can make the world better with a sweater. Thank you for your support.





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- for frequently asked questions about Christmas Jumper Day:  
<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about/faq>
- for upcycling inspiration and sustainability information:  
<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about/sustainability-and-inclusivity>
- for more information on how your donations help:  
<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/how-you-help>

**Moreton Say Diary Dates 2022 – 2023**



**DECEMBER**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery Carol Concert – 9.30am

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Performance – 2.00pm and 6.00pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Performance – 9.15am

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Jumper Day

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> – Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan '23 - Christmas break

**JANUARY**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 - PD Day

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 - Children return to school

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 – Young Voices Concert







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and finally ....



**NOTICE TO PARENTS/CARERS**

2 December 2022

**SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2024/25**

There are no changes proposed to Shropshire Council's admission arrangements for 2024/25 for community and voluntary controlled schools. However, the Council is co-ordinating a consultation for admission authority schools, such as academies, whose trustees are responsible for setting their admission arrangements and who wish to make changes to those arrangements. We wish to notify all parents/carers that the consultation will begin on

**5 December 2022** and continue for more than 6 weeks until **20 January 2023**.

Proposed changes to Shropshire's admission authority school arrangements are shown below.

- **The Trust-Ed CSAT Alliance** is proposing to standardise their policies in terms of definitions e.g. children adopted from care. This will apply to:

- Alveley Primary School**
- Castlefields Primary School, Bridgnorth**
- Stokesay Primary School**
- St. Leonard's CE Primary School, Bridgnorth**
- Belvidere School**
- Church Stretton School**
- Mary Webb School & Science College**
- Meole Brace School**
- Oldbury Wells School**

- **The 3-18 Education Trust** is proposing changes to standardise their policies:

**William Brookes School**, is proposing the removal of an older sibling in the sixth form and raising the priority of staff criteria.

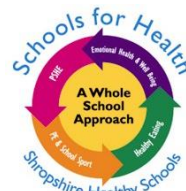
**Thomas Adams School** is proposing a lower priority and extension of children of staff criteria.

**St. Martin's School** is proposing a higher priority and extension of children of staff criteria and the addition of exceptional medical grounds for secondary applicants.

**Coleham Primary School** is proposing an extension of children of staff criteria.

**The Priory School** is proposing an extension to children of staff criteria and higher priority to Shrewsbury catchment children over those outside the catchment with a sibling connection.

- **Bridgnorth Endowed School** is proposing the addition of children of staff criteria
- **Ellesmere Primary School** is proposing a reduction to their Published Admission Number from 60 to 45.
- **Claverley CE Primary School, Corvedale CE Primary School** and **Holy Trinity Academy** are proposing the removal of faith-related criteria in their policies.





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The following schools are not proposing changes, but they are consulting on their admission arrangements to comply with the School Admissions Code 7-yearly consultation requirement:

**Martin Wilson School, Shrewsbury**  
**Buildwas Academy**

**Cleobury Mortimer Primary School**  
**Idsall School, Shifnal**

The consultation documents and further information can be found on the individual school websites and on the Shropshire Council website [www.shropshire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk) in the link to Consultation on Admission Arrangements 2024.

To make comments on any of the proposed changes by **Friday 20 January 2023** e-mail [school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk), or contact the school directly, or write to:  
School Admissions, Shropshire Council, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, SHREWSBURY SY2 6ND



**A R Richards Christmas Activity books**

We would like to say a big thank you to A.R. Richards Ltd for delivering some special Christmas Activity packs for the school, this was a lovely surprise for the children to receive.





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