LUDLOW PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER



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Tesco Stronger Starts

From now through to the end of March, we will be competing for the community grant in Tesco Ludlow.

The grant will be used to help us purchase resources to create a relaxing calm space for some of our students when they need a break from the classroom environment.

Blue tokens can be claimed every time you shop, even if you pop in for a small item, such as a newspaper. Please encourage your friends and family to vote for us too. The project with the highest number of votes will receive £1500, second place - £1000 and third place - £500.

Thank you for all your support.

Breakfast Club- Clee View Site

We currently have spaces for Breakfast Club at our Clee View site.

Breakfast Club starts at 8:10am and there are a variety of options on offer including cereals, toast, crumpets, pancakes and yoghurts.

The cost for breakfast club is £2.50 per session (free for pupil premium eligible children)

If anyone would like to sign up, please contact the Clee View office. Please note these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.



The children all looked wonderful in their red clothes today.

Thank you for your kind donations of money and cakes for such a good cause.

The school council helped with the cake sale at both sites, and will be busy next week, counting all the money raised. Once all the money has been counted, we will let you know the grand total of how much the school has raised.

Once again, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for your generosity.



** Parents Evening 9th and 10th April **

Timeslots are now available to book on Arbor. This is under Guardian Consultations on the app.



Contact via Dojo

If you have concerns about any incident in school which involves your child, please do not message class TAs through Dojo or by any other means. Please direct all queries to the class teacher.

Please do not message outside of normal office hours, as staff do not receive notifications in the evenings or at weekends.

Thank you

KS1 & Reception Bedtime Stories



We are holding our annual KS1 and Reception bedtime stories event at Sandpits Road on Monday 31st March We will be reading bedtime stories followed by a hot chocolate.

Your child can come along in their pyjamas from 5 pm until 6 pm.

Please let us know if your child has any new allergies we are not aware of, prior to the event.



We are very lucky to be hosting a book fair on both sites in partnership with Scholastic Books.

Children will have the opportunity to visit the fair during the school day and will bring home a wish list of any titles they are interested in.

The fair will be open on both sites on the following dates:

Sandpits Road – Monday $31^{\rm st}$ March (during bedtime stories) and Tuesday $1^{\rm st}$ April

Clee View – Friday 28^{th} March and Tuesday 1^{st} April

If you are unable to visit the book fair in person, the wish list children will be bringing home has a QR code you can scan to order books from the virtual book fair.

Payment at the book fair will be card payments only.

Celebration Time

Congratulations to the following children who were celebrated in Assembly on

Friday 14th March 2025. Well done all!

Elsie Wall Alivia Caswell Anthony Brookes Harry Wall

Herbie Gower McCauley Spriggs Morgan Smith Dylan Matthews

Amber Patrick Hollie Jones Bailey Wright Eleri Morris

Elijah Wilkes



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.

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

Online Safety Newsletter > March 2025

The impact of smartphones



There is a growing concern on how excessive use of smartphones can affect our children.

In addition to the effects of seeing inappropriate content online, the risk of cyberbullying and grooming, it is important that we also highlight the effects of smartphone use on our children's mental health.

Artificial Intelligence (AI)



What is AI?

Al is when a computer/machine can learn and perform tasks like a human. Its popularity continues to increase, and examples include:

- Virtual assistants like Alexa and Siri.
- Chatbots such as ChatGPT and My Al from Snapchat

TIKTOK

You must be over 13 years of age to use

TikTok. TikTok is a social media platform for sharing and watching short video clips. Some of the videos may not be appropriate for your child to view and there is also the risk of strangers contacting your child. If your child is using TikTok then make sure appropriate security/privacy settings are applied.

Please access the full newsletter here:

online-safety-newsletter-primary-march-2025 pdf_ludlow.pdf

Online Safety Information Session



We hope those parents that joined the Online Safety Information session in January found it useful.

As promised, below is the link to the recording and presentation for anybody that wants to rewatch it or were unable to watch it

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BxcZWQ4XcUonNO8C1vauZq65-AZx9qH?usp=sharing

We have also embedded a copy of the video on our website for those who would prefer to watch it via a browser or share this link:

https://www.knowsleyclcs.org.uk/online-safety-parent-session-jan-2025/

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

School Car Parks

A polite reminder about the use of school car parks.

Please do not use the car parks at Sandpits Road or Clee View to drop off or collect children, unless you have a prior arrangement with school. When collecting children from any after school club at either site, please do not drive into the car park. We request you leave your car on the road and walk to meet your child. Lots of children are leaving school at the same time and any cars moving around the car park make this dangerous for them

Please help us to keep everyone safe.

Thank you

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/



Our driver Healthy Body, Healthy Mind means that one of the things that we promote is having a balanced diet, rich in essential nutrients and therefore as a school a healthy lunchbox is important to us.

What should be in a healthy lunchbox?

Eating a healthy, balanced lunch is vital for ensuring children have the right nutrients and enough energy to see them through the school day, however, achieving this balance is not always as easy as it sounds. The key to a healthy packed lunch is variety and getting the right balance of foods to provide children with all of the nutrients they need to stay healthy. A packed lunch made at home can be a healthy and delicious choice and gives a parent or carer control over the foods and ingredients included.

These should be based upon the principles of the *Eatwell Guide*, encouraging a lunchbox to contain:

- a starchy food, e.g. potatoes, bread, rice, pasta
- · plenty of fruit and vegetables, e.g. carrot sticks, an apple, sliced cucumber
- a source of protein, e.g. beans, pulses, egg, fish, meat
- a healthy drink, e.g. water, semi-skimmed milk.

As a healthier lunchbox school, we suggest to parents/carers that foods high in fat, salt and sugars should not be included (such as crisps, confectionary and sugar-containing carbonated drinks).

There are lots of websites regarding lunchbox ideas and recipes. Here's a link to one of them: Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS

<u>Term Dates 2024 – 2025</u>

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

Tuesday 25th March- Tag Rugby, Church Stretton

Wednesday 26th March - KS2 Swimming Gala

Monday 31st March - Reception classes Height and Weight Measurement

Wednesday 2nd April - Year 1 trip to Enginuity

Tuesday 8th April- Yr 3 Local area walk and Whitcliffe

Wednesday 9th April - Reception classes to Queenswood Country Park

Wednesday 9th April - year 6 trip to Clee Hill Quarry and Clee Hill summit

Wednesday 9th & Thursday 10th April - Parents' Evening at both sites

Thursday 10th April - Year 4 Easter Church Performance

Thursday 22nd May- Yr 3 Shropshire Discovery Centre Workshop

Thursday 22nd May- Yr 5 Trip to Hay Festival

Wednesday 11th June - Bag2School Collection

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

Wednesday 2nd July to Friday 4th July - Yr 6 Residential Trip to Manchester

Monday 7th July - Sea Legs Pantomime for EYFS and KS1 at Sandpits Road

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