



Love each other and know we are loved

Newsletter – 16.01.26

Makaton Sign of the Week

Sign	Meaning
<p>Where?</p> <p>Outward circling movement</p>	Where

Attendance


Please see the attendance percentage data for the school and each class this week.

Whole School	Dragonflies	Osprey
94.7%	98.61%	93.83%

Celebrating our achievements

This week the following awards were given:

Learning Values		
Class	Pupil	Learning Value/s
Osprey	Sam C	For confidence and independence with your attitude to work in the classroom.
Dragonfly	Henry B	For confidence and independence in your reading and writing.

Christian Values		
		
Christian Value	Pupil	Reason
Love	Rosie L	For showing the Christian values and forgiveness.
Love	Albie T	For showing the Christian values and forgiveness.

Key Dates

Spring Term – HT1		
9 th – 15 th February	Children's Mental Health Week	Whole school
10 th February	Safer Internet Day	Whole school
11 th February	Parent drop-in – Mental Health Week – 9-9.30am	Whole school
18 th February – 2 nd April	Lent	Whole school
Half Term Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20th February 2026		

Parent Notices

A new member of the Team!

Welcome to Inca, our new school dog! Inca, a black labrador, belongs to Miss Elvins, and will be accompanying her into school. Inca is 7 years old and enjoys long walks and time at the beach. Inca has already had a hugely positive impact in our school - the children enjoyed meeting her, some have her for a walk across our school fields and Inca has even had a dinner from Jackie! We know she will be a huge asset to our school community.



Flourishing Moments

We know that many of our children partake in lots of exciting activities outside of school. We love to hear about them, and all the amazing things that our children achieve outside of our school hours. Please do send in your flourishing moments so that we can share in these proud moments too.

Please email a photo, with a description of the achievement to admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk.

Shredded paper

As part of our Eco commitment, school would like to offer shredded paper out to families who may like this for their pets, chickens, guinea pigs etc. If this would help you, please speak to Helen in the school office.

Thank you

Young Voices

Our Young Voices trip was cancelled in January due to bad weather warnings. We have just received a new date from Young Voices for the date of 26th February. Mrs Felton will be in touch next week with a letter to confirm the details.

Shrewsbury Town ASC

Shrewsbury Town will continue to come in every Wednesday for after school sports club. The club will run until 4.15pm and the focus this term is **gymnastics**. If you would like your child to join, please email the office and we will add them to the list.

Job Opportunities

There are 2 job opportunities live on the My New Term website for a level 3 TA and a Nursery Leader. Please share with anyone you think might be interested.

Nursery Leader at Condover Nursery. Closing date 22nd January.

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/145275/EDV-2025-CCPS-97043>

Level 3 Teaching Assistant at St Edwards Primary School. Closing date 19th January.

