

# Newtown Church of England Primary School



**Growing together  
in strength, love and wisdom,  
we shine.**

**Newsletter  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

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## Message from the Head

As we come to the end of the school year, we reflect and look forward in equal measure.

With this in mind, the children's Annual School Reports will be sent home early next week, and parents are invited into school to give children the opportunity to share their books and for you to speak informally with class teachers.

Classrooms will be open and teachers available until 4:30pm on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. So, please feel free to come in and share in your child's achievements.

## Busy Busy Busy...

We may be approaching the end of the year but that doesn't mean we aren't still incredibly busy in school with lots of learning going on.

Notably, this morning the children in EYFS have been busy outside creating Hapa Zome art.

Hapa Zome, literally meaning "leaf dye", is a Japanese printmaking technique that uses the natural pigments in leaves and flowers to produce beautiful patterns... but none more beautiful than what our youngest children created. Well done all.



Earlier in the week Kestrel Class enjoyed a Greek afternoon which supported their history work this half term. Whilst dressed in traditional Greek clothing, the children enjoyed Greek food and enjoyed Ancient Greek pastimes.



## Holiday Activity and Food (HAF)

You will see at the end of this newsletter lots of information about Summer Clubs that children are invited to attend, often for a charge. However, the HAF Programme offers free places to some activities for those who meet the eligibility criteria. I have attached further information to this email but the main information for eligibility is as follows:

### Core Eligibility:

There are free places available on the HAF programme for children and young people aged 4 (reception class age)\* to 16, who:

- Receive benefits-related free school meals
- Ukrainian guests staying in Shropshire

### Wider Eligibility:

Local authorities have discretion to use some of their funding to provide free or subsidised holiday club places for children and young people who are not in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

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In Shropshire this includes:

- Children and young people who live in areas of high deprivation and/or from low-income households who are not in receipt of benefits related free school meals

There are a limited number of free places available for children and young people who meet the wider eligibility criteria of living in areas of high deprivation and/or from low-income households on the Shropshire HAF programme 2024.

### Remarkable Readers



"Books train your mind to  
imagination to think big."  
– Taylor Swift

Our new 'Remarkable Readers' initiative to celebrate the children's engagement with reading at home.

This week our winners for most engagement in Reading Journals is Hawk Class. Congratulations to all! Miss Wilds has taken the winning book and will share with the children.

### Attendance

Owl 94% ★  
Hawk 93%  
Kestrel 98% ★★ ★★  
Osprey 98% ★★ ★★  
Falcon 93%

Average 95.46%

Average for this week 96%  
Our whole target is 97%

### Shining Stars of The Week

#### Owl Class

Ethan for working so hard with his sentence writing.

#### Hawk Class

Rowan for his fantastic efforts in singing practice.

#### Kestrel Class

Lyra for being so passionate about her learning both in school and at home.

#### Osprey Class

Harry for his great behaviour and positive attitude.

#### Falcon Class

Tate, Harvey, Ozzy and Joel for being extremely helpful this week.

### Class Dojos Winners

Owl Class – Ruben, Lando and Felicity  
Hawk Class – Theodore, Olly M and Tilly W  
Kestrel Class – Iris, Louis and Alfie  
Osprey Class – Ashley, Lola, Jack and Alex  
Falcon Class – Joel, Ozzy and Harvey

### Outside Achievements

Virginia and Emma for achieving a range of swimming certificates

Harriet for winning 5 football awards for her achievements with her football team including Players Player of the Year.

Hayley also shared the Bewilderbats book which she had signed by the author Tom Blofeld.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Kind regards,  
Mr Crompton.

### Key School Dates

#### July

9 <sup>th</sup> July	Informal Parents Evening
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Informal Parents Evening
11 <sup>th</sup> July	New Reception Taster (am)
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3&4 Liverpool Trip
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Service at Church 2.00pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Party 3.15pm
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Break Up for Summer

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## Summer Holidays at Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre

### Wild Homes

**Monday 22nd - Friday 26th July & AND Monday 12th  
- Friday 16th August  
1pm – 2.30pm**

Take a walk to see if we can find the homes of animals in the meadows. Then make a den or tent wild home for yourself or an animal or even a fairy. Take a break in your work and toast a marshmallow.

Recommended age 4 - 11 years.

£4.50 per child. Must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking essential, book online at

[www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk](http://www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk)

### Stone Age Hunters

**Monday 29th July - Friday 2nd August AND Monday  
19th - Friday 23rd August  
1pm – 2.30pm**

Go back in time to the Stone Age and prepare to help your tribe. Visit our special Condover mammoth replica and learn what it can tell us about the Ice Age.

Try using a fire bow and spear thrower and paint with soil pigments in your sacred cave. As a tracker, assess how you will hunt and scavenge using wind direction, footprint trails and more and use stones to make a solar calendar to help you know when it is time to move on.

