

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 2nd February

PE - Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5

Tuesday 3rd February

PE - Nursery, Reception, Year 1

SATs Club for children in Year 6

Wednesday 4th February

PE - Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6

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

Thursday 5th February

Swimming—Year 3 and Year 4

PE - Year 2 and Year 5

Friday 6th February

Young Voices Year 5 and Year 6

PE - Reception

Outdoor Learning - Year 1

Can children please come to school in their PE kit on the days they have PE. Can they please bring an extra pair of socks as their feet can get wet if on the field. Thank you



Holiday Club



Holiday Club will run again during February half term on
Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th February.

9am—3pm, £12 per session.

Children to bring a packed lunch and water bottle please.

Bookings for holiday club are now open on ParentPay. Parents/Carers wishing to use voucher payments please contact Mrs Knight on knight.j@prees.shropshire.sch.uk

MESSAGING

Most communications are sent by email or text via ParentPay. Please make sure that you have registered via the details sent home to ensure you receive notifications, letters and news.

Please make sure that we have the most up to date contact information for you.

Please let us know of any changes to your key details.

As a matter of routine, any injury above the neck means that a text is sent home as well as the 'bump note'. All other minor accidents will be recorded and a note sent home with your child.

If anything is considered more serious than a minor injury we will always contact you.

Child Absence

Please telephone school (01948 840209) by 9.00am 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 9.15am, we will telephone you and follow-up with a text message. If we have still not heard from you by 10.30am we will telephone and text again as this becomes a safeguarding concern.

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 a health and wellbeing safeguarding check.

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 the **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.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 6th February	Year 5 and Year 6 Young Voices
Tuesday 10th February	Open afternoon for families to view home learning projects in the hall
Wednesday 11th February	Stay, Play and Chat Year 5 and Year 6 Educational visit to the Liverpool World Museum
Friday 13th February	Break up for half term.
Monday 16th February to Thursday 19th February	Holiday Club
Monday 23rd February	Children return to school
Wednesday 25th February	Stay, Play and Chat
Friday 13th March	Year 3 and Year 4 Educational visit to the Black Country Living Museum

Stay, Play and Chat



Prees C.E. Primary School & Nursery

Every Wednesday 9.00am - 10.30am (during term time)

Children from 0-5 years welcome with parents, carers, grandparents and friends.
We look forward to you joining us on a Wednesday in our school hall.



Water Bottles

Please can children bring a water bottle, labelled with their name to school each day. If your child is bringing juice to drink with their lunch can they also bring a bottle with water in so that they can stay hydrated throughout the day.



Thank you.

Head Lice

Head Lice are again making a nuisance of themselves. Please check your child's hair and treat if necessary.

Regular combing with a fine toothed comb can help to prevent reinfection. Thank you.



Coat, hat, gloves and wellies

Can we please ask that during the cold weather your child brings a coat, hat and gloves to school each day. If your child does not already have a pair of wellies in school (labelled with their name please) can we ask that you send a pair in that can be left in school.



We like to take the children out at playtimes whenever the weather allows. Thank you.

Would you like to read our Online Safety newsletter in a different language?

You can use the translate tool on our web version:
<https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/january-2026-primary/>

Homework on Seesaw

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

Easy Fundraising

During these uncertain times we are looking for different ways to raise funds for school. We have registered for the Easy Fundraising scheme and would really appreciate your support with this. The scheme is very easy and free to use - if you buy any items on-line then please register with the easy fundraising website:

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

Once registered with the site when you buy on line, please log in and see if the retailer you are purchasing from is registered with easy fundraising - if they are then log into the retailer's website via easy fundraising identifying Prees School as your chosen beneficiary and make your purchase - a percentage of the purchase price will be donated to school.

Please support us with this if you can, as it is a very easy way to raise funds for our school and does not cost you anything.

Attendance

At Prees C.E. Primary School, we continually focus on the importance of attendance and punctuality to ensure that your child has the best possible start in life. Attendance has a direct link to attainment; there is clear evidence that poor attendance has a very negative impact on children's learning and progress at school. If a child is not in school regularly, they are not fully accessing the curriculum and learning opportunities available to them. Children are required to attend school for 190 days each year. There are 175 days for holidays and other activities. We expect attendance rates to be 96% and above.

