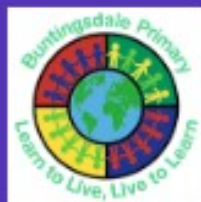




Buntingsdale Primary School & Nursery

NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th October 2025



WE ARE RECRUITING

Part time Administrator

Maternity cover

We have an exciting opportunity to join our administration team for 3 days a week in school term time to cover maternity leave. You will work alongside our current administrator. Full training will be provided where required and there are opportunities for further development, qualifications and CPD.

It is a requirement that the post holder will have a minimum of NVQ Level 3 qualification in administration or equivalent.

Term time only. 22.5 hours per week. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8.00am – 4.00pm

Grade 6 £13.90 per hour

Closing date: Friday 7th November – 12 noon

Interview date: Wednesday 10th November

Required from January 2026 – December 2026

Visit 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



2025 DIARY DATES—Changes in red

OCTOBER

15th	Harvest service in school. Collection for the foodbank
16th	Rose and Shamrock Class 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 Year 6—World War talk
5th	Schools open day 1-3pm
6th	KS2 Tag Rugby @ Market Drayton Junior School—team tbc
W/b 10th	Anti bullying week
13th	Tag Rugby competition —Years 5 & 6 at Market Drayton Juniors 9.30—11.45
14th	Children in Need day

DECEMBER

9th	Christmas Dinner Day
10th	Daffodil/Rose Nativity 9.15am Christmas Dinner Day Christmas Fair 2.30—4.30
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 @ Christchurch, 2pm
19th	Break up for Christmas holidays

JANUARY

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



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.

Buntingsdale Primary School
Special Educational Needs and Disabilities
Termly Parent Information Session



To be held in the school hall on
Wednesday 26th November
9:00 to 10:00



What is Quality First Teaching?

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

Really informative....
Was lovely to talk to other
parents!



Really helpful session. Not only
is the information relevant, it
is beneficial to feel you're not
fighting alone.

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



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the same!



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to easyfundraising



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it on to us
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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 🎄

FREE

confidential and impartial information, advice and support
for children, young people (0-25) and their parents and carers
about

special educational needs and disabilities

(SEND), including related health and social care issues.



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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**

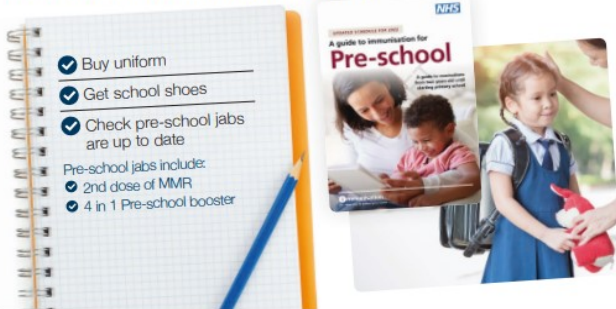
No appointment needed!



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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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 immunisation
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

Integrated
Care System
Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin

NHS

Shropshire, Telford
and Wrekin



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.

Are you a serving family that is new to the area?



Serving Families: On the Move

Support for serving personnel and their families with the challenge of relocating to a new area.

THE ARMED FORCES
COVENANT FUND TRUST
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Serving Families: On the Move

What support is available?

We know that being posted can turn life upside down.

Our Serving Families: On the Move project is here to ease that transition and help you feel at home.

We help serving personnel and their families newly posted to Shropshire Telford and Wrekin to overcome the challenges of relocation.

Support* can be offered in areas such as:

- overcoming isolation and loneliness
- mental health and wellbeing
- successfully integrating into your new community
- financial management
- exploring your new area
- accessing services such as healthcare and schooling

*Where we are unable to directly offer support, we will aim to signpost you to the the best services.

Contact us to get local support for your next move

Call: 01743 360641

Email: enquiries@community-resource.org.uk

About Community Resource

We are a charity that is committed to making life better for people and communities facing challenges in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

Find out more at community-resource.org.uk

Find us on:



Community Resource is an operating name of the Community Council of Shropshire. A Company Limited by Guarantee 4852487 and a Registered Charity 1056773

Grove School Family Fireworks

Tuesday 4th November

6.00pm to 8.00pm

TWO FIREWORK DISPLAYS DURING THE EVENING!

Funfair, hot food, music, stalls and lots more!

Admission by advance purchase only:

Adults £5

Children £3

Children under 3yrs Free

PLEASE NOTE UNDER 14s MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT



Tickets available from eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-grove-fireworks-tickets-1753156100089?



BONFIRE and fireworks

Shropshire Hills
Discovery Centre
the home of Grow Cook Learn

Join us for a night of family fun and
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event on

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER

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SMOKE
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ESCAPE ROOMS

Can your team solve the escape room puzzles to unlock the
team members' certificates?

In the Discovery Centre take on this popular family activity,
you'll need to solve the puzzles and clues to "escape". There
will be a range of activities for different ages and abilities for
to move through.

All groups must be accompanied
by an adult.

OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVITY

Mon 27th to Thurs 30th Oct
Book your slot at our front desk

£4.50 per child
Recommended age 4 - 11 years

www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk
01588676060
School Road, Craven Arms, SY7 9RS

HALLOWEEN CRAFTS

Join us for an afternoon of crafting
this Halloween. Make halloween
decorations, experiment at making a
pumpkin be "sick" and explore feelie
boxes.

Spooky refreshments will be available.

£5 per child

**COSTUMES
WELCOME**

FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER

Drop in between
1PM - 4PM

01588 676 060
School Road, Craven Arms SY7 9RS.
Grow Cook Learn, a registered charity: 1158795
www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk
info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk

Shropshire Hills
Discovery Centre



CERTIFICATES



This Week's Certificate Winners are:

DAFFODIL:

Being Responsible: Riley

Being Respectful: Poppy

Being Friendly: India-Mae

ROSE

Being Responsible: Dante

Being Respectful: Sebastian

Being Friendly: Jane

THISTLE:

Being Responsible: Joshua

Being Respectful: Weyson

Being Friendly: Dillan

SHAMROCK:

Being Responsible: Scott

Being Respectful: Tobias

Being Friendly: Thomas

And the
winners are...

THE OVER AND ABOVE AWARDS GO TO:

DAFFODIL: Jacob

ROSE: Adwin

THISTLE: Sophia

SHAMROCK: Amelie

HOUSE POINTS

