



Weekly Newsletter
Friday
23rd January
2026

This week's school news and information

Attendance & Illness

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please contact the school before 9:00 am on the first morning of absence. You can do this by calling the School Office on 01691 656080 and selecting option 1 to report an absence, or by emailing office@meadows.shropshire.sch.uk to inform us of the reason. If your child is absent for more than one day, we require contact each day with an update, unless an exclusion period applies. This procedure helps us to ensure the safe arrival of all children each day.

If we have not heard from you by 9:00 am and your child has been marked absent on the register, we will make every effort to contact you by email and telephone to confirm your child's whereabouts.

In line with [Health Protection Agency guidance](#), children must remain at home for 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting to help prevent the spread of infection.

Sporting Success 🏆🎉🏀

Our spring term sports fixtures are now well underway, and it's been wonderful to see such enthusiasm and commitment from our pupils.

This week, our Year 3/4 Dodgeball team put in a fantastic performance, finishing 5th in their pool. We are delighted with their strong start to the season. A big well done to Poppy, Gabby, Toby, Jacob, Lucas, Aria, Lily, and George, who impressed us all with their teamwork, energy, and determination.

On Thursday, Lewis, Rhys, Ella, Emmy, Erin, Osian, Grayson, and Olivia took part in the second of our three Athletics competitions. The whole group demonstrated superb effort and a brilliant attitude throughout the event, showing resilience and great sportsmanship as they represented our school.

A huge congratulations to all our athletes – an excellent week of sporting achievement! 🌟👏

📅 Number Sessions – Join Us Next Week!

Next week, we are delighted to host our Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 maths sessions in school (dates at the end of the newsletter). These sessions are designed to give parents and carers an insight into how we are developing number fluency and how you can support your child's learning at home. You will also have the opportunity to see your child taking part in their number activities.

During the session, we will:

- Share some of the key number concepts your child is learning in school
- Build your confidence in supporting your child with early maths
- Create simple games and activities you can use at home
- Provide home learning ideas to help strengthen number skills in a fun, practical way

We hope you will join us for this valuable opportunity to learn more about how we teach maths and how we can work together to support your child's progress.



Shropshire
Council

You and Me Mum Group

To book and secure your place on this course,
please call

01743 250400

Wednesday 15th April 2026 – Wednesday
11th June 2026
09:30-11:30am

*(It will not run during the half term holiday
on 27th May 2026)*

Venue: Shrewsbury SY1

*Facilitated by
Early Help and Support Team with Shropshire
Domestic Abuse Service*



Birthdays



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

Francesca

Philippa

Elijah

Well done this week to...

