



St Edward's CE Primary School Newsletter – 08.09.25

Welcome Back

We'd like to wish all our children a lovely warm welcome back to St Edwards after a very sunny summer holidays. As always, it was great to see all the children back on Wednesday and bringing the school to life. It has been wonderful to see everyone and hear about their adventures. We welcome our new reception children and hope that they are settling in nicely.

There are lots of exciting events planned for this term, we will make sure you have the information regarding them on the newsletter each week.

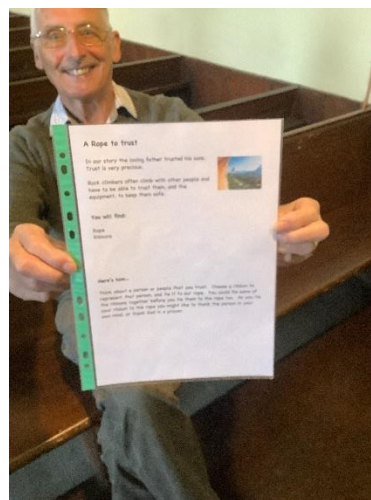
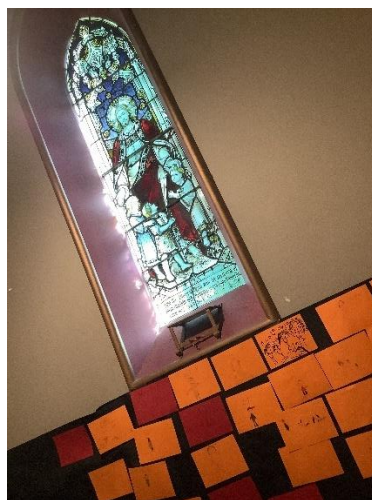
Also look out for our newly redesigned website which should go live over the next few days.

There are a few new staff members too, Helen Rushton, our new administrator, George Lewis our KS2 TA and Ellie Griffiths our KS1 TA. Mrs Evans is now our Dragonflies Class teacher. A warm welcome also to Steph Reid, our new SENDCo. Steph has already started contacting families and introducing herself.

We all look forward to seeing your children learn, grow and play together in a place where love, trust and forgiveness are at the heart of all we do.

St Edwards Prayer Day

This morning, we all went to St Edwards church, where Rev Laura read the story of The Prodigal Son. She reminded us that this is the story that our school values of love, trust and forgiveness are taken from. To help us put these values into practise, we did some prayer activities centred around them. All parents and carers are invited to visit the church to see what the children have done.





The Prodigal Son, or better – The Loving Father – Luke 15: 11-32 (NRSVue)

Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them.

“Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants. So he got up and went to his father.

But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.

The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. ‘Your brother has come,’ he replied, ‘and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.’

The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, ‘Look! All these years I’ve been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!’

‘My son,’ the father said, ‘you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’”

School Vision – ‘Love each other and know we are loved’

John 13: 34-35 - ‘A new command I give you, love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another’.

Ospreys' Big Question

This term we have discussed the questions 'what rights do I have?' and 'should you respect yourself over all other things?' We looked at the United Nations rights of all children and the school's behaviour policy. Children responded to these questions with posters, speeches and flow charts. If you would like to continue these discussions at home, here are some starter questions...

Year 3 & 4

Why is being listened to and listening to others important in the community?

Why is being democratic important and how can this help us feel valued?

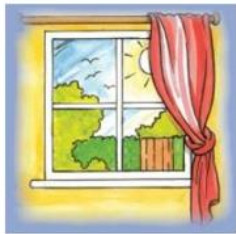
Year 5 & 6

How can my choices have an impact on people in my immediate community and globally?

How do we empathise with others in my community and globally? How can this influence the choices that I make?

Spirituality

Windows



experience

Mirrors



reflection

Doors



growth

Big Questions-

R-What makes me happy and what things do I value?

Y1/2-Who am I and what am I worth?

Y3/4-Don't we deserve to be happy?

Y5/6-Should you respect yourself over all other things?

Shropshire Star

There was a lovely article about Dorrington on the Shropshire Star website on Wednesday.

<https://www.shropshirestar.com/news/features/2025/09/03/i-visited-a-friendly-village-just-outside-shrewsbury-which-locals-say-is-the-perfect-place-to-raise-a-family/>



All reception, year 1 and year 2 children are entitled to universal infant free school meals. If your child is in KS2 they will no longer be entitled to this and payment for school meals will need to be paid via SchoolMoney. If you think your child should be entitled to free school meals please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> to check eligibility and apply.

Even if your child is entitled to UIFSM's and you fit the eligibility criteria we would encourage you to apply as the school receive funding for this. If your child is entitled to free school meals they will also qualify for the holiday activity and food programme. More information about this can be found here:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/04/06/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-holiday-activities-and-food-haf-programme-2/>

Updated staff List

Kerrie Lewis – Executive Headteacher

Becky Elvins – Head of School

Stephanie Reid – SENDCo

Louise Felton – Osprey Class teacher

Hannah Evans – Dragonfly Class teacher

Helen Rushton – Administer + lunchtime supervisor

George Lewis – Teaching assistant + lunchtime supervisor

Ellie Griffiths - Teaching assistant + lunchtime supervisor

Jane Lewis – Kitchen assistant / cleaner

Stephanie Reid - SENDCo-

Designated safeguarding leads- Ewan Evans/Louise Felton (1 for each school)

Deputy designated safeguarding leads for both schools - Kerrie Lewis and Becky Elvins

LAB members

Laura Clarke – Vice Chair

Kerrie Lewis

Becky Elvins

Ewan Evans

Kevin Martin

Uniform

Please see below our requirements for uniform.

