



# The Stotty School News 5.12.2025



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## Diary dates for the week ahead



## Diary Dates 5.12.2025

Diary Dates for next week	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Momentum Gymnastics for Corve Class Momentum Gymnastics After School Club for R/1/2 Arithmetic After School Club for Yr 6
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	ELW Private Music Lessons Lunchtime Choir Lacon Sports Coach for Corve & Severn Hockey After School Club for Yrs 3/4/5/6
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	ELW Private Music Lessons Lunchtime Homework Club for Yrs 3/4/5/6 Lego After School Club - Open to all
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Cookery After School Club - Yrs 3/4/5/6
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Lacon Childe Small School Festival - Children involved will be notified FoSPS Movie Night
Upcoming Diary Dates	
Wed. 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Non-Uniform Day - Christmas themed Nursery Christmas 'Stay & Play' @ 1.30pm
Thurs. 18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1/Reception Christmas Celebration in Church @ 1.30pm
Fri. 19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Celebration in Church @ 1.30pm - Children in KS2 to wear Christmas jumpers / something festive.
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last Day of Term

## Social Media Pages For Our School

We are beginning to set up a couple of social media pages for parents/carers. These will be shared next week. We will be aiming to do a couple of posts a week (inline with information in the School News). Parental consent around images and videos is on Arbor and says:

You consent for image/video/name (but not in relation to a specific image) to be used on the school website/media - incl. social media/publications and applications such as Arbor, Tapestry and Class Dojo whilst being at school and possible after they leave (could be viewed by 3rd parties and potentially worldwide).

If you wish to change this consent please notify the school office as soon as possible (latest by 9am on Friday 12th December) and they will amend the record on Arbor.

## School Council Announcement: School Desktop Calendar For Sale - help us raise funds for environmental charities



**STOTTESDON CofE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
PART OF FOUR STONES GATEWAY



**ACHIEVING  
TOGETHER**

# 2026

Children were so inspired by the World Nature Photography Competition that the School Council ran their own competition. The winning photographs have been used to create this calendar to help us to raise funds to donate to a wildlife charity that helps look after our world.

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*The School Council are very excited to announce that the **new calendar for 2026 is now available to order on Arbor.***

*It contains all of the nature photography competition winners from last year - one for each month.*

*The desktop calendar is only £5 and a great gift for your family and friends.*

*Parents are able to order via Arbor and then collect at the school office.*

*Any money raised from the sale of the calendar will be split between 3 different world wide environmental charities:*

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- *WWF which protects animals and habitats*
  - *Coalition for Rainforest Nation who are protecting rainforests*
  - *The Clean Air Task Force who are working to keep air clean and reduce pollution*
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*We hope you will embrace and support our initiative.*

*Many thanks,*

*The School Council*

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## New Catering Arrangements



We are pleased to announce that from January 1st, 2026, our school will be partnering with Innovate, part of Impact Food Group (IFG), as our new catering provider. Innovate will be taking over the reins of our catering service, bringing fresh ideas and a strong commitment to quality, nutrition, and sustainability.

Innovate has extensive experience in school catering and is dedicated to:

- Providing healthy, balanced meals that support children's wellbeing and learning
- Using responsibly sourced ingredients and eco-friendly practices to reduce environmental impact
- Offering variety and choice, ensuring that all students can enjoy meals that suit their tastes and dietary needs
- Working closely with our school community to tailor menus and gather feedback

We are confident that Innovate will continue to deliver the high standards of care and service our families expect, while introducing new innovations to enhance the dining experience.

There will be no change to the current price of a school meal which is £3 for school children and £2.80 for Nursery children.

Please find more information regarding Innovate and the new process attached.

## Cadbury World

On Thursday 4th December children in Severn Class enjoyed a visit to Cadbury World.

They had a educational tour followed by a talk on the Maya theory of creation and then they had the opportunity to dress up in traditional Maya Clothes.





## Enginuity

On Friday 28th November children in Corve Class enjoyed a trip to Enginuity.

