



The Stotty School News 12.12.2025



Stottesdon CofE Primary School

Part of The Four Stones Gateway Trust

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Diary dates for the week ahead



Diary Dates for next week	
Monday 15 th December	Momentum Gymnastics for Corve Class Arithmetic After School Club for Yr 6
Tuesday 16 th December	ELW Private Music Lessons to replace lessons missed on 2 nd December
Wednesday 17 th December	Non-Uniform Day - Christmas themed Nursery Christmas 'Stay & Play' @ 1.30pm
Thursday 18 th December	Lacon Sports Coach for KS2 KS1/Reception Christmas Celebration in Church @ 1.30pm
Friday 19 th December	KS2 Christmas Celebration in Church @ 1.30pm - Children in KS2 to wear Christmas jumpers / something festive LAST DAY OF TERM - MERRY CHRISTMAS
Upcoming Diary Dates	
	
Monday 5 th January	PD Day
Tuesday 6 th January	1 st Day of Spring Term 2026
W/C 9 th February	Parents Evenings

PARKING FOR SERVICES & FLEXIBLE DISMISSAL



As we head to our celebrations in church please ensuring safe and considerate parking around the school.

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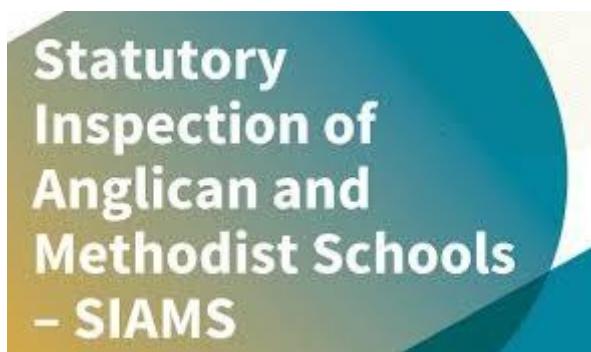
- **Keep access to nearby properties clear** at all times.
- **Avoid parking on pavements**, as this can obstruct pedestrians/those on mobility scooters and create hazards.

- **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.

As in previous years we will offer a flexible collection after celebrations. Children will return to the school after the celebration and parents can collect flexibly until the end of the school day.

Outcome of our SIAMS Inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools)



We are really pleased to share the report from our recent inspection. Thank you to all who supported the process and spent time talking to the inspector. It was a really thorough day that included lesson observations, joining assemblies/worship, talking to children (most of them!) and talking to leaders. The findings were in line with our own evaluation and we are really pleased to report the following strengths.

- Rooted in its vision to 'care and make learning fun' pupils access a broad and inclusive curriculum. This broadens pupils' horizons through enriching experiences that spark curiosity and develop confidence.
- Motivated by the schools' Christian values, pupils take responsibility for each other. Supported by adults, they make ethical choices and actively contribute to their local community.
- Strong bonds of friendship, care and wellbeing promote flourishing. Leaders maintain a culture that is enhanced by collaborative partnerships and support where required.
- Christian values are explored creatively in collective worship and expressed well in discussions in class. Worship helps adults and pupils consider how they can look outwards to support others.

- The Christian vision inspires a well-planned religious education (RE) curriculum with engaging, enquiry-led activities underpinned by strong subject knowledge. As a result, pupils enjoy RE and demonstrate high levels of respect when sharing their learning.

We will continue to work on the agreed development points of furthering spiritual development opportunities and children increasingly responding to issues of injustice (being 'agents of change').

Christmas Dinner



*The school **Christmas Dinner** will be on Wednesday 17th December.*

This is also the FoSPS Christmas non uniform day, so it will be a wonderful opportunity for everyone to celebrate the festive season together and share in the holiday cheer.

Please place your order via Arbor by first thing Monday as we need to let the kitchens know how many they need to cater for.

Please note there is not a Christmas Dinner option on Arbor for next Wednesday.

If you order the pork, your child will receive the Christmas dinner.

If your child/ren would like the vegetarian option, please order the quorn fillet.

Do not order jacket potatoes or the salad option as these will not be available.