Recommended age 4 - 11 years.

£4.50 per child. Must be accompanied by an adult.

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### Winnie the Pooh Adventures

**Monday 5th - Friday 9th August AND Monday 26th -  
Friday 30th August  
1pm – 2.30pm**

“What day is it?” said Pooh. “It’s today,” squeaked Piglet. “My favourite day,” responds Pooh. Decorate a pooh stick with items found in the meadows. Try to trap a heffalump. Make a house for Eeyore. Help Pooh by learning to identify honey bees in the meadows, so that he can have some honey later.

Recommended age 3 - 11 years.

£4.50 per child. Must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking essential, book online at

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**A Discovery Summer Children’s Holiday Club  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 25<sup>th</sup> July  
until 29<sup>th</sup> August  
9am – 1pm**

Time will be spent outside exploring, learning about and enjoying nature. We will create things using natural materials and go out and make dens. There will also be quiet times inside with a range of creative activities, games and books. We plan to cook once a week.

For Children in reception to year 6.

£14.00 per child or free with a school code. A snack and lunch are included. Booking essential, call 01588676060 to book.

### Kung Fu Panda 4 (PG) – Flicks in the Sticks Film

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August**

**Film starts at 3pm**

Po must train a new warrior when he's chosen to become the spiritual leader of the Valley of Peace. However, when a powerful shape-shifting sorceress sets her eyes on his Staff of Wisdom, he suddenly realizes he's going to need some help. Teaming up with a quick-witted corsac fox, Po soon discovers that heroes can be found in the most unexpected places.

Adult £6, child £4. Booking essential, book online at [www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk](http://www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk)

Themed crafts and film snacks will be available.



The image is a promotional graphic for the HAF Programme. It features a blue background with a yellow and white diagonal stripe. On the left, there is a photograph of a young boy in a blue t-shirt and a girl in a blue t-shirt and a patterned skirt, both smiling. To the right of the photo, the text 'HAF Programme' is written in large white letters, with 'with Shrewsbury Town FC' in smaller white text below it. In the top left corner, there is a small circular logo for 'FOUNDATION The Lewis Childs Charity'. In the bottom right corner, there is a circular logo for 'SHREWSBURY TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB' with '1886' and 'FLOREAT SALOPIA' around it. At the bottom left, there is a QR code and the text 'Find out more Scan the QR Code or visit: bit.ly/3wQHz9Z'. At the bottom right, there is a section titled 'Join the fun!' with a paragraph of text: 'The Holiday, Activity and Food (HAF) programme is available to children who currently receive free schools meals. These sessions allow young people to get involved in a range of exciting activities in the school holidays while also receiving hot meals each day they attend!'.

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**Summer Holiday Fun and Food in Shropshire**  
**Book Now!**

Over the Summer holidays, HAF eligible children and young people aged 4 (reception class) to 16, are invited to attend free clubs.

All eligible will be given a unique code and booking information direct from school.

**"Safe, enjoyable, fun and great to have somewhere for children to be."** Parent.

Many holiday clubs have paid spaces available for those not eligible for HAF.

Web: [www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf)  
 Email: [HAF.programme@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:HAF.programme@shropshire.gov.uk)



**WHITTINGTON CRICKET CLUB**

**AGES 5 - 12 SUMMER ACTIVITY CAMP**





**Cricket Games & Activities**  
**Circus Workshop**  
**Obstacle Courses**  
**Water Games**  
**Dance Workshop**

**Wednesday 24th - Friday 26th July 2024**  
**9.30am until 3.30pm**  
**(Early drop off and late pick up by arrangement only)**  
**Friday evening Presentation & BBQ**

**Pricing**  
**Per player**  
**Members (3 Days) - £60, Siblings £50**  
**Day rate £25, Siblings £20**

**Non Members (3 Days) - £75, Sibling £50**  
**Day rate £30**




**Register via the link or QR Code:**  
<https://forms.gle/yG3cw3afy2jVVi889>

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# **NURSERY SPACES AVAILABLE**

from 3 years old 8:45am to 3:15pm

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**Music and Movement**



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# **FAMILY CHARITY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT.**

**IN MEMORIAL OF MATTHEW EVANS**

**6 A SIDE  
£30 PER TEAM**

**WITH RAFFLE PRIZES,  
FOOD, CAKE STALL AND BAR**

**PLEASE REGISTER YOUR  
INTEREST ON THE  
@MATTHEWEVANSMEMORIAL  
TOURNAMENT  
FACEBOOK PAGE**

**ALL PROCEEDS IN AID OF LYMPHOMA ACTION**



**SATURDAY JULY 13TH**



**BEACH GROVE, ELLESMERE**

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