

The Stotty School News 18.7.2025 (2) -Website



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Diary dates for the week ahead



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Mon. 21 st - Thurs 24 th July	SGN Summer Holiday Club					
Mon. 28 th - Thurs 31 st July	SGN Summer Holiday Club					
W/C 4.8.2025 & W/C 11.8.2025	Holiday Club Closed					
Mon. 18 th – Thurs 21 st August	SGN Summer Holiday Club					
Tues.26 th - Thurs 28 th August	SGN Summer Holiday Club					
Tuesday 2 nd September	SGN Summer Holiday Club					
Wednesday 3 rd September	Welcome Back! 1 st Day of the Autumn Term 2025					
Thursday 4 th September						
Friday 5 th September						
Upcoming Diary Dates						
Friday 19 th Sept.	School photographs					
Friday 3 rd Oct.	Harvest Festival					
Tues 21st Oct.	Parents Evening					
Thurs 22 nd Oct.	Parents Evening					

.....and finally!

What a fantastic sports day (don't think I'll ever forget the never ending relay race!).

Well done to our Year 6's who have been such a joy through their primary years. They have achieved well, been fantastic role models and positively contributed to the running of our school. We wish them every success as they move to Secondary school and we look forward to hearing of their future achievements.

We also wish Mr Simpson and Mrs Martin well as they move onto new adventures. We thank Mr Simpson for his great flexibility and commitment in helping us solve some staffing changes this year and we thank and celebrate Mrs Martin who has given us 14 years of service. She has had many roles in the school and has taught in all classes. I am sure we will see them around as parent or doing cover work - I don't think people ever really leave the 'Stotty family'.

Staff would like to say a very big THANK YOU to the generosity and gifts from parents, they are not expected but are much appreciated.

After an extremely busy term and an extremely busy year, we hope everyone (children, families, staff, governors and FoSPS) have a great summer with lots of rest and relaxation.







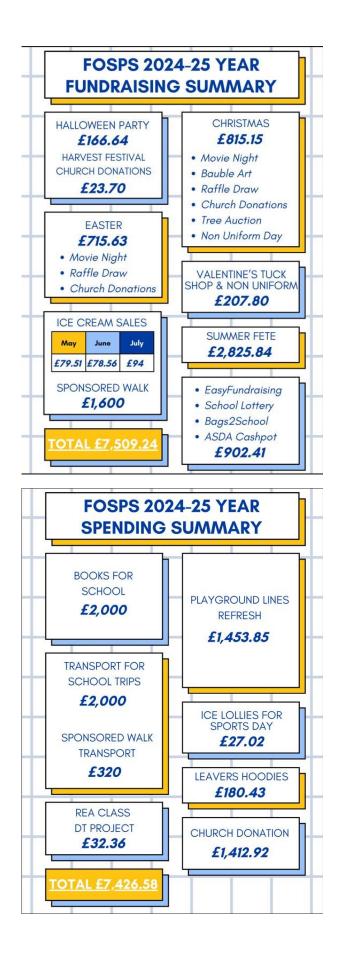






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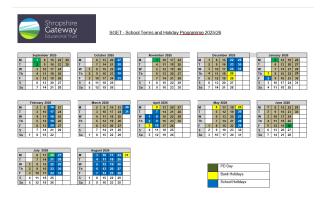


Ofsted Update



We have been advised by Ofsted that the report will be published after the summer break. We will of course keep you informed as soon as this arrives.

2025/2026 School Term Dates



Please find attached updated term dates for 2025 / 2026.

You will note there is an additional PD day on 26th June 2026.

Also attached is the updated Lacon Childe School version, the PD Days on this differ slightly from the primary schools version in order to support a mock marking and moderation with other secondaries (8th December instead of 3rd November)

Catch 22 / STEPS West Mercia

STEPS West Mercia

STEPS West Mercia is a service to support children and young people impacted or at risk of Child Criminal Exploitation (CCE) or Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

Steps West Mercia is here to support your family.

Our caring team provides confidential, trauma-informed support for children aged 8-18 and young people up to 24 with additional needs who may be vulnerable to criminal or sexual exploitation.

Through one-to-one specialist support, we help young people build confidence, understand healthy relationships, and stay safe online. We also offer positive activities and work closely with families throughout the process. Our experienced caseworkers are trained to provide gentle, non-judgmental support when you need it most.

You're not alone in this journey.

Please scan the QR code for further information.



WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT?

Find support that's just for you. The Catch22 STEPS service offers one-to-one sessions and activities for children and young people aged 8-18 to help you feel safe in your friendships and relationships. Visit our website to learn more and get the help you need.



steps@catch-22.org.uk



WORRIED ABOUT WHO'S INFLUENCING YOUR CHILD?