Please see information below regarding forthcoming event and the Christmas raffle:

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas Non-uniform Day

Christmas Raffle details:

Childrens raffle - Tickets available from the school office - 50p each or 3 for a £1 - each class has the chance to win 3 Smyths Toys Vouchers worth £5, £10 or £15.

Adults raffle - Tickets available from the school office - £1 each - four buckets of booze up for grabs!





Christmas Post Box



The post box for children to send Christmas cards to each other within the school is open for the last week of term. Children are welcome to 'post' any cards they may have for their friends / teachers in school.

Social Media Pages For Our School

We now have a couple of social media pages for our school using Twitter/X and Instagram. If you'd like to follow please use details below. Each week we will just share a couple of things that have been in the school news.

Twitter/X: @StottesdonCofE

Instagram: stottesdoncofe

The Trust pages are as follows if you would also like to follow those:

Instagram: 4stonesgateway

Twitter/X: @4StonesGateway

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.

Have you bought your school calendar yet?

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:

- *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*

We hope you will embrace and support our initiative.

Many thanks,

The School Council

New Catering Arrangements

The logo consists of the word "Innovate" written in a large, red, cursive, and slightly italicized font.

As detailed in the school news last week, we are delighted to announce the introduction of a **new catering company** at our school, bringing fresh, healthy, and varied menus for your children to enjoy.

We hope this change will make meal management easier for you and us. You will today have received information and a registration link for the Impact Food App. This app will allow you to:

- View weekly menus
- Pre-order meals
- Manage dietary preferences and allergies
- Make secure online payments

Action Required: It is vitally important that you follow the registration instructions as soon as possible.

We hope you will see this as a **positive change** (the feedback on the new menus has been very favourable) and embrace the new system.

Important points to note with the new system:

- The cut off point for ordering is the **Sunday evening** for the following week (if you have not placed an order, your child will not be able to have a meal all week - to provide the service the caterers need advance orders)
- **The school office are unable to add meals manually to the system**
- If you order a meal by mistake parents need to email the primary support team (their email is on the initial invite - primary@impactfood.co.uk)
- If your child is not able to attend school due to illness please inform the primary support team asking for the meal to be cancelled (email: primary@impactfood.co.uk)

You will note from the above that the emphasis is very much on parents to ensure meals are ordered or cancelled.

I am sure, as with anything new, there will be a few teething problems but we hope that, in the long term, you will agree the change is for the better for everyone.

Mental Health Text Service Launch



From 1 December, a new, free 24/7 mental health text support service is available for people of all ages living in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin (STW), delivered by qualified mental health professionals. The service is delivered by SHOUT on behalf of Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (MPFT) who are commissioned by NHS Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. Why is it important? The service expands access to immediate mental health support, complementing existing services such as NHS 111 option 2, and supports the national transformation of NHS mental health care by improving responsiveness, inclusivity and accessibility.

How to access?

Text '**STW**' to **85258**, free of charge and at any time, to start a conversation with a trained mental health professional.

Benefits to Patients

- **Easy access.** No need to speak on the phone or wait for an appointment. Text at any time from anywhere.
- **24/7 support.** Available day and night, including weekends and holidays.
- **Mental health-focused.** Tailored to people experiencing mental health difficulties, delivered with compassion and understanding.
- **Discreet and private.** Ideal for those who prefer not to talk on the phone or need support in a public place.
- **Inclusive and equitable.** Helps reduce inequalities by offering support to anyone across STW.
- **Integrated with local services.** If needed, text responders can help you signpost to local services like NHS 111, crisis teams, or other community-based mental health support.

If someone feels unsafe or at immediate risk, they should call 999, as the text service is not intended for urgent emergencies. Individuals already receiving mental health support should contact their named worker first, in accordance with their care plan.

Further information can be found by following this link:

<https://www.shropshiretelfordandwrekin.nhs.uk/news/mental-health-text-service-launch/>

Children in Need



In recognition of 'anti bullying week', we had a 'odd socks day' on Friday 14th November. Children were invited to wear odd / unique socks (or tights) to encourage them to express themselves and to celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique. Donations were taken on the door for Children in Need, you helped to raise a grand total of £90 -

thank you!

