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Our school values:

Curiosity, Friendship, Perseverance, Respect.

Value of the month for November:

TRUST



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear parents/carers,

I hope that you all enjoyed the half-term break. The children have returned to school and settled quickly back into the routine with attendance rates exceptionally high, once again. We have sixty-four pupils currently at school which is a very healthy number. To further assist our fantastic team, I am delighted to inform you that Kerry Davies (Amelie and Ollie's mum) has now joined us at Rushbury and will be in school - predominantly supporting KS2 classes/children/teachers – for four days per week from this point on. Kerry has already settled in extremely well and I know it'll make the Rushbury staffing team an even better one!

It's likely that there will still be a few firework displays and bonfires this weekend. Therefore, each class has covered firework/bonfire night safety over the course of the week, with a particular focus on looking after our pets and keeping them occupied and indoors during displays. I do hope you can all enjoy it safely, if you are out and about.

Our football fundraiser went very well on Tuesday. Axel turned out to be a super referee and there is a picture of both him and some of the other children, further on in the newsletter. Thank you very much if you were able to support with this.

In class this week, Ticklerton have learnt about countries in the arctic zone; linked colours to feelings in PSHE; started their 'Man on the Moon' book in English and started practising a few songs for the end of term performance linked to a very familiar word I will not utter or type in early November! Gretton have practised their remembrance song in Music; developed passing and dribbling skills in football; used Scratch for coding in Computing; designed posters and worked on exploring their 'circus' experience through their five senses (see photos further on), in English and enjoyed a forest school session yesterday (see photos). Stanway have focused on classification in Science, neatly linked to their English writing; they have studied fractions in Maths as well as looking at medicine and disease in History.

Next Tuesday morning we will hold our Remembrance Service in St Peter's. This is a very important event in our school calendar but one attended by just pupils and staff.

A week today we will be fundraising again... this time for Children In Need. Our School Council have already produced a poster linked to this and the children are also aware. The poster appears further on in this newsletter, if you haven't had sight of it to date.

I hope that you enjoy your weekend.

Steve Morris

SUPPORTING THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

As you know, we are again supporting this worthwhile charity. We still have a box of various items in our school office – poppies, wristbands, snap bands, rulers, zip pulls etc. We are hoping that you will be able to send your child to school with the appropriate cash donation (no fixed amount but proportional to the items they would like) and they can come to the office to choose what they would like. The box of ‘goodies’ will be available until Friday 14th November and the items will be available on a first come, first served basis.



Children In Need

Friday 14th November

non-uniform day

DRESS UP SPOTTY

£1 if you can.

We would love to see your colourful outfits; it would be amazing if you could participate in our fundraiser at school.



CURRENT HOUSE POINTS

Ragleth have retained their lead from last half term...

Caradoc – 179

Ragleth – 290

Lawley – 251

Callow – 216

WRAP AROUND CARE/CLUBS

The last few weeks of term are always hectic, so please take a few minutes to make a note of the important upcoming dates which are shown at the end of the newsletter. You will see that on the 9th December (Panto), 11th December (School Christmas Production) and 17th December (School Fair), there are no clubs or after school care (there will still be before school care).

PARENTS' EVENING – BOOKINGS VIA PARENTMAIL

Please note that ParentMail is now open, for you to book your slots for the first Parents' Evening of this academic year. The sessions are:

Gretton and Stanway – 3.30 - 7.00pm on Monday 17th November

Ticklerton – 2.30-7.00pm on Monday 17th November and 2.30 - 4.30pm on Tuesday 18th November

FUNDRAISING EVENT ON TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

Despite the rain, our special fundraising event organised by Mr Morris and Axel K, still went ahead. This special event was in aid of Emanuel (Manny) Aston, a local lad who recently received the devastating news that he has Stage 4 terminal cancer. A GoFundMe page has been set up for Manny – where donations received will be split between making precious memories for Manny and his family, as well as a contribution to the Teenage Cancer Trust and it is not too late to make an on-line donation (no money to be sent directly to school please).

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/the-refereeing-family-supporting-emanuel-manny-aston>

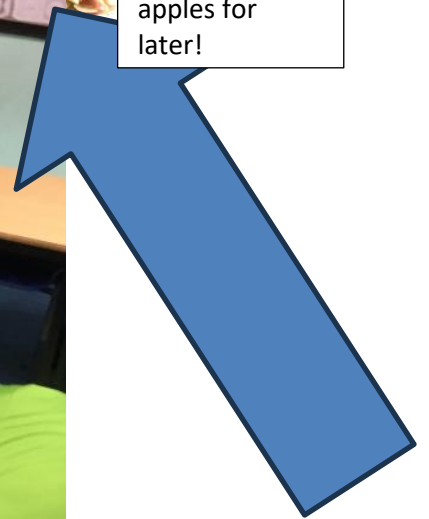


A CIRCUS THEME TO INSPIRE WRITING...

As part of their current English writing project, Gretton held a Circus Experience Morning in class this week. The children thoroughly enjoyed the activities on offer, and we are looking forward to it inspiring their creative writing! A 'flavour' of the morning is captured below:



I spy...toffee apples for later!



HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

- Ticklerton – Angus J for completing the first set of Rushbury Reading Route books
- Ticklerton – Sam H for always being ready for learning and trying his best
- Gretton – Charles P for a fantastically detailed answer during our 'Fire Safety' talk
- Gretton – Rosa M for increasingly confident contributions in class discussions – keep it up!
- Stanway – Axel K for his determination to help others
- Stanway – Anna M for terrific factual writing



Shropshire
Fire and Rescue Service

FIRE SAFETY TALK, IN GRETTON

Today, Dione Morris (our school's fire prevention officer) came to Gretton to give a talk about fire safety and things to look out and be aware of at home. She gave the children some unofficial homework to talk to their grown-ups about fire safety and to also discuss possible fire escape plans. We would be grateful for your support in taking time to talk with your child/ren about this over the weekend.

Please also take a few minutes to read the useful information sheet attached about 'fire setting' at the end of the newsletter.



RECEPTION AND YEAR 6 – HEIGHT AND WEIGHT CHECKS

Due to illness in the school nurses' team, this week's visit needed to be postponed at very short notice. We will let you know when a new date has been set.

CHILD'S PRAYER



Dear God
Thank you for water and food.
Thank you for grass and trees.
Thank you for wildlife and family.
Amen



By
Sidney E

KEY DIARY DATES

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Tuesday 11th November	Armistice Day Service in St Peter's Church – staff and children only
Wednesday 12th November	Whole school trip to Blists Hill (back for usual school finish)
Friday 14th November	Children In Need Day – 'spotty' theme for all
Monday 17th November	Parents' Evening – for all (Ticklerton 2.30-7.00pm/Gretton and Stanway 3.30-7.00pm)
Tuesday 18th November	Additional Parents' Evening – for Ticklerton from 2.30-4.30pm
Thursday 27th November	Stanway's performance at St Chad's
Tuesday 9th December	Whole school trip to Panto (no after school clubs or wrap around care)
Thursday 11th December	Nativity Performance at Rushbury Village Hall (no after school clubs or wrap around care)
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas Fair 2.00-3.30pm in school (no after school clubs or wrap around care)
Friday 19th December	Last day of term (no after school clubs or wrap around care)

SOME ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST:

child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics



SCAN ME

Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



EATON MANOR

EATON MANOR *Sunday Lunch*

Sunday, 16th November 2025

Eaton Manor, Eaton-under-Heywood, Church Stretton, SY6 7DH

Arrival from 12.30pm, lunch served at 1.30pm
£29.50 per person to include a welcome drink, two-course lunch followed by tea and coffee.
Catered by Oak Apple Catering.

Scan the QR Code to book



lingendavies.co.uk/events

Registered Charity No. 1160922

FREE STREET CRICKET

YOUTH - AGED 8-15

Craven Arms Community Project
Halos Craven Arms Community Centre, Newington Way, SY7 9PS
Every Tuesday except half-term week, September 9-December 9
4.30-5.30pm
For ages 8-15
FREE



**AUTUMN 2025
EVERY TUESDAY**

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CHANCE TO SHINE STREET
chancetoshine.org/street



Firesetter Intervention Scheme

If you would like any further information about this service or to make a referral, please visit:

www.shropshirefire.gov.uk/firesetting



Alternatively, contact the scheme advisor to discuss any concerns:

01743 260 200

fire.settlers@shropshirefire.gov.uk

Home Fire Safety Check

If you would like to complete an online home fire safety assessment, please scan the QR code or visit the website below:



www.safelincs.co.uk/hfsc



Firesetter Intervention Scheme

Providing fire safety education for children and young people in Shropshire

www.shropshirefire.gov.uk

What is firesetting?

Most children show a natural interest and curiosity in fire. Even if they do not display any fire setting behaviour, many children may be fascinated by fire and it is not uncommon for children as young as two to show an interest.

Unfortunately for some children this interest develops into something more dangerous.

Fire setting behaviour can become increasingly serious and lead to injury, damage to property and death. There are also many criminal aspects that have long term consequences.

What is the Firesetting Intervention Scheme?

This is a fire education scheme for children and young people under 17 who have displayed fire setting behaviour or have played with fire.

The scheme aims to:

- Raise awareness of the dangers of fire.
- Illustrate the consequences of firesetting behaviour.
- Teach them how to control the trigger factors that lead to firesetting.
- Provides education on how to keep safe from fire in the home and what to do in the event of fire.

The scheme offers fire safety education with the young person, usually in the home environment by Shropshire Fire and Rescue Firesetting Intervention Advisors.

What to expect

After a child has been referred and the parents/guardians have given consent, we will make contact to arrange a convenient time to visit the child's home.

The help and support we provide is tailored to the child or young person's behaviour, interests and understanding.

We can provide 2 sessions with the child or young person of up to 1 hour each.

Alongside this, we will also offer support to families by way of a safe and well visit which can share advice on fire safety and fit smoke alarms if they are needed.

Following our visits, we will make a follow up contact to find out if any more fire setting behaviour has occurred and offer any further advice or support we can.

This may also involve signposting families to other agencies who can provide more specialist help or support.

The scheme is not designed for children who:

- smoke in a home setting
- breach fire safety policies in schools etc
- have historical fire setting behaviours as part of a new fire risk assessment

Who can refer?

- Parents/carers
- Schools
- Police
- Social services departments
- Youth offending teams
- Other professionals

7 Signs of firesetting behaviour

1. Small burn holes in carpets or clothes.
2. Charred paper/crisp packets in sinks or wastebaskets.
3. Matches and lighters hidden in child's cupboard, drawers and under bed.
4. An unusual fascination with fires.
5. Unexplained burnt objects in the home or garden.
6. Signs of burns on the windowsills.
7. The smell of smoke on the child's clothes or in the home.

These behaviours should never be ignored and an early referral can ensure it does not continue into adulthood.

For additional fire safety education information and resources:
www.staywise.co.uk



