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NEWSLETTER

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Our school values:

Curiosity, Friendship, Perseverance, Respect.



Value of the month for January:

WISDOM



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear parents/carers,

There will be a couple or three changes in staffing over the coming weeks which I wanted to make you aware of. Firstly, Mrs Oxley will complete her brief stint as a temporary TA at Rushbury, a week from now. She will also be ceasing her minibus duties on a permanent basis at the same point. Laraine has been invaluable in all the roles she has undertaken at Rushbury - as Chair of Governors, TA and minibus driver and we are all very appreciative and thankful for everything she has done. We are still keen to explore additional minibus drivers, so if this is of interest to you or somebody you know, please do contact us.

In addition to the above, we are also soon (end of February) to bid a fond farewell to our long-serving caretaker, Paul Norton, who after approximately ten years, will be retiring. Paul has travelled routinely from Bridgnorth for the past decade and couldn't have been more professional in undertaking his duties. Always friendly and positive and is a popular member of staff with the children too. Paul will now have a little more time to put his feet up and enjoy the rugby and cricket on television, as well as spend plenty of time with his grandchildren. We wish him all the very best and we will miss him. The final staffing adjustment will see Miss Carter return to Ticklerton from after half-term, which will benefit all in school greatly.

This week in class, Ticklerton have been starting their new book, 'Kitchen Disco' for Reception pupils, with Y1/2 completing their instructional writing on how to tame a wild animal; all pupils have focused on addition in Maths; learnt in PSHE about when it's appropriate to give others a hug; when to give or deny permission in Computing and investigated the species of animals that live in the sea. Gretton have started gymnastics in PE; looked at transport before railways; followed classroom instructions in Spanish; investigated how to protect our skin from the harmful effects of UV light in Science and worked on multiplying and dividing in Maths. In Stanway, pupils have identified the drum groove in reggae music; tackled the thorny old issue of long division in Maths; understood that adaptation of plants and animals to their environment may in time lead to evolution and also covered how to create a positive online reputation.

Next week in school, we welcome 'iSing POP' who visit us on the Tuesday. We are sure this will be an exciting day and it will culminate with a performance, which all are invited to, in St Peter's Church from 2:40pm on the Tuesday. We hope you can make it.

I hope you have a relaxing weekend.

Kind regards,
Steve Morris



CHILD'S PRAYER

Dear Father

Please help everyone in the world to make friends and to bring peace and joy across the world.

Help families to find peace.

Father, please help people to be thankful for their best friends.

Amen.

By

Amelie D

HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS



- **Ticklerton** – Henry K for being super helpful around the classroom
- **Ticklerton** – George J for showing lovely praise to another child when he was completing handwriting
- **Gretton** – Oliver D for always being ready, respectful and safe
- **Gretton** – Olive H for perseverance with 'Power of 2' Maths
- **Stanway** – Floss R for an excellent planned, prepared and delivered assembly
- **Stanway** – Serenna J for extending her learning beyond the expected

SPORTS AWARD (FOR BASKETBALL/NETBALL CLUB)

Axel K – for super encouragement of others

HOUSE POINTS – Lawley have retained their lead...

Lawley – 552

Ragleth – 523

Callow – 489

Caradoc – 386

TICKLERTON'S 'KITCHEN DISCO'



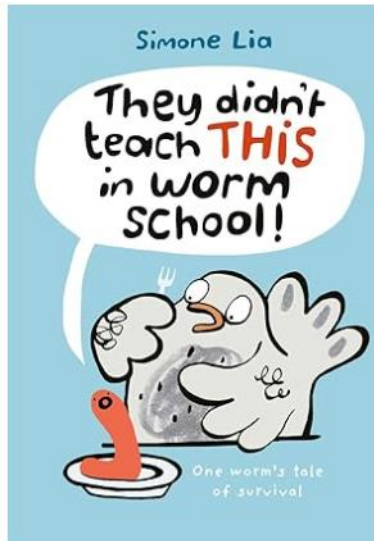
GRETTON – BUILDING BIRD WATCHING SHELTERS, AS PART OF THEIR REGULAR OUTDOOR LEARNING SESSIONS



BOOK REVIEW – by Axel K (Stanway)

Title: They didn't teach THIS in worm school!

Author: Simone Lia



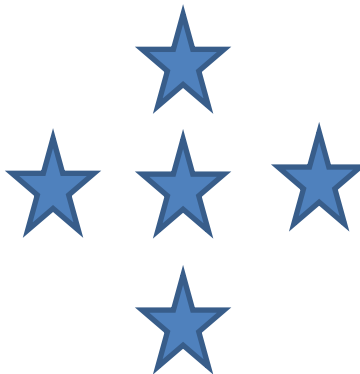
I really enjoyed this book. It's so funny and has a brilliant storyline.

It's an adventurous tale with unlikely friendships.

My favourite bit was when all the worms appeared.

I think anyone who is in year 4-6 would like this book.

I would give it 5 out of 5 stars.



MUSIC LESSONS

Beverley Turner, from the Shropshire Music Service, now has some spare slots. She can teach recorder, violin or keyboard. Please contact the school office if you think your child might benefit from these lessons and we can put you directly in touch with her.





WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS...

We are still keen to explore if there are any members of the community who may be interested in a minibus driver role. Our minibus committee have a small number of dedicated drivers on the payroll but are always looking to expand.

It is important to emphasise that his communication isn't just aimed at parents but grandparents too or other family members. Or, indeed, friends and neighbours.

