

*Dear Parents/Carers*

We demonstrate our Values of **respect, caring, supportiveness, tolerance, perseverance, forgiveness, and trust**, at Whixall C.E. Primary School in all that we strive to do each day.

# WHIXALL SCHOOL NEWS

## PE and outdoor learning

Please find below the days that each class will have their PE lessons. Children will need to come into school in their PE kits.

Wednesday—Swimming for Skylark Class (Year 1), Mayfly Class (Year 2), Peregrine Class (Years 5 and 6)

PE for Dragonfly Class (Reception) and Bumblebee Class (Nursery) and Robin Class (Years 3 and 4)

Thursday - PE for Dragonfly Class (Reception)

Friday – PE for Bumblebee Class (Nursery) and Robin Class (Years 3 and 4)

**If children could bring their outdoor learning clothes into school please and leave them in school, that would be appreciated. It would also be appreciated if all children could bring a pair of wellies into school please .**

## Music Lessons

We have the most amazing guitar teacher who comes into school every Tuesday. If your child is interested in learning to play the guitar please use the link below to register your interest.

[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=d9KNe5f8nUSmrAU16L-NafsATh\\_u3FJEhj5Ss2EWtfpURDBRSUs1SlpOMkJVWIQ4VOVTRjRCRVRUUS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=d9KNe5f8nUSmrAU16L-NafsATh_u3FJEhj5Ss2EWtfpURDBRSUs1SlpOMkJVWIQ4VOVTRjRCRVRUUS4u)

Please also use the link to book any other instrumental lessons that you may wish your child to participate in.

## Choir

As part of our music provision the children can attend choir which is run by our Music teacher Mrs Hawke every Tuesday lunchtime.

There is no cost for this club.

If you are concerned about someone's safety

In an emergency dial 999, but for other calls to the police please ring 101.

To report a safeguarding concern by phone ring our **First Point of Contact team** on 0345 678 9044 Monday to Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday 9am to 4pm. If you have urgent adult safeguarding concerns outside of these hours, please phone the **Emergency Social Work Duty Team** on 0345 678 9040.

### Meet the Teacher

On Monday 30th September, there is an opportunity to come into school and meet your child's class teacher. The teachers will be in their classrooms from 3.30 p.m. until 4.30 p.m. so please come along and say hello. There is no need to notify us of your attendance.

There will also be items of second hand uniform available to take away.

### Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service is on Tuesday 1st October at 9.30 am at St Mary's Church—everyone is welcome to attend. We will be asking for donations of non perishable food e.g. tins and packets to donate to the Whitchurch Food bank, there will be a collection box in school, so please send any items you wish to donate into school before Thursday 28th September. During the service, there will be a voluntary collection, donations will be sent to the Farm Crisis Network.

### Child Absence

Please telephone school (01948 880330) by 9.00am if your child is unwell and will not be attending that day. If leaving a message, can you please provide the exact reason why your child is absent. If we have not heard from you by 9.30am we will text you and then follow-up with a telephone call if we have still not heard from you by lunchtime.

We shall also be contacting parents of Nursery children who do not attend, for whatever reason, on days that we are expecting them. This is a health and wellbeing safeguarding check.

### INTERNET SAFETY

*If you or your child experience any form of content on the internet that may be harmful, this can be reported using the following link:*

*[Report Harmful Content - We Help You Remove Content](#)*

### Water Bottles

Please can children bring a water bottle, labelled with their name to school each day. If you child is bringing juice to drink with their lunch can they also bring a bottle with water in so that they can stay hydrated throughout the day.



Thank you.

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## Understanding your child

Free courses for Shropshire families

“ This course has given me confidence as a parent and helped me to improve our relationship. I wish I had done it sooner! ”



## Understanding Your Child

Would you like to know more about your child's development?

Would you like support to understand your child's behaviour?

Want to meet other parents and carers?

Then this FREE 10 week course is for you. It will help you to understand your child, yourself and your parenting style better. Giving you practical tips to improve your relationship and a chance to talk about challenges within a supportive peer group setting.

Throughout September and October there will be courses starting in Oswestry, Whitchurch, Market Drayton, Shrewsbury, Cressage, Church Stretton and Ludlow. Find out more about the course and how to book your place

here: <https://orlo.uk/LyqVC>



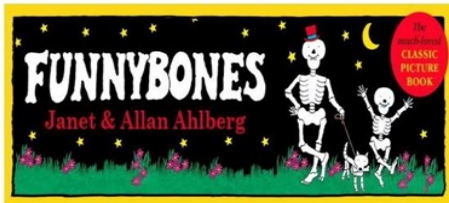
Join us for a Spooky

'Funnybones'

Storytime & Craft session.

Wem Library

Tuesday 29th October 2024  
2:30pm to 3:30pm



Free drop in event.  
Children must be accompanied by an adult.




SHREWSBURY HIGH SCHOOL  
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GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

An Evening with  
Louise Minchin

Hear the story of the fearless adventures of an extraordinary woman

Wednesday 16th October 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 6.45PM FOR A 7.00PM START

The New Hall, Town Walls,  
Shrewsbury, SY1 1TN



Refreshments and book signing

Tickets Adults £20 | Students £10 | SHS Students £5

Available from School Office and Eventbrite. Email: [g.parish@shr.gdst.net](mailto:g.parish@shr.gdst.net)

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an evening with  
The Reverend Canon  
KATE BOTTLEY

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Join us for an evening with much loved TV and Radio personality and the nation's favourite vicar, The Reverend Kate Bottley.

Tuesday 12th November 2024  
DOORS OPEN AT 6.45PM FOR A 7.00PM START

The New Hall, Town Walls,  
Shrewsbury, SY1 1TN

Refreshments and book signing  
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### **\*\*\* School Admissions Dates \*\*\***

#### **Applications for Secondary School Places**

Applications must be made online by 31st October 2024 (final day for application)

To apply please visit: <http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/school-admissions>

click on: Apply to start or transfer school, and then transferring to secondary school.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact school, we are happy to help.

### **Free School Meals**

Your child may be entitled to free school meals if you are in receipt of certain benefits.

#### **Children in Nursery to Year 6 may be eligible**

Please visit the site below to check if you are eligible to apply

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Thank you.

### **School Transport**

Your child may be eligible for school transport if they are in Reception Class to Year 6 and fulfil certain criteria.

Applications can be submitted online at

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/school-transport/available-support/>

Scroll down and click on Primary.

Thank you.

### **Clubs**

Clubs for this half term will be as follows:

**Mondays: Netball and Craft**

**Tuesdays: Code and Church**

**Wednesdays: Sports and Cookery Club (please note that cookery club is for Year 6 children only—the cost for this club is £3 per week)**

**Thursdays: Homework and Film Club**

**Fridays: Games Club**

We are offering wrap around care after our normal school clubs from 4.30 p.m. until 6.00 p.m. These must be booked and paid for in advance by 3.00 p.m. of the Friday of the previous week (booking will close at 3 p.m.)—our apologies but unfortunately until the club becomes established, we cannot accept bookings in any other way.

Clubs will therefore be organised as follows:

**3.00 p.m. - 4.30 p.m. Usual club - (please see above) at £2.00 per session these are booked and paid for in the usual way.**

**4.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. - £4 per session payable under the booking section of sQuid**

**4.30 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. - £6 per session payable under the booking section of sQuid**

**If anyone wishes their child to access club during the week beginning 7th October please book by Friday 4th October 2024.**