



Buntingsdale Primary School & Nursery

NEWSLETTER

Friday 19th September 2025



WE ARE RECRUITING

Two 1:1 SEND Teaching Assistants

The Governors wish to appoint 2 enthusiastic and experienced SEND Teaching Assistants.

We are seeking 2 dedicated 1:1 Teaching Assistants to join our nurturing team. One post will be to support a wonderful Neurodivergent pupil, and another post to support a wonderful pupil with autism and global developmental delay, helping them thrive both academically and socially.

30 hours per week to include 0.5 daily lunchtime supervisor role
£13.05 per hour.

Term time only, Monday- Friday: 8.45 – 3.15.

Closing date: Friday 3rd October 2025 at midday

Interview day: Friday 10th October 2025

Required as soon as possible.

To apply

Visit <https://www.buntingsdale.shropshire.sch.uk> for an application form and further details about the role.

Visits are welcome. To arrange, please contact us on 01630 638370

As we continue with our PE lessons this term, we kindly ask for your support with a few important reminders:

- Please ensure that all items of your child's PE kit are clearly labelled with their name. This helps us to quickly return any misplaced clothing.
- Children should come to school with the full PE kit, including pumps.
- For health and safety reasons, all jewellery must be removed for PE, including earrings. Please note that children need to be able to remove their earrings independently.



Thank you for your continued support in helping us ensure that PE lessons run smoothly and safely for all children.

2025 DIARY DATES—Changes in red

SEPTEMBER

- 24th Parent SEND information session in school hall - 9.00 - 10.00
- 26th Macmillan coffee morning 9.00—10.30 in school. See flyer on the next page
- W/b 29th Parent discussions and SEN reviews

OCTOBER

- 8th NHS Flu Immunisations—Reception to Year 6
- 10th World mental health day
- 15th Harvest service in school. Collection for the foodbank
- 16th KS1 & 2 Cross Country at The Grove School 9.45—11.30
Fordhall Farm visit—Thistle class
- 19th Harvest Festival at Christchurch with Choir
- 23rd Thistle & Shamrock—Severn Trent interactive van
- 24th PD Day
- 27th –31st Half Term
- 31st Deadline for year 6 parents/carers to apply for secondary school in September 2026

NOVEMBER

- 3rd Back to School
- 13th Tag Rugby competition —Years 5 & 6 at Market Drayton Juniors 9.30—11.45
- 14th Children in Need day

DECEMBER

- 10th Daffodil/Rose Nativity 9.15am
- 11th Christmas Jumper Day
Dodgeball competition—Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 at Maurice Chandler Sport Centre 9.30—11.45
Daffodil and Rose Christmas Party am
Thistle and Shamrock Christmas Party pm
- 17th Thistle/Shamrock Christmas Nativity (time tbc)
- 19th Break up for Christmas holidays

JANUARY

- 5th PD day
- 6th Back to school
- 26th—28th Shamrock Class—Bikeability

Menu
Thursday 2nd October 2025

Sausage & Chips
Or
Cheese Pizza & Chips
Or
Jacket Potato

Waffles or Pancakes
With Ice cream and toppings



Free School Meals applications and updates:

Free School Meals applications should be made using the Shropshire online portal. Where parents and carers have an email address we try to encourage the online application as much as possible, it is quick and easy to complete and the applicant also gets an indicative eligibility result at the end of their application.

This is different to the Universal Free School Meals for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2, so if you have a child in those year groups, it is still worth applying. If your child is eligible for Free School Meals, they'll also qualify for the Holiday Activity and Food Programme. Food vouchers may also be available through the Household Support Fund during school holidays.

Children in receipt of Free School Meals (benefits related) can attend **one** free Additional After School Club per week. In addition, children in receipt of Free School Meals will also be allocated Pupil Premium funding by the Government to help school improve educational outcomes. Currently, the funding per year is £1,480 per pupil.