You're not alone—support is available. The Catch22 STEPS service provides tailored support to help children aged 8-18 be safe and build resilience. Visit our website to learn more and find out how we can help.



Support Through Exploitation and Prevention Service. **FOR GENERAL ENQUIRIES:** steps@catch-22.org.uk

Climbing on Playground Boxes



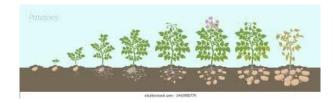
Can we ask parents, especially at collection time, to ensure that their children do not climb or sit on the PE/playground containers in the playground please.

The reasons for this are:

a. We are concerned for the safety of the children. The middle playground box is against the roadside wall and if a child were to lose their balance they could topple over the wall into the road. This is a rule in school and it is confusing to children if this is not maintained at all times.

b. The boxes are quite expensive (£300-400 each) and children sitting on them increases chances of damage/warping - this has begun to happen to the box by the shed.

Learning to grow food 2025 - Competition



Well done to the children in 'pre-school' and the 'gardening club' who took part in the 'Learning to Grow Food 2025' competition run by Cleobury Garden Association, they were both runners up in their respective categories, which is brilliant!!

The judges commented:

The outcomes across the board were magnificent and we found it extremely hard to judge winners and runners up, and our list of highly commended is longer than usual. We could not have hoped for such amazing results, and we want to congratulate everyone on their efforts and outcomes. Well done and thank you. We cannot tell you how impressed we were with the outcomes and how much we enjoyed meeting you all. Enjoy the rest of the summer and take a well-earned rest!



Burwarton Show Poster Competition



Well done to Ada & Walt who entered the poster competition for Burwarton Show and they won second place!

As a result, the school will receive a donation of £200 worth of art materials in September - which is fantastic news.

The poster will be displayed on Show day.

School Uniform



We know that many families refresh the school uniform each academic year so please make sure you stick to our guidance. This removes peer pressure and promotes professional, clear expectations of what we wear to school.

The school uniform consists of:

- Grey or black trousers/skirt/pinafore (not leggings or joggers and skirts should be at least knee length).
- White/blue shirt.
- Grey/navy/royal blue sweater/cardigan
- Sensible **black** shoes (not trainers)

Parents can order the Stottesdon School logo uniform (see below) through 'Lads and Lasses' - the link for which can be found <u>here</u>.

- A royal blue sweater with the Stottesdon school motif
- A royal blue jacket with the Stottesdon school motif
- book bags/rucksacks with the Stottesdon school motif

PE Kit:

The children are required to change for P.E. and will need:

- plain black or navy shorts,
- a white tee-shirt,
- trainers
- a bag to keep them in.

During the winter months we ask children to bring a pair of plain black/navy jogging bottoms and a plain black/navy sports jumper.

School Meals - Price Increase



From September 2025, due to rising costs, the Trust has taken the decision to raise the cost of a school meal to £2.80 for early years pupils (Nursery) and £3.00 for children in KS2 (Corve and Severn Class).

Those children in Reception / Year 1 and Year 2 are all entitled to Universal Free School Meals.

Below are new menu's for the Autumn Term

Week one	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main meal	Chicken, sage stuffing and gravy bap	Chicken <u>korma</u>	Roast beef, Yorkshire pudding	Meatballs in tomato sauce	Fish fingers
Main vegetarian/vegan meal	Buttermilk guorn, sage stuffing and gravy bap	Vegetarian curry with lentils	Broccoli cheese	Meatless balls in tomato sauce	Quorn fingers
Light bite	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with green beans	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo or baked beans and peas	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with mix vegetables	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with sweetcorn	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with peas
Salad option	Egg salad	Garlic and herb chicken salad in a wholemeal wrap	Tuna cucumber salad	Ham salad wholemeal wrap	Salmon fish cake with salad
Vegetables	Green beans	Wholegrain rice and peas with naan bread	Roast potatoes, mix vegetables and gravy	Pasta, sweetcorn	Wedges, peas with choice of ketchup or mayonnaise
Dessert	Butterscotch angel delight	Greek yoghurt with mix berries	Orange Jelly	Greek yoghurt with pineapple chunks	Crackers with soft cheese

lease speak to the Catering team if you have any concerns or questions about the contents of our dishes zoe.corry@laconchildeschool.co.

