



KEY STAGE 1 SPORTS DAY

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to change the date of the Key Stage 1 Sports day. It will now be held on Monday 7th July at 1.30pm. We look forward to seeing you there. Apologies for any inconvenience.

CREATION CELEBRATION - Friday 23rd May 2.15pm start time

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Creation celebration on Friday. All classes, as well as the Trefonen Hillwalk choir and organisers will be taking part. Please arrive and be seated for a 2.15pm start on the playground - gates open at 2.10pm. Please remember sunhats and suncream!

TREFONEN SCHOOL STAKER HOLDER CONSULTATION

All About us – Summer Term

The views of staff, pupils, parents, governors and other community members deepen leaders' understanding of the most pressing needs of Trefonen School community. With this in mind, we would like to ask for your participation in our Summer Term Stakeholder Consultation.

You can share your views by completing the online survey at the following

<https://forms.office.com/e/MYV2YNpuct> or alternatively using the scan code below, which will be on the school gates. This closes 20th May 2025.

We believe school is a key part in developing children's characters and is also a place to build relationships. We would like to find out what you think about our school and the things you feel are important. We would like to use your answers to help us refresh and update our school's Christian Vision.



THANK YOU

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

Please ensure that your child comes to school with a sun hat, sun cream and a water bottle.

NEW AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Starting on Tuesday 3rd June for 5 weeks there will be a Marches coach here to run a Multi Sports club for Years 3 to 6. Payment as usual via ParentPay.

Trefonen Hill Walk

24th– 26th May 2025

The Scarecrows are back!

Prize for the winning scarecrow

We would love to see your fantastic scarecrows brightening up the Village Green (next to the Barley Mow Car Park) over the Hill Walk weekend

£5 per entry (entry forms can be collected from the Trefonen village shop and Post office and returned there with your entry fee)

Straw will be available from Helen Francis (New Barns)

Scarecrows can be placed on the green the week before but must be collected by the 31st of May.

For any scarecrow related questions, please contact Mandy via email on: amandalawrence135@btinternet.com



*We also have
some 'Guess the
name of the
Scarecrow'
£1 per guess -
Sheets will be in
the shop and the
Barley Mow*



Scan the QR code below for more information about the weekend via the Hill Walk Facebook page



CLASS NEWS

ROBINS

In phonics this week reception have continued learning blends from phase 4, looking at CVCC words, while year 1 have been revisiting taught sounds (ear, air, c, s, z). In English we have been talking like pirates, labelling the parts of a pirate ship and writing which jobs they would be good at on board. We have lots of climbing the rigging and swabbing the deck 😊 We made a fantastic pirate ship outside, complete with a sail, plank, crow's nest and a chest full of treasure.

In maths, reception have been looking at composition of number, while Year 1's have started learning to count in 5s.

In science we used a variety of sources to find answers to our questions, books, asking others and using online resources. In squirrel school we made sculptures inspired by Andy Goldsworthy and sketched them carefully.

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

We had a great week in Nightingales. In phonics, the Year 1 children have been learning the phonemes 'se' and 'g'. The Year 2 children have been revising verbs and nouns. In English, the children have been creating a factsheet about an endangered animal.

In Maths, the Year 1 children have been looking at equal groups. The Year 2 children have been learning about unit and non-unit fractions.

In RE, the children have been looking at 'why Sikhs admire Gurus?' In geography, the children were looking at what places are hot and what they are like. In PE, they enjoyed another session with the cricket coach.

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WRENS

The Wrens have been busy finding out more about the rainforests this week. We looked at where they are in the world and what the climate is like in those places. We found out about the different layers of the rainforest and the different species of animals and birds that live in each layer. We are so excited to look for some of these animals and birds when we go to Chester Zoo next week!

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

This week in science we have been testing the strength of materials and they proved to be very strong!

In Art we are very excited to be contributing to the Trefonen Hillwalk by creating inspirational and motivational posters for all the wonderful walkers, who are raising money for many charities. Our wonderful Art Club also helped contribute some beautiful posters. We will be sharing these with you at the Creation Celebration on Friday. They include: 'Keep going!', 'You're doing great things' and 'Keep going - there's cake at the end!' 😊

On Wednesday a group of pupils in the class performed a wonderful play about a play! It was good fun and everyone enjoyed themselves.

