

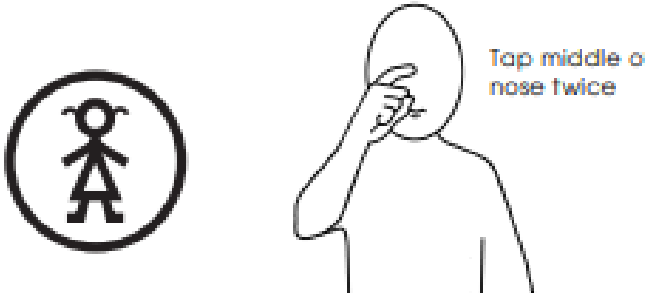


Love each other and know we are loved

Weekly Newsletter

Week Ending Friday 27 March 2026

Makaton Sign of the Week

Sign	Meaning
 <p>Sister</p>	Sister

Attendance

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

Whole School	Dragonflies	Osprey
90.63%	90.74%	94.77%

Celebrating our achievements

This week the following awards were given:

St Edwards Award			
Respectful		Responsible	Ready
Class	Pupil	Award	
Osprey	Esme W	For having a fantastic first week at St Edwards!	
Dragonfly	Eliel O	For his continued efforts in phonics.	

Christian Values		
		
Christian Value	Pupil	Reason
Love	Molly D	For always helping in class and improving her listening skills showing love and trust.
Love	Jake G	For showing the Christian value of love.



Congratulations to all children who received an award this week!



Key Dates

SCHOOL DATES		
Spring Term – HT2 – 5 weeks		
27 th March	End of Spring Term	Whole school
Easter - 30th March – 10th April		
Summer Term – HT1 – 6 weeks		
13 th April	Welcome back to school	Whole school
16 th April	National Offer Day	Whole school
4th May	Bank holiday	Whole school
11 th May	KS2 SATs Week	Year 6
19 th May	St Ed's Sports Day – am	Whole school
21 st May	Conover Sports Day – am	Whole school
Half Term - 25th – 29th May		
Summer Term – HT2 – 7 weeks		
1 st June	Welcome back to school	Whole school
1 st June	Multiplication Tables Check – period begins	Y4
2 nd June	St Ed's - Reserve Sports Day	Whole school
4 th June	Conover - Reserve Sports Day	Whole school
8 th June	Phonics Screening – period begins	Y1 + Y2 retake
TBC	Y5+6 residential	Y5 + 6
25 th June	Y6 Leavers' Service – Hereford Cathedral	Y6
TBC	Y6 Treat Day	Y6
TBC	Reports to parents	Whole school
7 th July	Parent drop-in	Whole school
9 th July	Transition morning	Whole school
TBC	Summer performance	KS2
TBC	Leavers' Church Service	Whole school
16 th July	End of Summer Term	Whole
Summer		

Parent Notices

A message from Mrs Clay

As we come to the end of the spring term, I would like to take a moment to thank our entire school community, parents, carers, staff and children, for all your hard work, positivity, and support over the past few months. My first term as Executive Deputy Headteacher has been a truly rewarding one, filled with achievements, memorable events, and lots of moments that have made me truly proud. I am thrilled to be working with such a wonderful team of individuals and with such fantastic children!

As we hop into the Easter Holidays, I would like to wish you all a joyful and restful break. Whether you're hunting for Easter eggs, spending time with family, or simply enjoying some well-earned rest, may your days be filled with laughter, sunshine, and plenty of chocolate!

I wish you all a happy, peaceful, and enjoyable Easter. We look forward to the lighter days ahead of us and to welcoming the children back to school, refreshed and ready for the exciting term ahead, on **Monday 13th April 2026**.

Easter Service

I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who joined us for our Easter Service. It was wonderful to see so many families come together to celebrate such a special occasion with us.

The children were absolutely fantastic — singing, reading, and participating with such confidence and enthusiasm. Your support, encouragement, and presence helped make the event truly memorable. Moments like these remind us how lucky we are to have such a strong and caring school community.

Thank you once again for taking the time to join us, and for everything you do to support our school.

