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NEWSLETTER

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Our school values:

Curiosity Friendship Perseverance Respect

Value of the month for January:

WISDOM

Please remember that all future diary dates, holidays and PD days can be found on the school website.

www.rushburyschool.co.uk

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back to the new school term. Hopefully it'll be a very productive and enjoyable 2025 for the children. I am also hoping that we have got through the worst of the illness/temperatures, bugs etc. for this winter, as this did have quite an impact on attendance in the last two weeks of the autumn term, in particular. Signs are extremely positive, as we have started this new term and opening week with impressively high attendance for our pupils, in excess of 99%!

With last term in mind, I wanted to thank everybody for their generosity and efforts at both the Christmas Fair and in relation to the Friends' Group on the evening of the nativity performance. Overall, a whopping £780 was raised, give or take a few pennies.

This spring term there's plenty going on as usual. We have authors visiting every class as part of Shropshire Bookfest, other outside organisations visiting school, plenty of clubs (lunchtime and after school), numerous sporting events for our Y1 to Y6 pupils, football fixtures versus St Laurence's, a class trip for Stanway, Enrichment activities for KS2 including local trips, YV25 (Young Voices) at Birmingham Resorts Arena next week, Forest School sessions and local walks for Ticklerton Class.

In class this week, Ticklerton have been finding out about the Great Fire of London; started their Science topic on plants; had a great deal of fun in Forest School and also started their new books in English, 'Jack Frost' for Reception and 'Dragon Machine' for Y1 and Y2. Gretton have studied the timeline of prehistoric Britain; discovered facts about whales, further developing their use of compound adjectives for description as well as writing a letter to a whale expert; discussed the appearance/physical features of Jesus in Christianity and completed art in the outdoors as well as shovel a huge bag of play bark into the adventure play area. Stanway have completed 2-D models of the Sun, Earth and Moon in Science; undertaken multi-generational family trees when considering local migration in Shropshire over the centuries; looked at online protection and communication and used some super subordinate clauses in English.

On a final note, I wanted to make the school community aware of a new parent governor appointment. From this term, Fin Somerville (Matilda and Theo's father) will become our fourth parent governor, filling a recent vacancy. I would like to welcome Fin onto the Governing Body and I am sure it'll be an appointment which will benefit all at Rushbury School.

I hope you enjoy a relaxing weekend.

Steve Morris

YOUNG VOICES TRIP NEXT WEEK

Please note that the return coach will drop off at Rushbury Village Hall at about 10.30pm (we will keep you posted about up-dates to this on the day). The team at the hall, have asked that parents park at the top of the car park, near the tennis courts, as there's a bowls club on that night. We thank you for your support with this.



A PRAYER FOR PEACE

Dear Glorious God

I hope for my wonders and dreams to come faithful in me.

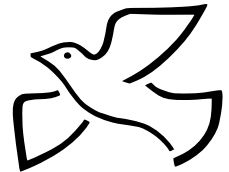
I hope for peace and love to rule the world.

I hope everyone will have peace in their hearts and that we can all live in peace.

Amen

By

Ellis J



FIRE DRILL SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT

We carried out a successful fire drill this week and all the children were congratulated on their sensible, orderly and timely evacuation of the school building. This was achieved in 3 minutes 32 seconds.



FRIDAY AFTERNOON SPORTS CLUBS FOR THE SPRING TERM 2025



SPRING 1 (Friday 10.1.2025-Friday 14.2.2025)	HOCKEY
SPRING 2 (Friday 28.2.2025-Friday 4.4.2025)	TENNIS

BOOK REVIEW

Title:

Wolf Brother

Author

Michelle Paver

What I think of this book:

It's interesting and a good story about a boy called Torak and his wolf and their quest to keep a promise. I think the author is a really good story teller.

Who might like to read it:

Serenna

My favourite part of this book:

All of it.