Bags 2 School



On Tuesday 2nd December we had a Bags 2 School collection. From the items you left under the shelter, you helped to raise £66 for FoSPS.

Thank you!

Corve / Severn Cross Country Event

Children from Corve and Severn Class attended Lacon Childe School for the cross country festival. All children showed great effort, determination and sportsmanship. Particular achievements included Ellie & Maxwell who both won their races.





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.







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.

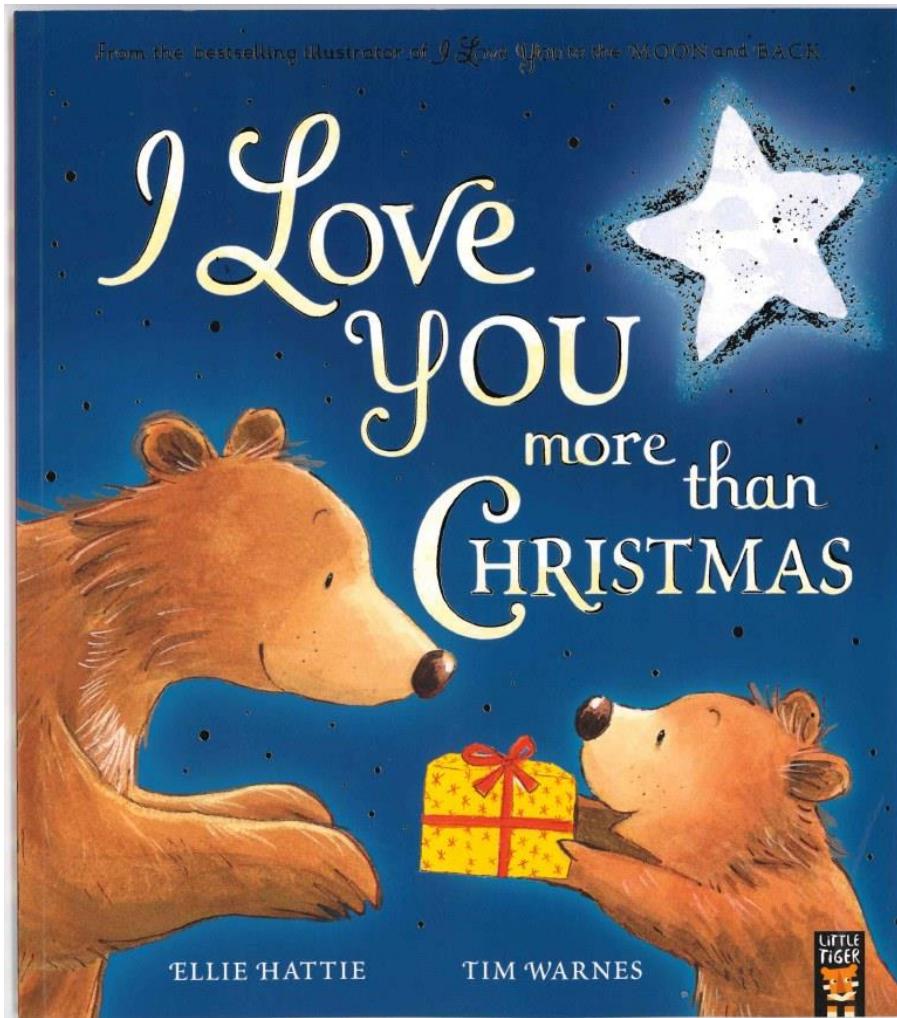
All the bookings are being made direct with the organisations running the clubs.

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.

Our Worship / Reflections this week:

Monday: We reflected on what is important to us about Christmas through reading the story 'I love you more than Christmas'. Children reflected on what they enjoy doing at this time of year and importantly value who they do that with.



Tuesday: We continued our theme of humility and service and our focus on the word humble. We considered the Greek myth of Icarus and having the humility to listen to advice.



