



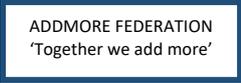
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Thursday 21st December 2023

This Half Term's Value: Thankfulness



'Phrases of Faith'

'Always be Thankful' – 1 Thessalonians 5-16

Dear Parents/ Carers,

As we approach the end of the Autumn Term, I wanted to take this opportunity to extend warm wishes to you and your families for a peaceful and restful break. It has been a busy and successful term, and I am extremely proud of all the achievements made by our children. They have worked exceptionally hard and deserve a well-earned rest!

I would also like to express my gratitude to our dedicated team, including our hardworking teachers, support staff, administrators, cooks, and cleaners. Their dedication and commitment throughout the term have been greatly valued and I cannot thank you all enough!

Also, a heartfelt thank you to our Parent-Teacher Association (PTFA) for their generous donation of the staff Christmas hamper. Your kind contribution has been very much appreciated and has certainly helped everyone stay motivated during the final few hurdles of this term!

I would also like to take this opportunity to convey my warmest congratulations to Miss Sarah McLaughlin. After 15 years of teaching at Moreton Say, she has been offered a new post as the Director of SEND at the Woodlands Special School for children. Miss McLaughlin's passion for Special Needs Education has been evident throughout her time as the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator (SENDCo) with us, and she has been an invaluable asset to our Federation. While we will certainly miss her enormously, we are incredibly proud of her and her accomplishment in securing this fantastic role. It will enable her to progress further in her preferred area of education and in her career. Congratulations!

You will also see that there are some changes afoot in terms of our school menu in the new Year. As well as an enticing new school menu, to help everyone ease their way back into the routine of school, we will be offering a free school meal to all Nursery through to Year 6 students on both Thursday and Friday of the first week back in January. If you have





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not yet had the chance to try our school meals, now would be the perfect opportunity to do so! Unfortunately, due to an increase in the cost of produce and the cost of delivery labour we are having to increase our school meal costs from £2.50 to £2.60 as of Monday 8th January.

If you believe that you may be eligible for support in meeting the cost of School Meals then please do not hesitate to contact the office who will be able to look into this on your behalf.

I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas as we celebrate with our loved ones and I am eagerly looking forward to welcoming you all back in January, refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead.

With all warmest wishes,

Mrs S. Henney



Attendance



This week's winners are Wrekin – Well done!

<u>Class</u>	<u>This week ...</u>	<u>Previous week</u>
Lawley	92.63%	100%
Wrekin	100%	98.26%
Caradoc	92.50%	97.50%
Stiperstones	98.42	98.95%
Whole School	95.73%	98.54%

This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

Ercall – Asher for developing his self-confidence and for always trying his best!

Lawley – Ellis. Well done with your singing and for being so sensible during our performances.

Wrekin – Amber and Grace for learning all of the song words for our Christmas performance and performing them wonderfully during all three shows!

Caradoc - Seth for trying really hard with your writing this week. Well done!

Stiperstones - All of the children for being such 'Superstars' !





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Class News

Ercall

We would like to say a big thank you to all of the family members who joined us on Thursday 14th December for our nursery carol concert. The children have been practicing really hard and were amazing in their performance- We are sure you all agree! Well done Ercall! Thank you to our PTA for supporting us during the carol concert- the refreshments were welcomed by all!

We have had a wonderful week creating our Christmas craft folders which are full of goodies- We hope you enjoy the little keepsakes.

We are looking forward to our Christmas dinner on Monday 18th December- Thank you Miss Farley!

Remember to wear Christmas jumpers on Monday too!

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Best wishes, Mrs Butler and the Nursery team.

Lawley

It's beginning to feel like Christmas in Lawley Class this week, our elf has been up to his usual tricks even dressing up as a star and hiding in our costume box!

The children were amazing during our performances, for many this is the first time they have got up on stage in front of an audience. They became more confident as the week went on and were seeking the spotlight by the final performance. They also enjoyed supporting the nursery carol concert on Thursday.

On Friday, we took had a Christmas craft day with nursery. We had a great time making reindeer food with extra magic glitter to help they fly (all ingredients are edible and the birds will love any reindeer leftovers!), tree decorations and gingerbread which our elf brought us.



The children have also completed phonics assessments and we are amazed at their progress, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all their support at home and love to see full reading records.



Mrs Rawsthorne and Mrs Arblaster

Wrekin

What fantastic performances this week! Wrekin all worked hard to learn their parts, remember when to head onto the stage and sang brilliantly! Definitely some future performers in our class.

In Maths we have been exploring 2D shapes. We used geoboards to help us create different shapes. We have been naming the shapes, counting the sides and vertices and also finding out what a line of symmetry is. We loved using the mirrors to create a mirror image along the line of symmetry. Well done to Year 2 for winning this week's TT Rockstar tournament, and to Isaac for being our ultimate champion! We look forward to more tournaments in the new year.



Miss Jones and Mrs Jones

Caradoc

What a Christmassy week we have had this week! The children were absolutely fantastic in their Christmas production, as I'm sure you will agree!

They have also been working hard on some Christmas maths this week, completing ever more complex Christmas coordinates. They have done some fantastic work and have really enjoyed this task!



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In English, the children completed their own story based on our Class Book, 'Winter's Child', using another season as their main inspiration. They really are very imaginative and well written.

Well done, Caradoc!

