



Trefonen School - Holiday and Event Calendar 2025/2026

2025	
Monday 16th June	Yr6 Outdoor Pursuits
Tuesday 17th June	Yr5 Outdoor Pursuits
Wednesday 18th June	Yr4 Outdoor Pursuits
Tuesday 24th June	Brazil carnival dance workshops.
Monday 30th June	Yr6 Marches Transition Day (1) Skipping workshops.
Tuesday 1st July	Yr6 Marches Transition Day (2)
Weeks beginning Monday 7th July and Monday 14th July	Swim Dates (see class letter for the dates for your child's five sessions)
Monday 7th July	KS1 Sports Day pm, FoTS cake sale
Tuesday 8th July	Parent's and Family Open Afternoon
Friday 11th July	John Muir Discovery Award 'Wear It Wild Day'
Thursday 17th July	End of year Service, Yr6 Bowling Event
Friday 18th Jul	End of Summer Term
Tuesday 22nd – Friday 29th Aug	Summer Holidays
Autumn Term	
Monday 1st Sept	PD Day
Tuesday 2nd Sept	Start of Autumn Term
Friday 24th Oct	PD Day
Monday 27th – Friday 31st Oct	Autumn Half Term
Monday 3rd Nov	PD Day
Friday 19th Dec	End of Autumn Term
Monday 22nd Dec – Friday 2nd Jan 26	Christmas Holiday
2026	
Monday 5th Jan	PD Day
Tuesday 6th Jan	Start of Spring Term
Link to online calendar	https://www.trefonenschool.co.uk/diary/grid/2025/7/

MESSAGE FROM TREFONEN HILL WALK

Dear Staff and Children at Trefonen School

I just wanted to say a huge THANK YOU for inviting me to your Creation Celebration, and also for taking part in the Trefonen Hill Walk.

I loved your Creation Celebration...your readings and singing and art work were just brilliant.

And as for the Walk Weekend...people just LOVED following your posters on the Buzzard Walk ...they were bright and BEAUTIFUL! Also the singing group who sang two songs in the Church Service were amazing and having them and their families really made a huge difference to the service.

Hoping you have lots more ideas for next year!!

THANK YOU ALL, HELEN

KEY STAGE TWO SPORTS DAY

What a wonderful morning of sport! The children worked so hard on all of their activities during the morning and we saw some amazing performances. Thank you to all of the parents, carers and other family members who came to cheer on the children.

All morning, the children were competing in each activity to gain points for their team. At the end of the day we had a special assembly to announce the results. This year our top three teams were, 3rd- Honesty 241 points, 2nd- Enjoyment 245 points and in 1st position with 268 points congratulations to Marni, Katie, Owen, Theo, Doughal, Isla, Rafe, Chloe S and Mabon - Celebration team!

We also found out who were the top three scoring boys and girls in each year group, which we announced in assembly. Our top scoring children in each year this year were, Sam L, Marni, Sam M, Nancy, Freddie, Mair, Mabon and Abi. Congratulations to you all. There were some very close places in some of the year groups, with only 1 or 2 points separating them.

We also have the exciting news that some school records were broken yesterday - but we will have to wait a bit longer for a whole school assembly to announce those to the children first!

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHS

Year 6 and Reception photos that have been ordered from Tempest have arrived and were given out today.

Please check your child's bookbag.

PARENTS' OPEN AFTERNOON

Please come and join us for our Open Afternoon on Tuesday 8th July. We would like to invite parents to come in to school to view their child's work, in their classroom.

There will be two time slots, 2.00pm till 3.00pm and 3.30pm till 4.30pm.

Parents on site for the 2-3pm slot will need to leave the premises between 3.00-3.30pm whilst those children who are not staying for the 3.30pm slot, are being collected to go home.

ROUNDERS COMPETITION YEAR 6

The Year 6 children went to The Marches to compete in a rounders tournament where they did really well, winning 2 out of the 3 games played. The teamwork and tactical awareness they demonstrated was excellent so well done to them.