They took part in a 'Jitterbug' workshop (please see some of their wonderful creations below) and explored the museum.









## Parking



We would appreciate your cooperation in ensuring safe and considerate parking around the school.

Please:

- **Keep access to nearby properties clear** at all times.
- **Avoid parking on pavements**, as this can obstruct pedestrians/those on mobility scooters and create hazards.
- **Do not park close to junctions**, which can reduce visibility and increase risk for drivers and pedestrians.

Your support helps us maintain a safe environment for everyone.

## Shropshire Winter HAF Programme 2025



Shropshire Council are working in partnership with local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to run exciting holiday clubs this winter.

From 20 December 2025 to 5 January 2026, HAF eligible children and young people are invited to take part in a range of fun free activities, happening at holiday clubs from across the county.

**Core Eligibility:** Children and young people aged 4 (in reception class) to 16 who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

Many of the HAF programmes also include paid places for children and young people who don't meet the eligibility criteria. These spaces are generally very heavily subsidised and have been highlighted in the What's On Guide.

All the bookings are being made direct with the organisations running the clubs.

A list of clubs and timetable is available in the **Winter what's on guide and online** [here](#) [Activities and events | Shropshire Council](#)

Each eligible child and young person is able to attend 4 x sessions over the winter holidays.

## Catch 22 County Lines Support & Rescue



Please see leaflet attached regarding County Lines awareness webinar for parents / carers.

The session is aimed at parents / carers to gain a understanding on the important issues surrounding county lines, as well as the impact that it can have on young people and their families, and the support that is available to young people who are impacted / suffering from County Lines and Criminal Exploitation.

Sessions available are:

Wednesday 10th December 2025 (10am to 11.30am)

Thursday 11th December 2025 (5.30pm to 7pm)

## FoSPS

Please see information below regarding forthcoming events:

Friday 12th December - Movie Night

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Non-uniform Day



A festive poster for a Christmas Movie Night. At the top, there's a string of lights and a circular logo for 'F&SPS FRIENDS OF STOTTLEDON PRIMARY SCHOOL'. Below the logo is a ticket stub with 'TICKET' and 'F&SPS' written on it. The main title 'Christmas MOVIE NIGHT' is in a large, stylized font. Below the title, it says 'THAT CHRISTMAS' and lists the ticket price and what it includes: '£5 per ticket includes... Popcorn OR Crisps. Bring your own water bottle for unlimited squash or for an extra £1, choose to have a smoothie at the movies. Please order when buying tickets.' There are two icons: a location pin for 'Friday 12 Dec School Hall 3:15 - 5:15pm' and a ticket icon for 'Buy tickets from the school office Reception upwards'. At the bottom, there are illustrations of Santa Claus and an elf, with the text 'See you there!!'.

**F&SPS Christmas MOVIE NIGHT**

**THAT CHRISTMAS**

£5 per ticket includes... Popcorn OR Crisps.  
Bring your own water bottle for unlimited squash  
or  
for an extra £1, choose to have a smoothie at the movies. Please order when buying tickets.

Friday 12 Dec  
School Hall  
3:15 - 5:15pm

Buy tickets from the school office  
Reception upwards

See you there!!



A festive poster for a Christmas Non-Uniform Day. The background is dark blue with various Christmas-themed illustrations: a penguin, a snowman, a reindeer, and various Christmas trees. The main title 'Christmas non uniform day' is in a large, stylized font. Below the title, it says 'JUMPERS, DRESSES, SOCKS OR TIGHTS' and 'ALL WE ASK IS A DONATION OF £1 TO HELP WITH OUR CHRISTMAS HAMPERS'. It also says 'PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS AT THE SCHOOL RECEPTION'. The date 'Wednesday 17th December' is in a large, stylized font. At the bottom, it says 'Thank you for all your support!!!'.

