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This Half Term's Value: *Courage*

'The Lord is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid?'

Psalms 27:1



Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to this week's edition of the Newsletter! Another busy week has flown by; the children have been working hard and full of energy - Spring is definitely in the air.

I am delighted to be able to share our SIAMs report following our recent inspection. I am certain that you will share my pride and appreciation of our wonderful staff and whole school community who shone on the day and ensured that our school received the positive report it deserves.

I hope that you have had the opportunity to read the report which will have been sent out on Friday but if not, it is available on our web site. In other news please find attached further details of the proposed strike action which is planned for Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March below. As previously, please be aware that this may be subject to change.

With all best wishes,

Mrs. S. Henney

NEU Teacher Strike Action

As you have been made aware, the NEU is, once again, calling its Teachers to take Strike Action. The next days upon which Teachers are being called to strike will be **Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March**. At this point I would like to forewarn families that **ALL** classes in school will be closed to pupils and **ONLY** Nursery will be open on this day. Wrap around care will also be available for both Breakfast and After school club.

Non-Teaching staff and those not in the NEU will be in school.

Should the situation change, I will be in contact at the earliest opportunity.





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This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

Ercall - Isaac Procter for always helping to keep our nursery tidy. Thank you and well done Isaac!

Lawley - Cynan Ellis for great maths work. Cynan was able to find the cardinal values to numbers quickly within 20. Well done Cynan.

Wrekin – Charlie Black for showing a good understanding in Multiplication and Division.

Caradoc-

Stiperstones - Liz Worrall- for all the super reading you've been doing at home and how this extra effort is showing in your wonderfully writing. Well done!

Class News

Ercall

Welcome back to nursery everyone!

We have had a wonderful first week back.

Our new literacy topic book is, 'The Journey Home' and our provision is set up with farms and animals to develop learning of the story further.

This week during phonics sessions we have been exploring words which begin with the initial sound, 'r'. The children also enjoyed lots of rhyming games and stories.

We enjoyed a spring walk on St Davids Day. We heard the birds singing, we also found daffodils and snowdrops along the way.

In maths this week we have been exploring colour and pattern with the peg boards which also helps to develop our fine motor skills.

During Literacy we designed our own hats and scarves, thinking about the patterns we could choose throughout.

In our topic books we have used small world animals in the paint to create footprints. We discussed colour, shape and size of all the footprints.

Our nursery children went for an adventure on Wednesday to explore all of the school classrooms- this was very exciting for us all, we enjoyed looking at the beautiful display work- Well done to our school children.

Best wishes Mrs Butler and Mrs Arblaster, Mrs Jones and Miss Hughes.





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Lawley

Welcome Back Lawley... we hope you have had a lovely half term.

This week has already been jam packed. In English we have started our new topic book 'The Curious Case of the Missing Mammoth' the children have enjoyed reading the opening of the story and making their predications on the book.

On Monday we were excited that Mrs Dykes came running in to tell us she had found some dinosaur bones and fossils in the school Forest Area. We quickly went to explore them. We were all super excited and curious about where they had come from and why they were in our school grounds. We dug the bones and fossils up and took them back to class to add to our new role play 'Museum'. The children then went on to write about what we had found.

Reception have been working on writing sentences independently with a capital letter, finger spaces and full stops, whilst Year One did the same but they were encouraged to use adjectives, connectives and suffixes within their writing.

In maths we are continuing Primary Stars Maths. In Year One we are looking at place value within 50 whilst Reception are consolidating numbers to 20 and looking at place value within 20. Reception have been looking at cardinal values and matching the amounts to the numbers and Year One have been using the dienes equipment to represent numbers within 50 splitting them into tens and ones.

In Phonics we are recapping Phase 3 sounds in Reception and working through Phase 5 'Grow the Code' for Year One.

In class we now have a new '**Challenge Area Zone**' for the children to deepen their knowledge each week. The children have two weekly challenges to complete as well as having access to enhanced learning within provision. One of the weekly challenges is topic related either history, art, science, R.E or a fine motor skill based. The second challenge will be either english, maths or phonics based. These challenges allow the children to be independent learners and take ownership of their learning. When the children have completed their challenges they have a crib sheet to tick off so I can see who has completed these.

A great first week back Lawley. Well done.

Mrs Greenway and Mrs Dykes.

Wrekin

This is the term where our classroom really comes to life! Our science unit is 'Animals and their needs' and this week we followed a live webcam feed of 8 blue tit nesting boxes. We were very excited to spot several blue tits coming and going, and we can see the emergence of nests being built in two of the boxes. We have the live feed running through





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the day so that we can follow their progress over the coming weeks. Perhaps we could set up a webcam in our own bird boxes in the future!

We are also excitedly awaiting delivery of our caterpillars so that we can watch the transformation to butterflies. We will work closely with eco-council to plant seeds of flowers the butterflies will love, and also some mature plants ready for their release.