OUTDOOR PURSUITS – next week

There are lots of exciting things next week for our Year 4, 5 and 6 pupils. Please remember to help your child do a quick kit check on their outdoor pursuits day.

Monday - Year 6 need dropping off at Llanymynech Quarry in the car park on Underhill Lane, before 9.10am. Please remember the lane is very narrow.

Tuesday - Year 5 need dropping off at Llanymynech Heritage Site (by the canal), before 9.10am.

Wednesday – Year 4 pupils are travelling by coach to The Isle Estate. The coach is leaving at 9.00am.

All pupils will need packed lunches, snacks and water bottles on their respective day.

FOTS AGM

FOTs would like to congratulate all those who took part in the Lake Vyrnwy Bike Ride, with each participant riding the equivalent of a half marathon – amazing! A great day was had by all, and much needed funds were raised to enhance the experiences of all Trefonen School children. Our heartfelt thanks go to all who helped make this event possible including the parents who brought their children along.

At our AGM this week we said a reluctant farewell to Ruth and Kayleigh from their committee positions. They have both been incredible in running and organising FOTs for several years. FOTs would like to thank them both for all their hard work and dedication to raising funds.

We welcome Jessica Littleton as Chair and Jade Delooze as Secretary who join Freya Baxter (Vice Chair) and Nicola Manford (Treasurer) to form the new FOTs committee.

Please keep a look out for FOTs events and meetings on our Facebook page as well as the school newsletter. We welcome all support from our Trefonen School Community so please do get in touch if you can spare some time to help with any event or have any ideas for possible future events on friendsoftrefonenschool@gmail.com

Diary Date: Bags2School collection Tuesday 15th July. Please leave donations in bags as usual at morning drop off, we will signpost an area on the village hall car park.

HOME-SCHOOL COMMUNICATION: CLASS DOJO

📱 Exciting news! We're expanding our digital family with ClassDojo - your window into our wonderful classroom world! This amazing platform lets you see your child's learning adventures through photos, videos, and instant updates! ★

We have already rolled out Class Dojo to Robins, Nightingales and Puffins Classes last half term. If you are in one of those classes and have not yet been connected please let us know. This half term we are rolling out Class Dojo to Wrens and Hawks Classes. Year 6 parents will already be connected through the initial trial with Year 6, this will be great for information about transition, but you will still need to connect to the Hawks Class Dojo for whole class messages.

In order to connect, parents/carers need to complete the permission slip that has been sent home. Once this has been received the class teacher will add you to the Class Dojo and send out a formal invite to join, this will include an email invite as well as a

paper invite sent home with a scan code. If any parents are not sure or are having difficulty joining your Class Dojo, just let us know and we will help you.

We'd love to hear your thoughts once you're in - your feedback helps make this experience even better for everyone! Drop us a line through Parent Contact.

Let's make school-home connection stronger than ever! 🌱

CLASS NEWS

ROBINS

We would like to say a big thank you to Explorers for donating two sheds for our outdoor area. Also, a thank you to our superhero dads for moving them 😊 This has linked beautifully to our English topic 'Send for a superhero'. In writing we have been busy describing superheroes and thinking about what makes a superhero. In phonics reception have revisited ng, ai & igh, while year 1 have completed their phonic screening. In maths, reception has been looking at measure. We have been busy using scales, measuring our sunflowers and comparing heights. We can't believe how quickly our sunflowers are growing. We've had to replot them as we noticed their roots were growing out the bottom. In our little garden it's been an exciting time with courgettes and tomatoes. Our caterpillars are getting bigger, eating all our nasturtium plants.

Year 1 have been looking at fractions, finding quarters of a shape and a quantity. In squirrel school we went on a nature hunt and watched the KS2 sports day. In history we have been learning about the parts of a castle and the purpose of a castle. We used wooden blocks to construct our own.

Reminder: The weather has been mixed this week. Please remember we love to be outdoors and need to bring in a summer coat.

Things to remember:

Squirrel School – Thursdays (please remember wellies, gloves, hats, scarfs and an extra pair of socks).

