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# NEWSLETTER

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Our school values:

Curiosity Friendship Perseverance Respect

Value of the month for February:

**SERVICE**

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

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Dear parents/carers,

As expected, it has been a busy and exciting week in school. Each class welcomed their own author as part of the fantastic Shropshire Bookfest initiative. Children were able to share and enjoy books written by their author and ask lots of questions about the characters in the stories, the writing process itself as well as then take part in various writing workshops. Alongside this, the children have now all got underway with our 'Rushbury Reads' initiative, which they are very excited about. I know I frequently raise the point about the importance of children reading frequently but I make no apology for this because it is the key to so much in a child's education and at Rushbury, we will always endeavour to turn out children who have a natural love for reading. Arguably, as parents, you have an even more influential role than we do as educators in relation to reading. Your support is therefore something we are grateful of.

In classes this week, Ticklerton have been learning about the Torah and its importance to those of Jewish faith; made very tasty egg and school-grown cress sandwiches in Science; Reception have started their book 'What the Ladybird Heard' and KS1 have described their machines for the 'Dragon Machine' story. Gretton have worked further on their physical fitness in PE; researched authors and wrote book reviews in English; learnt about solids, liquids and gas – particularly how the molecules behave; considered the significance of Stonehenge and learnt the names for many food items in French. Stanway have made a prototype pop-up book; learned about Holocaust Memorial Day; spoken and written about what they would like for breakfast in French; competed in the south Shropshire Dodgeball heats and as a class of just seven boys and seven girls, taken on the girls' and boys' football teams of St Laurence's Primary. Both teams played extremely well and played the games out in a very sporting manner. Whilst the girls' team lost, a special mention should be made for Freya F who made four of five fantastic saves in goal. And for the boys, it would have to be George P, who captained the team by example, scoring the winner (and only goal of the game) from at least eighteen yards out. I'm hoping that Freya and George's sporting exploits rub off on the men's rugby team when they play Ireland, tomorrow!

I do hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

Steve Morris



## A PRAYER FOR PEACE



Dear God

Thank you for giving us water.  
Thank you for the leaves on the trees.  
Thank you for our family and our houses.  
Thank you for the ground that we walk on.

Thank you.

Amen

By

Max B



## REVIEW ON GRETTON'S AUTHOR VISIT



All the classes this week have had visits from authors. We have met authors in school when we were in other years groups, but this was the first time we had met Iszi Lawrence. She came to Gretton to talk about a series of books she has written, all about time machines. Apart from being an author she is also a comedian and does podcasts.

Mr Greenwood had already read some of the red book (Scientists and Stripy Socks) to us, so we knew a bit about how she writes. When she came, she talked about the blue book (Explorers and Milkshakes). She writes in a funny way, which makes you want to find out more and keeps your interest in the story. She told us that she's interested in history and likes stories with good plots. She was good at talking to us and encouraging us to write our own stories. She says it's important to take your time and not to rush and it's OK not to get it right the first time, you can re-write. She told us about a competition she is running, and we may enter this later in the year. She gave us black books that we can write our ideas in.

We would recommend anyone in Gretton or even Stanway to read these books because they have a good plot, are funny and have some great illustrations!

