

The Friday Post

Friday, 10 December 2021



AUTUMN 2021

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

MESSAGING

Most communications are now being sent by email. This may come from the Admin email (admin@clive.shropshire.sch.uk) or School Spider (this is via the website and has a 'no reply' email address for the sender (school)). The School Spider App allows smartphone messaging to take place. Please download the App from sites such as [Play Store](#). 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

	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>THIS WEEK</u>
DORMOUSE	92.5%	94.7%
RED SQUIRREL	89.5%	96.5%
HEDGEHOG	92.8%	94.1%
BADGER	92.3%	95.4%
WHOLE SCHOOL	91.7%	95.3%
NATIONAL AVERAGE	November:	91.1%

WOODLAND SCHOOL

As the weather gets colder and wetter, ALL children need warm and waterproof clothing on their Woodland School day: hats, scarves, gloves (very important!), waterproof jacket, waterproof trousers (if available).

BEAR GRYLLS' WORDS OF FAITHFUL WISDOM

"Wherever you are today, whatever you're facing, God is near. All we have to do is reach out with open arms and open hearts and say: 'Send me your light and faithful care, let them lead me' (Psalm 43:3)".

DOGS

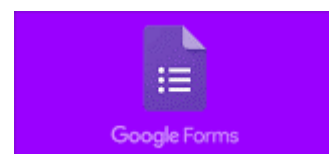
If you bring a dog on the school run, could you please keep it on a lead when around the children. This will help alleviate some children's anxieties around dogs and maintain their safety and wellbeing. Many thanks.

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 TWO.

FORMS

We are changing the forms we ask you to fill in for visits etc to Google Forms. This is still internet based and totally secure. There is additional functionality in that it allows you to receive an email showing your choices. We thought this would be a helpful addition for you.



OUTSTANDING MONIES

Please ensure any outstanding monies are paid in full as soon as possible - Pantomime and Christmas products as well as dinners.
There is no charge for Christmas dinner.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We are currently trialling the provision of a bit of tea for children who attend ASC. This will be served between 5 and 5.30. In January, for those attending at this time, there will be a small additional charge of £1 if they have tea. More details will be issued later as we will need to know numbers to cater for.

ASC Christmas Party - 17th December!!

COLD WEATHER

Our Covid Risk Assessment requires that we increase ventilation levels throughout the school. This means that it can get chilly in class! **Please make sure the children have additional layers** (more layers are best, not just thicker layers) to keep warm. Thanks.



DIARY DATES

Tuesday 14th December - Carols around the tree - 2pm, 6pm Renshaw's Field.
Wednesday 15th December - Christmas Dinner and Party day
Friday 17th December Christmas jumper day (FOCS)
Friday 17th December - End of term
Tuesday 4th January 2022 - Return to school

Our value for the term is 'TRUST'.

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COVID STUDY

The Office for National Statistics visited school recently to administer some Covid Antibody (in children) testing. The children who took part were all superstars. Here's what the study coordinator has to say, based on the feedback from the people administering the process in school:

"I wanted to write to thank you for your help in organising our visit yesterday, and for your help in promoting the survey to parents. I had some great feedback from the study workers about how much they enjoyed their visit to your unique school.

We are now planning our return visit in January and I will let you know your next testing date as soon as it has been scheduled. The team are really happy with how the survey has gone this round and we can't wait for round 2, hopefully with even more pupils! The government here, as well as governments across the world are eagerly awaiting our results - highlighting the importance of what we're doing".

How exciting to be involved in a study that'll attract worldwide attention!

We are pleased to be included in part 2 of this study. Details of this are included in the email this newsletter is attached to.

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).



SQUID

If you have more than one child at school and Offers are set up for a trip or visit, the communication and offer will be sent to the eldest child (so parents don't receive multiple emails). This account can be used to pay for **all** siblings. Payments can also be made direct to the bank - ask the office for details.

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**. A particular 'pinch point' is near the junction of High Street and Wem Road. **Cars parked too near to the junction with Orchard Close (by 'Pete') make it very difficult to exit the close safely**. Remember, the Highway Code suggests not parking within 10m from a junction (243). 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](#) 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](#)