

LUDLOW PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER



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We can't quite believe that it will soon be Christmas. Autumn term has whizzed by! The staff have enjoyed getting to know their new classes and building relationships with them. It is always a special time of year because we look back on how far the children have come with their learning. It is lovely to see each child proud of their achievements!

We have enjoyed trips; a fun run; welcomed visitors into school; nativity performance and even a special trip to the pantomime over the last few days! These memories of school will stay with our pupils for a long time and it has been lovely to see so many different events happening in and around school over the term.

On behalf of all the staff, we wish you a merry and peaceful Christmas! Enjoy the festive break and we look forward to returning to school in the new year.

The Senior Management Team



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Christmas cakes

Year 5 have loved baking our Christmas cakes over past few weeks.



Year 5 published writing.

In summer last year, some children wrote a 'spooky story' all of these have been published in a book. We are all incredibly proud of the children. Well done!!

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Top tips on how to keep your child healthy at school

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On the 28th August, the DfE blogsite published a blog: [Top tips on how to keep your child healthy at school](https://www.blog.gov.uk).

[Top tips on how to keep your child healthy at school – The Education Hub \(blog.gov.uk\)](https://www.blog.gov.uk)

• This outlines that parents should ensure that children are up-to-date with vaccinations such as measles.

It also covers basic hygiene:

- > Wash their hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water.
- > Use tissues for coughs and sneezes then throw them in the bin.
- > Avoid touching their face, particularly their eyes, nose and mouth

Childcare through the DfE

The DfE have launched a new site for parents to check if you are eligible for free childcare:

<https://www.gov.uk/check-eligible-free-childcare-if-youre-working>

There is also a childcare account that parents must log into every three months to ensure they get free childcare if they are working or for Tax-Free Childcare:

<https://www.gov.uk/sign-in-childcare-account>

PINS update Autumn 2

Since September we have been participating in the 'Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity in Schools' (PINS) programme, which aims to improve support for children with additional needs.

In October, all staff received some training from Niki McGarvey, Outreach Specialist Advisor, titled:

Practical strategies for creating inclusive and supportive environments for neurodiverse and ALL children.

This week we have conducted a language audit across school. This will help us to think about how we can further improve the way we use language to communicate, both written and orally, to ensure we are inclusive of all learning needs. Staff will receive further training on this in January.

SEND Opportunities

Please see below some further opportunities for pupils with SEND.

Actio are excited to share their new video highlighting the All-In programme. Actio is a collaboration between Energize Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and PACC (Shropshire's Parent Carer Forum). Actio aims to improve activity opportunities for children and young people with SEND in Shropshire. Parent Carers and All-In members are encouraged to learn how Actio can support their child's wellbeing and explore new activities. Watch the video to find out why and how you can become an All-In member. Or if you're already an All-In member, you may be surprised at how many other activities are available for your child to attend.

Please watch the new video on Actio's website here:

<https://actioconsortium.wixsite.com/website/>

School Uniform

A polite reminder that trousers, skirts and pinafores should be dark grey, not black. Please also note that leggings should not be worn as they are not part of our school uniform.

All children should wear black school shoes please, not trainers.

Full details of our uniform can be found on our website:

<https://ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk/parents/school-uniform>

Parking

There have been reports of people parking on the zig zags outside school recently. Also, of cars being dangerously parked or blocking driveways on St. Julian's Road.

Please be considerate when dropping off and picking up your children, and only park where it is legal and safe to do so.

Thank you

Contacting Teachers and Senior Leaders

If any parent has a concern to raise with a teacher or senior leader, we respectfully ask this is done via the school office or admin email –

admin@ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk

and not Dojo or individual email addresses. This will enable your query to be dealt with more effectively and efficiently.

Thank you

This month's newsletter contains crucial article on new technology, Roblox and Positively online. Here are some snippets:

New Technology

With Christmas nearly here and with some children receiving new technology or related games, here is a quick reminder of the importance of setting up appropriate parental controls.

Roblox

You may have seen the recent investigation about Roblox by Hindenburg, which highlights very worrying concerns about the content that can be seen on Roblox, even when users have listed their age as under 13. You can read the full report here:

<https://hindenburgresearch.com/roblox/>

Positively online

The NSPCC have published six tips to help you improve your family's online wellbeing. They also provide you with a guide on how to talk to your child about what they are doing online as well as a quiz that you can play together.

Please access the full newsletter here:

[online-safety-newsletter-december-2024_pdf_ludlow.pdf](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/online-safety-newsletter-december-2024_pdf_ludlow.pdf)

Shropshire Supporting Families Through Early Help

New Years Event

Craft Session

EARLY HELP ARE HOSTING A NEW YEARS EVENT FULL OF FREE FUN CRAFTS AND GAMES

Monday 6th January 2025
10am - 11.30am
Ludlow Youth Centre, 65 Lower Galdeford,
Ludlow, SY8 1RT

[shropshire.gov.uk/early-help](https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/early-help)

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Term Dates 2024 – 2025

2025

PD Day: Monday 6th January 2025

Spring Term starts: Tuesday 7th January 2025

Half Term: Monday 17th February 2025 – Friday 21st February 2025

Spring Term ends: Thursday 10th April 2025

PD Day: Friday 11th April 2025

Summer Term starts: Monday 28th April 2025

Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025

Half Term: Monday 26th May 2025 – Friday 30th May 2025

Summer Term ends: Friday 18th July 2025

As you will be aware, we are not able to authorise holidays in term time due to government legislation introduced in 2013. Please note that other schools in the area may be different as schools have the flexibility to plan their own PD days. This information will also be on our website.

Dates for your Diary 2024-2025

Monday 6th January - PD Day (Staff only)

Tuesday 7th January - All children return to school

Tuesday 1st July- Yr 6 Induction Day Ludlow CE School

Tuesday 8th or Wednesday 9th July- Yr 5 Taster Day Ludlow CE School