Transitional protections have been extended until the end of the 2025/26 school year. All pupils becoming eligible for free school meals under the benefits-based criteria, should continue to receive this entitlement, regardless of any change in household circumstances or phase of education until the end of the 2025/26 school year.

From the start of the 2026/27 school year, the Department for Education will introduce new eligibility criteria meaning that all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit will be entitled to receive a free meal. It is their intention to end transitional protections alongside this change in threshold, with eligibility for all pupils reverting to whether they meet the eligibility criteria regardless of whether they were previously protected. They will issue further guidance ahead of September 2026.

Parent Information session about how the school identifies and supports children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities at Buntingsdale Primary School



To be held in the school hall on
Wednesday 24th September
9:00 to 10:00



This session is aimed at **all** parents who would like to find out more about SEND.



Coffee and light refreshments available



BUNTINGSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

Tern Hill, Market Drayton, Shropshire. TF9 2HB

Email: admin@buntingsdaleprimary.co.uk

Telephone: 01630 638370



PLACES AVAILABLE

To find out if your child is eligible for 30 hours FREE childcare please visit
<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>



We Offer FREE Nursery places for children from 3 years old. Funding is also available through Tax Free Childcare & Forces Wrap Around Childcare (WAC).
Breakfast and Afterschool Club is available from 8am until 5.30pm.

NEW—STAY AND PLAY
For Pre-school children and their parents/carers

FREE

Parents/Carers to stay with your child and join in all the activities with our
Early Years Class **EVERY** Wednesday 2.15pm—3.15pm
Squash and fresh fruit provided. We look forward to seeing you!



Just £3 per session



MINI MASTER CHEFS WANTED!

Join us to celebrate food glorious food at our fun, hands-on, delightfully messy cookery clubs!

Tuesday's aft-school

OUR FOCUS...

- Healthy eating and the role of food in the body.
- Nurturing confidence, connection and joy through food.
- Teaching your child to love cooking.

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- All ingredients and equipment provided.
- A recipe card to recreate the delicious dish again at home.
- Proud creations for your child to share with you!

Contact Nikki for more information:
07967004824

Raise funds for us for **FREE**

with  **easyfundraising**



Join as our supporter today at:
www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause
Just search for:
Friends of Buntingsdale PTA

8,000+ retailers will donate to us whenever you shop with them




Plus, you'll get...

- ★ Exclusive retailer offers
- 🏆 Competitions
- 😊 A warm feeling inside!

Over **£60m** raised for UK good causes

£0 extra cost to anyone

Upcoming Events



SEPT 24 3.30 - 5.00PM K Pop Demon Hunters movie night 🎬	SEPT 26 9AM - 10.30AM Macmillan coffee morning, parents & children welcome ☺	OCT 01 1.30PM - 3.00PM FOBs meeting ✨
OCT 01 Penny wars competition begins 🎲	OCT 22 4PM - 6PM Family Halloween disco & cash bingo 🎃	NOV 05 3.15PM - 3.30PM Bonfire Night refreshment stall 🍷
NOV 21 Break the rules day ✖	DEC 10 2.30PM - 4.30PM Christmas fair 🎄	

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED TO ENJOY COFFEE AND CAKE WITH THEIR CHILDREN



FRIDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER
9AM - 10:30AM

HOSTED BY FRIENDS OF BUNTINGSDALE PRIMARY

CAKE DONATIONS WELCOMED!

MINIMUM DONATION OF £1 TO GO TO MACMILLAN



WE HAVE A NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM PROVIDER!

As a small community school we strive to support local businesses and so our new uniform supplier is based in Market Drayton. To order your school uniform please click on this link:

[BUNTINGSDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL - Shop](#)

The prices are very competitive and most merchandise is the same as our last providers. The only change we have made is to our PE kit. We have decided that the t shirt should be the child's house colour and the shorts are now black.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have already purchased the PE kit from School Trends please do not buy this PE kit again. We will accept both P.E. kits during this transition period as



Market Drayton 2026 Schools Calendar Project

Art Exhibition 2025

We are delighted to announce the list of children's paintings, from Buntingsdale Primary School for the month of November 2026 which have been chosen to be displayed at the Annual Schools Calendar Art Exhibition from Wednesday 29th October to Saturday 1st November 2025 in the Grove School Main Hall - open to the public from 10 am – 2pm.