Miss McLaughlin, Mrs Burns and Mrs Ritchings

Stiperstones

A big well done to all the children for how well they all performed in the production 'Superstar' this week. They really have worked hard in the space of a few short weeks to learn all their words and stage directions and to have the courage to stand up on stage and deliver their lines so confidently is amazing to see. I'm sure I see some future West End stars in the making!

We really hope that you enjoyed it and are still singing the songs now- I know that we are in the classroom!

We would also like to say a big thank you and goodbye to Miss Arthur who has been working with us this half term. We have really enjoyed having her teaching us all and know that she will make a fantastic teacher to a very lucky class once she qualifies in the summer. we hope that she will come and visit again soon!

Mrs Baillie, Miss Arthur and Miss Yeomans

other news

Sports News

Well done to our hockey teams who attended the hockey competition at Whitchurch Junior School on Thursday. We sent a team from Key Stage 1 and two teams from Key Stage 2. The children got to compete against other schools from the local area and had a great morning out. They got really stuck in to all the matches and fought hard - even scoring some amazing goals to! Our Keys Stage 1 team finished in third place and our Key Stage 2 teams finished in third and fourth place.

As always the children who attended the event represented the school brilliantly and Mrs Burns and Miss Arthur who attended were really proud of all the children! Well done teams!



Mrs Baillie





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Superstar

What a fantastic performance from all our of pupils this week in their production of Superstar, we are so proud of you all!





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Interfaith Day

This week we took part in an Interfaith Day and were visited by Sue Michaels, who taught us all about the Jewish faith. We were able to explore many Jewish artefacts and found out about some of the many celebrations that Jewish people take part in. We were shocked to discover that they have 313 rules to follow! It was interesting to discover that they eat plaited bread and have plaited candles because this helps them remember that their actions affect others and all of our lives are intertwined.



Christmas Tree

I am sure you have all seen our lovely Christmas Tree at the front of school that was decorated by our Year 6 children. We would like to say a big thank you to Hales Sawmills for donating the tree and to Mr Sokolov and Mrs Ritchings for their help in getting it potted and in position.



Applications to Reception class 2024

The deadline for applications for your child(ren) to start school in Reception in September 2024 closes on **Monday 15 January 2024**.

Please ensure that you make an application online via the Shropshire Council's portal - [Synergy - Homepage \(shropshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.shropshire.gov.uk)

Please note that if you do not make an online application, your child will not be allocated a school place.

If you have any queries regarding the application process, please contact the School Admissions Team via email school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk





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Reading Awards

Well done once again for all the fabulous reading that has been happening in all our classrooms! As a total, we have read 5,535,153 words since September! This is even more than last year and is a phenomenal accomplishment! I wonder how many more we can read in 2024?!

A big well done to Ophelia who has read over a million words and is this half terms book token winner! Well done Ophelia!

Ready Reader 1000 words+

Grace Hardy
Edward Ritchings
Ferne Spencer
Isaac Trevor
Charlie Black
William Bower

Independent Reader 5000 words +

Dylan Brett
Alfie Phelps
Mason Street
Oliver Ward
Georgia Winnall
Lottie Moore

Rising Reader 10,000 words +

Arianna Kennett
Matilda Trevor
Rupert Staley

Super Reader 50,000 words +

Tabitha Baxter
Reuben Sokolov
Harrison Trevor

Advanced Reader 100,000 words +

Eliza Benjamin
Jasper Dutton
Millie Preston

Star Reader 250,000 words+

Jamie Hollins
Logan Irvine
Pheobie Saunderson

Honours Reader 1 million words +

Ophelia Mottershead



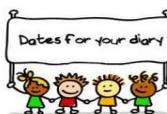


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A special mention to Delilah, who is the first in Year 1 to complete her Reading Rewards. She reads at home at least 4 times a week, every week. Well done Delilah! Freddie has also been reading lots at home and is close to completing his first Reading Reward challenge.

Moreton Say Diary Dates 2023 – 2024



DECEMBER

Monday 18th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 18th December – Christmas Dinner Day

Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Church Service, 9.30am

Tuesday 19th December – Break up for Christmas

JANUARY

Wednesday 3rd January – PD Day

Thursday 4th January – Start of Spring Term

Tuesday 9th January – Meet the SENDCo Coffee Afternoon, 2.00pm

Wednesday 24th January – Caradoc Class Stone Age Day

Thursday 25th January – Young Voices

and finally.....

Clive Hall

Please find below contact details for the hire of Clive Hall:

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Hire and Enquiries
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*After Christmas you may be finding it hard to get
 back into the swing of things?*



Let us help you out!

*Moreton Say CE Primary School are offering a free lunch to ALL children in
 school from Nursery to Year 6*

*They will have the opportunity to try our hot meals free of charge for
 2 DAYS!*

Thursday 4th and Friday 5th January 2024

Tasty Thursday



Enjoy a scrumptious crispy fish with chips, accompanied by
 peas and sweetcorn or Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread

For afters, delicious desserts

Oat Cookie or Honey Dew melon with grapes or Yoghurt



Fantastic Friday



How about a yummy Ham and Pineapple Pizza or a Cheesy Margarita Pizza or maybe
 you would prefer a Salmon Fishcake,
 all with sauté potatoes and baked beans.

Dessert

Vanilla Iced Sponge Cake, Fruit Pot or Yoghurt



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