We have been enjoying athletics this week in PE: archery, sprinting, SAQ (speed - agility - quickness ladders) and hurdles.

Please can pupils remember to bring in a water bottle, wear a cap/hat and sun-cream.

Changes to Puffins Class End of Day Pick-up

We are trialling Puffins' class leaving from the same exit as Nightingales and Wrens Classes. Please let us know at the gates and through our parentcontact email, if this is working better for you and your child.

All children may use either gate in the morning. Many thanks

HAWKS

A HUGE well done to our amazing Year 6 pupils!

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils for their fantastic effort and resilience during SATs week. They approached each test with a positive attitude, stayed focused, and truly gave their best—well done, Year 6!

To celebrate their hard work, they enjoyed some well-deserved time outdoors on the field and took part in a range of sports to enjoy the sun and spend time with their friends.

A highlight this week was the mini-marathon where the Year 5 & 6 children completed multiple laps around the field with huge smiles and determination.

In Art, we have begun to create our Benin masks from cardboard, being creative and adding layers to make them 3-Dimensional. The children are really enjoying crafting these and we look forward to finishing them before the end of the half-term.

We would like to end with a huge thank you to all the staff who supported the children throughout SATs week, and to parents and carers for the encouragement you've given at home. We're now looking forward to a fun and active summer term ahead!

FoTS SPRING NEWS

Please support FOTS on the 7th June - Family bike ride at Lake Vyrnwy 9.30am. £5 per child, letters have gone out and slips need to be returned. If you have not received one please let the school office know.

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.

MAY

May 18th - Holy Communion Service 10.00am

May 25th – Morning 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.

OSWESTRY COMMUNITY GAMES

FREE EVENT - Sunday 8th June at Cae Glas Park from 11am to 4pm.

Special guest is Kelda Wood MBE World record holder and Paralympic athlete.

Local sports clubs, dance groups, demonstrations, live music and lots more!

Find a new activity and have a go!

Facebook.com/oswcommgames

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 - download 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

SHROPSHIRE FAMILY INFORMATION SERVICE

The Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS) is a brilliant universal service, which your families (and possibly you) may not know about.

The FIS brings together loads of useful, local information for families:

- Childcare or baby and toddler groups
- Holiday clubs, events and things to do as a family
- Parenting, relationships, and emotional health and wellbeing support
- Cost of Living info and advice

Families can subscribe to our newsletter <https://orlo.uk/5RvZN>

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

Trefonen School - Holiday and Event Calendar 2025/2026

2025	
Friday 23 rd May	FoTS Non-uniform for Father's Day Wrap/ Creation Celebration 2.15pm start
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	Summer Half Term Holiday
Tuesday 3 rd June	Yr6 Marches Extra Transition Day (1)
Thursday 5 th June	Father's Day Wrap
Saturday 7 th June	FoTS Lake Vyrnwy Family Bike Ride
Tuesday 10 th June	Yr6 Marches Extra Transition Day (2), Crucial Crew am tbc
Thursday 12 th June	KS2 Sports Day am
Monday 16 th June	Yr6 Outdoor Pursuits tbc
Tuesday 17 th June	Yr5 Outdoor Pursuits tbc/Yr6 Marches Extra Transition Day (3)
Wednesday 18 th June	Yr4 Outdoor Pursuits
Tuesday 24 th June	Yr6 Marches Extra Transition Day (4)
Friday 27 th June	Economic Wellbeing Day tbc
Monday 30 th June	Yr6 Marches Transition Day (1)
Tuesday 1 st July	Yr6 Marches Transition Day (2)
Monday 7 th July	Swimming (1) tbc, KS1 Sports Day pm
Tuesday 8 th July	Swimming (2) tbc, Parent's Family Open Afternoon tbc
Wednesday 9 th July	Swimming (3) tbc
Thursday 10 th July	Swimming (4) tbc
Friday 11 th July	John Muir Discovery Award Wear It Wild Day
Monday 14 th July	Swimming (5) tbc
Tuesday 15 th July	Swimming (6) tbc
Thursday 17 th July	End of year Service tbc, Yr6 Bowling Event tbc
Friday 18 th Jul	End of Summer Term
Tuesday 22 nd – Friday 29 th Aug	Summer Holidays
Spring 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
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

