



Trefonen School - Holiday and Event Calendar 2025/2026

2025	
Weeks beginning Monday 7 th July and Monday 14 th July	Swim Dates (see class letter for the dates for your child's five sessions)
Monday 7 th July	KS1 Sports Day pm, FoTS cake sale
Tuesday 8 th July	Parent's and Family Open Afternoon
Wednesday 9 th July	KS1 trip to Chirk Castle
Thursday 10 th July	Pupil reports sent home
Friday 11 th July	John Muir Discovery Award 'Wear It Wild Day'
Thursday 17 th July	End of year Service, Yr6 Bowling Event
Friday 18 th Jul	End of Summer Term
Tuesday 22 nd – Friday 29 th Aug	Summer Holidays
Autumn Term	
Monday 1 st Sept	PD Day
Tuesday 2 nd Sept	Start of Autumn Term
Friday 24 th Oct	PD Day
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st Oct	Autumn Half Term Holiday
Monday 3 rd Nov	PD Day
Friday 19 th Dec	End of Autumn Term
Monday 22 nd Dec – Friday 2 nd Jan 26	Christmas Holiday
2026	
Monday 5 th Jan	PD Day
Tuesday 6 th Jan	Start of Spring Term
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th Feb	Spring Half Term Holiday
Friday 27 th Mar	End of Spring Term
Monday 30 th Mar – Friday 10 th Apr	Easter Holiday
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
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	
Monday 4 th Jan	PD Day
Tuesday 5 th Jan	Start of Spring Term

OUR VALUES CURRICULUM

We hope that you will support this month's 'value' July: **INDEPENDENCE**

We will be thinking about: **Goals, Courage, Contribution, Enquiry, Preparation, Responsibility, Hope and Freedom.**

Thought for the month:

"If you don't go after what you want, you'll never have it. If you don't ask, the answer is always no. If you don't step forward, you're always in the same place." By Nora Roberts

ROBINS AND NIGHTINGALES SPORTS AFTERNOON – Monday 7th

Please come and support the pupils from Robins and Nightingales on their sports afternoon starting at 1.30pm. Pupils will need to come in their PE kits. Please bring some pennies as FOTs have a cake and drink sale.

Hawks Class – Please remember to come in your sports kits too as you are helping!

'WEAR IT WILD' DAY

Friday 11th – come to school wearing your favourite animal prints to support the John Muir Trust, who work to protect beautiful wild places throughout the UK. Please donate a £1 on parentpay to support this charity. Thank you

YEAR 5 PARENT INFORMATION MEETING - Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to invite all Year 5 parents to a short information meeting about the Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) programme that your child will take part in during Year 6. This meeting is part of a new initiative introduced last year, following national guidance and government recommendations.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th July, from 3.30 to 4.00pm.

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- Share the materials we will use in the Year 6 RSE programme,
- Give you the opportunity to ask questions and receive answers, and
- Enable you to make an informed choice about whether you wish your child to participate in the non-statutory sex education elements of the programme.

Please note that Relationships Education is a statutory part of the curriculum, and all children are expected to take part. However, parents have the right to request that their child be withdrawn from the non-statutory sex education content.

You can find further information in the official DfE Statutory Guidance on RSE and Health Education (2019):

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/relationships-sex-and-health-education-guides-for-schools>

If you plan to attend the meeting, please let us know in advance — this will help us prepare the right number of materials.

We are happy to support with childcare during the meeting if you let us know in advance who needs looking after.

We look forward to seeing you there.

FAMILY OPEN AFTERNOON

Get ready for an amazing showcase of your child's brilliant work!

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, July 8th - it's time to celebrate a year of creativity and learning!

Choose your perfect time:

Session 1: 2:00-3:00 PM

Session 2: 3:30-4:30 PM

No booking needed - just pop in and prepare to be amazed! Your little stars have been working so hard, and their achievements are absolutely spectacular!

Coming to Session 1? You can sign out your child at the office after exploring their wonderful work. We have a brief gap between sessions to ensure everyone gets home safely - thank you for understanding!

HEADLICE

There have been reports of headlice being seen in hair again.

Could parents please check their children's hair for 'friends' and treat the hair accordingly. Thank you!

FOTS NEWS

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FOTS has lots of exciting events still to come this school year! If anyone can spare any time to help, please get in touch in person, on Facebook or email

friendsoftrefonenschool@gmail.com

Monday 7th July – KS1 sports day

FOTS will be holding a uniform and cake sale during the sports day on the field and after school on the school yard. Fakes and bakes are greatly appreciated as always. Following feedback from parents during the KS2 sports day, we will also be offering tea and coffee on the field during the sports day event so please bring your pennies!

Thursday 10th July – Disco

3.45 – 4.15 pm for KS1 children

4.30 – 5.15 pm for KS2 children

£5 per child to include a drink and snacks. Parents are very welcome to stay and help chaperone. Forms are due in by Friday 4th July.

Tuesday 15th July – Bag2School

Please drop off your donations in sealed bags (in case of bad weather) before 9 am on this day. Donations can include bags, clothes, paired shoes, handbags, hats, scarves, ties, bras, jewellery, socks, and belts.

Friday 18th July – End of term picnic at the park

We invite you all to join us for a lovely picnic at the park – bring a blanket and buy a picnic bag! Forms sent out this week.

If anyone can spare any time to help, please get in touch in person, on Facebook or email friendsoftrefonenschool@gmail.com

AFTER SCHOOLS CLUBS

This week was officially the last week of all after school clubs before the summer. However, we have arranged for the Tuesday KS2 group to have one more session next week, to make up for the coach missing last week.

