



Our Ludwell Leaflet

Newsletter: Friday 2nd May 2025



Dear Families

We are very proud of how all of the children have settled back into school life and are approaching school life in term 5. We have much to look forward to during the summer term and look forward to sharing further details of school events and class visits over the next few weeks.

Fostering Compassion

This term, we will be thinking about friendships and different relationships during our PSHE learning and assembly times. To begin this theme, the children were asked to reflect upon the characteristics of a good friend.

Enquiries this term:

Ash – Where can we go?

Beech – How can we play in different ways?

Elm – Can you feel the force?

Oak – What do forces actually do?

Summer Term

Please make sure your child has clothing suitable for the weather each day, whether it's a waterproof coat, or a sun hat.

We have been enjoying the sunshine and hope we will continue to do so. We recommend using a long-lasting, 'all day' sun cream at home before school. This helps ensure your child is protected throughout the day without needing to reapply. Furthermore, please ensure the children have their water bottle in school each day.

Thank you for your continued support. Best Wishes, Mrs Collins



Inspiring creativity Fostering Compassion Nurturing Excellence



Treehouse Breakfast and After School Club- Monday to Friday

Reminder that bookings for the clubs must be made in advance. We are trialing a later option on Mondays to Thursday and will review the demand for this over the coming weeks. A reminder that we have an enhanced breakfast menu to be shared, activities available and more spaces available.

Summer Clubs

SATS Booster Group with Miss Summers – Final session Tuesday 6th May

Sports, gardening, choir and reading clubs have started this week during lunchtimes. Demand has been popular so we have grouped the children to either attend these this term or next term.



Dates For your Diary

Monday 5th May 2025 – Bank Holiday School closed

Thursday May 8th 2025 - PTFA meeting

May 12th May to Thursday 15th May 2025 Year 6 SATS

Sunday May 18th - 4 Villages Fete - PTFA

Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025 – Summer Half Term

Monday 2nd June 2025 – INSET No school for pupils

Tuesday 17th June 2025 Class Photographs

Thursday 19th June 2025 Beech and Ash Offsite Visit

Thursday 26th June 2025 Sports Day (PTFA Refreshments)

Tuesday 1st July 2025 Elm and Year 5 Offsite

Thursday 3rd July 2025 Reserve Sports Day

Monday 7th July to Wednesday 9th July 2025 Year 6 Residential

> Thursday 10th July 2025 Elm Offsite Visit

Friday 11th July 2025 PTFA Summer Fayre

Wednesday 16th July 2025 KS2 Production to Parents 1.15pm

> Tuesday 22nd July 2025 Y6 Leavers Assembly





Skateboarding & Scooting Workshop

On **Friday 4th April**, the children had the exciting opportunity to take part in a skateboarding/scooting session with professional coaches. It was wonderful opportunity to develop new skills and collaborate together.









PTFA Events and Meetings

The PTFA do such wonderful work for our school. If you are interested or wanting to be involved, do get in touch at ludwellfundraisingteam@ludwell.wilts.sch.uk or come along to one of their meetings.











Further School News/updates

Parenting a child with ADHD workshop

The 'Parenting a Child with ADHD' recording from our most recent Educational Psychologist workshop can be accessed here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lvj DrqMdu8

'Connecting with your Child' Workshop

Wednesday 14th May 2025 2pm-3pm

Have you ever wondered why your child is so keen for your attention? Would you like your child to listen to you more? Or maybe you would like some ideas of how to 'be' with your child. This online workshop will help you to understand why connection with us is so important to children, ways that we can create quality connection and how this can help make day to day life with your child easier.

Please see the attached poster for further information.

Well-Being Corner

Enjoy Gardening Together



Gardening is a great activity to involve children in as it encourages messy play and is also very satisfying. There are so many benefits of getting outside and enjoying the fresh air together too.

Give your children tasks that they can complete independently, such as digging holes to plant, raking leaves and pulling up weeds.

