



BOOK LOOK and RSE Consultation – 3rd February

The opportunity for parents to come into school to look at their child's wonderful school work with them, in class will be on the **3rd February 2.45pm-3.15pm or 3.30 -4.30pm.**

There is no need to book, parents can sign in on the day.

There will also be able to view the resources that we use to teach our Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) curriculum. These will be available for you to look at in the middle room. Due to the nature of these resources your child will not be able to come with you.

Please be mindful that the classroom lessons will be continuing until 3.25pm, so there will not be room for siblings in the classroom until after this time.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible and there will be more information closer to the event.

BOOKINGS FOR PARENTS' EVENING

Booking for Parents' meetings on the School Cloud will go live on 14th January at 9am and will close on 6th February at 12.00noon for all classes except Hawks. Hawks class' bookings will go live on 3rd March at 9.00am and will close on 17th March at 9.00am.

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.

Many thanks Trefonen Team

Robins

11th Feb – 4.00am-5.30pm

25th Feb – 1.00pm – 3.30pm

Nightingales

11th Feb – 4.00pm – 5.30pm

27th Feb – 9.10am – 12.10noon

Wrens

10th Feb – 9.00pm – 12.00pm

10th Feb – 4.00pm – 5.30pm

Puffins

12th Feb – 4.00pm – 5.30pm

26th Feb – 9.10am – 12.20noon

Hawks

19th Mar – 9.10am – 12.00noon

21st Mar – 3.30pm – 5.30pm

INDOOR ATHLETICS

Eight of our Year 5/6 pupils are currently competing in an indoor athletics competition in three after school sessions at the Marches. In last week's event they took part in chest push (ball push) standing long jump and relay races. The team worked so hard in all of the events. Some of our top results were: Year 5 boys 2nd in ball push and 3rd in relay, Year 5 girls 2nd in standing long jump, Year 6 boys 4th in chest push and standing long jump and Year 6 girls 4th in chest push, these were all out of the 11 schools competing.

All of our points are totalled and compared with other schools and we were delighted to finish in 2nd place out of 11 schools after the first week.

What a great start Team Trefonen!

POETRY RECITALS - Thursday 27th and Friday 28th 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 27th February. Thank you.

WORLD BOOK DAY – Thursday 6th 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 ebooks and many other wonderful resources, including ideas on sharing stories with your child. There will also be a ROTAKIDS Book Fair at the end of the day.

SCIENCE WEEK 10th – 14th March 2025

It's that time of year again!

Get those Science thinking caps on to create an incredible project to present during our Science Fair on Thursday 13th March (set up from 1:30pm, fair open 2-3:10pm). Ideas are on our website and letters were sent out on Monday. Please note that Robins and Nightingales Class pupils must be supported by an adult, or older sibling. Parents/carers of older pupils are very welcome to support and enjoy presenting too.

Applications to enter the fair must be handed in by Friday 28th February please to allow time for risk assessments and planning of the event to be finalised.

We are looking forward to seeing another amazing Science Fair at Trefonen Primary School. Miss Lumley (Science Coordinator) and Trefonen Staff.

FoTS NEWS

Thank you all for your support during the Autumn Term, we raised approximately £1400, a great start to the year. The Christmas Fayre and Christmas Wrap seemed to be particularly enjoyed by all the children, we hope you all enjoyed receiving your gifts and attending the fayre.

We'd like to thank Louise Jones for her hard work organising the pantomime for so many years, with Louise leaving the school in the summer we hope that we will be able to continue to run this fantastic event for the whole school.

This term we will be running a **Mother's day wrap on Friday 28th March**. An opportunity for children to choose a gift for their Mum, Grandma or anyone they wish to thank on Mother's day.

To support this, there will be a **Non uniform day on Friday 14th March** where children can wear their own clothes in exchange for a wrap gift being donated. Any new items can be gifted; such as candles, toiletries, chocolates etc will be gratefully received. Letters will be in book bags after half term. We also hope to organise a family event such as bingo, more details to follow!

The next meeting will be held at the **Barley Mow on Tuesday 11th February** at 7pm, we hope to see many of you there.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

We can now confirm the details of two extra after school club and we hope to add to this over the term.

Week beginning 3rd February:

Tuesdays Y3/4 Multi skills and games 3.25pm-4.25pm Led by a Marches Academy Trust Coach - 8 weeks - £24 13 spaces.

Thursdays Y1/2 Multi-skills and games 3.25pm-4.25pm Led by a Marches Academy Trust Coach - 7 weeks - £21 13 spaces (no club on 13th March due to Science Fair).

Please pay via Parentpay as usual, any issues please contact the school office on 01691 652960 or email: parentcontact@trefonen.shropshire.sch.uk

INTERNET SAFETY DAY

Over the years, Safer Internet Day has become a landmark event in the online safety calendar. Starting as an initiative of the EU SafeBorders project in 2004 and taken up by the Insafe network as one of its earliest actions in 2005, Safer Internet Day has grown beyond its traditional geographic zone and is now celebrated in approximately 170 countries worldwide.

This year the theme is **'Too good to be true'. Protecting yourself and others from scams online.**

Look at the parent/teachers forum for information on how to support your child and help to keep them safe online:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2025/education-resources>

Also West Mercia Police are running a one hour session online about raising parents awareness of how to keep children safe online. Tuesday 11th February – 10am Microsoft Teams via Eventbrite:

Sign up to the Eventbrite session – cut and paste the following:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-child-exploitation-session-for-parents-and-guardians-tickets-1123477364039?aff=oddtcreator>

CLASS NEWS

ROBINS

This week in science, Robins enjoyed learning more about animals that live in Polar Places, learning about the foods they eat and how they can be grouped into carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. In maths, Year one have been working within 20 finding missing numbers on number lines. While reception have been focusing on comparing sets and using language of comparison: more than, fewer than and equal to.

