

# Dear Parents/Carers

We demonstrate our Values of *Trust, Respect, Honesty, Kindness, Friendship and Generosity* at Prees C.E. Primary School and Nursery in all that we strive to achieve each day.

# PREES SCHOOL NEWS

**Monday 18th September**  
Tuesday 19th September

**PE Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4**

PE— Nursery, Reception, Year 1

Year 5 will be doing a Victorian style PE lesson as part of their Victorian School Day so do not need to wear their PE kits for this week.

**Wednesday 20th September**

**PE - Year 4 and Year 6**

**Piano Lessons**

**Nasal Flu Immunisation Spray for Children in Reception — Year 6**

**Phonics Workshop for Year 1 parents - 9am**

**Thursday 21st September**

Swimming for children in Year 2 and Year 6

PE - Year 1 and Year 5

Guitar Lessons

**Friday 22nd September**

**PE - Reception and Year 3**

Please can children come to school in their PE kit on PE days and bring a spare pair of socks to change into as the grass can be wet. Thank you.

We would like to welcome Mrs Symcox, our new administrator who will be working alongside Mrs Knight and Mrs Jenkins-Bubela who has joined our Nursery Team to Prees C.E. Primary School and Nursery.

The school office will be open from 8.45am — 3.30pm Monday to Friday during term time. Breakfast Club and Wrap Around can be contacted out of office hours on 01948 841453 for last minute changes to arrangements only. All information regarding bookings and payments should be made through the office by phone or email please.

Can we please remind parents/carers that dinners should be paid for as they are taken and that dinner money accounts should not fall in arrears. If your child's account does go into arrears, the account may be put on stop and no further dinners can be taken until the arrears are paid. Children in Years 1 and 2 have the option to order toast (10p each day) for the morning break. This snack is not covered by Universal Free School Meals and is payable through sQuid. Please let your child's teacher know if you do not want them to order this.

Breakfast Club and Wrap Around sessions should be paid for using sQuid and the payments should be made at the time of booking, unless you use the Government's Childcare Scheme. In this instance, please contact Mrs Knight on: [knight.j@prees.shropshire.sch.uk](mailto:knight.j@prees.shropshire.sch.uk) for assistance.

## Walking Bus

We are looking to get our Walking Bus up and running again and we need your help. Are there any volunteers who would be willing to help walk with the children starting from the Fire Station and picking up at certain points along the way to School? Please can you let anyone know who does not receive the newsletter and you feel may like to join the walking bus as a volunteer. If you are able to support us can you please let Mrs Powell, Learning Mentor know the days you are free to volunteer. Thank you.



**NHS Shropshire Community Service Nasal Flu Immunisation Spray**

**Children in Cherry Class (Reception Class ) to Rowan Class (Year 6) brought letters home about the Nasal Flu Immunisation Spray available on Wednesday, 20th September 2023 in school. Can you complete and return the consent form confirming you wish/ do not wish your child to receive the Nasal Flu Immunisation Spray by Tuesday please. Thank you.**

**Please note a change to the Lunch Menu**

**Wednesday 20th September (wk1)  
Fish, Chips, Mushy Peas and Carrots**

**Or**

**Cheese Flan  
Apple Crumble and Custard**

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**Wednesday 27th September (wk2)  
Minced Beef Pie and Gravy**

**Or**

**Vegetable Pie  
Mashed Potatoes, Carrots and Peas  
Syrup Sponge and Custard**

**Football Club on Mondays After School**

Mrs Coles will be running a Football Club for boys and girls in Years 3 and 4 after school on a Monday until 4pm.

Numbers are limited so please return the consent slip as soon as possible if your child would like to take part.



**Netball Club on Thursday After School**

Mrs Coles will be running a Netball Club for boys and girls in Years 5 and 6 after school on a Thursday until 4pm.

Numbers are limited so please return the consent slip as soon as possible if your child would like to take part.



**\*\*Donated School Uniform\*\***

If you require school uniform for your child we have: trousers, skirts, pinafore dresses, jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts in various sizes that have been donated to school.

Please telephone the office and ask for Mrs Powell or email her on: [learningmentor@prees.shropshire.sch.uk](mailto:learningmentor@prees.shropshire.sch.uk)

to check the sizes we have available and help with recycling. Thank you.



**Holiday Club**



Holiday club will run again on Friday 27th October and during October half term on Monday to Thursday. Further details will be available nearer the time.

