

Newsletter



FEBRUARY

E Safety Committee meeting

On Friday 17th March, a small group of parents, staff, pupils and governors will be meeting at 9am across the Trust (via TEAMS) to share good practice in Internet Safety. If anyone would like to join the CHCA committee, please see Mrs Little.

Finalists for the Performance Poetry competition at Lacon Childe school on Tuesday 21st March (evening - awaiting confirmation of time).

A HUGE thank you for all of over poets. We had nearly 30 entries for the competition and I really struggled to whittle these down to 10 finalists but these are the poems which will be performed

Grace and Lauren: My dog likes to disco by Ken Nesbitt

Darcy S and Daisy: When the teacher isn't looking by Ken Nesbitt

Skylar & Oakley: The Runners

Evie, Boudicca and Lily: Our Nature, Our world

Toby and Jack: Dinners – a conversation poem

Jay Williams: Leisure by LW Davies

Boudicca: Colonel Fazackerley Butterworth-Toast

Heidi: Awkward Child

Talia, Sienna, Darcey G: Disappear

Amber, Connie, Bryony, Scout, Raffi: Honey

Luca and Riley: Things I can do & One world

Please see the attached link for vacancies within the trust.

<https://www.sget.org.uk/vacancies-within-the-trust>

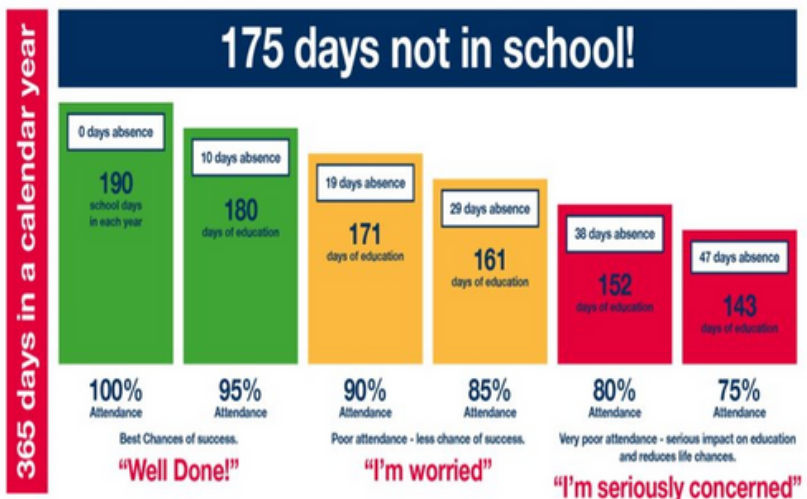
Attendance this week

- Class 1 - 98.1%
- Class 2 - 99.3%
- Class 3 - 93.6%
- Class 4 - 95.7%
- Class 5 - 94.6%

Aim for 100% attendance!

Good attendance means...

Being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days



Reminder of diary dates below - new additions highlighted in yellow



Reading Miles Ghana Wednesday 15th February

- Wear Ghanaian colours- bright red, yellow and green, with a little bit of black.
- The Ghanaian national football team is called the Black Stars- perhaps you could cut out black stars from black paper or card and put them onto your clothes.
- Or perhaps you've got some bright African bits of material you could use as a skirt or draped around your body. Maybe you could tie an amazing African head dress?
- I bet you can make some amazing jewellery to wear with your African outfit. Maybe using an old paper plate?



A huge thank you for all of the Parents and teachers who attended the AGM on Thursday night.

