

This week's school news and information

Welcome back!

Welcome back to the first half of the summer term, which is a six-week half term, finishing on Friday, 22nd May. Please also remember that May Bank Holiday is on Monday, 4th May, so no school.

Intra-school Basketball Competition Results

Please see the table below for the results of our last intra-school house competition organised by Mr O'Reilly before the Easter break. Congratulations to Green Pumas, who came out as the overall winners of the event.

		Position							
		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
Year Group	YR	Y	B	R	G				
	Y1	Y	B		G	R			
	Y2	R	B	Y	G				
	Y3	G	G	Y	R	B	R	B	Y
	Y4	B	G	R	G	B	Y	R	Y
	Y5	G	R	R	Y	Y	B	G	B
	Y6	Y	B	G	R	G	G	R	B

PINS Project – Parent Survey

The Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools (PINS) project has now come to an end. We are inviting all parents and carers to complete a short follow-up survey to help evaluate the impact of the project across the whole school. The survey is confidential and individual responses will not be shared. If you have more than one child at the school, you may complete a survey for each child.

 Closing date: Friday 1 May 2026

 Complete the survey here: [Second PINS Survey – New Schools](#)

Paper copies are available from the school office if needed. Thank you for your support.

Thank You, Choir!

We would like to say a huge thank you to all of our wonderful choir members who visited Connect for Life earlier this week. The children represented our school beautifully and brought great joy to everyone they met through their enthusiasm, kindness and music. We are incredibly proud of the choir for taking part in this special community visit and for making such a positive difference to others.

Summer Term Key Dates

Please see overleaf for confirmation of key dates for the remainder of the summer term.

SAVE THE DATES!

Date	Time	Event
22nd April		KS1 Indoor Athletics at Marches
23rd April	3pm – 5pm	Y3–6 Cross Country at Marches
25th April	9am onwards	Shropshire Primary Schools Half Marathon
4th May		Bank Holiday
7th May	3pm – 5pm	Y3–6 Cross Country Final at Marches
11th–14th May		Y6 SATs
21st May	All day	Intra-School Sports Tournament
25th–29th May		Half-term
1st–4th June		Level 1 & 2 Y6 Bikeability
4th June		New YR Parents and Carers visiting for a tour
5th June	All day	Y3–6 Wrexham Queensway
8th–10th June		Y6 Residential
8th–10th June		National Phonics Screening Check
8th June		Shropshire Sings
10th June		New Reception Parents / Carers induction meeting
17th June		Y5 & 6 Mini Tennis at the Marches
18th June		Y3/4 Football fixture with Gobowen (TBC)
24th June	1pm–2pm YR, 1 & 2 2pm–3pm Y3–6	Sports Day (Weather Dependent)
25th June		Y5 & 6 Football fixture with Gobowen (TBC)
2nd July	18.00	Annual Reports for YR–5 sent via email
3rd July	18.00	New class letters sent via email
6th July		Reserve sports afternoon
8th July	9.30 – 11.45	New classes morning
10th July	18.00	Y6 Reports & SATs results out to parents & carers
13th July	17.30 for 18.00 start	Y6 Leavers Assembly
14th July		Y6 Treat Day
TBC	13.00 – 15.00	Swimming Gala #1
TBC	13.00 – 15.00	Swimming Gala #2
15th July	9am	EYFS Graduation Ceremony
16th July		Intra-School Sports Tournament
17th July		Last day – Annual School Picnic



Birthdays



This week we would like to wish the following children a very Happy Birthday.

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Well done this week to...

