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NEWSLETTER

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Our school values:

Curiosity, Friendship, Perseverance, Respect.

Value of the month for May:

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HEADTEACHER'S COMMENT

Dear parents/carers,

I want to start this week by complimenting our Y6 pupils on giving their very best, during their SATs. The group of just five have tackled a variety of tests over four school days and done so with great determination. They will now wait until early July to find out their results. Fingers crossed.

Elsewhere in Stanway this week, pupils have been completing their explanation texts and narrative writing in English; finished decimals, fractions and percentages in Maths; compared water usage and availability in the UK and Kenya as well as develop their running and jumping skills in Athletics. Gretton have explored descriptive writing in relation to animals and their collective nouns; covered decimals and fractions in Maths; explored bulbs, motors and buzzers in Science; completed patterns based on Batik, in Art; located various places around school in Spanish. Ticklerton's reception pupils have made monsters and started their new book, 'Billy and the Beast', whilst KS1 have been planning and writing a story based on 'George and the Dragon'; days of the week have been covered in Maths for Reception with KS1 working on unit and non-unit fractions; pupils have learnt more about the changing day length in the UK throughout the year; learnt how to plait and then make box looms using weaving and looked at the festival of Ramadan in RE, with Reception pupils learning about what happens at a christening.

Next week is one of our busiest and most exciting weeks of the school year. We have both Gretton and Ticklerton classes heading to the beach (Aberdovey) on the Thursday whilst Stanway will set off for Liverpool on the Wednesday morning, arriving back, early Friday evening. Both these trips are terrific fun and we hope to pack in as much as we did in 2024 when Stanway headed to Merseyside for a memorable trip.

Also next week, we have a cake and craft sale in aid of Cuan Wildlife Centre. This has been organised by four girls in Gretton Class (see piece later in the newsletter). Any cake donations or monetary donations to this cause will be gratefully received. The sale will take place from 3pm to 3:20pm next Tuesday, on the playground.

Finally, thank you to parents of children brought to and from school in one of our two minibuses. At last, we now have two settled drivers for the routes, which is the first time for about three months! We appreciate the continued parental understanding in this respect and a final thank you to Carol Oxley who has dedicated so much time and effort in helping the school navigate this tricky period.

I hope your weekend is enjoyable.

Kind regards,

Steve Morris



CHILD'S PRAYER



Dear Jesus

Please guide our school in its friendship, compassion and sympathy.
Lead us towards becoming a school that will always listen to your word, O Lord.

You are the path to heaven.

Through your intercession, help staff and pupils to become a better version of themselves.

We ask this in your name.

Amen

Penelope L

PARENTMAIL REMINDER PLEASE

As you know, we have adjusted wrap around care on ParentMail – effective from 11th May. Please can all parents please just double-check that you have re-booked everything you need. Also, please ensure you book your child's lunches going forward – there have been a few gaps this week.

THIS WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS

Callow – 944

Lawley – 939

Ragleth – 933

Caradoc – 724



HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

- **Ticklerton** – Ralph E for asking excellent questions in maths
- **Ticklerton** – Maya B for challenging herself to extend her writing all week
- **Gretton** – Matilda S for excellent progress with handwriting and sentence control
- **Gretton** – Gabriel L for empathy and an act of kindness towards another pupil
- **Stanway** – Year 6 for their positivity with SATs this week – well done!
- **Stanway** – Max B for his mature and informed approach to PSHE lessons



SPORTS AWARD – CRICKET CLUB

James L – for ever-improving bowling and striking skills

RUSHBURY READS

After our prompt last week, nearly all the children have succeeded with their personalised reading challenges and have received their book vouchers. Just a few now outstanding – please encourage your child if they are one of the last few so the challenge can be completed by half term!



TICKLERTON'S POWERFUL POTIONS!





OUR FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE FOR CUAN WILDLIFE RESCUE

Vi and Lizzie knew about this local centre and gave us the first idea about trying to raise some money to help them, so they can buy more things that they really need. They rescue all kinds of wildlife and aim to return them back to the wild once they are fit and well.