**Christmas non uniform day**

JUMPERS, DRESSES, SOCKS OR TIGHTS

ALL WE ASK IS A DONATION OF £1  
TO HELP WITH OUR CHRISTMAS HAMPERS  
PLEASE LEAVE DONATIONS AT  
THE SCHOOL RECEPTION

**Wednesday 17th  
December**

Thank you for all your support!!!

## Our Worship / Reflections this week:

Monday: We were really pleased to have a visit from Fiona Gibson - Archdeacon of Ludlow - who helped us reflect on the period of advent (a time of waiting and preparation for the birth of Jesus at Christmas). Children reflected on their feelings as we enter December and prepare for Christmas celebrations.

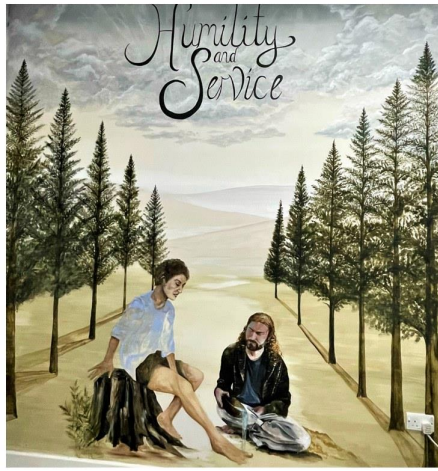
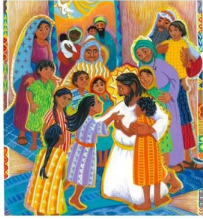


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*Tuesday: We continued our theme of humility and service by focusing in on the word humble and what it means to be humble (not thinking your better of more important than others; sharing/helping; saying sorry; working with others without controlling them; being kind, listening and putting others first. We looked at how Jesus showed us humility and the parable of the pharisee and the tax collector. Children thought how they might show humility.*

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Wednesday: Open the book brought us the story of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem. Children reflected on how worried they must have been to not know where they would stay and have the baby. Children reflected on how we cope with worries by sharing them and trusting people will help us (including God).





Thursday: We learnt that the Princess of Wales will shortly be hosting her annual carol service, which brings people together to celebrate kindness, connection and community. The event aims to show how love can link people of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs, especially at times when the world can feel divided. It encourages everyone to think about the power of togetherness and the importance of supporting one another with compassion and joy.

We reflected that togetherness doesn't mean we all have to be the same. It means noticing others, caring, listening and showing kindness. When we do that, we can create a sense of belonging, both for ourselves and for the people around us.



## Four Stones Gateway Trust Photography Competition



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*This year marks an exciting new chapter as The Four Stones Multi-Academy Trust and The Shropshire Gateway Trust come together to form Fours Stones Gateway Trust, bringing together seven schools across Worcestershire and Shropshire.*

*To celebrate this union, we're inviting students, and staff to take part in a Photography Competition that captures the spirit of our new Trust.*

*The theme is 'Togetherness' we'd love to see photos that show what togetherness means to your child, from friendships, celebrations, to the beautiful landscapes that connect Worcestershire and Shropshire. Do encourage them to take part and represent their Year group, school and community.*

*Winning entries will be showcased on our new Trust social media pages and featured in our launch celebrations. Please follow us @fourstonesgateway on Instagram and X.*

*Let's celebrate our new beginnings, and the power of togetherness.*

*Students and parents can get further information from the slides sent with the school news.*

*Please send competition entries to [admin@stottesdon-school.co.uk](mailto:admin@stottesdon-school.co.uk) (by 30th January 2026)*

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## **Community Governor Vacancy**



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*Would you like to join the local governing body at Stottesdon CofE Primary School as a community governor?*

*We currently have a vacancy, please see the attached leaflet for further information.*

Please contact Hannah Coleman, Governance Professional, at [hannah.coleman@laconchilleschool.co.uk](mailto:hannah.coleman@laconchilleschool.co.uk) for an application form or if you have any queries.