In English we have been thinking about how events are sequenced, the days of the week and the structure of a simple sentence. In phonics reception have learnt th (thin) and ng (king) while year 1 have learnt ow (blow), o-e (rose) and oe (toe).

We have been artists this week, continuing our topic on the artist Georgia O'Keeffe. We have used our observations to look closely at flowers and used different mediums to create our own artwork.

In RE we have been reading the story of Rama and Sita and learning about Diwali. We made cards, mehndi pictures and stick puppets for role play.

Things to remember:

PE kits (shorts or leggings for gymnastics on Mondays & normal PE kit for Wednesday with trainers or pumps)

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

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

NIGHTINGALES

Another busy week in Nightingales. In phonics, the Year 1 children have been learning the ow, o-e and o phonemes. In English, the children have been writing a diary entry pretending to be the main character from our book 'Ocean Meets Sky'. In maths, the Year 1 children have been working on numbers to 20 and number lines. The Year 2 children have finished their unit on 2D and 3D shapes. They have also started their unit on money.

In computing, the children have been using Chrome Music Lab to create their own music. In art, the children painted some beautiful flowers in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe. In science, the children were looking at a range of socks and sorting them in different ways.

PE will be on Mondays and Fridays. On Mondays we complete our gymnastics sessions. Please can the children bring a pair of shorts in their book bags to change into for these sessions.

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 it in the reading record, stating what page you have read to.

WRENS

Last week we began our new art topic on collograph printing. We made a practise collograph plate by gluing lots of different materials including rice, tin foil, cotton wool and string onto a base plate (cardboard) to see how they would print. This week, we began printing with our plates and were surprised with some of the results. Once we have all printed our test plate we can start selecting the materials that will be best for our final piece. We have also practised drawing birds, as our final print will be of a bird.

In English, we became volcanologists as we researched and made notes on volcanoes. We became experts that could advise the Senator of Pompeii about the rumblings that the city have been feeling. As experts, we believe that the mountain they are calling the Gentle Protector may not be as safe as they think. The children wrote some superb letters to the Senator with their findings and concerns.

Quick reminders:

Please remember to have a pair of black shorts in school for gymnastics lessons. Remember to read school books regularly at home and make a note in reading records.

Practise recalling times table facts as often as possible!

2,3,4,5,8,10s for year 3 and all tables for year 4 as the children are really spotting why they need to know them in our maths lessons.

Thank you for your support.

PUFFINS

Old magazines please!

Please can you donate any magazines: children's, gardening, interior design, sports, hobbies, environmental, Lego, Marvel, farming etc for our art work on collages this term. We will be cutting them up and using them in our own collages, inspired by the artist Sarah Eisenlohr. When we have finished our collages we will take photographs of them and put them on our class webpage so that you can all enjoy them.

Thank you for your help.

In class we have been creating our own games in PE to develop our badminton skills. We have worked brilliantly, in large and small teams, to create courses for others to enjoy. It was both challenging and fun!

In English, we have been developing our understanding and use of relative pronouns and relative clauses. While working on making our sentences more complex, we have also been developing our complex punctuation: commas, brackets and dashes. Our favourite English of the week was our 'Just Writes' on Friday 😊

HAWKS

Hawks have had another excellent week, showing real maturity in discussions and going the extra mile with their suffragette research and writing. In P.E, we have started our Dance topic and the children have created some super motifs, focussing on words connected with suffrage.

Pupils are learning about clothes in French, with Mrs. Jenkins, and they are pronouncing their new vocabulary well.

I am so pleased to hear their discussions in R.E this week, they loved sharing their ideas and listening to those of others. We are focussing on Dreams and Goals in PSHE and the children have demonstrated real maturity in understanding and vocalising the steps they need to take to achieve them.

I am so proud of how they behave, and set an excellent example, in assemblies. Well done, yet again, Hawks Class!

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.

January

January 26th – Family Service – 9.30am

February

February 2nd – Family Service – 9.30am

February 9th – Family Service – 9.30am

February 16th – Family Service – 9.30am

February 23rd – Family Service – 9.30am

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.

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

We are here for you with 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, to help take the stress out of things like finding:

- 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 2024/2025

2025	
Monday 3 rd February	Parent 'Book Look' Event 2.45-3.15/3.30-4.30
Monday 10 th February	Parent Meeting Week (1)
Tuesday 11 th February	Internet Safety Day
Monday 17 th Feb – Friday 21 st Feb	Spring Half Term Holiday
Monday 24 th February	Parent Meeting Week (2)
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day dress as a character, Rota-Kids book sale
Monday 10 th March	Start of National Science Week 'Change and Adapt'
Thursday 13 th March	Science Fair
Friday 14 th March	Non uniform Day for Mothers' Day Wrap donations
Monday 17 th March	St Patrick's Day
Friday 21 st March	Red Nose Day – Wear red/non uniform day £1
Monday 24 th March	Start of Big Walk and Wheel Challenge Week
Friday 28 th March	FoTS Mothers' Day Wrap pm
Thursday 3 rd April	Balance Bike training Yr3
Friday 4 th April	Balance Bike training Yr3
Thursday 10 th April	Easter Service at All Saints Church
Friday 11 th Apr	End of Spring Term
Monday 14 th Apr – Friday 25 th Apr	Easter Holiday
Monday 28 th Apr	Start of Summer Term
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May	Summer Half Term Holiday
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
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st Oct	Autumn Half Term
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

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