**Reading**

We really appreciate your support in your child's reading development.

We understand that it is difficult to hear your child read every day, but if you could try to build in some time during the course of the week to hear your child read as often as possible or to talk with them about their reading that would be really beneficial. Reading books will be sent home with your child's reading record diary each day. Please record in their reading diary every time you hear your child read. Thank you.



### Child absence

Can you please telephone school (01948 840209) by 9.30am if your child is unwell. If leaving a message, can you please provide the exact reason why your child is absent.

Thank you.

### Contact Details

Can we please ask that you let school know if someone who is not on your named collection list will be collecting your child at the end of the school day. If we have not received a telephone call or email to inform us about the collection we will always telephone you to confirm this.

Thank 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.



### 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](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/) can help you.

### Worrying About Money

Worrying about Money? Please use the link below to find guidance and advice regarding money worries that may be affecting you and your family:

<https://www.worryingaboutmoney.co.uk/shropshire>

Leaflets are also available from: <https://www.foodaidnetwork.org.uk/cash-first-leaflets>

### Shropshire Larder - a resource for people in Shropshire

The Shropshire Larder is a community information resource, bringing together the support available in Shropshire for people on low incomes.

Take a look at their website for further information on the following:

- How to access emergency food
- Where to access low cost or free food in Shropshire
- Advice on eating well on a budget
- Where to get local help with money issues

<https://www.shropshirelarder.org.uk/>



### Cost of Living Support

Increases in the cost of food, fuel and utilities will continue to affect most households across Shropshire this year. If you find yourself worried about money or you're struggling right now, you're not alone. But don't wait to get help. Shropshire Council and many support organisations are seeing rises in the number of people seeking help, and as winter approaches you may see more delays in getting responses.

The good news is that there's help available.

The website: [www.shropshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living-help/](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living-help/) was created in partnership with trusted community organisations to help you find the help you need, whether it's to get through a short-term crisis or to find more long-term support.

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**Emotional wellbeing drop-in for children and young people under 25.**

**BEAM DROP-INS ARE HELD:**

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| <b>Monday</b>    | Sundome Youth Centre, 218 Sundome Road, Shrewsbury SY1 4RG | Open: 12pm<br>Close: 4pm |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>  | 9 Market Square, Wellington, Telford TF1 1BP               | Open: 10am<br>Close: 6pm |
| <b>Thursdays</b> | 9 Market Square, Wellington, Telford TF1 1BP               | Open: 10am<br>Close: 6pm |
| <b>Saturdays</b> | 9 Market Square, Wellington, Telford TF1 1BP               | Open: 10am<br>Close: 2pm |

**PLEASE NOTE:** no sessions will be started during the last hour of our drop-ins. This means we cannot accept anyone into the service after 5pm on Tuesday & Thursday

[Shropshirebeam@childrenssociety.org.uk](mailto:Shropshirebeam@childrenssociety.org.uk)

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### The W App - Anonymous polls

The W App is rated as 12+ in the App store and as 'Parental Guidance' on Google Play. Once an account has been created, the user picks their school and participates in polls.

A user can choose any school (no verification takes place) and then you can see all users at that school (includes their name/year group and profile picture if that has been added). In the polls, users are asked a question (for example 'Hallway crush') and then the user selects one of four random people from that school. Whilst the app says that it is anonymous, users can purchase a membership that allows users to see who chose them in a poll.

You should be aware that this app does include in app purchases and can be linked to other social media accounts. You can block and report other users.

#### Further information

Internet Matters have produced an article outlining what you need to know about anonymous apps in general and the risks your child might face in using them, including cyberbullying.

### Meta introduces more parental supervision tools.

Meta have announced new features for some of their products. Firstly, they have added parental supervision to Messenger (users must be 13+), which includes the ability to see who your child interacts with. Also, Meta have added a feature to encourage teens to set time limits on Facebook (users must be 13+) and new parental supervision features on Instagram (users must be 13+). Find out more here:

<https://about.fb.com/news/2023/06/parental-supervision-and-teen-time-management-on-metas-apps/>

### Does your child have speech, language and communication needs?

Parent Zone understand that talking about life online with a young person who has speech, language and communication needs (SLCN) makes it difficult, so they have created a selection of visual and spoken resources to help you.

You can find out more here:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/TalkTech>