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## Applying for Primary School place for September 2026



Children can start school in reception at the beginning of the academic year following their fourth birthday. Therefore, children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 can start primary school from September 2026.

Shropshire residents should make their applications for English state schools using the Shropshire online portal. Local authorities co-ordinate applications. Use our [guidance notes](#) to help you make your application. If you have any queries or encounter any difficulties completing your application, please contact the School Admissions Team by email: [school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk)

**Please note that the online facility is open from 3 November 2025. You must apply by 15 January 2026.** If there's a reason why your application is late, eg due to a house move, please email [school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk) to advise - there may be exceptional reasons to be considered.

Please see further information in the link below:

[Starting infant or primary school | Shropshire Council](#)

## Chorley Chapel Warm Hub



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*Chorley Chapel will be holding a 'warm hub' on the following date:*

*Saturday 13th December*

*The Chapel will be open from 11 till 1pm, serving bacon/sausage sandwiches, toasted teacakes etc.*

*If there are any children who would like to be helpers (writing menus, taking orders, serving tables, clearing up) on any or all of the above dates please email the office to let us know.*

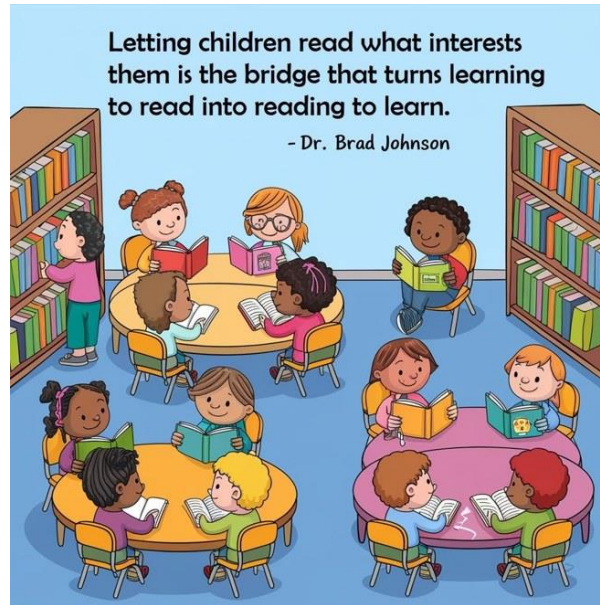
*Children would need to arrive at 10.45pm and stay until approx. 1pm. Mrs Jones will be there to supervise and support.*

*This is a fantastic way to feel part of the community and get involved in multi-generational events.*

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## **Celebrating Reading**





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### *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: 100%*

*Rea: 90%*

*Corve: Yr3=93% / Yr4=100%*





*Severn: 100%*

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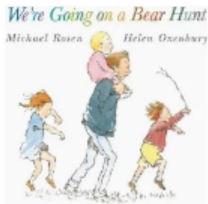



## EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Nursery News 5.12.2025

Autumn 2 Term: Weather and Celebrations			
This week, the children enjoyed joining Reception in the afternoons for shared learning experiences. Together, we've explored the theme of <b>Advent</b> and discovered the story of the <b>Nativity</b> , sparking lots of curiosity and conversation. Adding to the festive fun, our ' <b>Stotty Elf</b> ' has been leaving a special Christmas book for us to unwrap each day, helping us countdown to Christmas!			
<b>Little Wandle</b> Text: Monster's Clothes	<b>Makaton Sign of the Week:</b>	<b>Phonics Sound of the Week:</b>	
		 Pull your lips back and make the i sound at the back of your mouth i i i	
<b>Concept of the Week:</b>  <b>FULL</b>		<b>Nursery Rhyme of the Week:</b>   Ring-a-ring-a-roses <a href="https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/">https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/</a> <sup>[1]</sup>	

## Reception News 5.12.2025

<p><b>Talk for Writing Text:</b></p>  <p>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</p>	<p><b>Mastering Number:</b> This week, the children have continued linking quantities up to five with their corresponding numeral and investigated what happens when objects are rearranged, learning that the quantity stays the same. We have also we been learning the number formation rhymes. These are uploaded to ClassDojo.</p>
<p>This week's phonics: Review week and words ending with s</p>  <p>Reading and blending the following words:</p>	

## Best Start in Life



The Best Start in Life campaign, aims to increase awareness of the importance of early years in a child's development and the role of early years education.

