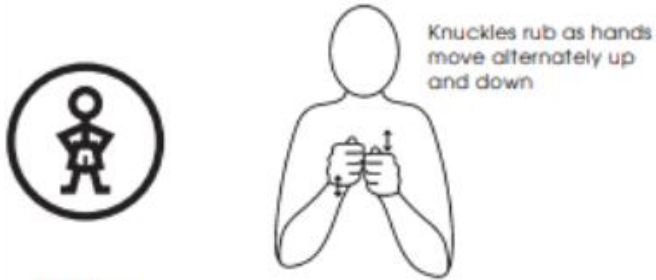


# Weekly Newsletter

## Week Ending Friday 17 April 2026

### Makaton Sign of the Week

| Sign   | Meaning        |
|--|----------------|
|  <p>Brother</p> | <p>Brother</p> |

### Attendance

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

| Whole School | Dragonflies | Osprey |
|--------------|-------------|--------|
| 94.33%       | 94.33%      | 96.08% |

## Key Dates

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

# Parent Notices

## A message from Mrs Clay and Miss Elvins

We hope you and your families enjoyed a restful Easter break. It has been wonderful to welcome the children back for the start of the summer term. Their energy, curiosity, and enthusiasm have already brought the school to life, and we are looking forward to a term filled with learning, creativity, and opportunities.

This term is always a special one. The longer days allow us to make the most of our outdoor spaces, and many classes will be taking part in trips, sports events, and enrichment activities. We will keep you updated throughout the term so you can share in these experiences with your children.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Working together makes such a difference to the children's confidence and progress.

We look forward to a positive and enjoyable term ahead.

## KS2 Swimming

Swimming lessons for years 3 and 4 will commence Tuesday 21st April and will run all the way until May half term. Lessons for years 5 and 6 will commence 2nd June. Please make sure to send you child into school with a towel, swim shorts/costume. Thank you for everyone who has returned their questionnaires. If you haven't already, could you please send back to the school office as soon as possible.

## Shrewsbury Town

Shrewsbury Town are at St Edwards each Wednesday for After School sport club. This term, the focus will be rounders. It's a great opportunity to get the children outdoors and playing together as a team. If you would like to sign your child, please email or call the office. The club runs from 3.15 to 4.15pm.

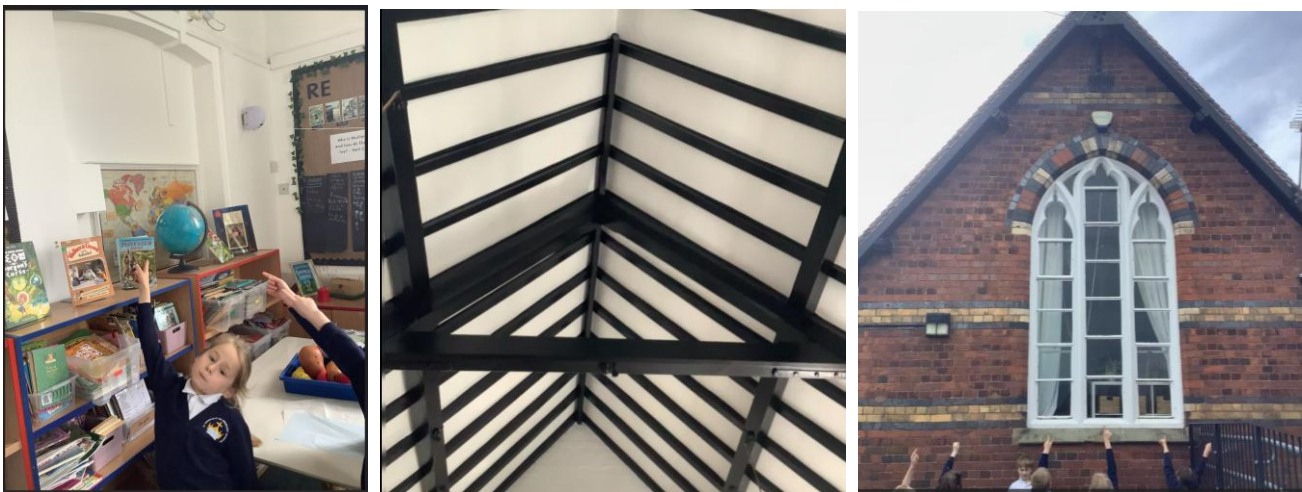
## Parking

We politely ask all parents who need to drive to school, to remember to park **legally, considerately 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 Dragonflies children have been finding evidence in our school that it existed during the Victorian times. They have looking at images of Victorian classrooms and comparing them to their own. They have been suggesting places that may have been windows and doors within the Victorian part of our school.



Osprey have been creative this week. They have designed and made their own book sleeves. Mrs Felton has been impressed with the children's creativity and attention to detail. Well done, all!



## Reading

Reading is one of the most powerful habits a child can develop. Just a few minutes of shared reading each day strengthens vocabulary, builds confidence, and opens the door

to new ideas and worlds. Whether it's a bedtime story, a chapter before dinner, or a quiet moment at the weekend, these small routines make a lasting difference.

We encourage you to spend time reading with your child or talking about the books they enjoy. Your involvement helps them see reading not as a task, but as something to look forward to. Next week the children will be coming home with new reading diaries, where you can record these shared moments. More information will follow.

Thank you for supporting a love of books at home. It truly matters.

## **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](mailto: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   |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Dragonfly Class</b> | Wednesday           | <b>Thursday</b> |
| <b>Osprey Class</b>    | 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](http://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](mailto: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)

| Day        | Breakfast   | Activities  |
|------------|---|---|
| Monday     | Toast with butter and/ or fruit jam<br>Selection of cereals<br>Water or milk    |   |
| Tuesday    | Crumpets with butter and/ or fruit jam<br>Selection of cereals<br>Water or milk |   |
| Wednesday  | Waffles<br>Selection of cereals<br>Water or milk                                |   |
| Thursday   | Crumpets with butter and/ or fruit jam<br>Selection of cereals<br>Water or milk |   |
| Friday     | Toast with butter and/ or fruit jam<br>Selection of cereals<br>Water or milk    |   |
| Activities |   | Yoga<br>Reading corner<br>Lego building<br>Colouring<br>Arts & crafts<br>Games & puzzles<br>Children's TV<br>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.

[www.stedwards.Shropshire.sch.co.uk](http://www.stedwards.Shropshire.sch.co.uk)    01743 718462    [admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk)

## 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)

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

[www.stedwards.Shropshire.sch.co.uk](http://www.stedwards.Shropshire.sch.co.uk)    01743 718462    [admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk)

## 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 DANCE  
REGISTERED TEACHER 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  
AGE 4 AND ABOVE

Register Now

MISS  
JAMIE  
BALLET

1164 BIELD HOUSE, PRESTELDE, OFF PRESTON STREET  
SIREWSBURY

07487741605 missjamie.balletteacher@hotmail.com  
www.missjamieballet.com

## Contact

Please send all emails to [admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@stedwardsprimaryschool.co.uk)

Telephone: **01743 781462**

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

**St Edward's CE Primary School is proud to be part of  
Diocese of Hereford Multi Academy Trust (DHMAT)**



Company Registration No: 08762217