As you will likely be aware we operate two minibuses at the beginning and end of each school day, plus they are often utilised for a variety of school trips during the school day... so there is always plenty of driving to undertake.

If this is of interest to you, or somebody you know, then please do talk to me or email me on:
headteacher@rushbury.shropshire.sch.uk

Alternatively, do please phone Sian or Julia in the school office, for an informal chat/further details.

FRIDAY SPORTS CLUBS FOR THE REST OF THIS ACADEMIC YEAR

Herewith a reminder about our current and on-going Friday sports clubs. Please note that that the numbers are restricted, to ensure safety for all. If ParentMail indicates that the club is full, please feel free to contact Sian or Julia in the office and ask to be put on the waiting list.

Spring 1	Netball/Basketball
Spring 2	Tennis
Summer 1	Cricket
Summer 2	Athletics

KEY DIARY DATES

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Tuesday 27th January	"I sing" mini production in St Peter's Church for all parents/carers, starting at 2.40 pm
Monday 9th February	Ticklerton's Trip to Acton Scott
Saturday 28th February	Little Acorns Fundraising Event – Cardington Village Hall (note change of date)
Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026	Spring Half Term

SOME ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST:




Rainbows
1st Church Stretton Rainbows

Every Monday
5.30-6.30 (Term
time) @ URC Hall,
Church Stretton,
SY6 6BY

Spaces available
from January
2026 for all girls
aged 4-7

Contact Sophie for
more information
07527 033510
csdistrictcommissi
oner@gmail.com



**Little Acorns
of Rushbury
Pre-school
Coffee Morning
Fundraiser**

Cardington Village Hall
Saturday 28th February - 10am-12pm
Adults £5 includes coffee & cake
**Children £2 includes drink,
cake & a ticket for toy tombola**




**RUSHBURY C OF E SCHOOL
MINIBUS DRIVERS REQUIRED**

This is a paid role which involves transporting children to and from school at the beginning and end of each day, during term time. It may be that two people fill this vacancy – with one doing the morning session and the other, the afternoon. Alternatively, it may well suit one person to do both the pickup and drop off.

Criteria

- DI on their driving licence preferred but not essential as training will be provided.

Contact Us : , Steve Morris, Headmaster of Rushbury School
Email: Headteacher@rushbury.shropshire.sch.uk
or Carol Oxley, Minibus Administrator
Email : carol.oxley.99@gmail.com
Closing Date: 31 January 2026



PICTURE HOUSE

Disney ZOOTROPOLIS

17, 24 & 31 JAN @ 2PM

ludlow
assemblyrooms

Tickets: £7
Box Office: 01584 878 141
www.ludlowassemblyrooms.co.uk

Shropshire Council Shropshire Strengthening Families Through Early Help Shropshire Together Community and Family Hubs

What's on Ludlow Early Help Coffee and Chat

19 th January	Who can I talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help • Special Guardianship Support team • Health visitor clinic • 0-5 support team • Broadbanding support – Dan Bromley • Shropshire Domestic Abuse Services • Employment & Support Advice 	What's on today at Stay and Play: Craft activity: Decorate a mitten Baby Area Toys Books
26 th January	Who can I talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help 	What's on today at Stay and Play: Craft activity: Make a paper snowman globe Baby Area Toys Books
2 nd February	Who can I talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help 	What's on today at Stay and Play: Craft activity: Decorate a snowflake Baby Area Toys Books
9 th February	Who can I talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help 	What's on today at Stay and Play: Craft activity: Decorate a wreath Baby Area Toys Books
16 th February	Who can I talk to today: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Help • Health visitor clinic • 0-5 support team 	What's on today Craft activity: Painting – explore colours & different printing shapes Baby Area Toys Books

Free sessions
 You do not need a child to attend the session to access family help.
 Safe, comfortable, confidential and informal space to talk.
 Early Help Family support workers available to chat to every week.
 We look forward to seeing you

Helena Lane Community Centre, 20 Hamlet Road, Ludlow, SY8 2NP
 9.30 until 11.00

sponsored by **BEAVER FIT**

foundation **Fun RUN**

SUNDAY 1ST FEB 9AM
 The Croud Meadow
 Shrewsbury SY2 6ST



ALL FOR ONE - RUN FOR ALL
 2KM OR 5KM ROUTE

ALL AGES WELCOME
 Whether you choose to run with your family or invite friends, our family fun morning is open to everyone, making sure the kids can join in too.

MORE THAN A RUN
 Come along to enjoy tea, coffee, and cake, take part in our penalty shoot-out competition, and support us through a range of fun fundraising activities.

FUNDRAISING
 Fundraising is encouraged via JustGiving, to support the Foundation's charity pot and helping us make a real difference in our community.




MISS JAMIE

ROYAL ACADEMY OF DANCE **BALLET** ROYAL ACADEMY OF 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**

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

Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre DONATE f @ i M MENU

Wild About Wings

24th January 2026 11:00am - 3:00pm

A fun filled day for all ages to enjoy the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch

Bring the whole family along to celebrate all things birds. With guided bird walks, trails, children's activities where you can make bird feeders and much more.

Guided bird walk
 11am - 12pm and
 2pm - 3pm
 FREE

Join our Centre Manager for a guided tour of the meadows looking at winter birds and exploring a range of different habitats.
 No need to book, just turn up on the day.
 1km of level terrain - wheelchair accessible. We will have some binoculars but feel free to bring your own.
 Sorry, no dogs allowed on this one.