Wednesday: Open the book brought us the story of the birth of Jesus and the visitors of the angels and shepherds. Children reflected on the humility of Jesus being born in a stable with common parents and people finding out first.



Thursday: We looked at the Jewish festival called Hanukkah. Jews celebrating Hanukkah light a candleholder called a menorah for eight nights. The menorah holds nine candles—one for each night plus a candle called the *shamash* used to light the other candles. On the first night, one candle is added to the menorah and lit. On the second night, another candle is added and lit. The adding and lighting of candles continues for eight nights. During these

moments, people recite special blessings and prayers, sing songs, and exchange gifts to celebrate the miracle in the temple more than 2,000 years ago.



Four Stones Gateway Trust Photography Competition



This year marks an exciting new chapter as The Four Stones Multi-Academy Trust and The Shropshire Gateway Trust come together to form Four 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.

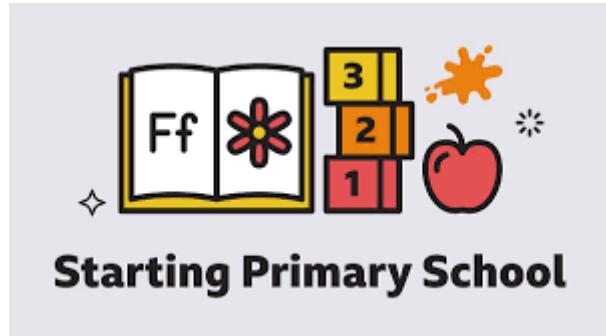
Winning entries will be showcased on our new Trust social media pages and featured in our launch celebrations. Please follow us @fourstonesgateway on Instagram and X.

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 (by 30th January 2026)

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

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 to advise - there may be exceptional reasons to be considered.

Please see further information in the link below:

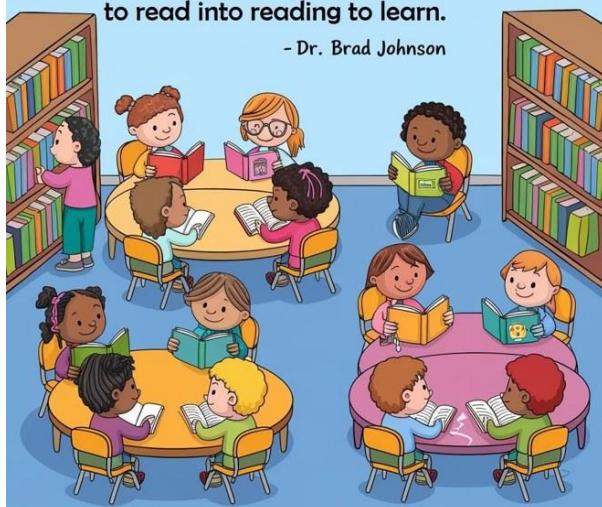
[Starting infant or primary school | Shropshire Council](#)

Celebrating Reading



Letting children read what interests them is the bridge that turns learning to read into reading to learn.