Week two	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main meal	Sausages	Chicken tikka curry	Pork and sage stuffing	Chicken and peppers tomato pasta sauce	Fish burger
Main vegetarian/vegan meal	Quorn sausages	Lentil and vegetable curry	Quorn fillet	Tomato and basil sauce	Veggie burger
Light bite	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with green beans	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo or baked beans with peas	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with mix vegetables	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with sweetcorn	Jacket potato with choice of cheese, tuna mayo with sweetcorn and peas
Salad option	Herby tomato pasta salad	Chicken mayonnaise lettuce on wholemeal wrap	Ham and cheese salad	Cream cheese, ham and lettuce on wholemeal wrap	Tuna sweetcorn salad
Vegetables	Cheesy mash, green beans	Wholegrain rice and peas with naan bread	Garlic new potatoes, mix vegetables and gravy	Pasta and sweetcorn	Sweetcorn and peas
Dessert	Chocolate angel delight	Greek yoghurt with mix berries	Orange jelly	Greek yoghurt with pineapple chunks	Crackers with soft cheese

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Summer HAF Programme



Please find attached the HAF Summer programme.

This is available for children and young people aged 4 (in reception class or equivalent) to 16, who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals. Families will need to use their HAF code when making a booking, this code has been sent to relevant families earlier this week.

SGN Summer Holiday Club



We are pleased to say that SGN Summer Holiday Club will be open on the following dates:

Monday 21st July to Thursday 24th July

Monday 28th July to Thursday 31st July

W/C 4th August - Holiday Club closed

W/C 11th August - Holiday Club closed

Monday 18th August to Thursday 21st August

Tuesday 26th August to Thursday 28th August

Tuesday 2nd September

Please find attached schedule with prices and timings.

If you would like to book your child/ren into any of the sessions, please do so via Arbor.

Celebrating Reading





Reading

Reading with children is one of the most powerful gift parents can give. The development of language, creativity and cultural understanding from reading, discussing and sharing is HUGE so if you are giving this gift thank you for helping to keep this powerful, essential activity 'alive'. Reading is also very powerful as it reduces stress (for the child and the adult!).

> Teme: 72% Rea: 83% Corve: 53% Severn: 93%

We would like to extend our thanks to Mrs Kennett / Mrs George and Mrs Dorrell for giving up their time to come into school to listen to the children reading. The children benefit enormously from this. Thank you.



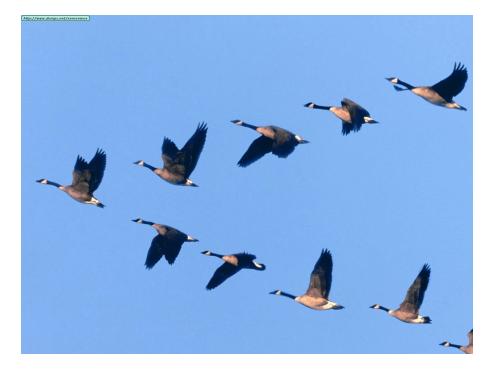
Would everyone please have a good search at home for any reading books books belonging to the school - the class libraries have reduced greatly. It would be nice to have them fully stocked for the beginning of the Autumn Term.

Our Worship / Reflections this week:

Monday and Tuesday: We prepared for sports day and reflected on what we can achieve if we work in teams. We looked to the animal kingdom for inspiration: ants, meerkats, geese.







Making A Difference By Looking After Our Planet

Well done to all the children that have volunteered for our big litter pick so far. Enjoy the pictures below of the most recent children being 'agents of change'.





Making a Difference Through Fundraising - support this great idea.....

Hugo and Grace Richards are taking on the 'Kid's Summer Challenge for Young Lives V's Cancer'.

The challenge is 1 mile per day in August, but Hugo and Grace have increased this to 2 miles a day!, they can walk, run, bike or swim it.

Young Lives Vs Cancer help families find the strength to face whatever cancer throws at them, please follow the link below to make a donation and show your support:

https://fundraise.younglivesvscancer.org.uk/s/24275/24951

Making a difference by helping out in the community



Harriet F, Leo P and James were amazing, WELL DONE for giving your time (generosity) for helping at the cream tea community event at Chorley Chapel last Sunday. Sue Vincent, one of the organisers said:

Just to say what a joy it was on Sunday to have Harriet, Leo and James helping so brilliantly with the teas. I've had lovely feedback from folks about the children

It was a fantastic way to feel part of the community and get involved in a multi-generational event.

Donations raised at the event went to the good work at Chorley Chapel and the school.

