



## Woore Primary and Nursery School Newsletter 17.1.25

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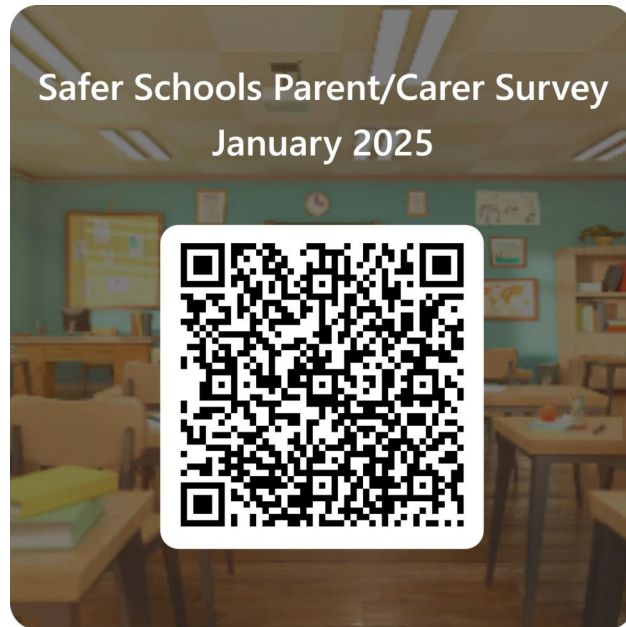
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## National Bird Watch



As part of our forest school studies this January, we will be taking part in the Big School's Birdwatch. Children will be identifying different kinds of birds and doing a bird count within a specified time frame. This data will help the RSPB to understand common trends across the country and inform of species that are in abundance and those which are in decline. If you would like to take part at home, you can take part in the Big Garden Birdwatch and you can find further details on the RSPB website here <https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>

## Safer Schools' Parent/Carer Survey



As part of our annual Safer Schools' accreditation, we would like to seek your views on the safety of our school site. In order to do this, we have set up a Microsoft forms survey for you to complete <https://forms.office.com/e/XXUs5FQh5e> (QR Code attached).

We would really appreciate as many responses as possible from our parents in order that we can understand your views and make positive changes to keep our site safe and welcoming.

We need to have all responses returned by Friday 24th January to review and report on the data collected. We look forward to hearing from you.

## RCA-Young Artists Summer Show



Is your child creative and would like to join in with a national art exhibition? Why not get involved and support them to create a masterpiece to submit in the Young Artist's Summer Show!

Now in its seventh year, the Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4–18 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Registration and submission is open until 5 March 2025, [find out more and get involved](#).

Mrs Ward will submit pieces of work on behalf of the children, so please do bring any pieces to school by the end of February. Only one piece per pupil please-any format.

## Little Wandle Parent Workshops

As part of our Little Wandle Curriculum, we would like to offer a parent information session for the spring term so that you understand what we are teaching your child in school within Phonics and Early Reading. We hope that this session will also help you support your child at home. These sessions are different to the sessions which took place for parents in the autumn term. The focus of the session is listed below.

Prior to the sessions we are offering a '**Stay and Play**' session in the classroom where you can spend 30 minutes or so with your child in the classroom environment. The parent information session will follow and will last approximately 30 minutes.

**Please join us for the following Little Wandle Parent Information Sessions:**

**Nursery**-Foundations for a Love of Reading (following 'Stay and Play' @ 8.45am 6/2/25)

**Reception**- All about Phase 3 (following 'Stay and Play @ 9.00 4/2/25)

**Year 1**- The Phonics Screening Check (following 'Stay and Play @ 9.00 25/3/25)



## School Guinea Pigs

This week we have talked to the children about sharing the school guinea pigs with two other schools, Tibberton CE Primary School and St. Lawrence CE Primary School. One of our parent governors, Mr Battrick is the headteacher at these schools and has discussed the possibility of a

shared arrangement. This would enable other children in other schools to have the opportunity to care for a school pet and have the benefits of supporting the children emotionally. It will also help support the ongoing difficulties we face with care of the guinea pigs during the school holidays which has been challenging recently. The guinea pigs have left us today and will return to our care later in the year for more cuddles.





## NHS-Pharmacy First

Common condition	Patient eligibility
Earache	1 to 17 years
Impetigo	1 year and over
Infected insect bites and stings	1 year and over
Sore throats	5 years and over
Sinusitis	12 years and over
Uncomplicated urinary tract	Women 16 to 64 years
Shingles	18 years and over

### NHS Pharmacy First Service

Did you know that the NHS Pharmacy First Service enables children and adults to get convenient access to healthcare advice and treatment where appropriate, for seven common conditions without the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment? Accessing the service may mean that can help children feel better and back to school as quickly as possible, as well as supporting parents/carers to also get better if they are unwell with one of the conditions covered under the service.

There is no need to make an appointment; parents or carers can pop into their local Boots pharmacy with their child and ask for help under the service.