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

NIGHTINGALES

Another great week in Nightingales. In phonics, the Year 1 children have been practising segmenting and blending sounds. The Year 2 children have been practising adding suffixes to words. In English, they have been describing an item that is special to them.

In maths, the Year 1 children have started their new unit on fractions. The Year 2 children have also started a new unit based on problem solving.

In DT, last week the children designed a coat of arms and this week they painted it on their shield. In RE, they continued to learn about the creation story. In music, they learned to sing the 'Sunshine song'.

PE next week will be on Thursday and Friday (instead of Monday).

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WRENS

In Wrens class, the children have been learning about fractions with Mrs. Drury and Time with Mrs. McKinney in Maths lessons - these aren't the easiest of concepts for all to grasp but they have all been working really hard. In English, the children have been planning and beginning their long writing pieces on The Tin Forest.

We have started our new History topic where we are learning about what gravestones can tell us about the past - the children have been fascinated by this so far. Our Light and Shadows topic has been very exciting so far. On Friday, last week, we popped up a blackout tent in class to experience true darkness -the children absolutely loved the experience. This week, we have experimented with different types of mirrors; convex, concave, magnifying, triple aspect and flat. They are really enjoying their new science topic. Cricket has been a joy for all children to participate in. Another super week for Wrens.

Reminders- please remember a water bottle each day (only water please). PE is still Wednesdays and Fridays for the next few weeks. Remember to record reading completed at home in reading records and don't forget our termly homework challenges and Activity Passport activities!

PUFFINS

In DT we have been researching and planning to get ready to make some savoury snacks that are healthy and seasonal, for children and adults. We have generated some questions and surveyed the class to gather our ideas. Next, we are looking forward to making some tasty snacks.

The pupils had a fantastic Sports Morning on Thursday. They all did their very best running, jumping, throwing and hurdling. They had a great time, thank you for coming to support them.

We are all really looking forward to our outdoor pursuits days next week. Please remember the Year 5s need dropping off at Llanymynech Heritage site (by the canal) on Tuesday, for a day of canoeing and orienteering. Wednesday, it's the Year 4s' turn and they will be catching their coach to the Isle estate for archery and campsite cooking.

Things to remember: Pupils will have cricket coaching Mondays and PE Tuesdays, for the following three weeks.

HAWKS

Sports Day was a massive success. The Hawks children were outstanding in both their leadership and teamwork within their teams - spurring on the younger children and supporting them through all the events. Well done!

HAWKS CLASS CRUCIAL CREW VISIT

The Hawks Class had a brilliant day at Crucial Crew on Tuesday. They were an absolute pleasure to take and enjoyed learning about railways safety, anti-social behaviour, smoking, vaping and alcohol. The Police, Fire and Rescue Teams and many more were there, educating the children on important life lessons. The farmers unit was one of our

favourites and we got to see some very cute calves, who the children got to name. Mrs Phillips

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.

JUNE

June 15th – Morning Family Worship – 10.00am

June 22nd – Morning Family Worship – 10.00am

June 29th – Benefice Service at Trefonen at 10.30am

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.

FAMILY BOAT RIDES ON MONTGOMERY CANAL

Llanymynech Wharf (SY22 6EA) Saturday, Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays from 18th April to 28th September 1.30pm to 4pm. Family Boat rides and fun trips on the Montgomery Canal. See news@themontgomerycanal.org.uk

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

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/>

COMMUNITY CAFÉ – TUESDAYS

Due to rapidly declining attendances, the Village Hall Community Cafe will now be open between 9.45 (not 9.00am as before) and 11.30am. Tea, Coffee and various cakes etc. All are welcome.

PARENTING HELP AND SUPPORT LINE

A friendly listening ear and practical advice on everything from behaviours that challenge to sleep issues. No judgment, just support, through this anonymous and confidential service. Call 01743 250950 Monday - Thursday, 9.30am - 4.30pm or Friday, 9.30am - 3.30pm or email: parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk

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

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

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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

www.trefonenschool.co.uk
parentcontact@trefonen.shropshire.sch.uk