Review and Star rating by Darcie H (4/5 stars)



HEAD TEACHER'S AWARDS

- Ticklerton – Reggie W for having a super attitude to school – all of the time
- Ticklerton – James C for showing super Rushbury Values in everything he does
- Gretton – Jessica M for a high standard of work and excellent prediction skills in English
- Gretton – Emilia L for a super attitude towards her maths and also for her hard work shovelling play bark!
- Stanway – Serenna J for always doing the 'extra bit' in English
- Stanway - Charlie E for great positivity in his maths lessons

(No Sports Award this week as there was no sports club on the last day of the Autumn Term)



TICKLERTON'S WINTER LEARNING

Ticklerton have made the most of this week's cold and frosty weather and have been busy colour mixing in Art and matching and making footprints, linked to one of their books.



HOUSE POINTS

The current cumulative picture for our house points is shown below.

- **Caradoc - 653**
- **Ragleth – 671**
- **Lawley – 883**
- **Callow – 686**

	<u>KEY DIARY DATES</u>
Tuesday 14th January	Afternoon Indoor Sports Competition for Stanway's boys at Church Stretton School (back for end of the school day)
Thursday 16th January	Key Stage 2 – Young Voices (in Birmingham), coach returns to Rushbury Village Hall approx. 10.30pm
Friday 7th February	All day trip for Stanway children to The Spaceguard Centre (Knighton)
Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February	Half Term

SOME ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST:



Shropshire Council's Family Info Service produce regular newsletters and are a great source of useful local information. The current newsletter is full of ideas to make the most of the festive season and a selection of these are included below. This service cover nearly everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are they will be able to help, or if they can't, they can point you in the direction of someone who can. Find them on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [X](#). Call 01743 254400 or email ShropshireFIS@shropshire.gov.uk

Shropshire Parenting Help and Support Line

01743 250950

Mon - Thurs, 9.30am - 4.30pm
Fri, 9.30am - 3.30pm

No judgment, just support.

Find out more here

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Shropshire Council



Protect our children!

Parents and guardians: Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe. Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops



John Campion
Police and Crime Commissioner
West Mercia

Does your child struggle with their Sleep?

Free Sleep Tight Groups

Join us on one of our virtual or face-to-face groups which run for 5 weeks and:

- Find out why sleep is important for our health and emotional wellbeing
- Get support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines
- Meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences

Our next groups start:

Sleep Tight SEND Thursday 16th January 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am
at Keystone Academy, Shrewsbury, SY3 8XQ

Sleep Tight Wednesday 22nd January 2025 from 12.45pm to 2.45pm
at Crowmoor Primary School, Shrewsbury, SY2 5JJ

Sleep Tight SEND Wednesday 5th March 2025 from 12.45pm to 2.45pm
Virtually Via MS Teams

Sleep Tight Thursday 6th March 2025 from 9.15am to 11.15am
Virtually via MS Teams

SEND groups are for parents/carers of children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call 01743 250950

Find out more here



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Understanding your child From toddler to teen

- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?

Join us for one of our free virtual or face-to-face groups, our next groups start:

Understanding Your Child SEND Group Monday 27th January 2025 from 9.15am to 11.15am
at Wilfred Owen School, Shrewsbury, SY2 5SH

Understanding Your Child SEND Group Monday 27th January 2025 from 12.30pm to 2.30pm
Virtually Via MS Teams

Understanding Your Child Group Wednesday 29th January 2025 from 9.30am to 11.30am
at Meole Brace Primary School, Shrewsbury, SY3 9HG

Understanding Your Child Group Friday 31st January 2025 from 9.15am to 11.15am
Virtually Via MS Teams

Understanding Your Child Group Friday 31st January 2025 from 1.15pm to 3.15pm
at Christ Church Primary School, Cressage, SY5 6DHH

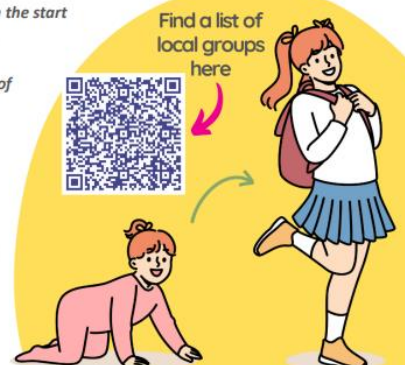
All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

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Find more free online courses at inourplace.co.uk/shropshire

Find a list of local groups here



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