



## BEHAVIOUR POLICY

At Trefonen, our vision is to create an environment that is calm and orderly, in the school and the classroom. This is essential for pupils to be able to learn. We do this through setting clear routines and expectations for the behaviour of pupils across all aspects of school life, not just in the classroom.

Thank you to all those parents who shared their thoughts about our school Behaviour Policy, last term.

Our new Behaviour Policy can be viewed at the following link [Policies | Trefonen CE Primary School \(trefonenschool.co.uk\)](#)

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## **CYCLE TO SCHOOL WEEK**

Next week, as part of the National Bikeability 'Cycle to School Week', children are being encouraged to come to school on their bicycles to help the environment and to get healthier. If this is an option for your child, we look forward to seeing them on their bikes and wearing their bike helmets. Bicycles will be stored on the school site during the school day.

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## **'FOOD FOR THOUGHT'**

The School Council would like to ask you for kind donations for the food bank in Oswestry, for Harvest. The pupils can start bringing in donations which will be kept in their classrooms. Please consider the urgently needed items, which are: tinned meat/fish, tinned vegetables, cereal, small tea, jams/marmalade, size 5 nappies, dog food, sanitary towels, washing up liquid, size 6 nappies, size 6 and 7 pull ups and deodorant.

Donations can also be made online by visiting [Donate food | Oswestry and borders Foodbank](#)

Thank you for supporting this event.

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## **ALTERATION TO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS THIS TERM**

**Unfortunately, due to circumstances out of our control, we are going to have to delay the start of our after school clubs run by our external provider - Year 1/2 and Year 3/4 after school multi-sports and athletics clubs**

**We are very disappointed that the clubs can't yet start and will let you know as soon as we have further details. All pupils who are signed up will receive a full refund. All clubs run by school staff will continue as advertised.**

These are the clubs that we have on offer this term.

### Mondays (starting 23<sup>rd</sup> September)

Year 5 and 6 netball (boys and girls) Mrs Drury, 3.25pm- 4.10pm - 20 places  
7 sessions until 25<sup>th</sup> November (no sessions 7/10 or 4/11) - £14.00 (non-refundable)

Year 4,5 and 6 'Let's get excited about drums' Miss Dunleavy 3.25-4.15pm - 10 places  
8 sessions until 25<sup>th</sup> November (no session 7/10) £16.00 (non-refundable)

### Tuesdays (starting 24<sup>th</sup> September)

Year 4, 5 and 6 Spanish - Mr Wilson - 3.25pm-4.10pm  
8 sessions until 26<sup>th</sup> November (no session 24/9 or 29/10) - £16.00 (non-refundable)

### Tuesdays (starting 15<sup>th</sup> October)

Year 3-6 Cross-country club - Mrs Phillips - 3.25pm-4.05pm  
20 places available, 6 sessions until 26<sup>th</sup> November (no session on 29/10) - £9.00

You are able to book on to the clubs via ParentPay.

If you have any issues please contact the school office – 01691 652960.

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## **FoTS FUND RAISING**

We are hoping to support the school by providing funding for some of the 'extras' that take place during the school year again this year, the first event is the Christmas Pantomime taking place later this term for the whole school to watch in the village hall. In order to do this we need to raise some funds and are asking for your support!

Our first fundraising booked in for this year is a bags2school collection taking place on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November. If you have any items that are no longer used or your child has outgrown please keep hold of them, bag them up and bring them on the day to just outside the village hall. Follow this link for what can be donated [What We Collect | Bag2School](https://www.bags2school.com/what-we-collect) [bags2school.com/what-we-collect](https://www.bags2school.com/what-we-collect), we'll remind you again nearer the time. Look out for information about ordering Christmas cards and other items designed by your child coming soon.

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## **CLASS NEWS**

### **ROBINS**

Robins have had an exciting week making carrot soup, which they thought was delicious. It has been brilliant, following their interests, pulling them up, drawing them, making observations, listening to ideas about how to make soup and going through the process of preparing them.

We have been learning about bones in science, making skeletons from natural resources during our squirrel school session. In English we have been retelling and writing the story, The Three Little Pigs. Reception was super excited to receive a parcel containing brand new reading books. These went home yesterday containing taught sounds so far. Please read and leave a comment every day.

In Art we have been looking at the artist Matisse and his famous painting 'Harmony in Red'. We discussed warm and cool colours and used water colours to recreate his work.

The children have enjoyed sharing their activity passports and we love talking about our lives outside of school. To complete our families display we would love a photo of your family with your child. This can be emailed via parent contact or sent it.

### **NIGHTINGALES**

Another busy week in Nightingales! In English, we have been looking at the story, 'The Three Little Pigs'. The children have sequenced and retold the story. In maths, the Year 2 children have been partitioning numbers using part-whole models. The Year 1 children have been comparing groups and looking at fewer and more.