Please visit their website (formerly Childcare Choices): <https://www.beststartinlife.gov.uk/>

The website contains a wealth of information from pregnancy through to starting school.

## Corve / Severn Cross Country Event

Today children from Corve and Severn Class attended Lacon Childe School for the cross country festival.





## Parenting Signposts

### You and Me, Mum Group

An 8 week course to help understand how domestic violence impacts on you and your children.

Every Wednesday from 14th January - 11th March

**You and Me, Mum Group**

**This 8-week course** will help you understand how domestic violence impacts on you as a parent and how it affects your children. The course objectives are to empower, support and develop further understanding of your role as a mother in addressing the needs of your children and young people

To book and secure your place on this course please call  
**01743 250400**

Every Wednesday from  
**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026 – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026**  
**09:30-11:30am**  
**Venue: Shrewsbury SY1**


Facilitated by  
Early Help and Support Team with Shropshire Domestic Abuse Service



### SEND Meet and Chat Drop-in Sessions:


Thursday 13th November - The Lantern, Shrewsbury

Thursday 4th December - Oswestry Library



# AUTUMN TERM SEND MEET & CHAT FAMILY DROP-IN

Hosted by Shropshire Early Help



Do you care for a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?


These sessions are open to anyone supporting a child with SEND – whether you're a parent carer, family member, or professional.

Come along to ask questions, get practical advice, and connect with professionals who understand your journey

Speak with experts in:

- EHCPs
- School support
- Health and wellbeing
- Social care
- Mental health
- Navigating SEND challenges

Each session will have different professionals available, so come along, have a chat, and find the help you need.






**HAVE YOUR SAY!**  
Scan the QR code to suggest topics and activities for future drop-in sessions.

**RAVEN HOUSE**  
 Tuesday 23rd September 2025  
 2:00pm-4:00pm  
 Raven House,  
 125 Cheahere Street,  
 Market Drayton, TF9 3AH

**BRIDGNORTH LIBRARY**  
 Tuesday 14th October 2025  
 1:00pm-3:00pm  
 Bridgnorth Library,  
 Litley Street, Town Centre,  
 Bridgnorth, WV16 4AW

**THE LANTERN**  
 Thursday 13th November 2025  
 10:00am-12:00pm  
 The Lantern,  
 Meadow Farm drive,  
 Shrewsbury, SY1 4NG

**OSWESTRY LIBRARY**  
 Thursday 4th December 2025  
 1:00pm-3:00pm  
 Oswestry Library,  
 Arthur Street,  
 Oswestry, SY11 1JN

Understanding Your Child Group - January 2026 - Clee Hill Community Academy

Face to face group - Understand your child SEND commencing on Thursday 15th January 2026 @ Clee Hill Community Academy from 9am to 11am - every Thursday for 10 weeks (excluding the school holidays).



## 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 our free face-to-face group

**Understanding Your Child SEND**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**9.00am to 11.00am**

**Clee Hill Community Academy**

**Tenbury Road, Ludlow SY8 3NE**

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

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



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 29<sup>th</sup> September 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually Via MS Teams  
 Understanding Your Child Group 29<sup>th</sup> September 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm at Ludlow Primary School  
 Understanding Your Child Group 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025 from 12.45pm to 2.45pm at Whitchurch CoE Infants School  
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025 from 9.00am to 11.00am at Woodlands School Wem  
 Understanding Your Child Group 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am at Sunflower House Shrewsbury  
 Understanding Your Child Group 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm at Whittington Primary School  
 Understanding Your Child SEND Group 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually Via MS Teams

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

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.