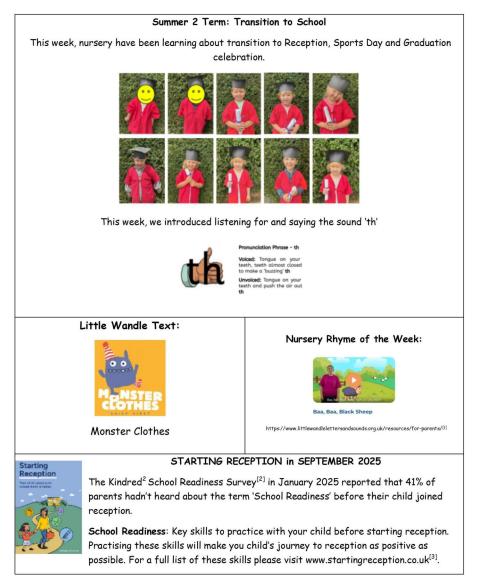
On the success of this event, the Chapel are planning another 'Cream Tea' on Sunday 10th August, 2pm to 4pm, if any children children would like to be helpers (taking orders, serving tables, clearing up) please email the office to let us know. Children would need to arrive at 1.45pm and stay until 4pm. Mrs Jones will be there to supervise and support.





EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Nursery News 18.07.2025



1 - [1] <u>https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/</u> [2] <u>https://kindredsquared.org.uk/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2025/01/School-Readiness-Survey-January-2025-Kindred-Squared.pdf</u> [3] <u>http://www.startingreception.co.uk/</u>

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Summer 2: Journeys

This week, we've also been learning about our local community. The children discovered that our school is called **Stottesdon C of E Primary**, and it is located in **Stottesdon**. We explored how we can find our school and its features on a map and learned that a map is a picture taken from a **bird's eye view**—a way of seeing places from above.

As we wrap up a fantastic year in Reception, we'd like to wish all our children and families a joyful and restful summer holiday.

Over the break, remember to keep practising:

- Your phonics sounds
- · Tricky words
- Letter formation
- And enjoy some regular reading together!



These little habits will help keep skills fresh and confidence high, ready for the new school year. Have a lovely summer!

Parenting Signposts

Understanding Your Child Groups - Autumn 2025

Understanding your child From toddler to teen

- · Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?

Join us for one of our free virtual or face-to-face groups, our next groups start:

Understanding Your Child Group 29th September 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually Via MS Teams Understanding Your Child Group 29th September 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm at Ludlow Primary School Understanding Your Child Group 1st October 2025 from 12.45pm to 2.45pm at Whitchurch CofE Infants Scho Understanding Your Child SEND Group 2nd October 2025 from 9.00am to 11.00am at Woodlands School Wem Understanding Your Child Group 2nd October 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am at Sunflower House Shrewsbury Understanding Your Child Group 2nd October 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm at Whittington Primary School Understanding Your Child SEND Group 3rd October 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually Via MS Teams Find a list of All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays. local groups here SEND groups are for parents/carers of Children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups. To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950 Find more free online courses at inourplace.co.uk/shropshire Shropshire Supporting Shropshire

Sleep Tight Work Shops - Autumn 2025



Parenting Help & Support Line

Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line



Shropshire Public Health Nursing Team



Shropshire Family Information Service



What is Shropshire Family Information Service:

The Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS) is a brilliant universal service. The FIS brings together loads of useful, local information for families, to help take the stress out of things like finding:

- Childcare or baby and toddler groups
- Holiday clubs, events and things to do as a family
- Parenting, relationships, and emotional health and wellbeing support
- Cost of Living info and advice

FIS use our social media channels to bring families news, events and handy information, which links through to our <u>Family Information Directory</u>. Families are welcome to contact us directly for help with anything to do with family life. We have created a brand new short video to explain who we are and what we do. You can view it here on YouTube <u>https://youtu.be/7t1jBqJJTl8?si=LeOiNag8_LeSPzX0</u>

What we would love you to do:

1. Follow us on social media. We use social media as a key tool for reaching parents and professionals, so give us a follow and we will follow you back.

Family Info Service Facebook

Family Info Service Instagram

Family Info Service Twitter

2. Subscribe to our newsletter https://orlo.uk/5RvZN

Solihull Approach - Understanding Your Child

Please watch the video in the link below - it explains brilliantly how good the parenting courses are:

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Bridgnorth Community Information Drop In Sessions



Highley Community Drop In Sessions



OneplusOne



Introducing the Separating better app, a **free** self-guided mobile app for separating parents, designed to facilitate a smoother separation journey and promote positive co-parenting. This app is filled with expert advice, video resources, practical parenting, and budgeting plans, as well as co-parenting tips. It offers an easy-to-follow journey where you can track your progress and unlock app sections as you go.