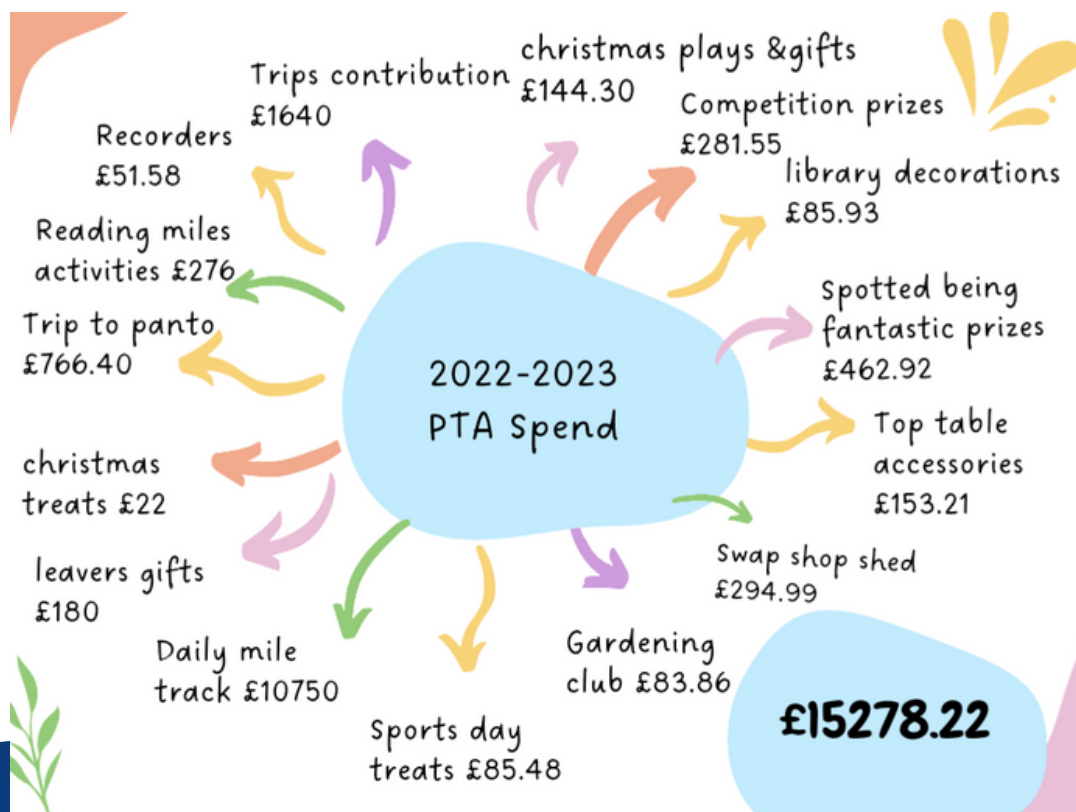
Our PTA for 2023 is:

- Robyn Bowen - Chair
- Chloe Edwards - Vice Chair
- Sharn Hughes - Secretary
- Jo Hirons - Treasurer



The PTA would like to thank all of the members who have stood down this year for their help.

The next PTA meeting is 7th March, 7:30pm (venue to be confirmed)



Hall of Fame



Class 1

Praise Certificates: Nancy, Harvey
Writing Rocket: Blake
Reading Rockstar: Xander
Marvellous Mathematician: Benni

Class 2

Praise Certificates: Raffi, Bryony, Jono, Ruth
Writing Rocket: Ivy
Reading Rockstar: Louie

Class 3

Praise: Luca, Jayden, Alfie
Writing Rocket: Dylan
Reading Rockstar: Bobby C
Marvellous Mathematician: Lily

Class 4

Praise certificates: Harley, Jack G, Noah
Writing Rocket: Riley B
Reading rockstar: Fliss
Marvellous Mathematician: Archy
Handwriting: Frankie
Times tables: Lianna, Kyle, Jack D, Noah, Fliss,
Riley B, Talia

Class 5

Praise Certificates: Connie, Evangeline,
Grace
Writing Rocket: Darcy
Reading Rockstar: Toby
Marvellous Mathematician: Daisy
Handwriting: Lacey

This week's Top Table

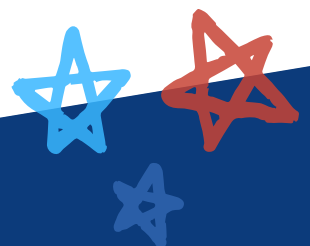


TT Rockstars

Class 3: Lily (Rock Legend),
Lynk (Busker), Jack P
(Gigger)

Class 4: Grace (Headliner),
Talia (Rock Star)

Class 5: Max (Headliner)



Dates for Diary 2023

Spring Term	
13.2.23	Safer Internet Week: Whole school focus on safety and assembly ran by Digital Leaders
14.2.23	PTA - Valentine's Disco Class 1 Cake Sale After School
15.2.23	PTA - Mother's Day Pop Up Shop
15.2.23	Reading Miles - Ghana
16.2.23	Last day of half term PM YR 5 and 6 Volleyball Festival at Lacon
17.2.23	PD Day
Half Term	
27.2.23	Back to School
28.2.23	Bags 2 School Collection Class 5 Trip to Dudley Zoo
2.3.23	World Book Day
7.3.23	Class 1 and 2 Bromyard Cinema Trip AM
8.3.23	Year 5 and 6 Girls Biggest Ever Football Session @ Lacon Childe
9.3.23	Class 1 and 2 Blists Hill Trip - All Day Class 3 Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre Trip AM
17.3.23	Reading Miles - Ireland
21.3.23	Lacon Childe School - Performance Poetry Evening
24.3.23	Spring Term Reports sent home
29.3.23	Parent's Evening
30.3.23	PTA - Easter Disco
31.3.23	PTA - Egg Hunt
31.3.23	Last day of term Maths Problem Solving AM/Board Games PM
Easter Holidays	