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Sleep Tight Work Shops - Autumn 2025

## Does your child struggle with their sleep?

### Free Sleep Tight Groups

Join us on one of our virtual or face-to-face groups and

- Find out why sleep is important for our health and emotional wellbeing
- Get support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines
- Meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences

**SEND Group Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually Via MS Teams**  
or

**Group Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams**

*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](mailto:Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk) or call 01743 250950

Find out  
more here



Parenting Help & Support Line

## Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line

**01743 250950**

Mon - Thurs, 9.30am - 4.30pm

Fri, 9.30am - 3.30pm

*No judgment, just support.*



Shropshire Public Health Nursing Team



## Shropshire Family Information Service



Hello from the **Family Information Service** (FIS for short).  
Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother. We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, clubs, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays, for all ages
- Getting parenting and family support
- Finding health and wellbeing support

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

**Follow us on social media for all the latest news and info.**

 @ShropshireFamilyInfo  
 @ShropshireFamilyInfo  
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[www.shropshire.gov.uk/fis](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/fis)

## 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 [Family Information Directory](#). 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 [https://youtu.be/7t1jBqJJl8?si=LeOiNag8\\_LeSPzX0](https://youtu.be/7t1jBqJJl8?si=LeOiNag8_LeSPzX0)

**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>

BeeU Emotional Health and Wellbeing



Are you a parent/carer to a child under the age of five?

Are you concerned about meeting their emotional needs or some challenging behaviours that you are seeing?

Would you like to have a better relationship with your baby or child?

Do you worry about your bond or attachment with your baby or child?

Do you worry that you are not able to meet the needs of your baby or child?

Here at BEEU we can help you explore the answers to some of these questions and many more issues that you may be affected by

Our practitioners can offer a listening ear and help you make sense of some of the thoughts and feelings you have around your relationship with your baby/child.

We may also be able to offer a therapeutic intervention if you wish and is appropriate

We have two practitioners who are trained in Video Interaction Guidance (VIG) therapy which is an evidence-based approach to supporting better relationships with parents and their baby/infants in the early years. You can find out more about VIG at [What is VIG? | AVIGuk](#)

If you would like to find out more about our service and if it is right for you or would like to speak to one of our practitioners please contact BeeU via email:

*beeuearlyyears@mpft.nhs.uk*

We welcome contact from parents/carers directly.

Togetherness for better emotional health (previously known as the Solihull Approach):

Togetherness is an online learning environment developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing accessible learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships.

To find out more about the free online courses please visit:

<https://inourplace.co.uk/shropshire/>

For more information on the change from 'Solihull Approach' to 'Togetherness' please visit:

<https://inourplace.co.uk/becoming-togetherness/>



### How to sign up:

Residents can access these courses for free by entering the Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin

Access Code:

**DARWIN18**

at [inourplace.co.uk](https://inourplace.co.uk).

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**Bridgnorth Community Information Drop In Sessions**



# Family Drop-In

Here to help

Free information, advice and support

You can chat, have a drink and see how we can all help you with:

- Family Life
- Children's health and wellbeing
- Drug and alcohol support
- Housing Support
- Domestic abuse support
- Financial advice
- Home fire safety
- Healthy living advice
- Help with getting back to work

**Bridgnorth Youth Centre**  
45 Innage Lane, Bridgnorth WV16 4HS

**Every Tuesday from 1.30pm—4pm**



Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities)

We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.



[www.shropshire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk)



## COFFEE & CHAT

Stay & Play

**Every Tuesday**

**1pm until 3pm**

**Bridgnorth Library, 67 Listley Street,  
Bridgnorth, WV16 4AW**

All families within the local area welcome

Free information, support  
& advice around:

- Family Life
- Housing & Finance
- Special Education Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND)
- Parenting Support
- Training & Employment
- Domestic Abuse Support
- And much more...



