

# The Friday Post

Friday, 05 November 2021



## AUTUMN 2021

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

### MESSAGING

Most communications are now being sent by email. 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.

### ATTENDANCE

	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
DORMOUSE	94%	97.4%
RED SQUIRREL	96.9%	98.4%☞
HEDGEHOG	95.1%	96.3%
BADGER	98%☞	92.9%
WHOLE SCHOOL	96%	96.1%

### WATERPROOFS

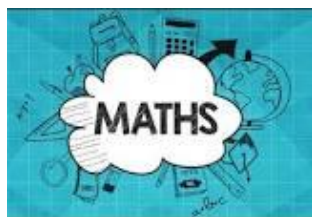
If you happen to be disposing of waterproof dungarees, due to them being outgrown, Nursery would be very happy to receive them for Woodland School activities or when playing in the water tray!



### MATHS WEEK

Next week is Maths week.

The purpose of the week is to raise the profile of Maths. The children will be engaging in a range of activities, games and Maths activities involving 'real life' applications (e.g. monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> levels in the classroom and graphing the results).



### READING

Book-related talk introduces children to language that they might not hear in ordinary conversation, especially the vocabulary of the book itself.

### 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.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY

If any children who are members of uniformed organisations (e.g. Beavers, Cubs, Rainbows, Brownies) would like to attend school in uniform on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November for our Act of Remembrance, they would be more than welcome. Red Squirrels will be doing a 'lighter' version of Woodland School, so will not need to have Woodland School clothes.

### BEAR GRYLLE'S WORDS OF FAITHFUL WISDOM

"God loves us regardless of our colour, creed, race gender, previous life or present lifestyle. That's grace."

### STAR PUPIL

Well done to Gus for achieving the first belt in Taekwondo - white with black stripe. Congratulations. We do like to hear about, and celebrate, the children's achievements outside school. Please let us know if they have achieved anything.



### GLOBAL LEARNING

Our Global Learning Club has been relaunched. This week, they visited Poland and next week they'll be paying a visit to Italy. It is being run by one or two of our Year 6s, with adult support, and they will take a tour round the world, country to country, looking at food, customs and traditions. Other clubs are also being established.

### MENU

We hope that your child(ren) is/are enjoying the new look menus. 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.**

**There will be some changes to the menu for week 2 from w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> November to take into account a change in supplier deliveries.**

### REMEMBRANCE DAY

We have been selling poppies and other British Legion merchandise (pencils, wrist bands, snap bands, rubbers, pencil sharpeners, zip pulls). There is no minimum charge for these but we are leaving it to parents' discretion as to how much children may bring and what that might equate to.



Our value for the term is 'TRUST'.

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## INTERNET SAFETY

We are **deeply concerned** about some adverts and programmes that children are watching on platforms such as YouTube. Please check what your children are watching, especially the adverts.



'[YouTubeKids](#)' has more age appropriate content and adverts. There is now a video powerpoint on our website with some information for parents. Please do take some time to watch the video [here](#) (click the link).

## SEESAW

We are continuing to make use of the Seesaw Online Learning platform. Some classes use it for weekly spelling and other home learning tasks. Other classes use it for 'Show and Tell'. It will also continue to be used to provide work for the children in the event of ANY Covid related absence (ie a positive test or whilst waiting for PCR results). The children can also use it for word processing or desktop publishing as there is a lot of functionality with it in this respect. If you are unsure how to access Seesaw, please contact the office.

## WEBSITE

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. Look out for News on the Blogs section too! Thanks



## WOODLAND SCHOOL

It's been great to see that the shelter at our Woodland School site is now finished. Many thanks to Rob Smith and Mike Simms (amongst others) who have worked so hard on the site to make it ready for the children. The children love going there.



## DIARY DATES

W/c 15<sup>th</sup> November - Parent Meetings (book online)  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November - Clive Village Christmas Fair  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December - Hedgehogs to Craven Arms  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December - End of term  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 - Return to school

## 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

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[www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/](http://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](#) 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](#)