Attending school every day equates to 100% attendance.

We believe that 'Every Minute Counts! When a child arrives late at school, they miss teacher instructions and lesson time; and their learning begins to suffer. Children also feel embarrassed at having to enter the classroom late. This can seriously disadvantage children and disrupt the learning of others.

Please help your children to be punctual. Thank you.

Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to free school meals if you are in receipt of certain benefits.

Children in Nursery to Year 6 may be eligible.

Please visit the site below to check if you are eligible to apply.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Thank you.

** School Transport **

Your child may be eligible for school transport if they are in Reception Class to Year 6 and fulfil certain criteria.

Applications can be submitted online at

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/school-transport/available-support/>

Scroll down and click on Primary.

Any queries please contact the school office.

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

localoffer@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](#) 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>

about family
all

www.allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine

A digital newsletter with lots of information to share with your children.

Shropshire
family
Information Service

Info, advice and support,
for families in Shropshire

Find us on:



Shropshire
Council

PREES VILLAGE HALL

POP-UP CAFÉ

**Monday February 2
2026**

From 12 midday

**Homemade
Soup & Pud Lunch**

£5.00

on door.

Do come along to enjoy lunch and a
friendly chat!

Any queries phone 01948 841124



AGM

Natters Matters

Monday, 9th February

9.30am join us for our AGM

10.00am join us for Natters Matters
(both will be in the meeting room downstairs
grab a coffee and follow the signs)



Support available while
waiting for your appointment

There are a range of local support providers that you and your child can access while you wait for a health appointment or assessment. Many of these can continue to support you and your child beyond your appointment/assessment.

- Development or wellbeing
- Communication
- Physical and sensory needs
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Neurodivergent needs
- Behaviours of concern
- Preparing for adulthood



For more information, please see the Healthier Together website

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Contact: info@paccshropshire.org.uk

**Healthier Together have a website section on
the support available while waiting for your
child/ young person's appointment.**

More information:

<https://www.stwhealthiertogether.nhs.uk/.../support...>

junior parkrun

Free, weekly, 2k for 4-14 year olds

walk, skip, run, volunteer, spectate - it's up to
you!

We are looking for a group of volunteers to help bring
junior parkrun to
Jubilee Park, Whitchurch

Interested in being involved?

We'd love to hear from you, send an email to:
sally.mcdonald@parkrun.com



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Fun
RUN

SUNDAY 1ST FEB 9AM
The Croud Meadow
Shrewsbury SY2 6ST



ALL FOR ONE - RUN FOR ALL
2KM OR 5KM ROUTE

ALL AGES WELCOME
Whether you choose to run with your family or invite friends, our family fun morning is open to everyone, making sure the kids can join in too.

MORE THAN A RUN
Come along to enjoy tea, coffee, and cake, take part in our penalty shoot-out competition, and support us through a range of fun fundraising activities.

FUNDRAISING
Fundraising is encouraged via JustGiving, to support the Foundation's charity pot and helping us make a real difference in our community.




February Holiday Clubs

at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST

For children aged 5 to 11, our holiday clubs are open to all abilities with a focus on fun and sports! Groups of mixed age and ability.

16th to 20th February at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST

Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18

foundationstfc.co.uk/fun

Get in touch

E: admin@foundationstfc.co.uk T: 01743 289177 opt 6



WEM HEALTH AND WELLBEING POP UP

THURSDAY 12TH FEBRUARY
10:00AM - 1:00PM

Come along to Aston Street Car Park (Co-Op) where you will find Fiona, Community Wellbeing Outreach Officer, along with Paul and volunteers from Shropshire Mental Health Support, offering you a free, safe and confidential space to receive support around a variety of subjects.

Everyone Welcome.




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Useful Resources- Sleep

Is your child/ young person struggling with their sleep? There are a number of organisations with resources and guides to help!