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This Half Term's Value: Justice



'Phrases of Faith'

'So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them' - Matthew 7:12

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to this week's newsletter. It has been another busy week. Unfortunately, many of our children have experienced nasty coughs, colds, stomach upsets amongst other ailments.

Please could we remind everyone that if your child has a temperature, please keep them off school until they are feeling better. Likewise, 48 hrs must have lapsed since the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea before returning to school. This, alongside regular handwashing helps to ensure bugs do not spread which can in turn lead to staff and pupil absences as well as affect families more widely. Your support in this is hugely appreciated.

Congratulations to Ella in Caradoc class who came runner up in this year's Christmas Card competition hosted by MP Helen Morgan. The design can be viewed at the bottom of this newsletter. Ella pipped several entrants to the post and I think you will all agree her card and its design are quite wonderful!

Finally, you will shortly be sent a link to complete a questionnaire linked to Safer Schools. This is issued in conjunction with West Mercia Police who work with local schools in ensuring school sites remain safe places and to support maintenance of sites. This in turn helps to prevent theft and burglaries. Your input will be greatly appreciated in supporting a review of our school at present and in identifying possible steps to ensure our school remains a safe place for all within it.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend,

Mrs S. Henney





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Attendance



This week's winners are Caradoc – Well done!

<u>Class</u>	<u>This week ...</u>	<u>Previous week</u>
Lawley	87.89%	83.16%
Wrekin	93.91%	91.30%
Caradoc	97.14%	96.79%
Stiperstones	93.68%	100%
Whole School	93.60%	93.15%

This week's Star Pupils!

This week's pupils of the week are:

Ercall – Jago for showing creativity throughout his literacy activities. Well done Jago!

Lawley – Matthew, for great attention to detail with your writing. He has worked hard on handwriting and segmenting to spell skills including our new phase 3 graphemes. Keep up the great work!

Wrekin – Amelia - For great work in Geography, exploring and naming the features of our school grounds.

Stiperstones - Lu- for your absolutely amazing maths work this week- you have really impressed me with your enthusiasm and how hard you have worked. Well done!

Class News

Ercall

In nursery this week we have been developing our fine motor skills through creating playdough snowmen.

During our literacy topic 'We're going to find the monster' we drew maps in our topic books and used descriptive language to explain where we have been.

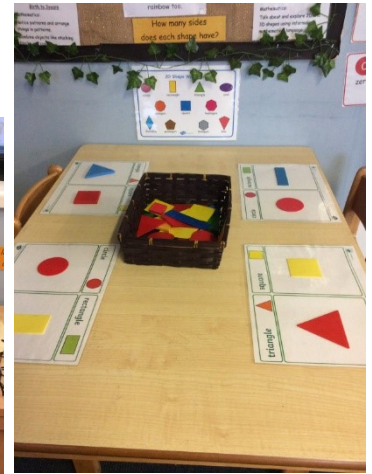
Together we used modelling materials to create boats to sail on the 'shimmering ocean'. We created outdoor dens which developed our imaginary play ideas, and we all helped each other.

Our phonics sound of the week is 'd' so the children have been exploring initial sounds. We have also been focusing upon alliteration, using our names to create sentences such as, 'Davids dangerous dinosaur'.



Can we also remind parents that Nursery books are only changed once each week.

Well done Ercall for a super week!



Best wishes, Mrs Butler and the Nursery team.

Lawley

Lawley have been on a monster hunt this week! We had an exciting start to our literacy topic when we discovered and followed a map we found in an explorers backpack. There was a great discussion about what equipment an explorer might need and how this would be different depending on where in the world our expedition was.

We have created some great maps of our own, some really imaginative ideas about where we might look for a monster.



Lawley class are excited to welcome Mrs Jones into our class for the next 4 weeks, we have had a great time sharing all our learning so far with you.

Mrs Rawsthorne, Mrs Jones and Mrs Arblaster



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Wrekin

What a busy week we have had! In Geography we headed outside to record all of the features of our school grounds. We have taken photos and labelled these and will be using what we found to help us produce maps of the school.

In Science we continue to study materials and how some materials are more useful for certain jobs. We had a sugar race and tested different materials to see which one made the best spoon, to help us move our sugar from one bowl to the other.

In RE we have been exploring why a Mezuzah is special to Jewish people and then made our own Mezuzah boxes, placing tiny scrolls inside with important messages we want the world to think about, such as 'be kind', 'love your friends and family', 'care for our earth'.

On Thursday we buckled up and headed off into Space! We took part in an online workshop, finding out all about space travel alongside Adderley and many other schools around the country. We will use what we found out to support our story writing in English.

Well done to Year 2 for winning this week's TT Rockstar tournament and to Georgia for being the top scorer.

Miss Jones and Mrs Jones

Caradoc

This week Caradoc have enjoyed learning more about the Space Race and the role played by Katherine Johnson. In particular they have enjoyed finding out about the story of Apollo 13 and how the crew were saved by the quick thinking of Katherine.

In Topic, we have learnt all about the different periods of the Stone Age and the significant developments in each, in particular how the invention of farming changed the way we lived. We are very much looking forward to our Stone Age Day later this week to help consolidate our knowledge.

Science has seen the children explore the different types of rocks and how they are formed, whilst in maths the children have been once again honing their multiplication skills.