Summer Term	
17.4.23	Back to School
1.5.23	Bank Holiday
8.5.23	Bank Holiday
9.5.23	SATs week
10.5.23	New Reception Meeting for Parents
12.5.23	Mental Health Awareness Day - activities in classes
13.5.23	Community Day 11am - 1pm
15.5.23	Whole School Locality Week (local history week)
25.5.23	Reading Miles - Thailand
25.5.23	PTA Film Night
26.5.23	Last day of half term
Half Term	
5.6.23	Back to School
12.6.23	Tempest in - Class Photos
16.6.23	Sports Morning (athletics/ field events) No parents
22.6.23	Sports Afternoon - With parents
26.6.23	Book trawl this week - creative curriculum
29.6.23	Reserve Sports Day
7.7.23	Summer Term Reports sent home
20.7.23	PTA - CHCA's Got Talent
24.7.23	Reading Miles - Australia
24.7.23	PTA Leaver's Disco
25.7.23	Leaver's Play
25.7.23	Last day of term: Maths Problem Solving AM/Board Games PM



Digital Resilience Toolkit

internet
matters.org

Advice for parents of 6–10 year olds

Help children become more digitally savvy
and get the best out of their online world

What are they doing online?



44%
of six-year-olds are going
online in their bedrooms¹

28%
of 10-year-olds have
a social media profile²



8 in 10
aged 5 to 15 regularly use
YouTube to watch short
clips or programmes²



1. Internet Matters OL research 2016

2. Ofcom Children's and parents'
media use and attitudes 2017

What challenges can they face?

It's the first time they are using technology, many independently. For children between 6 and 10, they are going online to play games or watch videos. This activity can quickly become very addictive.

As children get closer to 9 and 10, they are starting to engage online and socialise through games or through social media and they may come across potential risks when talking to others online such as cyberbullying.





How do I get them prepared to deal with these challenges?

1. Managing time online

- For very young children playing a fun game is like scratching an itch and it becomes very addictive
- Set screen-time limits for their devices to create a norm and set a good balance on and offline
- Explain why you're putting time-limits in place so they can understand the positive benefits for them



- Getting involved at an early age will make it easier to engage with them as they develop their online identity
- Knowing about their habits online will allow you to feel comfortable to slowly bring down the safety wall as they get older



2. Use parental controls to create a safer space for kids to explore online

- Set parental and privacy settings on apps, sites and devices they use and adjust them as they grow
- Use a child-friendly search engine as the homepage and a family login for sites such as YouTube, which are popular with children at this age or use YouTube Kids
- This means they can explore in a safe space and build independence online

4. Being a good digital citizen

- Talk to them about the importance of being a good digital citizen as soon as you can
- Talk to your child about what they value in real friendships
- Discuss kindness and how important it is to be kind online
- Talk to them about steps they can take if something goes wrong or they feel someone has been treated unfairly
- Remind them that they can talk to an adult if they are concerned



3. Participation

- Get involved and show an interest in what they're doing online
- Play games with your child and find fun ways to interact to ensure they're using their time online in a productive way



5. Be assertive - set digital boundaries

- At this age, children don't have the ability to self-regulate and need firm boundaries such as time limits
- Don't be afraid of being unpopular by saying 'no' when they are eager to get online if it is not appropriate - you are in control

Even with the right controls and settings, there's still a small chance children can stumble across something they shouldn't.



"What happens if things go wrong?"

- Try and understand what they've seen or come across whether it's a comment on a video or a game
- Find out how they came across it and discuss how it made them feel
- Don't overreact, show your support and talk it through
- Depending on the situation seek advice from specialist organisation or your GP to give them the best chance to recover and regain their confidence

BAGS TO SCHOOL

28TH FEBRUARY



WHY NOT HAVE A CLEAR OUT OVER THE HALF TERM? BAGS TO SCHOOL ARE COLLECTING ON 28TH FEBRUARY

ALL DONATIONS TO BE PUT INTO BIN BAGS AND PUT DOWN IN THE SHELTER BY THE COB OVEN .





WANTED

World Book Day swap shop

Donations welcome of World Book Day
costumes.

Please hang on the rail in the swap shop.

Dressing
up ideas





World book day

Thursday 2nd March

Dress up as your favourite book character.



World book day competition

Children are invited to recreate a scene from their favourite story, inside a box (shoe box/cereal box etc). For inspiration, please see this gallery for examples of stories in boxes. Please note, this is an optional activity. The boxes should be brought to school by Wednesday 1st March. Good luck. There are prizes to be won!



February Half Term

Kidderminster Harriers Community Scheme will be holding our holiday football courses during half term. Course run **10am-3pm** and are open to children **aged 5-13 years**.

Younger children can attend for half days if they prefer.