KS2 Swimming

Letters have gone home today with your KS2 children about swimming lessons after the Easter break. Attached to the letter is a form to fill in about your child's swimming abilities. Please could this be returned to us the first week back after the holidays. It's important we have all the correct information prior to the lessons starting.

The Year of Reading

Why Reading Matters

Reading strengthens memory, focus and thinking skills.

Children who read regularly develop stronger comprehension and communication skills over time.

At home: Talk about what was read and ask questions to develop understanding.

Recommended read: *Where the Wild Things Are* — a classic adventure that sparks imagination.

Parking

We politely ask all parents who need to drive to school, to remember to park **legally, considerably and safely** at school drop off and pick up times. This will ease congestion around the school and help make the area around our school a safer place for our children. Alternatively, when possible, please walk to school or park further away this will help to keep our school street a safer place as well as having health benefits. We all want our children to be safe and by respecting the space outside school we can do this together.

Weekly Snapshot

This week, we had Shropshire Fire Service come and do a presentation for us. The visit was very inspiring and gave the children an insight into what's like to work for the fire service. The children were lucky enough to have a tour of the fire engine and see demonstrations of some of the equipment, including the hose, which brought a lot of delight to the children, and to the staff watching. It has made some great memories for the children and has been a great end to this term. Thank you children, for all your enthusiasm.





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

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.

PE + Forest School

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

Uniform Policy

A polite reminder of our Uniform Requirements.

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, which is our preferred uniform provider.

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

Telephone: 01743 462265

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.

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.thropshire.sch.uk 01743 718462 admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs every morning during term time (excluding PD days) from **7.45am** at a cost of **£3 per child** (£2 for siblings if more than one child from a family is attending). Breakfast served daily. A range of activities is provided, including yoga, crafts, games, children's TV, reading, Lego building and much more.

After School Club

Our After School Club Provision runs 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 include: pizza making, hedgehog handprints, Lego portraits, gardening.

BOOKINGS

Please use the booking system on SchoolMoney.

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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Free School Meals

All **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** children are entitled to Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM). 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 (HAF) 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/>

Policies

We have been reviewing and updating several of our school policies to ensure they remain current, effective, and fully aligned with statutory guidance. This is part of our regular cycle of school improvement and helps us maintain the highest standards for our pupils. These are now available on our school website. Thank you for your continued support as we work to keep our school community safe, consistent, and well-informed.

Local Events



MISS JAMIE
ROYAL ACADEMY OF DANCE
BALLET
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REGISTERED TEACHER

Royal Academy of Dance
Ballet school

Join our Royal Academy of Dance Ballet Classes and develop poise, flexibility, and confidence with Miss Jamie a Qualified RAD Teacher.

FOR CHILDREN
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EASTER HOLIDAYS 2026
CHURCH STRETTON LIBRARY

Saturday 4th April 11am – 12pm: **Easter Craft Club**
Saturday 4th April 10am – 12pm: **Board Game Café**
Thursday 9th April 2pm – 3pm: **Gardening Club**
Every Tuesday 10.30am – 11am: **Rhyme Time**
Every Friday 2.15pm – 2.45pm: **Story Time**
Every Saturday 2pm – 3.30pm: **Lego Club**
Every Day*: **Easter Egg Hunt**
Every Day*: **Drop-in Craft**
Every Day*: **Read-a-Lottery Challenge**
*Library open days only (Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat 9.30-5. Closed Good Friday)

Shropshire Libraries
CHURCHSTRETTONLIBRARY@SHROPSHIRE.CO.UK
CALL 01827 72255



Brownies
Dorrington Village Hall
Thursdays 6.30 – 8.00pm

Girls have nonstop fun, learning and adventure
for ages 7 to 10

At Brownies, we welcome all girls to explore their creative side, get out into the great outdoors and start to learn to look after themselves, others and the world we live in.

girlguiding
Registered charity number 20018

Join a local Brownies group girlguiding.org.uk/joinus

'I had never climbed before. I was scared of heights. But I climbed and rang the bell all by myself and felt really proud of myself'
Poonam

Contact

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

Telephone: **01743 781462**

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter Break
The St Edward's Staff Team

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