Support for the attached conditions can be accessed under the service, free of charge (unless NHS prescription charges apply).

## Road Safety Police Presence

We have received notification that the police have been in the area this week to conduct traffic patrols as a response to concerns raised by local residents.

This is the information we received:

***PCSO Parker was out in the Woore area today 15/01/2025 between 08:40 and 10:00 conducting patrols and a speed survey. Patrols were conducted around the area and near the Primary school. Also a speed survey was conducted where 50 vehicles were checked with most staying within the speed limit, however 3 vehicles were given words of advice.***

***The patrols and survey are in response to some concerns raised by residents within the area, regarding the perceived speed of some vehicles and in line with the local Policing Charter.***

***Speed surveys are conducted at various times and days, throughout your local area by the designated Safer Neighbourhood teams in conjunction with Parish Councils***

***If you have any concerns or questions please direct them to your local parish councillors whom can then liaise with ourselves.***

**Message Sent By**

**Richard Parker**

**(Police, PCSO, Market Drayton SNT)**

## **ASC Outdoor Activity Sheds/Wraparound Care**





As part of our Wraparound Care grant received, we are pleased to have purchased two lovely new outdoor sheds and outdoor equipment for pupils to use in after school clubs.

We have also bought many resources for indoor provision, including kinetic sand, new marble runs, table tennis kits, den kits, small world play, craft sets, pens, pencils, indoor balls, scalextric set etc. There is more to come too with additional construction sets, small world play, jigsaws and games.

We have also been able to offer additional places in clubs due to increased staffing arrangements to ensure we can support the volume of children accessing this provision in recent months.

## Hot Chocolate Friday





A very **BIG WELL DONE** to all those children who have gone 'Over and Above' in the past two weeks. Well done also to:

**Harvey    Ellena**

## Daily Mile Star



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## Noticeboard

### At your Library

Libraries are so much more than books, long gone are the days where you were expected to talk in a whisper. Shropshire's libraries are warm, welcoming, community spaces. You'll find loads of free activities on offer for all the family including things like:

- Rhyme and story time sessions for 0-5 year olds
- Stay and play sessions for pre-schoolers
- Baby Sensory sessions
- Lego and Duplo clubs
- Board game clubs
- Creative writing and crafts
- Jigsaw libraries

You can find out what is going on at your local library on the library events page [Library events | Shropshire Council](#) Some libraries also have social media pages where they advertise events and activities.

[Market Drayton Library on Facebook](#)

## New Playgrounds

### Play Ground Buddy app

This is a fantastic free app which helps you discover new playgrounds. It will show you where they are on a map and what facilities they offer. You can also keep track of the playgrounds you have visited, give them reviews and improve listings by adding photos and info. There must be hundreds of playgrounds across the county, why not challenge your family to visit every playground in your area this month? You can find out more and download the app here [Playground Buddy - Helping Families Find Playgrounds](#)

## Junior Park Run

### Junior Parkrun

Junior Parkrun is a fun, friendly and FREE weekly 2k event for 4-14 year olds. Our closest ones are:

- Shrewsbury (Quarry Park)
- Telford (Town Park)
- Hafan Yr Afon, Newtown
- Wyre Forest, Bewdley
- Queens Park, Crewe

They happen at 9am every Sunday. The emphasis is on having fun so you can complete the course however you want, run, walk, hop, skip, it's all good! It's a great way to get out in the fresh air, move your body and make new friends. Find out more here: [junior events | parkrun UK](#)

You are also welcome to complete the 5k Parkrun as a family, these are held on Saturday mornings you can find your local event here: [events | parkrun UK](#)

## Online Courses

### Online courses

Make 2025 to be the year you feel more in tune with your family with these free online courses from In Our Place.

Expertly designed by NHS professionals they will help you to become a more confident parent by learning about child brain development, behaviour that challenges, communication and your own wellbeing needs, because parenting is a journey that is always changing!

The courses are broken down into short modules that can be studied at your own pace. course titles include:

- Understanding your baby
- Understanding your child: from toddler to teenager
- Understanding your child with additional needs
- Understanding your child's feelings (a taster course)
- Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Understanding your teenager's brain
- Understanding your relationships
- Understanding your own trauma

Shropshire residents can use the access code **DARWIN18** to get the courses for free. Find out more and sign up here: [Online Learning](#)

## E-Visa



# eVisa

## EXPLAINED

informative meeting with representatives from  
the Home Office about the eVisa  
Online Immigration Status

**Saturday**  
**1st February 2025**  
10.00 - 12.00

**Bocian Cafe**  
**Ditherington Community Centre**  
Long Row, Shrewsbury SY1 4DF

**Free entry but booking is required by email:**  
[shropeuropeorg@gmail.com](mailto:shropeuropeorg@gmail.com)

Hot drinks and homemade cakes will be available to buy.