Find out more and download the mobile app, now: <u>https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-</u> <u>better?utm_source=referral&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=sbaffiliate</u>

For face to face support, go to <u>Getting on better | Shropshire Council</u> and select Free Courses and Workshops.



An online course for separating parents to heip manage conflict and minimise the onlideren

Getting it right for children

When separated parents argue, it's common for children to feel like they are caught in the middle. This free online course is designed to help separated parents communicate better with each other and parent cooperatively after parting. You will learn positive communication skills like staying calm, seeing things differently, and speaking for yourself so that you can sort out disagreements with your child's other parent and find solutions together. You can do the course on your own, at your own pace.

your free account at

www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents or scan the QR code To access the course, you will need a good internet connection and a smartphone, tablet, or computer.





Me, You and Baby too

Tiredness and stress are common when you're caring for a baby. If parenthood is leading to more arguments between you and your partner, this free online course could help. With tips and advice on how to talk about difficult topics, share stress, and prevent arguments, this short course will help you and your partner navigate challenging times together.



Create your free account at www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents or scan the QR code To access the course, you will need a good internet connection and a smartphone, tablet, or computer.

Health Visiting Information

Every family with children under 5 has access to a health visitor.

Families can access advice and support up until the age of 5 years old by calling **The Single Point of Access on 0333 358 3654.**

If parents don't want to talk to someone, they can send a text and one of the team will get back to them on **07520 635212**

This is a Monday to Friday service 09:30am until 4pm where a Health Visitor is on the line to offer the appropriate advice and support and referrals can be made to the appropriate practitioner.

If parents need extra support or support for potty training, behaviour, sleep, eating we have two Healthy Child practitioner who they can be referred to who will come out to their home or to a clinic to support the family with these issues.

This referral can be completed through the single point of access and sent to the appropriate team.

If it is specialised targeted work the family will be seen by a Health visitor for example low mood or complex development issues, safeguarding or specialised referrals.

All children are seen universally at one years and at two years and they are offered a full health growth and development review via a letter with an appointment.

These are now completed at Cleobury Mortimer Health Centre, Ludlow or Bridgnorth depending on where they live.



PACC (Parent Carer Council) have created an information sheet of charities and organisations that can provide help and support.

Please let us know if you would like a copy.

Otherwise please contact PACC for support and information on <u>info@paccshropshire.org.uk</u>

Celebrating Children's Achievements



The children representing all the hard work and positive attitudes in our school this week.



Numbots:

Rea: Eva George

Corve: Lucas Kench



Time Tables Rock Stars:

Corve: Oliver Datlen Gough

Severn: Noah Wilson



Spelling Bee:

Bronze:

Silver: Izzy, Esme, Lorelei & Tabitha

Gold:

Platinum: Harriet W & Hollie D



Sports Stars:

Well done to everyone for their progress in swimming during their lessons at Highley this term.

Teme: **Freddie**, **Oliver & Bella W** for their focus, listening skills, balance and co-ordination during our 'Cosmic Yoga' journey to space.

Rea: All of Rea Class for their progress in PE during this academic year.

Corve: **Monty** and **Esme** for terrific sprinting technique: eyes forward, arms pumping, total focus

Severn: All of Severn for their progress in PE during this academic year.



Pride and Presentation: Award for pupil focus on presentation of work across the curriculum.

Teme: Poppy

Corve: **Leon** beautiful, careful backstitching in Design & Technology. I was really impressed with how he controlled the size and straightness of the stitches.

Severn: Lottie Boo for her writing in English



Great Sentence using words of the week:

Teme: My dog is **heavier** than the TV remote control! **Poppy**

Severn: Ronaldo used his **dominant** foot to score the free kick. Archie



Class Achievers:

Teme:

Rea: All of Rea Class for being such wonderful ambassadors on our trip to the Severn Valley Railway.

Corve: Izzy for careful, accurate drafting in her innovated King Midas story / **Frankie** for making real strides with her writing

Severn: All of year 6 for designing and making their maths games.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Kitt** for being a good friend suggesting ideas in a group when working together, and listening to the ideas of others.

- Year 1: Chloe for comforting someone who was upset.
- Year 2: **Meghan** for being helpful to a friend on the train.

Year 4: **Lincoln** for voluntarily doing helpful jobs in the classroom even if it meant spending less time with his friends

- Year 4: Spencer for supporting and encouraging younger children at Sports Day
- Year 5: **Teddy** for supporting the younger on sports day.
- Year 6: Lorelei for encouraging other children in class.