Miss Jones, Mrs Burns and Miss James

Caradoc

A start of a new half term means new topics and Caradoc are very excited about the upcoming learning in our class! We started the week by exploring our new English book 'When The Giant Stirred' by Celia Godkin and we have begun to think about life on a tropical island.

In poetry the children are learning all about the Windrush generation, through the poem 'Windrush Child' by John Agard. They are finding this very fascinating and are keen to learn more.

We have also been having 'Fun with Fractions' in maths this week and the children have really enjoyed exploring this mathematical concept, in lots of creative ways- feel free to test them at home!!

World Book Day was again a success and the children really enjoyed coming in ready to read or dressed as their favourite character. They were also really lucky to join other schools across the country in a live talk with Michael Morpurgo, which was really fascinating. This was topped off with some fun World Book Day activities! Well done Caradoc!



Caradoc PE

As well as PE on a Tuesday, Caradoc will be having PE every **Wednesday** this half term too. Please can you ensure that the children come to school on this day dressed in their PE kits.

Miss S McLaughlin





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Stiperstones

Archery.

All the children in Stiperstones took part in an archery competition this week. They all did fantastically well and our results will now be added to a league table with other schools results. We will find out how we did later this half term.

World Book Day

We enjoyed a live webinar session with Michael Morpurgo as part of World Book Day. We found out about the inspiration behind the writing of War Horse. He also talked about the process he follows to write his well loved books- we were surprised to know that he still hand writes them and that somebody else types them up! He was a lovely man and we really enjoyed it.



Mrs V Baillie

other news

Times Table Rock Stars!

The children across both schools really enjoy using the programme TTRS to help them learn and embed their multiplication and division facts. We believe that it is a really useful and engaging way to get our children interested and involved learning these essential maths skills and in honour of this, we are going to hold a Times Table Rock Stars day on Friday 10th March.

We are inviting the children to come into school dressed as their rock star alter egos and take part in a 'rocking' day of maths fun! It is sure to be a fun and exciting day and we are confident the children will get a lot out of it!

Sarah McLaughlin
Maths coordinator

World Book Day

Please see the link below to access a family pack for World Book Day:

https://worldbookclone.wpenginpowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Family-Pack_FINAL-1.pdf





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Red Nose Day

We are happy to announce that we will once again be fundraising on **Friday 17th March** for **Red Nose Day**. We would love to raise £200 as a school to send over to Comic Relief to support people living in poverty and discrimination throughout the UK. Any money that we raise will also go towards funding organisations that are supporting people right now in Ukraine, and those who need relief and support in Turkey and Syria. Please see separate letter sent via School Spider for details of the day.

Shropshire SEND local offer

The Shropshire SEND local offer sets out the local support available for children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND), and how to access it. We aim to keep it clear, comprehensive, accessible and up-to-date. We provide information on our website, on social media and in our family information directory.

Directly involving our partners in its development and review is how we make sure it stays relevant. This is especially valuable if you are also a parent of a SEND child. Have you used the SEND local offer? What do you think? Are there any gaps in the information?

Your feedback only takes a few minutes but makes a big difference so thank you!

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/about-the-send-local-offer/feedback/feedback/>



Moreton Say CE Primary School Parents and Teachers Association Break the Rules Day!



Thursday 23rd March

Preferred Donations - Easter Eggs, Bottles,
food items BBE 6th March, local business
donations greatly appreciated

How it works:

Bring a prize donation
to participate.

Donations will go into
the PTA Easter raffle to
be drawn on 30th
March



Rules to be broken include:

- wear school uniform
- bring a healthy snack
- have neat hair
- no temporary tattoos
- no nail varnish
- no makeup
- wear school shoes only



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Moreton Say CE Primary School Parents and Teachers Association



WHAT IS THE PTA?



We are a properly constituted Parent Teacher Association with an elected committee. The PTA is a registered charity and all are welcome to come to our meetings.



AM I A MEMBER?

If your child attends Moreton Say CE Primary then you are a member of the PTA, together with the teachers and other friends of the school.



COMITTEE 2022/23

Chair: Rebecca Baxter
 Vice Chair: Anna Truman
 Secretary: Lucy Bower
 Treasurer: Cathrine Humphries



WHAT DOES THE PTA DO?

We organise activities in school, community building events, and raise funds which directly support the learning and enrichment of the students.



HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?



The beauty of the PTA is you can give as much time as you are able around other commitments. This can be volunteering at an in-school activity, attending a community event, or donating cakes and raffle contributions. Some working parents have work links that sponsor school events with money donations or discounts. We are grateful for all support in whatever form it comes.