- Dr. Brad Johnson



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: 78%

Rea: 90%

Corve: Yr 3= 87% - Yr4=100%

Severn: 94%

EYFS (Nursery and Reception) News

Nursery News 12.12.2025

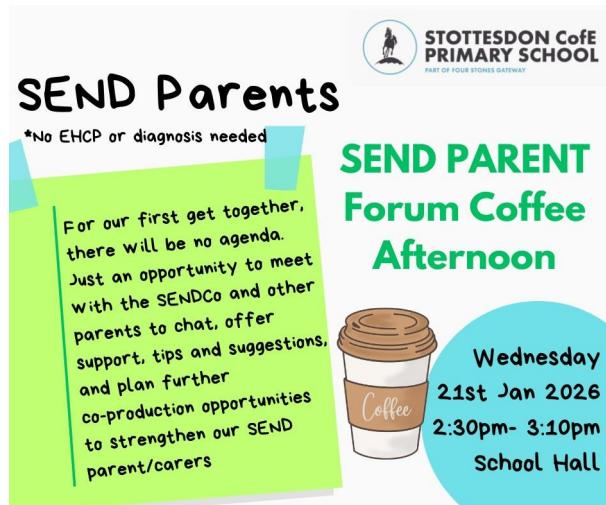
Autumn 2 Term: Weather and Celebrations			
This week, the children enjoyed joining Reception in the afternoons for shared learning experiences. Together, we learned all about Winter and the changes that happen during this season. The children noticed that the trees are bare, the weather is much colder, and there are fewer animals around because some are having a long winter sleep called hibernation. We went outside to use fieldwork skills and observed the physical changes in the trees, talking about how they look different from Autumn.			
Talk for Writing Text 	Makaton Sign of the Week: EAT  Tap twice	Phonics Sound of the Week:  Open your lips a bit, put your tongue behind your teeth and make the nnnnn sound	
Concept of the Week: TOP		Nursery Rhyme of the Week:  Ring-a-ring-a-roses https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/ ^[1]	

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<p>Talk for Writing Text:</p> <p><i>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</i> Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury</p>  <p><i>We're Going on a Bear Hunt</i></p>	<p>Mastering Number: This week, the children have been continuing to learn and practise number formation using our fun rhymes to help them remember. They have also been exploring everyday time language as part of our Shape, Space and Measure learning. Using words like 'first', 'next', and 'last', the children have been ordering and sequencing events, helping them develop a strong understanding of time and order.</p>
<p>This week's phonics: Assessment week and reviewing:</p>  <p>Tricky words Recap:</p> <p>I is the she he we be me to go no into has</p>	

SEN Parents Forum Coffee Afternoon



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.

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/young people.

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

Every Wednesday from Wednesday 14th January 2026 – Wednesday 11th March 2026
09:30-11:30am
Venue: Shrewsbury SY1

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

YOU AND ME, Mum

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

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.

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

BRIDGNORTH LIBRARY
Tuesday 14th October 2025
1:00pm-3:00pm
Bridgnorth Library,
Lutley Street, Town Centre,
Bridgnorth, WV16 8AW

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

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

NHS
Shropshire, Telford
and Wrekin

Shropshire Supporting Families
through Early Help

PACC
Parenting and
Community
Collaboration

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 15th 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 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 School
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

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

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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 23rd September 2025 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm Virtually Via MS Teams

or

Group Wednesday 24th 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 or call 01743 250950

Find out more here



Shropshire Council

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.



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/7t1jBqJTI8?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.

inourplace 

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	• Housing Support	• Home fire safety
• Children's health and wellbeing	• Domestic abuse support	• Healthy living advice
• Drug and alcohol support	• Financial 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.



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...

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



shropshire.gov.uk/early-help





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!

Sponsored by:

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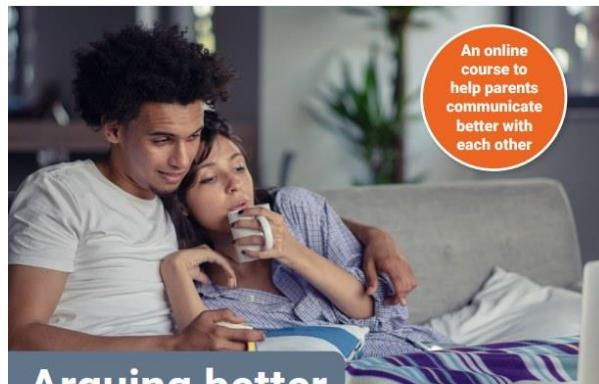


Introducing the Separating better app, a **free** self-guided mobile app for separating parents, designed to facilitate a smoother separation journey and promote positive co-parenting. This app is filled with expert advice, video resources, practical parenting, and budgeting plans, as well as co-parenting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

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



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.