Chicks Year R	Braelynn has been a fabulous Chick who has worked hard this week, showing great confidence with adding and taking away in number work. She has shown excellent knowledge of People Who Help Us, sharing thoughtfully about the role of a paramedic and contributing positively to class discussions. Braelynn has been a valued member of the class, bringing joy, imagination and giggles, and is wished every success as she begins her new adventure and schooling in Australia.
Ducklings Year R	William has worked super hard this week, showing fantastic effort in phonics and maths and always being ready to have a go. He has made great progress practising his sounds, blending and recognising red words, and has shown excellent focus and enthusiasm when working with number lines, number recognition and number activities. He is also a thoughtful and kind friend who includes others, shares brilliant ideas and contributes confidently during carpet time, making him a wonderful role model in Ducklings.
Wrens Year 1	Mine has had a fabulous week in Wrens Class, showing great helpfulness by setting up resources, tidying up, and trying hard in every lesson—even while feeling unwell. Mine has demonstrated strong understanding in naming and sorting shapes, is becoming an increasingly fluent reader, and continues to work hard on her spellings and writing. Her dedication at home is just as impressive, and the photos shared on Seesaw show how committed she is to her learning.
Robins Year 1/2	Elina has had a truly fantastic week in Robins, working hard across the curriculum and approaching her learning with enthusiasm and a bright, positive attitude. She planned and wrote a great diary entry as George from The Dragon Machine, successfully understood multiplying pairs in Maths, and enjoyed exploring computing with the Bee-Bots. She also showed creativity in Art by connecting lines in interesting ways and colouring with different media, making her a joy to have in class all day long.
Owls Year 2	Rory has made impressive progress over the past few weeks, putting in much more effort and enjoying the success that comes with it. His writing has improved significantly, and in both maths and gymnastics he has shown determination, confidence, and a real commitment to doing his best. Rory is capable of even more, and his continued hard work will help him keep succeeding.
Puffins Year 3/4	Thomas has been working incredibly hard recently, and all the staff in Puffins have noticed his growing confidence across many areas. His reading is really coming on, he is putting great effort into his English work, and he has shown impressive concentration and determination in maths. Thomas continues to make excellent progress, and his hard work is truly appreciated.
Kingfishers Year 3/4	Henry has shown a fantastic attitude towards his learning this week, settling quickly each morning and demonstrating excellent focus, particularly when improving his handwriting and presentation. He worked well with a partner to research information and confidently used it to write his own sentences with very little adult support. He also worked creatively as part of a team to design a Roman battle scene, showing clear attack and defence moves, and should be very proud of his hard work.
Kestrels Year 4/5	Yasmin Congratulations for being this week's Star of the Week! In English, Yasmin has listened with great care, using her understanding of characters to produce thoughtful and imaginative pieces of writing, including detailed character descriptions and expressive diary entries. Yasmin's handwriting is always neat and work is beautifully presented. Her willingness to try new approaches has led to some truly impressive work. 🌟 Well done, Yasmin – your hard work and positive attitude make you a joy to teach. Keep shining!
Hawks Year 5	Pippa has shown exceptional effort this week, demonstrating a sensible attitude, eagerness to learn, and consistently acting as a respectful role model to her peers. Her writing has been particularly impressive, with impeccable presentation, thoughtful handwriting, and the confident use of features such as fronted adverbials, relative clauses, and powerful vocabulary. Pippa has also worked brilliantly in gymnastics, contributing to well-rehearsed team sequences that include new jumps, rolls, and balances.
Eagles Year 6	Carson has shown exceptional effort, independence, and growing confidence in all areas of her learning. She has recently impressed us with her progress in sharing ideas, as well as her beautifully written English description and accurate, confident work in Maths. Carson continues to demonstrate determination and resilience every day, and we are very proud of her.
Falcons Year 6	Zach consistently shows excellent effort, attitude and commitment to his learning, working hard in every lesson and often exceeding expectations with pride in the quality of his work. He is a calm, respectful role model whose positive behaviour helps create a focused learning environment for everyone. He confidently shares his ideas, contributes thoughtfully to discussions, and inspires others through his enthusiasm and responsible choices.

What is happening in school next week?

Day/Date	During School Time	After School
Monday 26th January	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Year 5 Greek Day Music Mob—Violin Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ KS1 Football 3.15 - 4.30 ~ KS2 Mini Mission (Team Building) 3.15 - 4.30 KS2 Disco
Tuesday 27th January	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club 8.45 am – Year 2 Maths Workshop Swimming – Puffins	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-4 Film Club 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y4-6 Art Club 3.15 - 4.30 EYFS/KS1 Disco
Wednesday 28th January	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club 8.45 am – Year 1 Maths Workshop Swimming – Kestrels & Wrens Music Mob—Woodwind Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ KS2 Basketball 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y2-3 Art Club
Thursday 29th January	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club Music Mob—Guitar Lessons Music Mob—Brass Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y5-6 Football 3.30—5.00 pm Sports Hall Athletics
Friday 30th January	7.30 onwards—Early Bird Breakfast Club 8.45 am - EYFS Maths Workshop Brass Lessons—Puffins & Kingfishers Music Mob—Drum Lessons	Caterpillar Club 3.15—5.30 pm 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y1-4 Gymnastics 3.15 - 4.30 ~ Y3-4 Football