Miss McLaughlin, Mrs Burns and Mrs Ritchings



Stiperstones

We have enjoyed more sessions with Coach Neil this week from Shrewsbury Town Football Club. We have completed some reading comprehension tasks with him and through this we learned many facts about the history of Shrewsbury Town. We also practiced our persuasive writing skills by writing a letter to Joe Hart in order to persuade him to come to live in Shropshire again. Coach Neil was really impressed with our writing skills!

We then enjoyed getting outside and practicing the skills we have been developing and playing some matches of football. There has definitely been progress made in our abilities to keep control of the football and think about where we are moving within a match. We look forward to him coming back again next week!

Well Done to Logan, Pheobe B, Eve, Harry, William and April who have impressed Coach Neil with their hard work and teamwork so far this half term!

Mrs Baillie and Miss Yeomans

other news

Children's Mental Health Week 2024



We're delighted to be taking part in Children's Mental Health Week 2024

Launched by Place2Be in 2015, the week exists to empower, equip and give a voice to every child in the UK. This year's theme is My Voice Matters. 1 in 6 children and young people now have a diagnosable mental health condition. By taking part in Children's Mental Health Week 2024, we can help to ensure that children and young people across the UK feel listened to and know that they're not alone.

Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. As adults, we should empower children and young people, and provide them with time, space, and opportunities to express themselves.

To launch our mental health week, on Monday 5th February, we are inviting children to come into school wearing something that 'expresses themselves' this could be something they would like to be when they are older, a kit from a hobby/interest or maybe just something that shows their personality.



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Mental health team update

We are excited to continue building on our successful collaboration with the Shropshire Mental Health Support Team. Last term, Lucy from the MHST introduced herself to parents and children and began delivering a variety of mental health and well-being support across the federation, including:

- Class sessions around recognising feelings and when we feel them.
- Whole school activities supporting antibully week.
- 1:1 anxiety, worries, low mood and emotional regulation support sessions.
- Parent and family sessions based around the Cathy Creswell Model.
- Small group support focusing on 'here and now worries' and real life solutions.

This term we are excited to welcome Lucy into each school for a half day every week, this will enable her to support even more children and families in our school and community.

- Activities to support Children's mental health week in February.
- Year 6 transition support in the summer term.
- Monthly staff and governor wellbeing support sessions.
- Online and face to face parent workshops and signposting.

Safer Internet Day

As a school we will be celebrating Safer Internet Day on February 6th with learning and activities based around this year's theme of 'Inspiring changes? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'. Focusing on:

- Young people's perspective on new and emerging technology
- The changes young people want to see online
- The things that can influence and change the way young people think, feel and act online.

With the online world being such a big part of children's and young people's lives and the ever changing minefield of parental controls we have linked with the NSPCC to access their online safety workshops for families and carers. This is a fantastic workshop is full of practical tips for keeping children and young people safe when online, gaming and using different apps. We thoroughly recommend attending.

Please see the flyer below, register your interest at the school office and we will send out zoom links closer to the time.





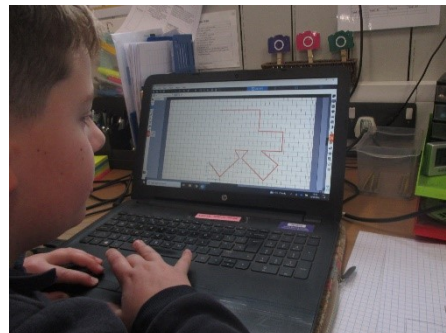
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F1 in Schools

This year we have three teams busily preparing for the upcoming regional finals at Aston University on the 9th February.

The teams have all taken on roles, such as Team Manager, Design Engineer and Graphic Designer. The project sees them design and build model F1 cars, using CAD software, to race against other teams, prepare a verbal presentation for a panel of judges and create an eye catching and informative 'Pit Display'.



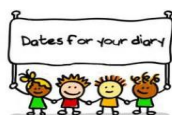
We would like to say a huge thankyou to this year's sponsors - ACT, Fordhall Farm, Calder Industrial, Ready to Go Hire, J&G Building Contractors, SJ Bell Consulting, Victoria Garage, Subport and RPH Plumbing.



Miss Jones



Moreton Say Diary Dates 2023 – 2024



JANUARY

Wednesday 24th January – Caradoc Class Stone Age Day

Wednesday 24th January – PTFA Meeting, 8.00pm at The Olde Jack Inn, Calverhall

Thursday 25th January – Young Voices

Friday 26th January – Stiperstones Class visit to Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February – School breaks up for Half Term



and finally....

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Jasper who received numerous medals from the Market Drayton Swimming Club Championships. The gala was in December, and they recently held a presentation evening where Jasper was presented with medals for the following, well done Jasper!

200m free gold
200m breast gold
50m breast silver
100m back silver
50m back silver
100m breast silver
50m free silver
100m free silver



Ella – Caradoc Class

Congratulations to Ella who came runner up in this year's Christmas Card Competition hosted by MP Helen Morgan.

Ella entered the competition before Christmas and her design featured on Helen's official Christmas card which was sent to constituents across the county.

Well done Ella!





The online world is an important part of kids' lives nowadays. It's an exciting place for them to explore, with all sorts of fun and educational stuff to discover, but there can be some risks too.

'Keeping children safe online' will teach you how to help kids explore their favourite apps, games and sites safely. Our workshop will:

- help you understand how children experience the online world
- show you resources and tools that could help keep them safe
- empower you to guide them on their journey.



Date: Monday 12th February 2024
 Time: 7-8pm
 Location: Zoom - register through Moreton Say Primary School to receive login details.

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