

# 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.



*The staff at Whixall CE Primary School would like to wish you and your family a joyous Christmas and Health and Happiness for 2026.*

*Thank you so very much from all the staff for the gifts, cards and best wishes that were sent in at the end of term.*

*We are always so proud of our children—today was no exception. The children's behaviour at the theatre was exemplary and they received lots of lovely comments. Well done everyone.*

### *Christmas Dinner*

*We all enjoyed an amazing Christmas lunch this week. A huge thank you to Mrs Hitchman, Mrs Allison-Smith and Mrs Quint who cooked the most delicious meal for us.*



*Today we said a sad farewell to Mrs Quint—we will miss her.*

### \*\*\* School Admissions Dates \*\*\*

Applications for Reception School Places

Children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 can start primary school from September 2026

Applications can be made online from Monday 3rd November 2025 to 15th January 2026.

To apply please visit: <http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

click on: Apply to start or transfer school

then click on: Starting infant or primary school

If you have any queries please contact the school office.



[www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine](http://www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine)

A digital newsletter with lots of information to share with your children.

### 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.

# Wem Town Hall

## The Polar Express (Relaxed Screening)

Saturday December 20th, 2025 - 10.00am

Duration: 1 hour 39 minutes



A young boy who has grown sceptical of Santa Claus is shocked to see a train stop outside his window on Christmas Eve, destined for the North Pole. When he accepts an invitation from the conductor to climb on board, he embarks on a white-knuckle ride to Santa's headquarters, where he makes fast friends and learns an invaluable lesson about the true spirit of Christmas.



### Mental Health Support over the Christmas Period

Christmas can be a daunting time, and a time you might feel more pressure to feel or be a certain way. Make sure you are kind to yourself over the Christmas period, and know it is okay to struggle and to talk about your feelings.

#### SAMARITANS

Samaritans- Support for anyone that needs to talk, offers 24/7 support by phone- 116123

#### shout

Shout: Provides free, confidential 24/7 crisis text support. Text SHOUT to 85258 to connect with a volunteer.

#### kooth

Kooth offers free, confidential and anonymous online support and counselling for 11-23 year olds. Their team will be available to provide mental wellbeing support over the festive period.

#### NHS

Call 111 or visit NHS 111 online for advice if you experience a significant change in your mental health and are not already receiving care from mental health services.

#### Beat Eating disorders

Beat provide support to help young people who may be struggling with an eating problem or an eating disorder. Call 0808 801 0677.

#### childline ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME

Childline provides a confidential telephone counselling service for any child with a problem. Call: 0800 1111 anytime

#### PAPYRUS PREVENTION OF YOUNG SUICIDE

Papyrus provide confidential support and advice to young people struggling with thoughts of suicide, and anyone worried about a young person. Call: 0800 068 3131 or text: 07860 039967 (9am-midnight, 365 days a year).

#### THE MIX

The Mix provides free, confidential support for young people under 25. Call: 0808 808 4994 (3pm-midnight every day) or email.

#### NHS Urgent Mental Health Helpline

Call 0808 196 4501 for free, 24/7 advice, support, and triage from a mental health professional for all ages.

#### Bee Emotional Health and Wellbeing

you can call the 24/7 urgent mental health helpline at 0808 196 4501.

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### Support for parent carers of children with SEND

#### Shropshire's Local Offer

Having access to good quality information to help you understand the world of SEND is important when making decisions about your child's life. This is where websites such as the

[Shropshire's SEND Local Offer](#) can help you.

#### The SEND Local Offer

Lots of information and support for children and young people with SEND and their families, including:

- Education
- Health and wellbeing
- Family support
- Social care
- Preparing for adulthood
- Early help
- Things to do
- Education, health and care plan (EHCP)
- Travel and transport
- Financial support

local.offer@shropshire.gov.uk 0345 678 9063  
www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/



If you need help accessing the Local Offer please speak to your school or local library.