Our school uniform includes:

- Grey skirt, pinafore dress, trousers or shorts
- White polo shirt

- Navy blue sweater or cardigan with school emblem
- White or grey socks/tights
- Blue gingham dress (summer-time only)
- Flat, comfortable black shoes (no trainers, pumps or sandals).

PE Kit:

- Black shorts
- Light blue polo shirt with school emblem or a plain light blue polo shirt
- Navy blue or black jogging bottoms
- Navy blue or black sweatshirt or hooded jumper
- White socks
- Trainers (suitable for outdoor use in all weathers)

All clothing should be clearly labelled with your child's name.

School sweatshirts, cardigans, PE t-shirts can be purchased from Decostitch, our preferred uniform provider.

Items can be purchased online by visiting www.decostitch.co.uk.

Telephone: 01743 462265

Uniform store

Is your child outgrowing their current school uniform? We have a uniform store with clothing available from £2.00 an item. Please see Miss Rushton in the office.

PE

Dragonfly Class

PE – Wednesday

Ospreys Class

PE – Tuesday & Wednesday

Dates for the Calendar

Harvest Service 15th October

October Half Term 27th October – 31st October. Return to school 3rd November

PD Day Friday 24th October

Curriculum Overviews

Information regarding your child's curriculum and learning this half term will be sent to you and can be found on the class page of the school website.

School Prayer

Dear God,

Thank You for being with us all day at school – thank You for being with us at home too.

Help us to follow Jesus' example of how to be a friend and to love each other unconditionally. Help us to think of different ways of including each other in our work and play.

Please teach us to become Courageous Advocates, to speak up for other people and to communicate well.

Show us how to forgive each other – just like Jesus forgives us.

Teach us to trust You more and help us to be trustworthy in the little things, so that we can be trusted with the big things.

May we know that we are loved – by You, our families and other.

In Jesus' Name,

Amen

Breakfast & After School Clubs



Before & After School Clubs

St Edward's CE Primary School offers wraparound care from 7.45am - 6.00pm, Monday to Friday term time only (excluding PD days).

Breakfast Club Information - Breakfast is served daily until 8.30am. Weekly food choices & activity timetables are available on our school website and in our school newsletter.
Times: 7.45am - 8.45am
Cost: £3 per child (£2 for additional siblings)

After School Club Information - A light tea is served daily. Weekly food choices & activity timetables are available on our school website and in our school newsletter. Themed nights every 2 weeks.
Times: 3.15pm - 6.00pm
Cost: £4.00 per child from 3.15pm - 4.30pm
Full session £8.00 per child (£4.00 for additional siblings)

We accept Tax-Free Childcare. Bookings via Google Forms links. For more information visit our website or contact the school office.

www.stedwards.shropshire.sch.uk 01743 718462 admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

Breakfast Club

Will run every morning during term time (excluding PD days) from **7.45am**
£3 per child (£2 for siblings if more than one child from a family is attending).

Breakfast served daily. A range of activities including yoga, crafts, games, children's TV, reading, Lego building and much more.

After School Club

Will run every day from 3.15 until **6pm** during term time and excluding PD days.

The cost is £8.00 for the full session (£4 for siblings if more than one child attends) or £4.00 from 3.15pm – 4.30pm.

A light tea is served each day which the children often enjoy helping to prepare.

We accept tax free childcare. Please email the office for more information: admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

Weekly food choices and activity timetables will be shared on the school website and in the newsletter. Example activities pizza making, hedgehog handprints, Lego portraits, gardening.

BOOKINGS

Please contact Miss Helen Rushton in the school office to book your child/ren's place admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk



BREAKFAST CLUB
Monday to Friday 7.45 - 8.45 am
Cost £3 per child (£2 for additional siblings)

Monday Toast with butter and/ or fruit jam Selection of cereals Water or milk	Tuesday Crumpets with butter and/ or fruit jam Selection of cereals Water or milk	Wednesday waffles Selection of cereals Water or milk
Thursday Crumpets with butter and/ or fruit jam Selection of cereals Water or milk	Friday Toast with butter and/ or fruit jam Selection of cereals Water or milk	Activities Yoga Reading corner Lego building Colouring Arts & crafts Games & puzzles Children's TV KS2 iPad games

Breakfast choices and activities subject to change. Book online via the Google Forms links on the school newsletter and the school website.

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
After School Club Monday to Friday 3.15pm - 6.00pm
Cost £4 per child from 3.15pm - 4.30pm
Full session cost £8 per child (£4 for additional siblings)

Monday (Theme: Arts & Crafts) A choice of cheese, ham or tuna wraps or sandwiches with crisps Selection of fruit Water or milk	Tuesday (Theme: Let's Get Active) A choice of baked beans or spaghetti on toast or cheese and crackers Selection of fruit Water or milk	Wednesday (Theme: Arts & Crafts) Tomato Soup or a choice of cheese, ham or tuna sandwiches with crisps Selection of fruit Water or milk
Thursday (Theme: Baking) A choice of baked beans or spaghetti on toast or cheese and crackers Selection of fruit Water or milk	Friday (Theme: The Great Outdoors / Gardening) A choice of cheese, ham or tuna wraps or sandwiches with crisps Selection of fruit Water or milk	Daily activities Outdoor play Reading corner Lego building Colouring Games & puzzles Children's TV KS2 iPad games

Snack choices and activities subject to change. Book online via the Google Form links on the school newsletter and the school website.

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Friends of St Edwards



Instagram - @friendsofstedwardsprimary

Facebook – Friends of St Edwards CE Primary School Dorrington

Contact us by email on friendsofstedwardsprimaryschool@outlook.com

Easy Fundraising account

<http://efraising.org/gP2RugoWx6>

Class email addresses

dragonfly@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

osprey@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

Office email address

Please send all emails to admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

Have a lovely weekend,

The Staff Team