<https://mynewterm.com/jobs/145300/EDV-2025-SECPS-87805>

Weekly Snapshot

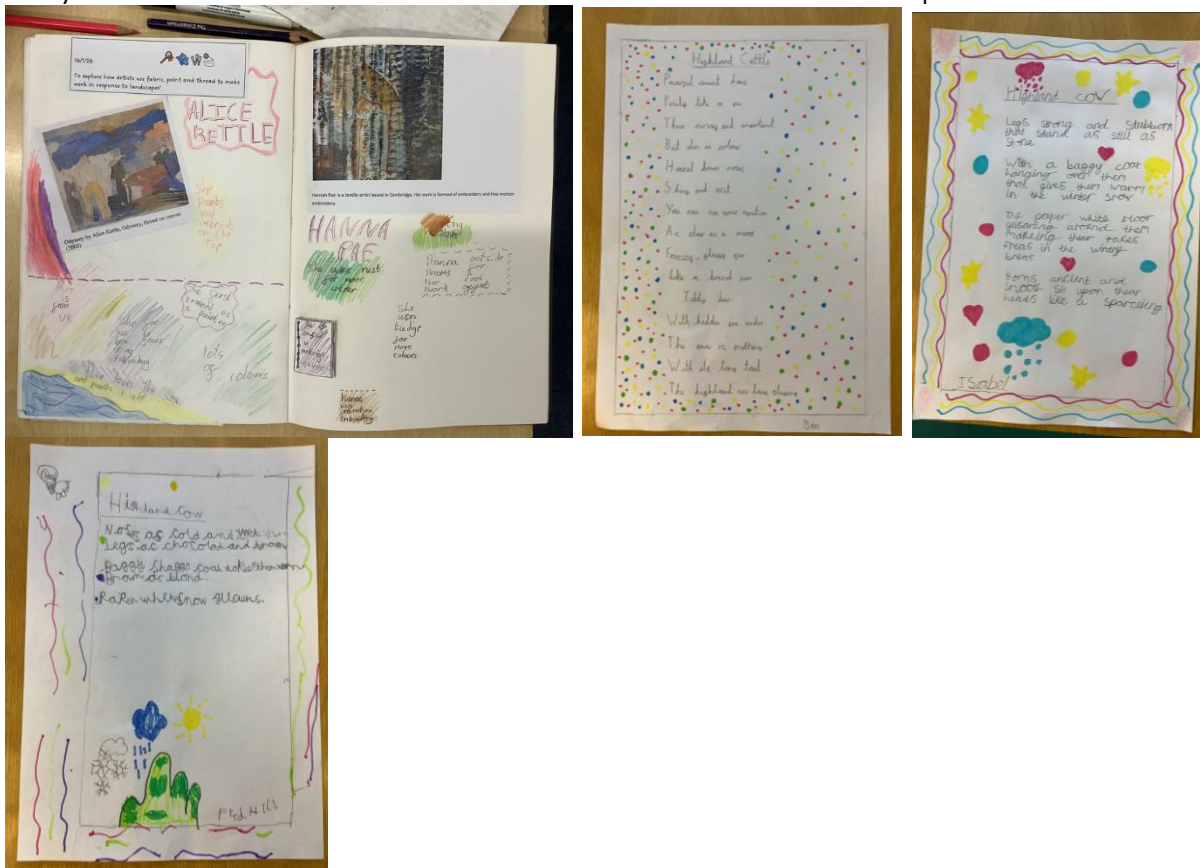
Dragonfly

Mrs Evans took the class outside on Monday to do some bird watching. The aim was to see how many birds they could see at the same time. The Carrion Crow was the most popular!



Osprey

Osprey Class have written some poetry about Highland cows this week. Mrs Felton has been very impressed with the level of creativity and imagination. They have also focused on different artists and their techniques.



Book Swap

At St Edward's, there will be a Book Swap available every day in the foyer of the school. You are welcome to bring a book and swap it for a book from the box. It's free for everyone to use, including parents. There will be a box for children's books and a box for adult books.

Tin Tuesday

Every Tuesday, you are invited to bring a tin or a box of food so we can donate it to the food bank. There will be a box by the gate for you to place your donations in. Any item, any size is welcome and there is no expectation for you to buy items specifically.

Local Events

 <p>Rainbows 1st Church Stretton Rainbows</p>	<p>Every Monday 5.30-6.30 (Term time) @ URC Hall, Church Stretton, SY6 6BY</p>	 <p>Shrewsbury Town Foundation</p>
<p>Spaces available from January 2026 for all girls aged 4-7</p>	<p>Contact Sophie for more information 07527 033510 csdistrictcommissi oner@gmail.com</p>	<p>February Holiday Clubs at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST</p> <p>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.</p> <p>16th to 20th February at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST</p> <p>Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18</p> <p>foundationsfc.co.uk/fun</p> <p>Get in touch E: admin@foundationsfc.co.uk T: 01743 289177 opt 6</p>



Friends of St Edwards

Last year we were pleased to run a **successful Halloween Disco**, and Easyfundraising continues to provide ongoing support for the school. Unfortunately, due to limited volunteer capacity, we were unable to run Christmas events.

However, thanks to fundraising, the Friends of St Edward's were able to support the school with:

- New books for pupils
- Tables
- A contribution towards the school panto
- Leavers' hoodies and Reception welcome bags

At present, the Friends of St Edward's has a very small team. We are incredibly grateful to the parents who have recently offered their support. Any help — even just for a single event — makes a huge difference.

Looking ahead, we may need to focus on **smaller, low-key events**, but we are keen to continue as the enrichment we provide for the children is so valuable.

If you would like to get involved or help at an event, please speak to a committee member or contact us via the school.

Thank you for your continued support.



Contact us by email on friendsofstedwardsprimaryschool@outlook.com

Easy Fundraising account
<http://efraising.org/gP2RugoWx6>

FSM

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/>

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 £1.00 an item. Please see Miss Rushton in the office.

PE + Forest School

	PE	Forest School
Dragonfly Class	Wednesday	Thursday
Osprey Class	Tuesday & Wednesday	

Breakfast & After School Clubs



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 use the new booking system on **SchoolMoney**.



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 Board games

Snack choices and activities subject to change. Book online via the Google Form links on the school newsletter and the school website.
www.stedwards.shropshire.sch.co.uk 01743 781462 admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

Contact

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

Telephone: **01743 781462**

Have a lovely weekend,

The Staff Team