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Rushbury CE Primary School

NEWSLETTER

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Our school values:

Curiosity, Friendship, Perseverance, Respect.



Value of the month for March:

ENDURANCE



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear parents/carers,

I hope you are well. Our Gretton pupils did the school proud on Wednesday, by competing with great enthusiasm and effort when pitted against other primary schools at Church Stretton Secondary when playing Dodgeball. We didn't come out on top but that really didn't matter as once again, the children conducted themselves impeccably and deserve a good deal of credit for that.

Next week, we have our World Book Day on Thursday. There is more information on this later in the newsletter. Children will also be bringing a £1 book voucher home with them. In addition, many have started on their '**Rushbury Reads**' initiative. On completion of this, they will receive a £15 Waterstones Gift Card.

I know the newsletter includes lots of useful information but recently I have pondered whether a wide enough audience read this weekly message! I am now considering adjusting how we share exciting school news and events with you. In fact, if you have read this message, please do share that with your child/children. I will award two house points for the first three children who make me aware of a parent/carer reading this message, once we return to school on Monday.

That should provide a fair indication as to the readership! If, as suspected, it is low, I will likely alter things a little.

We are also sending out a fun reading quiz later on today and we would welcome as many children as possible (supported by their grown-ups) to take part. The closing date for entries is Wednesday 4th March.

If you have read this (and indeed, those who haven't) I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards,
Steve Morris



CHILD'S PRAYER



Dear God

May peace be with us and may it glow like an emerald.
When it's hard to choose what to do, may peace flow between us all.
May grace shine naturally out into the world and make it touch everyone.
Please give people hope and light and save children's lives.

Help us to be peaceful throughout the long years.

Amen

By

Matilda S (Gretton)



HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

- **Ticklerton** – Maya B for excellent ideas about what you would have in the International Space Station
- **Ticklerton** – Sam H for working so hard with everything you do – well done!
- **Gretton** – Rosa M for producing fantastic, detailed recount writing
- **Gretton** – Wil M for showing a focused and determined attitude to complete all his work, to a high standard
- **Stanway** – Jessica McB for epitomizing the school rules
- **Stanway** – Serenna J for lovely prosody – reading aloud very well indeed

HOUSE POINTS

Lawley are still in the lead, but both Ragleth and Lawley are rapidly catching up!

Lawley – 665

Ragleth – 650

Callow – 642

Caradoc – 491



WELCOME TO MR POUND

It's been a busy handover week for the premises team. We've said goodbye to Mr Norton and welcomed Mr Pound (Warren) to our school team. A thank you to everyone who has helped him to settle. Please do introduce yourself if you see him around – he's a big Wolves fan, so he is always happy to have a quick football chat and he's a great bricklayer too!



A MASSIVE THANK YOU TO STEPHEN POVALL

A thank you to Stephen Povall for supplying Wendy, our cook, with several bags of good quality potatoes, from **Corfton Farm**. It's great to be able to use local produce. A thank you also to Stef and Matt Mills for their continued support with lots of 'peeling' behind the scenes. We are very lucky to have such a supportive community.



OUR NEW GREENHOUSE...

With this week's return of Miss Carter and hopefully some better weather around the corner, we hope to be able to sort a date soon to finally put this up. Once we have a date, we will be doing a 'shout out' for volunteers please!

MUSIC LESSONS

Beverley Turner, from the Shropshire Music Service, still 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.



ENRICHMENT

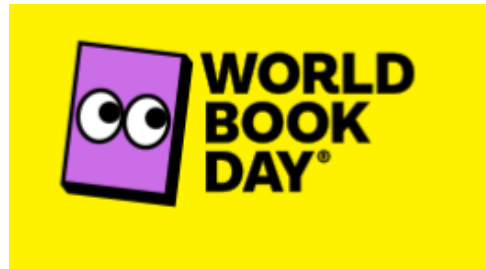
As part of our regular Enrichment programme, the older children from Ragleth really got 'stuck in' and did an amazing job at restoring our pond area. Lots of collaborative, practical learning. Smoo, also made an appearance!



THE RETURN OF RUSHBURY READS...

We continue to put a high focus on reading here at Rushbury and one of our popular initiatives, financed by the minibus committee, has returned. Our children will be challenged to read a certain number of books/pages (dependent on age/ability) and if they successfully complete this challenge, they will be rewarded with a Waterstones Book Voucher for £15.00.

WORLD BOOK DAY



We will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 5th March**, where all children are encouraged to dress up as a character from a book. Please do not feel you need to purchase an outfit especially for this – homemade outfits are absolutely acceptable. If you are struggling, our every-resourceful staff team have many ‘spares’, so please do contact us, as we are sure we can help out. Please try and steer away from football tops – these are really only acceptable as a last resort and the child needs to know what book they are from e.g. that the book is written by a particular footballer, or the footballer is the main character.

RUSHBURY'S READING QUIZ

We are again running a fun quiz – to promote the love of reading and to encourage families to talk about their favourite books/book characters.

Entries need to be in by **Wednesday 4th March** (directly to the office by either email or a hard copy) and once checked, the winner will be randomly selected by the school council on World Book Day (5.3.2026). There will be a certificate, mention in the newsletter and a small prize for the lucky winner!



KEY DIARY DATES

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Saturday 28th February	Little Acorns Fundraising Event – Cardington Village Hall (note change of date)
Monday 2nd March	Key Stage 2 - Orienteering Event – back by the end of the day
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day – dress up day for all with a special reading focus all day

SOME ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST:



**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**



**Easter
Holiday Clubs**

Shrewsbury at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST
Ludlow at Bromfield Rd, Ludlow SY8 2BN

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
 9am – 3pm 30th March and 31st March at Ludlow
 9am – 3pm 30th March – 2nd April at Shrewsbury
 9am – 3pm 7th April – 10th April at Shrewsbury

Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18

Foundationstfc.co.uk/fun

Get in touch
 E: admin@foundationstfc.co.uk T: 01743 289177 opt 6




**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



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 • Breastfeeding support – Bee 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