The courses will feature our Goalscorers Award and a mini soccer tournament, everyone who competes receive a prize.

Cost: Online price: 1 day = £10, 2 days = £20, 3 days = £28 Half days (5-7 years only)@ £5 per day 10-12.30 or 1-3pm - 10% sibling discount

Pay on the day price: 1 day = £12, 2 days = £22, 3 days = £30 Half days @ £6 per day- No sibling discount

The venues are:-

Droitwich Cricket Club WR9 7AN – Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st TBC

Kinver Sports & Community Association DY7 6ER - Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st

Worcester – Bishop Perowne College - Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st

Malvern – Dyson Perrins Academy - Tuesday 21st & Wednesday 22nd

Cleobury Mortimer Sports Centre - Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th

Kidderminster – Baxter College - Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th

Please bring both indoor and outdoor footwear, packed lunch, drinks, umbrella and waterproof clothing. Online price is available until Friday 17th Feb after which pay on the day price applies.

To book a place email harrierscommunity@hotmail.co.uk

We do not save you details so please email details EACH time you book

Name: Age: Any Medical Conditions: Emergency Contact number:

Course Venue: Days attending:

Payment details will be sent with confirmation of booking.

Note - We will only send you emails if you have previously enrolled on a course

Please email STOP with the venue you attended ie **STOP DROITWICH** if you no longer wish to receive Community Trust emails

Family Information Drop-in

Free information, advice and support

Cleobury Community Hub

1 Lower Street, Cleobury Mortimer DY14 8BN

Wednesday, 3.30pm – 4.30pm on:

23 November 2022

22 February 2023

25 January 2023

22 March 2023

You can chat with and find information on:

- Early Help Family Workers
- Food Bank
- Parenting Support
- Housing Support
- Financial Advice
- Public Health Nursing Service
- Domestic Abuse Support
- Employment and Benefits Advice
- Healthy Living Advice
- Young People's Substance Misuse Service



Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities)

We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and support when you need it.



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THE 2023 COMPETITION

+ We are looking for talented performers, singers, musicians and poets, who may wish to enter **TOTALLY PSALMIC**

A Psalms competition with a £600 prize pot

(Judges may split this prize between joint winners).

+Our competition hopes to develop ways of presenting the Bible's Psalms (Songs) to a modern audience who may not have intimate knowledge of the Bible text.

+This event will be held on the evening of **SATURDAY 15TH JULY 2023 AT LUDLOW METHODIST CHURCH BROAD STREET LUDLOW SY8 1NH.**

+ **FOR ENTRY DETAILS AND FORM ...**

Contact: Colin Sheward C/o Friends Meeting House, St Mary's Lane, Ludlow, SY8 1DZ
01584 875946 colinsheward@yahoo.co.uk

PLEASE REGISTER INTEREST BY FRIDAY 16TH JUNE 2023 FOR SHORTLISTING.

If you would like to find out about other services the Parenting Team offers please email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call us on 01743 250950



PARENTING HELPLINE

available on
Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.00am to 12.30pm
Call us on 01743 250950

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?

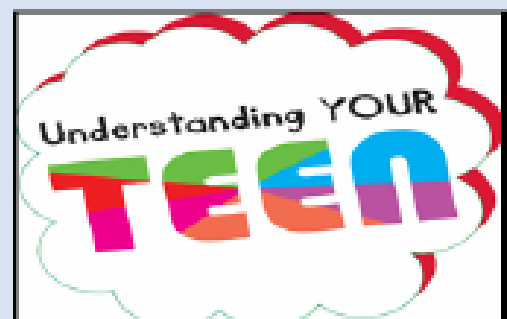
Why not call our Parenting Helpline where one of our trained

Parenting Practitioners will be ready to listen.

(Please note the Parenting Helpline will not operate between Christmas & New Year)

If you have concerns about a child's safety or well-being please call

First Point of Contact 0345 678 9021



www.shropshire.gov.uk
General Enquiries: 0345 678 9000

Relationships can be difficult, complicated, fun, satisfying, exciting, annoying, bring out the best in us, bring out the worst in us. We are often in one, but we don't often spend much time on them. So here's the chance

- o Do you feel your relationship needs some attention?
- o Do you feel you are drifting a bit lately or things have been difficult?
- o Would you like to meet with other parents and carers?
- o Are you looking for a way forward?

Why not join us for our 4 week workshop with one 2 hours session each week.

WORKING ON YOUR RELATIONSHIP

There are 2 different workshops on offer this Spring:

- Starts Wednesday 25th January for 4 weeks, 12.30-2.30pm in Shrewsbury
- Starts Wednesday 8th March for 4 weeks, 12.30-2.30pm in Shrewsbury

To book a place on the workshop or for further information, including the venue please contact the Parenting Team by emailing parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950