We will put details of autumn clubs out when we return in September. Thank you and well done to all the children who have been taking part in after school sport this year - 57% of Years 1-6 have taken part in at least one club, many have taken part in more. We know that many children already go to sports clubs outside of school. We have a very sporty group of children here!

SWIMMING

Swimming starts next week for Years 4, 5 and 6 on Monday. Remember your swimming kit please.

CLASS NEWS

ROBINS

Another active week for Robins 😊. They were brilliant in the skipping workshop on Monday. I'd also like to say a big thank you to Robins again for being super role models to our little sparrows (new September intake).

This week Robins have been retelling the story of 'Jonah and the Whale' in RE, while in English we wrote about our superhero outfits. In phonics Reception revisited ear (hear), air (hair) and oi (oil). In Maths, year one explored ordinal numbers, which reception explored 3D shapes. We had our first orienteering lesson this week in place of squirrel school using maps to locate markers within our outdoor area.

Next Week Reminders:

Monday - Sports Day afternoon

Tuesday - Open Afternoon

Wednesday - Chirk Castle

NIGHTINGALES

Another busy week in Nightingales! The Year 1 children have been learning the phonemes s, wa and o. The Year 2 children have been continuing with their reading

comprehension. In English, the children have been researching information about Chirk castle.

In maths, the Year 1 children have been continuing to work on numbers to one hundred. The Year 2 children have been working on statistics and block graphs. The children really enjoyed the skipping workshop. In science, the children had fun designing a healthy lunchbox. In music, we learnt to sing a new song called 'Down By The Bay'.

PE next week will be on Monday and Friday.

Please make sure that your child brings in a water bottle every day. Make sure that your child's jumpers have their name in. Most importantly, remember to read regularly and write it in the reading record, stating what page you have read to.

WRENS

Our week began with a super skipping workshop. The children enjoyed learning new skills and techniques. It has been lovely seeing the pupils practising and encouraging each other during break and lunchtimes – they have improved so much!

In French we have been continuing our topic L'ancienne histoire de la Grande-Bretagne) Ancient history of Great Britain). Our focus this week was L'âge de la pierre (Stone age), L'âge du bronze (Bronze age) and L'âge du fer (Iron age).

The children worked brilliantly, pronouncing the new vocabulary learned. It was tricky!

Have a restful weekend as we have a busy week ahead!

PUFFINS

Monday was our last day of cricket coaching which we have really enjoyed. Thank you to our brilliant coach for teaching us lots of new skills. It was also the amazing skipping workshop, which finished with a lovely assembly that all the children from the classes watched and some took part in including, Sam, Emilia and Percy.

In music, we have been exploring percussion using the xylophones and we have been learning some songs. We are looking forward to supporting our wonderful Year 6s in their leavers assembly, which will be here too soon.

In geography, we have been finding out about Canada Day, the indigenous peoples of Canada and Canada's history. It has been very interesting and we got to have delicious pancakes with Canadian Maple syrup and Mac 'n' cheese (thought to be introduced to Canada by British immigrants).

Finally, in science we have continued to have fun designing, making and testing our parachutes. We are exploring the effects of the forces of gravity and air resistance. For the next two weeks we are looking forward to our swimming sessions. Details of the swim days are on our class Dojo and on the pupils' swimming letters.

HAWKS

In Hawks Class we have been doing some planning around our pizza-making.

Carrying out product research, we looked at different styles and shapes of pizzas and

thought about the toppings we would like for our own, taking into consideration dietary requirements and healthy eating. The children enjoyed designing their own pizza and we now look forward to putting our plans into action!

Many of the children have been presenting their 'Would you rather...?' presentations which they created in small groups on laptops. They came up with some brilliant ideas and we have enjoyed developing our presentational skills by delivering them to the class. We have also been working on programming in computing where the children have been programming different outcomes using the Scratch software. Well done to the Year 6 children for completing their recent transition days. The children all now appear set for their big move in September.

Have a great week.

Notice: For Year 6, If there are any queries around transition dates to The Marches or Llanfyllin, transport or anything else, please let me know and I will be happy to help.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

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.

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.

JULY

July 6th – Family Worship – 10.00am

July 13th – Open air service at The Green Man followed by BBQ – 10.00am

July 20th – Holy Communion – 10.00am

July 27th – Family Worship – 10.00am

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.

Please note that the Church can be used as a drop off for the Foodbank.

EXPLORERS AT TREFONEN

Pre School places available September 2025.

Before school care available from 8.00am. Nursery session 9am – 3pm

After school care available until 5.45pm

Email: trefonen@explorerschildcare.co or call 01691 653512

STUDENT BUS TRAVEL - ARRIVA

If you're a student getting the bus to school, college or university make big savings on your travel and spread the cost of the ticket over affordable monthly payments when you pay by direct debit.

Reduced price bus travel for the academic year. Unlimited bus travel in your chosen Arriva Zone, 7 days a week. Convenient monthly direct debit. No minimum contract - cancel anytime. Contact – www.arrivabus.co.uk/monthlytickets

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/>

Don't forget there is lots of parent support available on our website:

<https://www.trefonenschool.co.uk/parent-support-1/>

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

Newsletter Feedback

We'd love to have some feedback on our school newsletter and what you would like to see in it, in the future. Please send ideas through our parent contact email or let us know on the gate. Many thanks

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