Chicks Year R	Margot has had a wonderful week, enjoying learning about weddings and confidently sharing photos of her family as well as talking proudly about her holiday to Barbados. Throughout the week, she worked extremely hard in Read, Write Inc., showing fantastic letter formation and making great progress reading simple sentences. Alongside her learning, Margot loved singing and dancing with her friends to the Waffle Doggy theme tune and should be very proud of herself.
Ducklings Year R	Ducklings Class have had a fantastic week and should be very proud of their excellent listening, sitting, and positive behaviour. Throughout the week, they impressed staff with their knowledge of other Julia Donaldson books and their strong sense of humour. In particular, they showed great effort in reading and writing during Read, Write Inc. and literacy sessions and are real stars.
Wrens Year 1	Charlie has made a great start to the summer term by listening carefully, sitting sensibly, and trying to play more gently at playtimes. Throughout the week, he worked hard in Read, Write Inc., improving the neatness of his writing and becoming a more fluent reader. In maths, Charlie practised finding missing numbers in addition and subtraction stories and is growing in confidence.
Robins Year 2	Jasper has had a fantastic week, showing great effort and perseverance in all areas of his learning. Throughout the week, he enjoyed exploring signs of spring on a playground walk and worked hard in English learning about endangered animals. In maths, Jasper tried his very best to understand combining tens and ones and should be proud of his progress.
Owls Year 2	Sienna has had a fantastic first week back, working hard in every lesson and listening carefully to instructions. Throughout the week, she impressed with a thoughtful persuasive letter in English and excellent understanding of 3D shapes in maths, including making her own model. In history and PE, Sienna shared great ideas, showed resilience, and should be very proud of her super effort.
Puffins Year 3/4	Gabby has had a brilliant week, impressing everyone with her hard work, maturity and growing independence. Throughout lessons, she followed instructions carefully and confidently completed her D&T cardboard picture frame on her own. In English, her detailed writing and thoughtful predictions about the new class book have really stood out – well done!
Kingfishers Year 3/4	Reyna has had a fantastic week in Kingfishers, impressing everyone with her thoughtful predictions in Journey and her beautifully presented work. Across the curriculum, she has shown strong problem-solving skills in times tables, enthusiasm for learning about nutrition in science, and curiosity during history lessons on the Saxons. With determination in the daily mile, great teamwork in PE and a consistently positive attitude, she truly is a superstar – well done!
Kestrels Year 4/5	Lewie has made a fantastic start to the summer term, showing great determination and confidence in maths, particularly when multiplying decimals and explaining multiples of 3. Throughout Design & Technology, he showed real enthusiasm and curiosity during the Greek food tasting, especially when making and sampling Greek salad. Overall, his hard work, focus and positive attitude have stood out this week
Hawks Year 5	Daniel has shown a fantastic attitude all week, arriving at school with a smile, using impeccable manners, and consistently demonstrating mature and sensible behaviour as a positive role model to others. Throughout the week, he has put impressive effort into his presentation and handwriting, with clear improvements in letter formation shining through in his work. In particular, Daniel stood out in history, where he worked brilliantly as part of a team to research the design and construction of the Iron Bridge—well done and keep up the excellent work.
Eagles Year 6	Keira has thoroughly earned this week's well done award through her consistently positive attitude and the care she shows for others in the class. In maths, she persevered when learning felt challenging by using support wisely and confidently asking for help, which helped her succeed. During English, she has shown growing confidence by carefully planning her ideas for independent writing – keep up the amazing work!
Falcons Year 6	Isla has earned this week's well-done award by showing exceptional focus, determination and a positive attitude toward her learning every day. Throughout the week, she has impressed everyone by always trying her best, persevering when work feels challenging, and making great progress as a result. With her kindness, cheerful sense of humour and willingness to get involved, she is a fantastic role model and a lovely friend to others.

What is happening in school next week?

Day/Date	During School Time	After School
Monday 20th April	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Music Mob—Violin Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 Y1-3 – Football 3.15-4.30 Y3-5 – Colouring Club
Tuesday 21st April	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Year 5 Social Media Lesson with Sophie Khan, Community Engagement & Training Officer Swimming – Puffins	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 KS2 - Cricket
Wednesday 22nd April	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Year 5 Social Media Lesson with Sophie Khan, Community Engagement & Training Officer Swimming – Kestrels & Wrens KS1 Indoor Athletics at The Marches Music Mob—Woodwind Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 KS2 – Tennis 3.15-4.30 Y2-3 – Art 3.15-4.30 Y1-6 – Homework club 3.15-4.30 KS2 - Athletics
Thursday 23rd April	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Music Mob—Guitar Lessons Music Mob—Brass Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.00 – 5.00 Y3/4/5/6 Cross Country at The Marches 3.15-4.30 Y4 & 5 – Football 3.15-4.30 Y4 & 5 – Art
Friday 24th April	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Brass Lessons—Puffins & Kingfishers Music Mob—Drum Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15-4.30 EYFS & Y1 - Gymnastics