Staff News

Welcome to Mrs Cooke who has joined the after school club, Treehouse team for the summer term.

A quick catch up with Ms Shoemark...

What book are you currently reading? I have one by Marion Keys waiting to be started.

What hobbies do you have? Zumba and swimming!

What is you favourite part about working in the school office?

Greeting children each morning, supporting busy parents, and giving out "I've lost a tooth" stickers and envelopes ready for the tooth fairy to visit

What are you grateful for this week? I spent the whole of Sunday with my Nan and sisters.

Notices/Reminders

The children should have sun hats and water bottles should be in school everyday during these sunnier months.





Weekly News

Learning from the world around us!

Each week we explore a current news story through an image, and a thought-provoking question during our class assemblies. Part of this resource has an option to extend thinking at home, with a take home section. We like to share this with our parents from time to time.



TAKEHOME



In the news this week

on strike (choosing not to work) since January, because they believe they are not being treated or paid fairly. The workers on strike are the people whose job it is to collect rubbish and empty the bins from outside homes and streets. As an all-out strike has now been going on since 11th March, huge piles of rubbish are building up around the city.

Things to talk about at home ..

- > Talk to someone at home about what happens to your rubbish. Where do you take it? Do you know where it goes? What about your recycling?
- Tell someone at home about this week's story. What do you think it might be like for some people living in Birmingham at the moment?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others









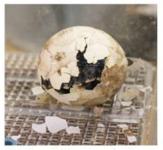
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Egg-citing

Philadelphia Zoo, in Pennsylvania, USA, has announced, for the first time in its 150-year history, that critically endangered Western Santa Cruz Galapagos tortoises have been born there! Galapagos Tortoise parents, Mommy and Abrazzo (the zoo's oldest residents) are estimated to be 100 years old. Four healthy babies have hatched, and it is hoped that they will help to ensure the species' survival. 'This is a significant milestone in the



Pictured: Western Santa Cruz Galapagos tortoise. Source: Philadelphia Zoo on Facebook.



Pictured: One of the tortoise eggs hatching.

history of Philadelphia Zoo, and we couldn't be more excited to share this news with our city, region, and the world,' says Philadelphia Zoo's Dr. Jo-Elle Mogerman, 'Mommy arrived at the zoo in 1932, meaning anyone that has visited the zoo for the last 92 years has likely seen her. Philadelphia Zoo's vision is that those hatchlings will be a part of a thriving population of Galapagos tortoises on our healthy planet 100 years from now.

Did you know that a healthy Galapagos tortoise can survive up to a year without eating or drinking?

Supermarket Sensory Support Boxes

UK supermarket, Morrisons, has introduced Sensory Support Boxes, with the aim of creating a positive shopping experience for autistic and neurodivergent customers. Morrisons announced it has worked with the National Autistic Society to develop collections of items that help encourage calmness and focus. The boxes include drawing boards, fidget balls, spinners, and squish mats. Customers are encouraged to request an item from the box at the beginning of overwhelming especially for those with their shop, and they will be available across 500 stores from May. Peter Watt, from the National Autistic Society said, 'The Morrisons Foundation Sensory Support Boxes are a brilliant initiative to support autistic and neurodivergent customers while shopping. Supermarkets are a key part of all of our lives, but for many autistic



Pictured: Children and Morrisons staff with a nsory Box. Source: Morrisons, on Facebook

customers they can be a loud, bright and crowded environment, which can be sensory sensitivities. During World Autism Acceptance Month, it's really important for all businesses and retail spaces to learn more about the changes they can make to be more inclusive and accessible for autistic and neurodivergent people.' Do you think this is a good idea?

What else could supermarkets do to become more inclusive?

What qualities should a positive role model have?

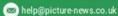


Role models need to show us how to live a good life so that we can be happy.

Let us know what you think about this week's news



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Staff Training Days

Wednesday 3rd September 2025 Monday 3rd November 2025 Monday 5th January 2026 Friday 13th February 2026 Friday 19th June 2026