By Bertie K and Jacob H

## HEAD TEACHER'S AWARDS



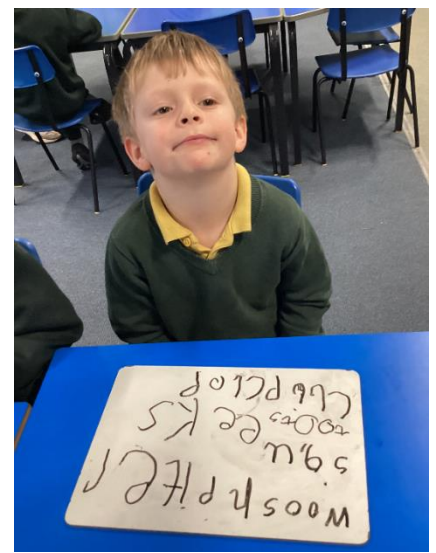
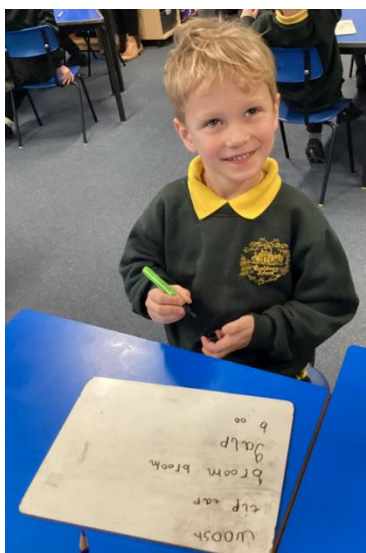
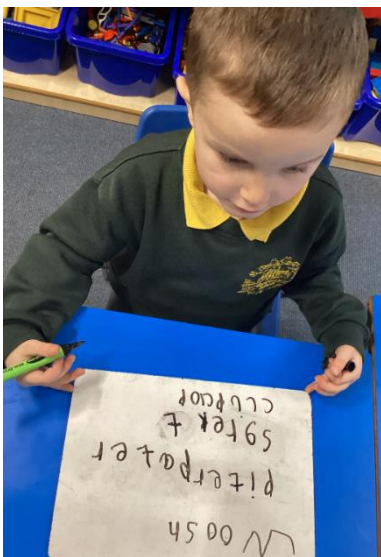
- Ticklerton – Ralph E for showing super independence in maths – using base 10 to support
- Ticklerton – Josh C for writing super sentences in English
- Gretton – Floss R for stupendous mathematics!
- Gretton Evvie P for fantastic mental maths progress
- Stanway - Serenna Jones for beautiful handwriting - always
- Stanway - Theo T for splendid support of teammates at the dodgeball competition
  
- **Sports Award** - Olive H for super effort and levels of enjoyment at Hockey Club

## DODGEBALL COMPETITION AT CHURCH STRETTON SCHOOL THIS WEEK

A BIG well done to everyone in our Stanway team!



## PHOTOS FROM TICKLERTON'S AUTHOR VISIT



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARENT GOVERNOR – FIN SOMERVILLE

Fin has now joined our team and has written a short 'blurb' for our website, which we are sharing here:

I was born in Scotland but have moved around and spent many years travelling to places like the Mediterranean, Caribbean, Australia and more recently Turkey, as part of my work. I am a marine engineer working with super yachts, previously on board as a chief engineer. I now project manage new yacht constructions for very wealthy individuals. This still takes me abroad to visit shipyards, which is a little less exotic than my past adventures.

Currently we live in Leintwardine, with our two children who both now attend Rushbury school. In my free time, around family life, I like to cycle and run.

## HOUSE POINTS

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

- **Caradoc - 842**
- **Ragleth – 836**
- **Lawley – 1004**
- **Callow – 838**

## KEY DIARY DATES

<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	All day trip for Stanway children to The Spaceguard Centre (Knighton)
<b>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Ticklerton's DT project afternoon (parents welcome to come in to support 1.30-3.00pm)
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February</b>	Half Term

## SOME ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF INTEREST:

We have been informed by West Mercia Police, that due to its popularity, they have provided additional space to sign up for the on-line training about tips and ideas to help to keep your children safe on line. The poster below gives further details.

# Safer Internet Day

## Online safety training for parents and guardians by West Mercia Police

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can help to keep them safe.

Join our free one-hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever-changing digital world.

Date: Tuesday 11 Feb 2025

Time: 12pm

Location: Microsoft Teams via Eventbrite

Sign up to the Eventbrite session by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-child-exploitation-session-for-parents-and-guardians-tickets-1223190588979?aff=oddtcreator>



## Protect our children!

# VALENTINE'S CRAFT EVENT

Wednesday 19th February 2025

2pm until 3.30pm

Free Valentines themed  
cookery & crafts  
for all ages



Come along to:

Ludlow Youth Centre, Lower Galdeford,  
Ludlow, SY8 1RT

Please note: parents are responsible for their children at this event

Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities)

We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.



Lingen Davies  
Cancer Fund

# Spring

WALK  
WITH EASTER TRAIL

APRIL

SUNDAY

6  
2025

10.30AM - 3PM

EATON MANOR

Eaton Manor Country Estate, Eaton-under-Heywood, Church Stretton SY6 7DH  
What3Words friends.harmonica.proved

Spring walk, including Easter Trail and craft corner for children, refreshments and homemade cake.

£5 ENTRY PER PERSON

Inclusive of Easter Trail for Children | Under 3s go free  
Dogs on leads welcome

Tickets available in advance and on the gate  
[lingendavies.co.uk/events](https://www.lingendavies.co.uk/events)

Scan to find out more

Welcome  
Spring



EGGHUNT