PAST EVENTS



Summer Fete
 Autumn Crafts Afternoon
 Pub Quiz Night
 Christmas Card Fundraiser
 Self-portrait Tea Towels and Totes
 Christmas Wreath Making Evening
 Winter Wonderland Disco
 Pancake Day



ONGOING FUNDRAISING

Scholastic Book Club
 Second-hand clothing donation box
 Pre-loved Uniform

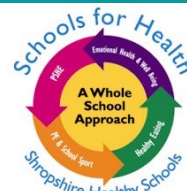


UPCOMING DATES

Wed 8 March - PTA Meeting
 • 8:00 pm The Olde Jack, Calverhall
 Fri 17 March - Mother's Day Craft Session
 • 11:15 am In-school
 Tues 21 March - Prep for Easter Egg Hunt
 • 2:00 pm The Clive Hall
 Thurs 23 March - Break the Rules Day
 • Donations will sponsor the Easter Raffle
 Thurs 30 March - Easter Egg Hunt and Raffle Draw
 • Afternoon In-school



Find us on Facebook - www.facebook.com/groups/moretonsaypta/

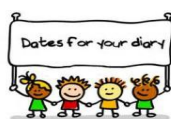




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Moreton Say Diary Dates 2022 – 2023



MARCH

Monday 6th March – Parents Evening

Wednesday 8th March – Parents Evening

Friday 10th March - Times Table Rock Star day

Friday 17th March – Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Thursday 23rd March – Break the Rules Day

Friday 31st March – School breaks up for Easter

APRIL

Monday 17th April – Children return to school

MAY

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday, School Closed

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday for King's coronation, School Closed

Friday 26th May – School breaks up for half term.

JUNE

Monday 5th June – Children return to school





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and finally



Open Day

Come along to our free open session on Saturday 11th March 2023 between 12 noon and 1pm.

Market Drayton Swimming Club is a friendly competitive club based at Market Drayton Swimming Centre.

We look at stroke development and fitness with an aim to achieving swimmers best potential with a dedicated team of coaches.

You will have an opportunity for a trial, meet some of the swimmers and coach team.

Open for all swimmers
ASA stage 7 and above.





The Shropshire Virtual School are creating a Council for our young people;

We are looking for young people who are in year 5,6,7,8,9 (age 9-14) We will aim to meet as a team once a term to discuss how we can help to shape the future for our young people. We want to encourage the opportunity for young people to engage and get their voices heard!

First Shropshire Virtual School council meeting

When: Wednesday 15th March

Where: TBC

Time: 4:00pm-5:30pm

If you would like to join our council, or if you would like more information, please contact the Shropshire Virtual School Participation Support Officer
Beth Francis on:
beth.francis@shropshire.gov.uk
or 07977381169

Food and refreshments will be on offer.

Advice for parents on visits to settings involving contact with animals

Visitor attractions involving contact with animals are understandably popular with parents and children but do carry a risk from infectious diseases.

All animals naturally carry a range of micro-organisms, some of which can be transmitted to humans, where they may cause ill health. Some of these, such as E. coli O157 or Cryptosporidium (Crypto), present a serious health hazard and have the potential to cause serious illness which may be particularly severe in young children. We see many cases of Crypto each year in the Health Protection Hub, particularly among children, and it's a miserable experience for them and their parents.

Following these practical steps will help your child stay safe and healthy:

- Children should wash their hands in the following four situations: after contacting animals, before eating, before and after using play equipment, and when leaving site. It will help to explain why they must wash their hands thoroughly in these situations and to show them what proper handwashing looks like. Bear in mind that alcohol gel is not a suitable substitute for proper hand washing with soap and running water – it doesn't work against Cryptosporidium.
- Do not suck fingers or put hands, pens, pencils or crayons etc. in mouths.
- Check that cuts, grazes etc. on children's hands are covered with a waterproof dressing.
- Do not kiss animals.
- Eat only food that you have brought with you or food for human consumption that you have bought on the premises, and eat only in designated areas.
- Never eat food that has fallen to the ground.
- Never taste animal foods.
- Children should not eat, drink or chew anything (including sweets) outside the areas designated for eating at the visitor attraction.
- Where possible, clean or clean and change footwear before leaving. The site should have facilities to clean footwear and pushchair/pram wheels as you leave the site. Wash hands after cleaning/changing footwear.
- Do not use or pick up tools (e.g. spades and forks) or touch other work equipment unless permitted to do so by site staff.
- Do not climb on to walls, fences, gates or animal pens etc. Some animals put their feet on the fences of their pens and contaminate them with faecal matter.
- Listen carefully and follow the instructions and information given by the site staff.
- Do not wander off into unsupervised or prohibited areas e.g. manure heaps.
- Allow plenty of time for hand washing before eating or leaving the site so that the children do not have to rush.
- If a member of your group shows signs of illness (e.g. sickness or diarrhoea) after a visit, visit the doctor and explain that they have had recent contact with animals. Please also contact the attraction you visited and inform them of the illness.