

NEWSLETTER

Selattyn C. E. Primary School

28th November 2025

This terms Collective Worship theme is: TRUST

Small School, Big Heart

Dance Festival Winners!

Congratulations to the group of year 3 and 4 children who came 1st place with a high energy routine in the dance festival at The Marches School on Wednesday. We are extremely proud of them all and the effort they have put in practising the routine. Thank you to staff members who have helped them practise at lunch and breaktimes.

Deva Experience Trip - Class 3

Class 3 pupils enjoyed a trip to the Deva Experience in Chester, where they had an immersive journey learning all about the Romans. They enjoyed marching to the amphitheatre and learning how Roman's would live in Chester during those times.

Lockdown Practice

We have carried out two lockdown practices this week, one while children were in lessons and a 2nd when they were on break. All children responded fantastically and followed instructions and guidance from teachers. Well done to them all.

Updated Photo Consent

We are currently in the process of updating the school website and also a creating Facebook page for the school. With this in mind, we would like all families to give updated consent for photographs and videos of your children. Please complete this form by Wednesday 3rd December for ALL children.

Mobile Phone letter

Please see letter from Marches Trust regarding Smart phones.

Admissions Consultation 2027/28

Please see this Notice to parents / carers to consult on proposed changes to school admission arrangements for 2027/28 from Shropshire Admissions.

PTA Christmas Fundraising

Children have completed a Christmas design with Class Fundraising. All children have an order form in their book bags to order various items with your child's design on. The closing date for these orders is midday on Thursday 4th December. Any orders placed will raise funds for the PTA. Thank you to them for organising this fund raiser.

Healthy Lunch boxes / break time snack

We have seen an increase in unhealthy items in school packed lunches, particularly chocolate bars and sweets. Please also remember, that key stage 1 pupils get a free piece of fruit to have at breaktime. Older pupils can also bring in a piece of fruit to have if they wish. They should not bring any snacks other than fruit. Please see this guidance from Food for Life for healthy packed lunches packed-lunches-guidance.pdf

Swimming Gala

A group of students from Class 4 will be going to north Shropshire schools swimming gala at Oswestry School on Monday. We wish them all luck.

Diary Dates Next Week 3:30 - After-school clubs Mon P.E. Class 3 & 4 Tue 3:30 - After-school clubs Wed P.E. Class 2 3:30 – After-school clubs Thur P.E. Class 1 **DCP Drums** 3:30 - After-school clubs Fri 9 -10:25 - Little Badgers

Future Dates Swimming gala

P.E. Class 3 & 4

1st Dec

1 DCC	Swiffining gala
15 th Dec	2pm Christmas Service
16 th Dec	2pm Christmas Service
17 th Dec	Pantomime
17 th Dec	Height & Weight checks
	for reception & year 6
18 th Dec	Christmas Lunch / Party
5 th Jan	PD Day
6 th Jan	Return to school
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Question of the week

Is a blink a form of sleep?

Stars of the Week

Class 1 – Hannah

Class 2 – Arthur

Class 3 - Eleri

Class 4 - Rowan P

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

Advent assembly

Children have had a special Advent collective worship this morning, with Rev Nicholson about the purpose and meaning of advent. All children have been given a special advent book which has been funded by the school.

Christmas Concert / Service

Our Christmas concert will be taking place at 2pm on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th December. No tickets will be required for either performance.

Costumes will need to be in school by Monday 8th December. As a reminder about costume

Class 1 – All children to be dressed in all black

Class 2 – Have been sent home with individual costume requests – Please check book bags or contact Mrs Hardaker on Class Dojo

Class 3 – Christmas jumpers

Class 4 – Christmas jumpers for most pupils. Some children are Star trek characters – those children know the costume they need.

For children in Class 1 and 2, please ensure the clothing is warm as it can be very cold in the church.

PTA Christmas Fayre

Non – uniform day – 5th December.

Don't forget we have a non-uniform day next Friday and we ask children to bring in a tombola prize of a chocolate bar or bottle or wine / drink etc.

Santa Visit

Santa will be visiting children on the day of the Christmas fair, to help PTA cover the costs of a gift from Santa, please can you make a payment on ParentPay. If you do not wish your child to see Santa, please let the office know.

Hamper donations for raffle

Please also remember to look at the Hamper lists under the canopy outside class 1 & class 2 doors. These lists requested donations to go towards hampers for the raffle. Donations can be left in the boxes in reception.

Raffle Tickets

Please return the envelopes with payment for the raffle tickets to school before 10th December. If you do not wish to purchase any raffle tickets, these can also be returned to school. If you require any additional tickets, please ask at the office.

Highest Attendance:

Whole School: 97%

Class 1: 100%

Class 2: 96.4%

Class 3: 95%

Class 4: 96.2%

CLASS NEWS

Class 1

We've had another productive week in Class 1. In Numeracy, we have been investigating one-step problems and looking at strategies to solve them. In Phonics, Year 1 children have been learning all the ways of reading and writing the 'ur' phoneme. Reception children have been learning the 'f' and 'l' phoneme and have come to the end of Phase 2. We have also begun our Reading Assessments this week. In Science, the children have continued investigating 'Materials' and their properties. We discussed why objects were made out of certain materials i.e wood and metal on a spade. The children worked wee in mix-aged pairs and contributed some really excellent, thoughtful answers. Well done children! In R.E., we continued learning all about the Nativity, and why the birth of Jesus is so important to Christians. In Music, we continued to learn carols for our Christmas Concert. In D.T, the children have continued constructing their hand puppets. Finally, we had our 'Lockdown' practice this week and the children excellent! They were so sensible in their manner, and afterwards they had the opportunity to ask any questions they might have, which were answered in an age-appropriate manner to allay any fears. Have a great weekend everyone!

