

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.

*Wishing you and your family an enjoyable half term break.
Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 24th February.*

The school day

The school day will extend by 10 minutes from Monday 24th February 2025 for children in Reception to Year 6.

The new start time is 8.45am. The new finish time is 3.15pm

School transport times will also change by 5 minutes at either end of the day.

The school gate will open at 8.35am in line with the earlier start to the school day. Thank you.

Monday 24th February

Children return to school

PE - Year 3, Year 5 and Year 6

Tuesday 25th February

PE - Nursery, Reception and Year 1

Wednesday 26th February

PE - Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6

Stay, Play and Chat 9am - 10.30am in the Hall

Parent Consultations

Thursday 27th February

Swimming Year 3 and Year 4

PE - Year 1 and Year 2

Outdoor Learning Nursery and Reception Class

Parent Consultations

Friday 28th February

PE - Reception and Year 4

Outdoor Learning Year 1 and Year 2

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) on Outdoor Learning days. Thank you.



A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Bingo and raffle; you for providing prizes, the sponsors and Mrs Coles for organising the event.

You raised an amazing **£1,173.00.**

Not sure what to do during the half term holiday?

The Family Information Service's directory is full of activities, events and days out. From drumming workshops to craft sessions, films, treasure trails, and much more!

Visit the Family Info Directory here: <https://shropshire-fid.directory-platform.com/kb5/shropshire/fid/results.action?qt=feb25&term=&familychannel=0&sorttype=relevance&sr=30&nh=10>



Easter Choir

Easter Choir Club will begin on a Wednesday lunchtime after half term with Mrs Edwards, for children in Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6.



PREES SCHOOL NEWS

Dates for your Diary

Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February - Half Term children not in school

Monday 17th February - Thursday 20th February - Holiday Club.

Monday 24th February

Children return to school

Wednesday 26th February

Parent Consultations

Play, Stay and Chat in the Hall 9am - 10.30am

Thursday 27th February

Parent Consultations

Thursday 6th March

World Book Day

Friday 21st March

Comic Relief - Red Nose Day

Monday 7th April

Easter Journey Day

Easter Service at St Chad's Church at 2pm

Friday 11th April

Break up for Easter holidays

Monday 28th April

Children return to school

Monday 5th May

Bank Holiday - children not in school

Tuesday 6th May

Children return to school

For things to do in and around Shropshire over half term visit:

<https://alderford.com/things-to-do-half-term-in-shropshire/>

<https://www.myshrewsbury.co.uk/blog/things-to-do-guide-february-half-term/>

<https://www.visitshropshire.co.uk/things-to-do/family-fun/>

<https://plutoniumsox.com/whats-on-west-midlands/shropshire-february-half-term/>

Autism West midlands

Shropshire Family Gingerbread Man Soft Play Event

Friday 21st February 9am – 10.30am Free

Join us at **The Gingerbread Man, Wacky Warehouse, Gree King Pub & Carvery, Market Drayton TF9 3SW** for an autism friendly, inclusive event, a fun-filled morning of soft play and family bonding. Let your little ones enjoy some fun in our soft play area. This event is perfect for families looking to meet other families and have a great time together. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity. Open to Shropshire postcode residents only.

Book here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/shropshire-family-gingerbread-man-soft-pla-event-tickets-1145667033939?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>



Hello from the **Family Information Service** (FIS for short)

Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother. We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, clubs, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays, for all ages
- Getting parenting and family support
- Finding health and wellbeing support

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

Follow us on social media for all the latest news and info.

 @ShropshireFamilyInfo

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www.shropshire.gov.uk/fis

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.

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 and 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.

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 are struggling right now, you are 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 is help available.

The website: 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.

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/>



Do you have children aged 0-19, or up to 25 for young people with special educational needs and disabilities?

You can get free information, advice and support on all aspects of family life at our drop-in sessions.

You can chat, have a coffee and find out how we can help you with family life, parenting support, domestic abuse support, money worries, housing support and much more.

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>

Facebook and Twitter

Our school has a Facebook account - Prees CE Primary School and Nursery.

We also have a twitter account @preeschool. 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.

We use the accounts to share some of the amazing things that the children undertake in school.