

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy week in school this week, including visits from Shropshire Wildlife Trust and Shrewsbury Town in the Community. On Wednesday, we welcomed James Wodja from 'Chance to Shine'. Each class had a taster session, and it was evident throughout these sessions that the coach used cricket to teach the children valuable life skills like teamwork, respect and communication. By focussing on developing the whole child and the achievement of 'personal best', sports like cricket help to develop the children's social and mental wellbeing, building their confidence and improving their attitude towards sport. If your child would like to find out more about joining a local cricket club, I have attached some details below.

Next week we will be having our Parent Consultations for pupils in Reception to Year 6. These are instead of the usual parent's evenings that would normally take place in school, which due to covid restrictions, cannot. I know how important these meetings are in enabling you a chance to discuss your child's strengths and next steps, share concerns, celebrate achievement, and take an active part in their education. I hope that despite the current restrictions, these parent consultations will provide you with an opportunity to do just that. Letters have been sent out, but please do not hesitate to contact us if you still need to make an appointment.

Take care and have a wonderful bank holiday weekend - I hope the sun shines for you!

Mrs Rowena Kaminski
Head of School



REMINDERS & NOTICES

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on Friday 7th May 2021.

Everything the NSPCC does protects children today and prevents abuse tomorrow. The NSPCC needs our support more than ever. By raising money, we can help to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern. On average, a child contacts Childline every 25 seconds.



Number Day is a great way to make maths fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards it.

We are having a fun day of maths activities and we will be taking part in Dress up for Digits. Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (football shirt, cap, jumper or even a onesie!). Or get even more creative by dressing in a maths or numbers theme.

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking for a suggested donation of £1, and we'd love everyone in the school to take part in this special event.

Bikeability for Badger Class 27th & 28th May 2021

During the Summer term, children in Badger Class will be invited to take part in Bikeability.

Bikeability is based on the UK-wide National Standard for cycle training –

a complete guide to cycling ability for everyone:

- For all levels of experience
- On any type of cycle
- Everywhere cycling is allowed
- In all weather and traffic conditions
- At any time of day or night.



Independent research shows Bikeability gives children the skills and confidence to cycle more often and more safely on today's roads.

Letters will be sent to parents, but you can find out more by clicking the following link: <https://bikeability.org.uk/>

COVID-19 Procedures

To keep our staff and pupils safe there are Covid measures which parents **MUST** comply with:

- Please use the correct entrance and drop off time for your child's class.
- Parents **must not park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside the school**, as this prevents safe crossing for our parents and children and blocks staff entering and exiting the school site safely. Please use the village hall carpark where possible.
- Parents **must not** enter the school office – they must telephone the office with queries or any information which they need to pass on.
- **Children in school to wear the correct, full school uniform** - this includes the correct school PE kit.

PE Kit

We have noticed that some children are not wearing the correct Tilstock School PE kit. Please ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform for their PE sessions. This includes:

- A white branded PE t-shirt
- Black PE shorts
- Socks (must be black, white or grey and plain in design)

If you have any queries regarding your child's uniform or PE kit, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01948 880347. Details on how to order this can be found on our website:

<https://www.tilstockprimaryschool.co.uk/information/uniform/>

If you are struggling to purchase the correct PE kit, please let us know so that we can support you.

Cricket

Whitchurch Cricket Club Juniors 9-11 year olds (15th April – 29th July) 6:00pm – 7:00pm on Thursday evenings – just turn up! All Stars 5 – 8 year olds (13th May – 1st July) 5:30 - 6:15pm – Thursday evenings.

For more info visit: <https://whitchurchcc.play-cricket.com/> or for Allstars, <https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Source/096861f7-7a2e-4610-84bc-a258aee663ac>

WORSHIP



This half-term, in worship, we will be starting to focus on the value of **Perseverance**. Our worship next week will focus on **'Doing the right thing (Jeremiah 38.1-13)'**. If your child would like to write a prayer for worship this week, please share with your class teacher.

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Click here](#) to view our upcoming events.

Events at a glance:

May Bank Holiday: School will be closed on Monday 3rd May

Parent's evening telephone consultations: During WC 3rd May

NSPCC Number Day - dress up! Friday 7th May

Bikeability for Years 5&6: 27th & 28th May 2021

Half-term: 31st May - 4th June 2021

Happy Birthday!

Happy birthday to Georgia, Benjamin, Martha and Thea who all celebrate their birthdays this week!



Congratulations to this week's Headteacher Award winners.

Bumblebees: Max and Maddie

Squirrels: Oscar and Max

Otters: Grace and Jake

Badgers: Jack and Maddie

NEWS



[Click here](#) to view what our students have been up to recently.

