



LET'S GET OFF TO THE HAPPIEST START POSSIBLE ☺

Our value for January is 'Happiness'! The **Happiness Calendar** we are using at school, has daily suggested actions to do throughout **January 2020** to help you be happier yourself and bring more happiness to others too.

You can download the calendar as an [image file](#) for sharing via social media or as a [PDF file](#) for printing out. Please pass it on to others and help to spread the word.
<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/media/831963/january>

NUT FREE SCHOOL

Due to pupils attending this school having serious nut allergies, **Trefonen School will now be a nut free zone.** Therefore, we are asking parents, staff and carers to ensure that lunch boxes do not contain any nuts or products coated in or containing nuts, ie. Some chocolate bars or certain cereal bars etc.

Please check the ingredients of your child's healthy snacks brought in for break time, too.

Our lunch provider, Brookes are already nut free.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and participation in this policy.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW TEACHING ASSISTANT

We would like to welcome a new Nightingales Class Teaching Assistant to our staff, Ms Jade Delooze, who has come from ExplorersTrefonen and will be working with Mrs Day during the Spring term. We look forward to working with Ms Delooze and hope that she enjoys her time at Trefonen School.

LABELLING UNIFORM

If all large uniform items are labelled with the pupil's name, it will speed up changing times for PE lessons and save parents and carers having to replace lost items.

It will also reduce the scale of the lost property box at the end of each term.

Thank you.

CLUBS LETTER

A letter listing the clubs running this half term will be going out next week. Clubs will run for the last four weeks up to half term holiday.

CHRISTMAS CARD RECYCLING

The school has the Christmas card re-cycling bin again this year so do bring in those unwanted Christmas cards, as the school that collects the most cards wins a prize.

Thank you.

VALUE OF THE MONTH: HAPPINESS

It has been said that . . . “Happier people tend to be more physically and emotionally resilient – there is also evidence that they can live longer.” This month Trefonen School’s value of the month is ‘Happiness’ and each class will be covering different aspects.

Here are a few books that may be available from the local Library, that continue the theme, how to be happy:

50 ways to feel happy: Fun activities and ideas to build your happiness skills by Vanessa King, Do Nice, Spread Kind, Be Happy – acts of kindness for kids by Bernadette Russell, Pippi Longstocking by Astrid Lindgren and I am peace by Susan Verde and Peter H. Reynolds.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Next week a new School Council will be elected and their first task will be to discuss plans for the school’s fund raising during Fair Trade Fortnight and Sports Relief.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Services: 1st Sunday\month - Family Service Sunday 10.45 am

2nd Sunday - Holy Communion 9.30am

3rd Sunday - Morning Worship 10.45am

4th Sunday - Holy Communion 9.30am

5th Sunday - Benefice wide service TBA

For further info, please contact Rev Kathy Tel: 590025 or Pat Deakin in the Church office
Tel: 01691 676383 www.bordergroupadmin@hotmail.co.uk

MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church Film Night – on January 25th from 4-6pm in Trefonen Church

TREES FOR TREFONEN, TREFLACH AND BEYOND

Trefonen WI has launched a tree planting project. Individuals and local groups have already signed up to sponsor or donate trees, sufficient in number to take up local open spaces. However, if you would like to sponsor a tree for your garden, or someone else's, or if you know of the corner of field where we may plant a copse, please contact K Kimber: bobnkkimber@btinternet.com. We'd love to hear from you.

CAR PARK CLOSED

Early notice that on Thursday 23rd January the Village Hall car park will be closed for the Jubilee Club to use so it would be appreciated if parents could please use the field car park instead for dropping off children for school. Thank you.

TREFONEN COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Trefonen Community Café is open every Tuesday 9.30am - 11.30am in the village hall Healthy Foot Clinic at the Café. Lorraine will be visiting again on Tuesday in February.

OSWESTRY LIBRARY – libraries@shropshire.gov.uk

Lego at the Library – Every Saturday, 11am – 2pm – Also Thursday – 3.15-4.15 FREE – Lots of Lego, for children of all ages, no booking required, parental supervision needed.

One to one IT sessions – Friday 10th January – 9.30am – 1pm FREE – The support is completely free, but MUST be pre-booked as volunteers are available by appointment only. At present, bookable sessions are available each week on a Tuesday morning, Wednesday all day, and Friday morning.

Rhyme Time at the Library – Monday 13th January - 2-2.30pm

Half an hour of nursery rhymes and singing, suitable for under 5s. No booking required!

Dungeons and Dragons for under 16s – Saturday 11th January – 9.30am – 11.30am - £5 per child – to book call The Dungeon Master on 07454797995

Creativity Saturday – Saturday 18th January – 10.00am – 2.00pm – FREE - Come for a fun morning of family and kids-friendly arts and crafts with artists from the Hillfort Creativity Group.

From making butterflies to making iron age pots, from colouring and drawing to historical weaving, join us for a morning of creative making and doing!

Activities are suitable for all ages, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Drop-in session, no need to book.

Mobile Library at Trefonen Barley Mow dates: Thursday 16th January - 9.05am – 9.40am

EMERGENCY CLOSURE INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency closure the main method through which we will alert you is through the Shropshire Council website: <https://shropshire.gov.uk/school-closures/primary-schools/> . Information will also be shared on Radio Shropshire 96FM.

As soon as we are able to, we will also post the information on the scrolling banner on the front page of our school website. We will also alert FOTS as soon as we are able to. FOTS will share the information through their social media network.

Trefonen School - Holiday and Event Calendar 2019/2020/2021

2020	
Tuesday 7 th January	Start of Spring Term
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th February	Start of Mental Health Week
Friday 7 th February	Wrens Science trip to Moreton Hall School
Tuesday 11 th February	Safer Internet Day
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st February	Spring Half Term Holiday
Monday 24 th - Friday 28 th February	Parent Progress Meeting Week (1)
Monday 2 nd – Friday 6 th March	Pupil Progress Meeting Week (2)
Monday 5 th March	World Book Day
Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th March	Science Week - Our diverse planet, Sports Relief Week
Wednesday 11 th March	Yr5 visit to B'ham Islamic Exhibition and Think Tank
Thursday 12 th March	Science Fair
Thursday 2 nd April	Easter Service at All Saints Church 9.30am
Friday 3 rd April	End of Spring term
Monday 6 th – Friday 17 th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 20 th April	Start of Summer Term
Friday 8 th May	May Bank Holiday - VE Day
Monday 25 th - Friday 29 th May	Summer Half Term
Wednesday 24 th June	Year 6 Induction day and evening
Thursday 25 th June	The Marches Open Evening
Monday 29 th June	Start of The Marches Year 6 Transition Week
Friday 17 th July	End of Summer Term
Monday 20 th July – Friday 28 th August	Summer Holiday
Monday 31 st August	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 1 st September	PD Day
Wednesday 2 nd September	Start of Autumn Term
Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th October	Autumn Half Term
Friday 18 th December	End of Autumn Term
Monday 21 st –Thursday 31 st December	Christmas Holiday
Friday 31 st December	Bank Holiday
2021	
Monday 4 th January	PD Day
Tuesday 5 th January	Start of Spring Term
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th February	Spring Half Term
Thursday 1 st April	End of Spring Term
Friday 2 nd – Friday 16 th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 19 th April	Start of Summer Term
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday
Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	Summer Half Term
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of Summer Term tbc
Thursday 22 nd July – Tues 31 st August	Summer Holiday tbc