# 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.

Monday 29th January

PE - Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6

Tuesday 30th January

PE - Nursery, Reception Class and Year 1

Wednesday 31st January

**Swimming Year 3** 

PE - Year 2 and Year 5

Thursday 1st February

Swimming Year 4 and Year 5

PE - Year 1 and Year 6

**Outdoor Learning Nursery and Reception Class** 

Friday 2nd February

PE - Reception Class and Year 3

**Outdoor Learning Year 1** 

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. Can children come to school in Outdoor Learning clothes (a long sleeved top, long trousers, wellies and a waterproof coat). Thank you.

#### Child absence

Please telephone school (01948 840209) by 9.30am if your child is unwell and will not be attending that day. If leaving a message, can you please provide the exact reason why your child is absent. If we have not heard from you by 9.30am we shall be texting you and then following-up with a telephone call if we have still not heard from you by lunchtime.

We shall also be contacting parents of Nursery children who do not attend, for whatever reason, on days that we are expecting them. This is purely a health and wellbeing safeguarding check stemming from a recent very sad incident involving a young child and his father.

# **Dates for your Diary**

Monday 5th February

**Young Voices** 

Wednesday 7th February

**Parent Consultations** 

Thursday 8th February

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Friday 9th February

**Chinese New Year activities** 

**Break up for Half Term** 

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February Half Term children not in school

Monday 12th February - Wednesday 14th February Holiday Club.

Friday 23rd February

Journey's Journey Day

Monday 26th February

**Bikeability Year 6** 

**Monday 26th February** 

**Bingo at Prees Cricket and Recreation Club** 

Friday 1st March

Years 3 and 4 Educational Visit

Wednesday 6th March

Years 5 and 6 Educational Visit

Thursday 7th March

**World Book Day** 

Wednesday 20th March

Easter Service at St Chad's Church at 2pm.

Friday 22nd March

**Break up for Easter Holidays** 

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A fundraising bingo event has been organised for our school on the 26th February 2024 at Prees Cricket and Recreation Club, 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

For the event we provide the bingo prizes, in the past these have been bottles of wine, boxes of chocolates, smellies etc.

If anyone is able to donate a prize for the event, then they will be very gratefully received.

Your support as ever is very much appreciated.

#### Stay and Play at Prees C.E. Primary School

We are planning to restart our Stay and Play sessions for parents/carers/grandparents and their pre-school age children. We would like to ask if anyone interested in joining us have a preference to the day the session is held each week during term time. Please contact Mrs Powell at: learningmentor@prees.shropshire.sch.uk or telephone the office and ask to speak with her.

# **Walking Bus**

Great news, we now have 4 volunteers for our walking bus who are willing to help walk with the children starting from the Fire Station and picking up at certain points along the way to school. However, we do still need more volunteers. 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 know the day/s you are free to volunteer at: learningmentor@prees.shropshire.sch.uk Thank you.



# **Holiday Club**

Holiday Club will run again on Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th and Wednesday
14th February. Bookings are available on sQuid. Parents/Carers using the
Childcare Scheme/Vouchers, should book by emailing knight.j@prees.shropshire.sch.uk
Thank you.

ActivSports will be hosting a Football camp/ holiday club during the upcoming February half term at St Peter's Primary School in Wem. Starting on Monday 12th February and finishing on Friday 16th February. Each day starts at 8:30am and finishes at 3:30pm. For further information and how to book/ pay please visit - https://forms.office.com/r/6DptYTTfy7





#### **Easter Choir**

Starting Wednesday 21st February 3.15pm — 4pm Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 There is no charge

#### **Twitter**

Our school has a twitter account @preesschool. We use the account to share some of the amazing things that the children undertake in school. The account is private, but if you would like to follow our account then please request this and as long as we are sure who you are then your request will be accepted.

# **Get to know Age Ratings**

Age ratings are in place to help protect your child, so we thought we'd provide you with a little reminder of how important it is to check the age ratings of what your child is accessing online. Here are the age ratings of some of the more popular apps that young people are accessing.

Did you know that WhatsApp has an age rating of 16?





# 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 <a href="Shropshire's SEND Local Offer">Shropshire's SEND Local Offer</a> can help you.

### 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/



#### **Parenting Helpline**

Parenthood can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. It can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting. Shropshire Council's Parenting Team is here to support parents and carers to raise healthy, well-rounded children in a loving and stable environment.

Do you have any questions around child development and parenting?

Why not call our Parenting Helpline where one of our trained Parenting Practitioners will be ready to listen? Call 01743 250950 - Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am to 12.30pm.

If you would like to find out about other services the Parenting Team offers please email: Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk



# NHS children's appointments

- General dentistry
- Oral health education
- Saturday opening
- After-school appointments



Corser House, 17 Green End, Whitchurch, Shropshire, SY13 1AD

www.spadental.co.uk/contact

#### **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/cashfirst-leaflets

