



KEY INFORMATION

DON'T FORGET NEXT WEEK – PARENTS' 'BOOK LOOK' – Tuesday 3rd February, 3.30 – 4.45pm
You are invited to sit with your child in class, whilst looking through their wonderful work with them.

ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to our amazing athletics team who have been competing in three weeks of competition at The Marches School against other Oswestry area schools. The children took part in various events such as speed bounce, javelin, triple jump, standing long jump and vertical jump. Each week they also ran in a relay- some of which included obstacles! The team were excellent, winning and coming top three in many events each week.

Last night was the final event and after a close, exciting competition we were absolutely delighted to hear that we had won overall! Incredible Team Trefonen! Thank you to the parents who rushed to get their children down to the Marches each week. We really appreciate your support.

CLERK TO GOVERNORS VACANCY - This term we are recruiting a Clerk to the Governors, please see the advert at the end of this newsletter if you are interested.

BOOKINGS FOR PARENTS' MEETINGS

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<https://trefonen.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

KEY DATES

PARENT FORUM MEETING – Monday 9th February

SAFER INTERNET DAY – Tuesday 10th February – Each class will look at how to keep themselves safe online. There is a lot of information to help parents ensure that their child is only looking at age-appropriate sites and information:

NSPCC - <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/>

Childnet - <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>

Internet matters - <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/6-10/>

POETRY RECITALS – Thursday 26th and Friday 27th February

The pupils are all asked to learn a poem, off by heart, to perform in front of their class, as part of their oracy curriculum. These are wonderful to listen to and the children really enjoy taking part. Please help your child/children to choose and learn a poem so that they can deliver it clearly, with expression. Your child/children will need to be ready to perform their poem by Thursday 26th February. Thank you.

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Robins

24th Feb – 3.50am-5.00pm

3rd Mar – 9.10am – 12 noon

Nightingales

24th Feb – 3.50pm – 5.00pm

5th Mar – 9.00am – 12.10 noon

Wrens

23rd Feb – 3.50pm – 5.30pm

2nd Mar – 9.10am – 12 noon

Puffins

25th Feb – 3.50pm – 5.30pm

4th Mar – 9.10am – 12.00 noon

Hawks

26th Feb – 3.50pm – 5.30pm

6th Mar – 9.10am – 12 noon

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

To celebrate World Book Day, all pupils are invited to dress up as a character from any book. The World Book Day website has some fantastic free e-books and many other wonderful resources, including ideas on sharing stories with your child.

Thank you!

SCIENCE FAIR – Thursday 12th March and the final deadline for all submissions is Friday 13th February. Further details are available on Class Dojo or ask at the office if you do not access Class Dojo.

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS FOR AFTER HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Book a place via ParentPay for your child. Please let us know if you have any problems or if you did not get a place and we will try our best to ensure that they get a place in the next block.

Children will be handed over to parents/carers at the car park gate after all clubs.

Monday

Dance club with Chloe Elizabeth dance teacher 5 weeks £15.00 Years 3,4 and now open to year 5 pupils - 3.25pm-4.25pm 14 places. Starts 23rd February.

Tuesday

KS2 Multisports Marches Academy coach 5 weeks £15.00 Years 3-6 3.25-4.25pm 14 places Starts 24th February.

Wednesday

Netball continues until 4th March for those already signed up. Please contact the office if your child would like to join for the last two sessions.

Ks2 Half Marathon club - starts 4th March for 6 weeks. Please see the letter given to the pupils and posted on the website for full details. £12.00 - 3.25-4.10pm Slips need to be returned by deadline - Friday 6th February.

Thursday

Key Stage One Multi-sports Club 3.25-4.25 Marches Academy coach £12.00 for 4 weeks. NO SESSION AFTER THE SCIENCE FAIR 12/3/26. 12 spaces

OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY UPDATES

FoTS NEWS

Fundraising events coming up....

Valentine's Cake Sale – 13th February at school pickup (cake donations needed so please do let us know if you can help)

Mother's Day Wrap – 13th March (letters coming soon)

Cake sale – 20th March at school pickup

Easter Bingo – 20th March 6pm At Trefonen Village hall (more info coming soon!)

As always we value your feedback so please do let us know your thoughts by emailing parent contact at school. If anyone can spare any time to help, please get in touch in person, on Facebook or email friendsoftrefonenschool@gmail.com

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Church services are now generally at 10.00am on a Sunday though there are exceptions. Please try and arrive at the church with some time available to be shown to your seats.

January

Sunday 31st – Morning Worship – 10am

February

Sunday 1st Feb - Holy Communion service at 11am, note change of time.

Sunday 8th Feb - Morning Worship 10am

Sunday 15th Feb - Morning Worship 10am

Wednesday 18th Feb - Ash Wednesday service 12noon

Sunday 22nd Feb - Morning Worship

Trefonen Church is open during the day at least between 10 and 4 and can be used for prayer and quiet reflection. Go to <https://borderparishes.org.uk/index.php/trefonen/> for details.

In relation to the following notices the school accepts no responsibility for verifying the suitability of the providers for the events. Parents should exercise their own judgement.

Holiday Clubs & Camps (Full Days):

Moreton Hall School (16th-20th Feb): Action-packed, 8 am-6 pm. Includes swimming, tennis, cooking, and crafts for ages 5-13.