Class 2

Another speedy week and only three more to go until the end of term! In Class 2 we have been finishing tests but also had plenty of time for new learning. We used our Outdoor Learning time to investigate materials and their uses by working as 'Building Inspectors' and recording the different materials that have been used to make things around the school site. We also discussed why those materials were suitable for the particular items. Tuesday afternoon saw us learning and practising our running stitch ready for our 'Christmas pouches (purses). We shall be designing these next week. Yesterday we had a fascinating time looking at maps, photographs and original school records from the 1800's which we used as sources of evidence for learning about the school and local area in a time beyond living memory. We were interested to see differences in the clothes that children wore and to read about how many illnesses they had. Today has whizzed by as we thought about Jesus as a king in R.E., made ourselves and advent calendar and practised our Nativity scene. N.B. There will be no Outdoor Learning on Monday.

Class 3

We have had a brilliant week in Class Three. On Monday we had a great time visiting the Roman Deva Museum in Chester. We marched to the amphitheatre and carried out lots of Roman activities, lots of fun was had by all. In class we have been focusing on looking after our teeth in science which has involved lots of practical tasks. In maths we have started to look at adding and subracting involving money and are focusing on problem solving. We have been analysing features of poetry in English and will continue with this work next week. Have a great weekend everyone! Please remember to return your homework on Monday.

Class 4

Another week and next week is December! Time is definitely flying by. Maths work is going particularly well with children continuing to grasp concepts of fractions easily, we are moving along at a fair pace. Tom's Midnight Garden has been a tricky read but I think we have visualised the story well and this is shown in the artwork that we have created to accompany the text. We have also been preparing for the Nativity by learning the songs. All children have the words now and we hope to be singing without them next week! Thank you for sending in the torches again for this week's science, we had fun making shadows and investigating why the size of the shadow changes. Have a lovely weekend, see you Monday.



MENU CYCLE WEEK ONE

Autum Term

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	Tuna Pasta bake	Minced Beef Puff Pastry Pie	Roast Chicken with Gravy	Meatball sub With homemade Herby Tomato sauce	Homemade Chicken Sweetcorn Pizza
VEGETARIAN	Cheese & Tomato Parcel	Quorn Sausage	Homemade Cheese and Onion Pie	Vegetable Lasagne	Homemade Cheese & Tomato pizza
EVERYDAY FAVOURITES	Chicken burger	Premium Pork Sausage	Handmade Sausage Roll	Chicken Nuggets with Tomato Ketchup	Fish and chips
SIDES	Sauté Potatoes	Mashed Potato	Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes	Herby Diced Potatoes	Chips
	Sweetcorn	Baked Beans	Carrots & Broccoli	Sweetcorn	Peas
AVAILABLE DAILY	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad
DESSERTS	Chocolate angel delight or Fruit Salad	lced bun or Jelly	Ice Cream or Fruit Salad	Strawberry Yogurt or Jelly	Rasin Shortbread or Fruit Salad
	Food Allergies and Intolerance If you require information on allergens or suffer from a food intolerance, please speak to a Team Member speak to a Team Member before you or works	(ê,ê)		food Pine Ronze	
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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN COURSE	Fish Fingers	Chicken Wrap	Roast Gammon with Gravy	Chicken pasta bake	Homemade Peperoni Pizza
VEGETARIAN	Veggie Burger	Tomato & Vegetable Pasta Bake	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Homemade Quorn Sausage Roll	Homemade Cheese & Tomato pizza
EVERYDAY FAVOURITES	Beefburger	Cheese & Ham Turn Over	Meatballs in Gravy	Hot Dog with Tomato Ketchup	Salmon Fishcake
SIDES	French Fries	Oven Baked Wedges Sweetcorn	Yorkshire Pudding Roast Potatoes	Pasta	Chips
	Garden Peas		Carrots & Broccoli	Peas	Baked Beans
AVAILABLE DAILY	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad	Jacket potatoes Sandwiches Seasonal Salad
DESSERTS	Vanilla Muffin with Frosting or Fruit Salad	Peach Yogurt or Jelly	Ice Cream or Fruit Salad	Homemade Choc Chip Cookie or Jelly	School Sprinkle Cake or Fruit Salad
No.	Food Allergies and Intolerance		o f	ood German	

















On **Friday 05**th **December**, the Community Wellbeing Outreach Team (CWOT) will be visiting; **Weston Rhyn**, **Selattyn** and **Hengoed** as part of the WOW (Winter Outreach Wellbeing) Project!

We will be in these areas at these times on **Friday 05th December**:

Weston Rhyn (Parked on Vicarage Lane): 10:00am - 11:00am

Selattyn (Parked at The Docks Pub): 11:10am - 1:00pm Hengoed (parked at the Last Inn car park): 1:30pm - 2:30pm



What to expect:

Meet the Community Wellbeing Outreach Team and partners! A chance to chat about: health and wellbeing concerns, cost of living issues (energy and food costs), vaccinations, mental health, stopping smoking support, screening information, think campaign, lifestyle advice, social groups and support services

Everyone welcome - bring a friend!