Paint a Picture Sessions

This year we are also offering 'Paint a Picture Sessions' to adults and children during the open days in the Grove School Main Hall, Wednesday – Friday from 11am- 1pm. All materials and some guidance will be provided.

Special Presentation Ceremony

On 1st November at 12.30pm all the children listed below, and their families are invited to the Grove School Main Hall to receive a certificate, presented to every child by Tim Manton, Mayor of Market Drayton

Exhibition in the Festival Drayton Gallery

The 2026 Calendar paintings will also be on display in the Festival Drayton Centre Gallery during the month of November.

Shortlisted children from Buntingsdale Primary School

Reception

Timoci Kete Age 5 Commended

Evelyn Jennings Age 5 Commended

Brooke Tapley Age 5 *Highly Commended

Year 1 & 2

Harper Tokai Age 7 Commended

Molly Williams Age 7 Commended

Billy Johnson Age 7 * Highly Commended

Sophia Gavrilita Age 7 * Highly Commended

Year 3 & 4

Clark Middling Age 8 Commended

Ayla Moore Age 9 * Highly Commended

Amelie Tokai Age 9 * Highly Commended

Year 5 & 6

Kerry Whippy Age 10 *Highly Commended

Oscar Jackson Age 11 Commended

Joshua McLoy Age 11 *Winner

AUTUMN TERM SEND MEET & CHAT FAMILY DROP-IN

Hosted by Shropshire Early Help



Do you care for a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?

These sessions are open to anyone supporting a child with SEND — whether you're a parent carer, family member, or professional.

Come along to ask questions, get practical advice, and connect with professionals who understand your journey

Speak with experts in:

- EHCPs
- School support
- Health and wellbeing
- Social care
- Mental health
- Navigating SEND challenges

Each session will have different professionals available, so come along, have a chat, and find the help you need.



HAVE YOUR SAY!

Scan the QR code to suggest topics and activities for future drop-in sessions.



RAVEN HOUSE

Tuesday 23rd September 2025
2:00pm-4:00pm

Raven House,
129 Cheshire Street,
Market Drayton, TF9 3AH

BRIDGNORTH LIBRARY

Tuesday 14th October 2025
1:00pm-3:00pm

Bridgnorth Library,
Listley Street, Town Centre,
Bridgnorth, WV16 4AW

THE LANTERN

Thursday 13th November 2025
10:00am-12:00pm

The Lantern,
Meadow Farm drive,
Shrewsbury, SY1 4NG

OSWESTRY LIBRARY

Thursday 4th December 2025
1:00pm-3:00pm

Oswestry Library,
Arthur Street,
Oswestry, SY11 1JN



Shrewsbury Town Foundation

October Halloween Holiday Clubs

27th to 31st October, 9am to 3pm

For children ages 5 to 11, our holiday clubs are open to all abilities with a focus on fun, sports, and some Halloween themed activities! Groups of mixed age and ability.

at **The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST & Ludlow Football Stadium, SY8 2BN**

Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18.

foundationstfc.co.uk/fun

Get in touch

E: admin@foundationstfc.co.uk T: 01743 289177 opt 6



You're welcome!

Our team is here to help you – and you might be surprised at how much we can do.

We'd love to meet you and tell you all about that in person, so we're inviting you to pop in and see us. You don't need to tell us you're coming, or to have been referred.

Although these sessions are designed to be more of a social gathering for anyone with a palliative diagnosis, members of our team will be on hand to answer general questions and provide advice regarding our hospice services.