[shropshire.gov.uk/early-help](http://shropshire.gov.uk/early-help)

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED  
"PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN SEALED  
CUP/TRAVEL MUG"





## Highley Community Drop In Sessions

# Community Drop-ins

## How can we help you?

Come along to:  
Highley Library, Halo Severn Centre, Bridgnorth Road,  
Highley, WV16 6JG

The fourth Friday  
of each month  
9.30am-12.30pm



Free information, advice  
and support around;

- Housing support
- Getting older
- Family Life
- Domestic Abuse
- Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities (SEND) support
- Parenting support
- Finance support
- Healthy living, and much more!

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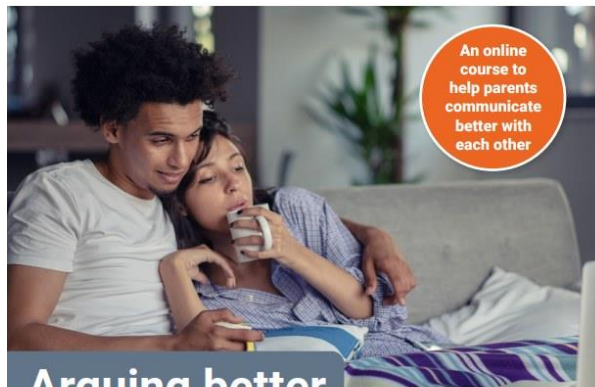


Introducing the Separating better app, a **free** self-guided mobile app for separating parents, designed to facilitate a smoother separation journey and promote positive co-parenting. This app is filled with expert advice, video resources, practical parenting, and budgeting plans, as well as co-parenting 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:

[https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-better?utm\\_source=referral&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=sbaffiliate](https://www.oneplusone.org.uk/separating-better?utm_source=referral&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=sbaffiliate)

For face to face support, go to [Getting on better | Shropshire Council](#) and select Free Courses and Workshops.



An online course to help parents communicate better with each other

## Arguing better

Disagreements are a normal part of life, and most couples argue from time to time. How you deal with disagreements can make a big difference to you, your partner, and your children.

This free online course can help you learn to manage difficult conversations, avoid conflict, and improve things for your whole family.



Create your free account at [www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents](http://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.



An online course for separating parents to help manage conflict and minimise the impact on children

## 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 co-operatively 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.



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An online course for new and expectant parents

## 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.



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***Pharmacy First can help families – a new service available in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin***

Pharmacy First can help families with minor illnesses and seven common conditions. If appropriate, treatment can be offered without a prescription for seven common conditions, and it can be quicker to see a pharmacist than a GP. Normal prescription charges and exemptions (those who do not have to pay, including children) will apply.

A pharmacy is a great place to get healthcare advice and treatment. Pharmacies are easy to reach, usually located within local communities, and often open evenings and weekends. This service may help children and colleagues get well and back to nursery/school/work quicker.

**Integrated Care System**  
Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin

**NHS**  
Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin

Kiley, Alex, Chelsie, Jayne, Jasdeep, Karen

**Worried about your child's health?**  
**Think 'Pharmacy First'**

You can now get treatment for a variety of common conditions and minor illnesses from your local community pharmacy.

Your pharmacy can help with:

- Earache (ages 1-17)
- Infected insect bites (from age 1)
- Impetigo (from age 1)
- Sore throat (from age 5)
- Hay fever (all ages)
- Conjunctivitis (all ages)

If you don't know whether a pharmacist can help with what you need, give them a call first or just pop in.

If you get a prescription through your pharmacy, you'll never pay more than if you had seen your GP.

## 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.

**PARENT CARER COUNCIL  
PACC  
Shropshire**

**Accessing Support**

Knowing how to access support and who to speak to can be overwhelming and difficult at times. We have created this information sheet of charities and organisations that can provide help and support. You can also contact PACC for support and information on [info@paccshropshire.org.uk](mailto:info@paccshropshire.org.uk)

**Shropshire IASS**  
Information Advice & Support Service  
We provide information, advice and support to parents and carers of children aged 0 to 25, and young people aged 16 to 25 who have, or may have, special educational needs or disabilities (SEND).

