

The Friday Post

Friday, 01 October 2021



AUTUMN 2021

	<u>PE</u>	<u>PE</u>	<u>Woodland School</u>
Dormouse	Monday	Friday	Thursday
Red Squirrel	Monday	Friday	Thursday
Hedgehog	Monday	Friday	Tuesday
Badger	Tuesday (swimming)		Wednesday

ATTENDANCE

Dormouse	99%
Red Squirrel	93%
Hedgehog	96.5%
Badger	99.2% [†]
Whole School	97.1%

MESSAGING

Most communications are now being sent by email. Please make sure that we have the most up to date contact information for you. Please let us know if any key details change.

Please don't forget to sign, date and return the data collection sheets, even if no amendments are necessary.

As a matter of routine, any injury above the neck means that a text is sent home as well as the 'bump note'. In the event of serious injuries, we will always contact parents directly by phone.

Covid

With cases rising we would ask that you remain vigilant to Covid symptoms and let us know if you are seeking a PCR test for your child. There is an online form for positive PCR results that would help us with completing the absence returns that we have to complete daily. Please see the website for a copy of the letter sent this week with a link to the form. Please also continue to follow the guidance around maintaining safety measures.

DOGS

If you bring a dog on the school run, could you please keep it on a lead when around the children. This will help alleviate some children's anxieties around dogs and maintain their safety and wellbeing. Many thanks.

DIARY DATES

5th October - Badger Class swimming (3/10).
13th October - Badger Class to Little Moreton Hall.
22nd October - End of half term.
1st November - Red Squirrels to RAF Cosford

BEAR GRYLLES' WORDS OF FAITHFUL WISDOM

"When hard times come, it's tempting to look back and long for things to be the way they were. But we are called always to look forward, not back. That's where God is leading us. Look up, not down - ahead not back. That's where our help comes from, and that's where our courage gets restored and renewed".

Next week the children will be talking about the story of Joseph in the Worship Time.

2ND HAND UNIFORM

If you are in need of some items of uniform, perhaps as spares, please don't hesitate to ask. Thanks

MENU

We hope that your child(ren) has/have enjoyed the new look menu. There are lots of choices. Please ensure that your catering purses are kept in credit as far as possible. Children in Reception, Years 1 & 2 are entitled to free meals under the Universal Infant Free School Meals scheme. If you receive certain benefits, you may be entitled to claim Free School Meals. Please speak with Mr Watts about this.

Next Week: Week ONE.

WATERPROOFS

If you happen to be disposing of waterproof dungarees, due to them being outgrown, Nursery would be very happy to receive them for Woodland School activities or when playing in the water tray!



MILK



All children under 5 are entitled to a three portion (1/3 pint) of milk daily. These are automatically registered by school. If your child is 5 or over, you may also purchase a portion of milk for them. Access the coolmilk system at www.coolmilk.com.

LOOSE CHANGE

We are very aware that children rarely handle cash (as we all perhaps don't). When we are teaching about money we would like to be able to give them opportunities to handle 'real' money rather than plastic coins. To that end, we would be very grateful for donations of loose change that can be used in school. Please let the office have any odd coins (current denominations) that may be weighing down your pockets or hiding down the back of the sofa.



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TODDLER GROUP

Clive baby and toddler group meets on a Wednesday morning (term time only) from 9.15-11.15am at Clive Village Hall. Come along to meet other parents and little ones. Hot drinks, snack and activity included. To book, contact Catherine on 07769 309664.



QUIET SPACES

Following the demise (to age and the elements) of the 'cube', school have now purchased a new structure to be used as a quiet, prayerful space. The classes have spent some worship time thinking about, and making, decorations for the space. They were asked to consider the paths to spirituality they looked at last term and produce decorations that demonstrate these pathways.

DOGS

There have been a number of incidents recently of children and adults accidentally stepping in dog mess on the way to school or on their way home. Please ensure that dogs are kept on leads near the school site and that mess is picked up and binned. Thanks



WEBSITE

Our new look website will be launched very shortly.

Please take time to have a look at it and familiarise yourself with key pages that you may need to access (eg parent pages).

If you haven't already, please download the School Spider App from your App store. This is for our website provider. The



App allows you to access the website and also receive smartphone messages. This will be a further method of communication next year as it is free! There are also additional functions that we shall be trialling through the App next year too.

When logging on, you may need to access the 'forgotten password' in order to generate a new password to access the App.

Thanks

PARKING

When dropping children off in the mornings, and picking up at 3pm, please ensure that cars are parked legally (not on zig zag markings) and sensibly so that traffic can flow through the village unimpeded and residents can exit their properties easily. There are some large vehicles passing through, as well as the service and school buses. Look out for 'Pat the Police Patrol' and her colleague, 'Pete', near to the Medical Practice!
Thanks



The SEND Local Offer



Lots of information and support for children and young people with SEND and their families, including:

- Education
- Health and wellbeing
- Family support
- Social care
- Preparing for adulthood
- Early help
- Things to do
- Education, health and care plan (EHCP)
- Travel and transport
- Financial support

local.offer@shropshire.gov.uk 0345 678 9063
www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/



If you need help accessing the Local Offer please speak to your school or local library.



Support for parent carers of children with SEND - Shropshire's Local Offer

Having access to good quality information to help you understand the world of SEND is important when making decisions about your child's life. This is where websites such as the [Shropshire's SEND Local Offer](https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/) can help you.

The Local Offer sets out in one place useful information and provision for education, health and social care for children and young people in Shropshire who have SEN or are disabled, including those who don't have education, health, and care (EHC) plans.

You can also keep up to date with Local Offer news and events by following The Local Offer on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)

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