Book online - https://moretonhall.org/event_item/holiday-club/

OsClub at Oswestry School (16th-20th Feb): Features swimming, sports, and crafts for ages 5-11. Book online - <https://www.oswestryschool.com/community/holiday-club-osclub->

Superstars Holiday Club@Oswestry Leisure Centre (16th-20th Feb): Arts, crafts, sports, and a bouncy castle for ages 5-12.

Book online - <https://www.shropshireleisurecentres.com/oswestry-leisure-centre/school-holiday-activities/>

4 All Foundation Club (17th-19th Feb): Held at Selattyn/Nesscliffe, featuring crafts and games for ages 5-11 – Book online - <https://www.4all.foundation/activities/selattyn-school>

SECRET HILLS DISCOVERY CENTRE

February Half Term Holiday Activity - Dinosaur Discoveries

4yr – 11yr -accompanied £5 per day – 2pm to 3.30pm

Monday 17th – Friday 20th February

Call 01588676060 or go on line at info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk

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Please follow the instructions below to make an online appointment to meet your child's teacher, via video-link. Appointment times are at ten-minute intervals.

<https://trefonen.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

Use your address bar to locate this site, do not use the Google browser. Complete your details on the login page where you will also need to complete your child's details. Click on 'login' when this has been completed.

Click on the date/s you wish to book with your child's teacher. Continue to book appointments. We recommend using the manual option.

Click in any of the green cells to make your appointment. Blue cells signify where an appointment has already been made. Grey cells are unavailable.

Confirmation of your appointment will be shown on the screen and you will have the option to print.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and click 'delete'. You can now choose an alternate time.

Your booking will appear on the 'My Bookings' page. An email confirmation will have been sent to you from the information you entered when you logged in initially. You can also print the confirmation off by pressing 'print' so you will have the date to remind you.

After completing, please remember to sign out.

Unfortunately, due to staff workload we are not able to offer appointments outside these times.

POST of Minute Taker/Clerk to the Governing Body for Trefonen C of E Primary
This is a permanent role required as soon as possible

Rate of Pay – Negotiable per hour depending on role and experience The Governing body at Trefonen CE Primary School are seeking to appoint a Minute Taker or New Clerk for the official Governor meetings. The post is flexible, so we will consider appointing a minute taker for the meetings. The ideal would be to appoint a qualified clerk, or someone who is willing to undergo the clerk training provided. The two different job descriptions summaries are given below to indicate how they are different.

Minute Taker

- Need to be available for normally 4 meetings a term between 3.30pm and 6pm normally on a Thursday. There may be some meetings that take place between 1.30 and 3.30pm. The dates for the meetings are agreed at the start of the school year. Future dates can be flexible for the right candidate. Additional time is allowed after the meeting for writing up and distributing minutes.
- Complete accurate minutes for the meeting to a set template.
- Time allocated after the meeting to complete minutes and email out to Chair and Headteacher.

Clerk (summary of role in addition to tasks described in minute taker role)

- Possibly undergo clerking training and provide legal and procedural advice to governing body.
- Assist in the preparation of the agenda to ensure statutory compliance.
- Keep update records of committee membership, attendance at meetings and terms of office.
- Maintain a record of governor training.

A full job description of the clerking role can be forwarded with other details. Training for full clerking role could be provided for the right candidate. In both roles any applicant must be able to work using Microsoft and its various applications.

If you are interested, please email the Chair of Governors at - kirk.m@trefonen.shropshire.sch.uk

An interview between the Chair and Head of the School would follow for any suitable candidates. Trefonen School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment and we follow all safer recruitment processes and checks. The successful applicant will be subject to an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references prior to taking up the role.

Trefonen School - Holiday and Event Calendar 2025/2026

2026	
Spring Term	
Tuesday 3 rd Feb	Parent 'Book Look' 3.30 – 4.45pm
Tuesday 10 th Feb	Safer Internet Day
Monday 23 rd Feb – Friday 6 th March	Parent Teacher meetings (Video call)
Thursday 27 th Feb	Poetry recitals

Friday 28 th Feb	Poetry recitals
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th Feb	Spring Half Term Holiday
Thursday 5 th Mar	World Book Day – dress as a book character
Thursday 12 th Mar	Science Fair
Friday 27 th Mar	End of Spring Term
Monday 30 th Mar – Friday 10 th Apr	Easter Holiday
Summer Term	
Monday 13 th Apr	Start of Summer Term
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 25 th – Friday 29 th May	Summer Half Term Holiday
Friday 17 th Jul	End of Summer Term
Monday 20 th Jul – Friday 28 th Aug	Summer Holiday
Monday 31 st Aug	Bank Holiday
Autumn Term	
Tuesday 1 st Sept	PD Day
Wednesday 2 nd Sept	Start of Autumn Term
Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th Oct	Autumn Half Term Holiday
Friday 18 th Dec	End of Autumn Term
Monday 21 st Dec – Friday 1 st Jan 27	Christmas Holiday
2027	
Spring Term	
Monday 4 th Jan	PD Day
Tuesday 5 th Jan	Start of Spring Term

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FREE SCHOOL MEAL INFORMATION

If anyone thinks that their child may be entitled to a Free School Meal, please complete the form online or visit the school website Parents – Lunch Menus - down load the form at the of the page.

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/are-you-eligible-for-free-school-meals/>

EMERGENCY CLOSURE INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency closure, we will alert you through ParentPay email alert. We will also post information on our school website and through the Shropshire Council website:

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/school-closures/primary-schools/>

Information will also be shared on Radio Shropshire 96FM