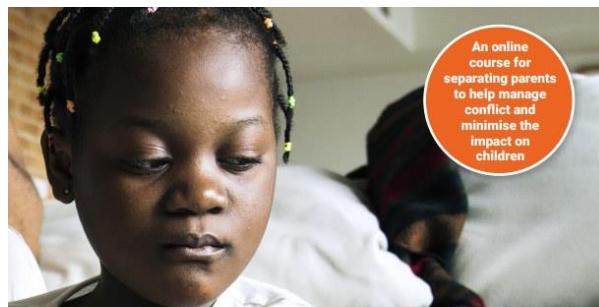
This free online course can help you learn to manage difficult conversations, avoid conflict, and improve things for your whole family.



Create your free account at
www.oneplusone.org.uk/parents 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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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

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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.

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

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 (PFA) Navigator

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 Information and Support for 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

Celebrating Children's Achievements



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



Numbots

Rea: **Tara Mladezic**

Corve: **Harriet Foster**



Times Tables Rock Stars

Corve: **Rosie Callaghan**

Severn: **Noah Wilson**



Spelling Bee

Bronze:



Sports Stars:

Teme: **Anderson** for his moves during our Snow City dance.

Rea: **Cordelia** for great improvement in gym sequencing.

Corve: **William, Theo, Harriet, Isabella, Joey, Aubrey** and **Leo P** for working as a fantastic team during our PE lesson / All the cross country participants from Corve Class for their amazing efforts and team spirit.

Severn: All the cross country participants from Severn Class for their amazing efforts and team spirit.

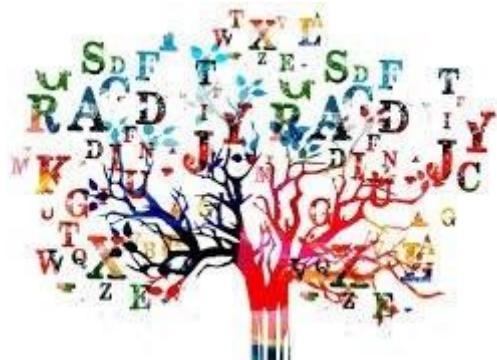


Pride and Presentation: Award for pupil focus on presentation of work across the curriculum.

Rea: **Tara** for her clear design of a toy fire engine in Design and technology.

Corve: **Libby-Grace** for her fantastic neat handwriting on her chronological report.

Severn: **Jenson** for his work in geography.



Great Sentence using words of the week:

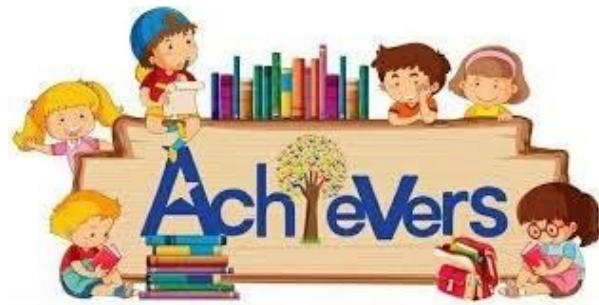
Teme: I tried to lift my Uncle Dan's dog but I could not because it was too **heavy**. **Caleb**

Rea: The axle holder is **attached** under the **chassis**. **Boyd**

Corve: My day **varies** because I farm. **James**

Severn: On Monday my dad **hauled** the Christmas tree in the house and we decorated it.

Esme



Class Achievers:

Teme: **Monty** for his brilliant problem-solving skills – designing and making solution to fix the homemade star onto our class Christmas tree.

Rea: **Victoria** for representing school at Lacon child sports event / **Harry** for great focus in phonics.

Corve: **Mason, Ned, Raith** and **Monty** for developing expertise in spreadsheets over the half term.

Severn: **Cash, Charlie, Jenson, Holly** and **Leo** for making good progress in their spellings.



Children selected for growing kindness.

Reception: **Renley** for being kind and caring towards others.

Year 1: **Freddie** for his kind words towards another pupils efforts.

Year 2: **Boyd** for comforting a friend.

Year 3: **Isabella C** for helping another child put their bib on during PE.

Year 4: **Joey** for not taking the last hoop of his rival team in PE relays.

Year 5: **Leo D** for opening the door for Mrs Walker when he could see she had her hands full.

Year 6: **Charlie** for checking in on another pupil who was finding a task challenging.