10.30am – 12.30pm

**Every Tuesday at our
Telford Hospice,
Apley Castle, Telford TF1 6RH**

**Every Thursday at our
Shrewsbury Hospice,
Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury SY3 8HS**

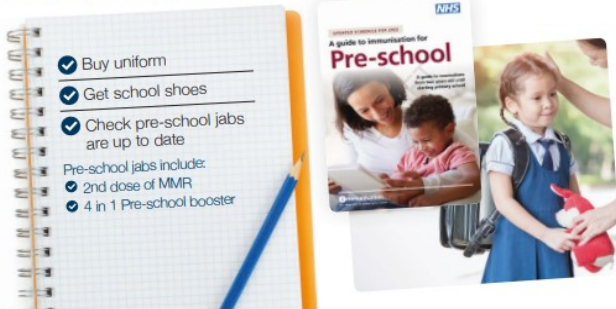
No appointment needed!



severnhospice.org.uk

Starting a new school?

Your child will be learning and playing with more children when they start their new school and could be at risk of catching preventable diseases if they haven't had all their childhood jabs.



If you are not sure if your child has had all their routine vaccinations, check their personal health record (Red Book) or contact the GP surgery. To get the best protection for your child, they need to have had two doses of MMR vaccine. For a checklist of the vaccines and the ages at which they should ideally be given visit:

www.nhs.uk/vaccinations

MMR for all leaflet



qrco.de/MMRFORALL

Preschool immunisations



qrco.de/PreSchool

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Helping to protect everyone at every age

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flu: 5 reasons to vaccinate your child



1. Protect your child

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare

Most children have the nasal spray vaccine which is the preferred vaccine. A vaccine injection is also available which does not contain gelatine from pigs (porcine gelatine).

For more information visit
www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Flu i mmunisation
Helping to protect children, every winter

ARE YOU CURRENTLY PREGNANT OR HAVE HAD A BABY IN THE LAST YEAR?

As part of the Telford & Wrekin Start for Life initiative, there are FREE places available for **Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin** PARENTS/ PARENTS TO BE to attend a Baby and child **First Aid and Accident Prevention** class run by

MINI FIRST AID SHROPSHIRE



DRINKS AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED

FIND YOUR NEXT CLASS:

[HTTP://bookwhen.com/mfashropshirecombined](http://bookwhen.com/mfashropshirecombined)



Please note that this is only open to pregnant parents or parents who have a child under the age of 2 years old in the Shropshire and Telford area

Please email kellie@minifirstaid.co.uk or shwmfa@minifirstaid.co.uk if you'd like more information

NHS
Shropshire, Telford
and Wrekin

Telford & Wrekin
Cooperative Council

Shropshire Together
Community and
Family Hubs

Local Maternity &
Neonatal System

Integrated
Care System

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Worried about your child's health?

Think 'Pharmacy First'

You can now get treatment for a variety of common conditions and minor illnesses from your local community pharmacy.

Your pharmacy can help with:

- Earache (ages 1-17)
- Infected insect bites (from age 1)
- Impetigo (from age 1)
- Sore throat (from age 5)
- Hay fever (all ages)
- Conjunctivitis (all ages)

If you don't know whether a pharmacist can help with what you need, give them a call first or just pop in.

If you get a prescription through your pharmacy, you'll never pay more than if you had seen your GP.



CERTIFICATES



This Week's Certificate Winners are:

DAFFODIL:

Being Responsible: India-Mae

Being Respectful: Jacob A

Being Friendly: Zofia

ROSE

Being Responsible: Nevaya

Being Respectful: Silgy

Being Friendly: Evelyn

THISTLE:

Being Responsible: Harper

Being Respectful: Jake

Being Friendly: Molly

SHAMROCK:

Being Responsible: Ayla

Being Respectful: Ethan

Being Friendly: Tobias

And the
winners are...

THE OVER AND ABOVE AWARDS

GO TO:

DAFFODIL: Uzair

ROSE: Timoci

THISTLE: Ciara

SHAMROCK: Keagan

HOUSE POINTS