**autism west midlands**  
We are the leading charity in the West Midlands for Autistic adults, children, young people and those who love and care for them. Our passionate, expert staff and volunteers work across a range of age groups and abilities.

**contact**  
for families with disabled children  
We're here for families wherever they live in the UK, and whenever they need us.

**SHROPSHIRE LOCAL OFFER**  
The SEND local offer is a single place for information, services, and resources for children and young people aged 0-25 with special educational needs and/or disabilities, their families, and the practitioners who support them.

**PACC PREPARATION FOR ADULTHOOD**  
The PACC Preparation for Adulthood (PFA) Navigator service is available to help SEND families understand the options available for young people with SEND on their preparation for adulthood journey.

**IPSEA**  
Independent Provider of Special Education Advice  
IPSEA is a registered charity in England that provides free legal advice and support to families of children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

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 [info@paccshropshire.org.uk](mailto:info@paccshropshire.org.uk)

## Celebrating Children's Achievements



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

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### **Numbots**

Rea: **Arthur Ralph**

Corve: **Leo Price**



### **Times Tables Rock Stars**

Corve: **Eva George**

Severn: **Noah Wilson**



### **Spelling Bee**

Bronze:



### Sports Stars:

Teme: **Memphis** for his brilliant hedgehog moves during our PE session.

Rea: **Bella E** for improved football control and passing.

Corve: **Hugo** for fantastic commitment in producing a back flip in Gymnastics / **All of Corve Class** for fantastic sportsmanship when playing mini football matches.

Severn: **Izzy** for fabulous 'jazz hands' / **Florence** for super 'mashed potato' / **Felicity** for brilliant 'hand jive' / **Lucas** for great twist.



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

Rea: **Chloe** for her presentation of 'Do Now's' in maths.

Corve: **Reggie** for keeping his new handwriting book so neat and tidy with his lovely neat handwriting.

Severn: **Cash** for his work in maths.



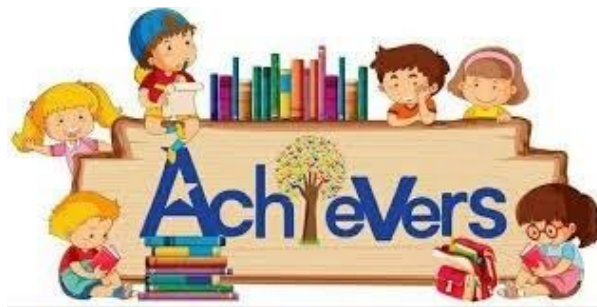
**Great Sentence using words of the week:**

Teme: Holly has long hair, I have short hair - Holly is **different** to me. **Memphis**

Rea: 2 needs 8 to make 10, so 8 needs 2 to make 10 - its **commutative**. **Kitt**

Corve: The **incredible** bird shot across the sky. **Isla**

Severn: The **wonderous** chunk of gold, glinted in the pink dawn of morning in the cold winter months. **Jenson**



**Class Achievers:**

Rea: **Bella W** for her vocabulary work / **Kai** for his focus in maths.

Corve: **Eva & Phoebe R** for good resilience when designing our DT Christmas card and producing a fantastic design.

Severn: **All of Severn** for their behaviour and politeness whilst at Cadbury's world / **Spencer, Jenson, Charlie, Oliver, Esme** and **Noah** for their in-depth discussions in RE.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Monty** for helping his friend when he was sad.

Year 1: **Bella E** for hearing her teacher ask someone to tidy up and going to help them.

Year 1: **Wilf** for helping a friend with a quiet visual reminder of what to do.

Year 3: **Leo P** for always being helpful to others on his table.

Year 4: **Joey** for holding the door open and allowing others to go through the door before him.

Year 5: **Isabelle B** for making sure someone has fed Shadow.

Year 6: **Jenson** for helping Mrs Meredith search for food for Shadow.