We are interested in hedgehogs and have set up a hedgehog home and food and water station for them in school – which we are refilling regularly. We are planning to set up the school's wildlife camera so we can watch which animals are using it, without scaring them. We are pretty sure it's hedgehogs but if we catch them on camera, we will know for sure.

We have had this fundraising idea in our heads for a few months and thought it should be now (not never). We are hoping to sell cakes, have a 'name the teddy' stall, sell keyrings and scrunchies, popcorn bags and hedgehog food. We really hope all the Rushbury children are able to bring some money to spend at this event on Tuesday. Please support us!

By Vi, Lizzie, Amara and Emilia

	<u>KEY DIARY DATES</u>
Tuesday 19th May	3.00-3.20pm – Cake/Craft Sale for Cuan Wildlife
Wednesday 20th May – Friday 22nd May	Residential Trip to Liverpool for Stanway
Thursday 21st May	Ticklerton/Gretton – All Day trip to Aberdovey (return approx. 5.30pm at Rushbury Village Hall)
HALF TERM	25 th May – 29 th May
Sunday 31st May	Deadline for Year 6 families to apply for free transport to their new secondary schools
Tuesday 2nd June	Weekly swimming sessions start for all (coach to Ludlow)
Tuesday 2nd/3rd/4th June	Bikeability for Stanway
Friday 5th June	Friday Athletics Club starts (3.20-4.15pm)
Wednesday 10th June	School Photo Day
Thursday 25th June	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Hereford Cathedral
Tuesday 30th June	Sports Day/Summer Fair (new date, changed from 7 th July)
Thursday 9th July	Whole School Summer Performance at RVH (Pied Piper – 5.45pm)
Friday 10th July	School Reports out
Tuesday 14th July	Reception Ramble (just for the children, no parents)
Wednesday 15th July	Year 6 Caradoc Walk (just for the children, no parents)
Thursday 16th July	Last day of term for children – no clubs or after school WAC 2pm – Leavers' Service at St Peter's Church – all welcome to attend

SOME ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST:

South Shropshire Gymnastics Club 

May Half Term Holiday Sessions

Everyone welcome - members and non-members  

Sessions running:
Thursday 28th & Friday 29th May

Classes running for all ages - 14 months - 16 years

Located at SSGC in Ludlow (next to Pets at Home)

Please contact Laura (southshropsgymclub@gmail.com) if you have any questions or go our website to sign up - www.ssgymnasticclub.com



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MAY HALF TERM

FILMS

The Devil Wears Prada 2 (12A)
Fri 22 May 7.30pm
Sat 23 May 8pm (Film & Fizz night)
Mon 25 & Tue 26 May 7.30pm
Wed 27 May 2pm

Magic Faraway Tree (U)
Tue 26 May 11.30am
Sat 27 June 2pm

The Sheep Detectives (PG)
Sat 23 May 5pm
Mon 25 May 2pm
Tue 26 May 2pm
Wed 27 May 11.30am

WORKSHOP
Shield Making for Ludlow History Festival
Wed 27 May 2-3 & 3-4pm @ Ludlow Library
Thu 28 May 2-3 & 3-4pm @ St.Laurence's Church
Fri 29 May 10-11am & 11-12pm @ Assembly Rooms

More information and booking:
ludlowassemblyrooms.co.uk
Box Office: 01584 878 141




STARS AND PLANETS

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May

Get ready for an out-of-this-world adventure during May Half Term!

Create your own constellations, make a personal tin can planetarium and learn how different cultures have seen the patterns in the stars. Discover the distance to the nearest stars related to your age. Walk the distance between the sun and the earth and learn how things weigh differently on each planet and more.

£5 per accompanied 4-11 year old

For more info, times and to book, head to our website 

MAY HALF TERM FUN

Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre  Open Daily, 10am-5pm

 School Road, Craven Arms 01588 676060