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 5th February PE - Year 2, Year 4, Year 5* and Year 6 *

Tuesday 6th February PE - Nursery, Reception Class and Year 1

Wednesday 7th February Swimming Year 3

PE - Year 1**, Year 2 and Year 5

Thursday 8th February Swimming Year 4 and Year 5

PE - Year 6

Outdoor Learning Nursery and Reception Class

Friday 9th 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.

*PE - On Monday, children <u>not</u> attending Young Voices in Years 5 and 6 to come to school in their PE kits please.

**PE - Change of day (for this week only) Year 1 will have PE on Wednesday and not Thursday.

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Holiday Club



Holiday Club will run again on Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th February. Bookings are available on sQuid.

The final date for booking is Tuesday 6th February. Parents/Carers using the Childcare Scheme/Vouchers, should book by emailing knight.j@prees.shropshire.sch.uk Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 5th February Young Voices Years 5 and 6

Wednesday 7th February Parent Consultations
Thursday 8th February Parent Consultations

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

If you have not received confirmation of the day and time for your Parent Consultation please contact the office. Thank you.



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.

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 Wedensday 14th 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.

Driving in the vicinity of School

Can we please ask that you drive slowly after dropping children off or collecting from school as many of our children have to walk along the road due to there being no footpaths on some of the routes. Thank you.

NSPCC

The NSPCC have produced some fabulous resources for parents with babies and young children.

Find them at:

https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/researchresources/leaflets/look-say-sing-play-earlyyears-resources-parents/



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.

PE Kit

On the day **Nursery (Blossom Class)** have PE can the children please wear leggings/jogging bottoms to school

Reception Class, Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6:

- Plain navy blue or black jogging bottoms or leggings (no slogans, logos, writing or patterns)
- Plain navy blue or black sweatshirt (no slogans, logos, writing or patterns) or navy blue school jumper or cardigan with or without the school logo
- Plain navy blue shorts (no slogans, logos, writing or patterns) or skort (with without the school logo)
- Plain round neck red, blue or yellow PE T-shirt with or without the school logo
- Trainers
- Spare pair of socks
- Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied up during PE please
- If your child is wearing small plain stud earrings they will need removing or taping over (by your child) for PE. If your child is wearing a watch this will need to be removed please

Swimming:

- One-piece swimming costume for the girls and swimming trunks (not baggy shorts) for the boys
- Hair longer than shoulder length must be tied up during swimming lessons please
- If your child is wearing small plain stud earrings these will need to be removed for swimming, if this is not possible your child will need to wear a swimming hat or a swimming headband that covers their ears. If your child is wearing a watch this will need to be removed please

If you are concerned about someone's safety

In an emergency dial 999, but for other calls to the police please ring 101. To report a safeguarding concern by phone ring our First Point of Contact team on 0345 678 9044 Monday to Thursday, 9am to 5pm, and Friday 9am to 4pm.

If you have urgent adult safeguarding concerns outside of these hours, please phone the Emergency Social Work Duty Team on 0345 678 9040.

Staff Car Park

In the interests of safety could we please ask that anyone collecting or dropping their children off at school do not walk across the staff car park.

Please use the path between school and the church. Thank you.

Lost Jumper in Year 5

Can we ask you to please check and see if your child has accidentally brought a school logo jumper home by mistake. The jumper is labelled with the child's name. Thank you.

Homework on Seesaw

Your child's homework is accessed via our online Seesaw program. Spelling and homework are set on Seesaw each week. Any queries please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you.

Coat and Water Bottle

Can we please ask that your child brings a coat and water bottle labelled with their name to school each day please. Thank you.



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 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