In computing, we have been looking at how we use information technology in school. In PE, we have continued to practice our throwing and catching skills. In music, we learned to sing a new song called 'Hey Friends'. In geography, we continued to learn the continents and find them on a map.

Please remember that PE is on Mondays and Fridays. 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.

### **WRENS**

In our geography lessons we have started to learn about mountain ranges of the world. We looked how to identify where mountains are on maps including OS maps. In our English work this week we created missing posters for the cat that is missing in our story Small in the City. We were relieved to see footprints in the snow at the end of the book giving us the clue that the cat had come home. We wrote our own last page for the story. Here is Hazel's super ending.

I was so, so, so sad. I hugged my mum so tight. The snow was getting thicker and thicker. Both of us were getting cold. "Are we going to find her?" " No I don't think we can." We both burst into tears. Then I saw cat prints and suddenly out of the bushes I saw my cat. I felt my heart full of happiness.

In PE we have continued with football and had great fun playing crows and scarecrows on Wednesday to help us develop our dribbling skills! Children will need shin pads and long socks for our sessions from next week. Well done to those children who had them this week and were brilliant at putting them on quickly themselves for our session.

Well done Wrens we've had another lovely week!

### **PUFFINS**

This week we have started our history topic on the Anglo-Saxons. We have found out so many interesting things already about this era and are really excited about soon exploring King Offa's dyke, in Trefonen. In science we have set up and are closely

monitoring an 'egg-speriment' to find out the effects of drinks on tooth enamel. In PE we've started Tag-rugby, which is quite different from the Flag American Football we have been learning. We're getting used to following different rules and learning new skills. We have really enjoyed using drama to bring our book in English 'The man who walked between the towers' to life. We also loved having the opportunity to retell/write the story and have remembered all the events really well. Ask us at home to tell you the amazing story!

## **HAWKS**

In Hawks we have been carrying on with our story. Unusually, our first story of this term - The Arrival by Shaun Tan - is a story without words, but illustrations only. This has made us invest more in discussion around inferences that we can make from the illustrations. With our thesauruses and other class resources, we have created some fantastic writing with powerful language. In Science the children have been conducting research about the circulatory system. Whilst in Geography we have been learning about tectonic plates - why they are important and how they cause earthquakes/volcanoes. The children are really enjoying this topic. In PE we have continued with tag rugby and worked on our strategies when attacking and defending. We have some fantastic rugby players!

Notices:

- Spanish afterschool club has now launched. It would be fantastic to see more children this week joining and learning a new and important language - it's not too late. Spanish is spoken by over half a billion people worldwide!
  - Homework has gone live and children have now been made aware of the homework expectations for this term/year. Online maths homework is active for both Year 5 & 6 children. Other activities they should be engaging with are to be found on the inside cover of their homework diaries (Year 6) and reading records (Year 5). Otherwise, this information is available online on the school website: 'Welcome to Hawks Class 24-25 important information for the year'. We appreciate your cooperation in helping our lovely children extend their learning beyond school
- Have a fantastic week everyone.

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## **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 9.30am on a Sunday though there are exceptions. Please try and arrive at the church with some time available to be shown to your seats.

### **September:**

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> – Family Service - 9.30am

Sun 29<sup>th</sup> – 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.

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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/>

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### **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.

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### **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](mailto:parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk)

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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

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## Trefonen School - Holiday and Event Calendar 2024/2025

<b>2024</b>	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Cycle to School Week
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Sponsored Walk – ‘Laps for Literacy’ – 2.30pm – raising money for reading books
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival Service – 9.30am at All Saints Church
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PD Day – school closed
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PD Day – school closed
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Autumn Half Term Holiday
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Remembrance Day Poppies for sale this week Start of Parent Meeting Week 1 (further information to follow), Bikeability Yr 6, Individual and Family School photographs
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Bikeability Yr 6
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Class poetry recitals, Scholastics Book Fayre – Friday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Maths Week England Start of Parent Meeting Week 2 (further information to follow), Anti Bullying Week, Remembrance Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need - Spotty Day
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Creative Prayer and Spirituality Day Workshops with Jane Webber
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 Performance 1 2.30pm
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 Performance 2 2.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Performance 1 1.45pm
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Performance 2 1.45pm
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Service at All Saints Church - 9.30am
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Autumn Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Christmas Holiday
<b>2025</b>	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	PD Day
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Start of Spring Term
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Spring Half Term Holiday
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> Apr	End of Spring Term
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> Apr – Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter Holiday
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Start of Summer Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Summer Half Term Holiday
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> Jul	End of Summer Term
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Summer Holidays
<b>Spring Term</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	PD Day
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Start of Autumn Term
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Autumn Half Term
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of Autumn Term
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 26	Christmas Holiday

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