

# William Shrewsbury Primary School

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## Newsletter No 6 February

Dear Parents,

We have had a very good first half term of the year with plenty of exciting learning activities, events, visits and visitors as you may have seen if you have been following us on Twitter.

The next half term is going to be another busy one. We will be holding our Spring Term Parent Consultation Evenings on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> March. Please remember to book your appointment [www.williamshrewsbury.parentseveningsystem.co.uk](http://www.williamshrewsbury.parentseveningsystem.co.uk) if you haven't already done so. We will also be asking you to complete our annual Parents' Survey and we ask you to please fill this in as we really value your feedback. Year 2 have been trialling having an earlier parents' evening this term to find out if you prefer to know earlier about how you can support your child's learning before the summer term assessments. We will be asking for feedback about this before deciding whether to change the dates for the whole school next year.

A huge thank you to all of the 'secret reader' parents and grandparents who have been in so far. The children are thoroughly enjoying this and so are the readers! We are still looking for volunteers so why not come in to read a story to a class at the end of the day?

Have a good half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February** as school will be closed to pupils on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February for teacher training.

**Elaine Curtis**  
Headteacher



A huge THANK YOU to everyone who has supported AFWS, either as a volunteer or if you are someone who has attended their many events. The children are excited to see our new book corners coming together as the orders, paid for by AFWS, start to be delivered.

We are always looking for people to support at discos, galas and chocolate bingo. If you are interested in attending a committee meeting, the next one is on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 7.30pm at the Anglesey Arms.

Please contact AFWS on their website <https://afws.org.uk> or on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/AFWS1>

## Aspirations Week

During the week commencing Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, we will be holding our annual Aspirations Week to help children to think what jobs they might want to do in the future. This can often provide motivation for children to work hard at school so that they can do their dream job.

We are looking for volunteers, including parents, to come in to talk to children about their jobs and answer a few questions. This could be to groups of up to 15 children in our careers café for Years 5 and 6 on the Tuesday afternoon or if you are feeling brave, a whole class or Year group on another day of the week. In the past we have had wedding planners, nurses, helicopter pilots and engineers.

Please contact Mr Runacus if you are interested.

Please remember that KS2 children should only bring in fruit to eat at breaktimes. Please don't allow your child to bring in biscuits or cakes.



Please do not bring your dog onto the school premises at any time (this includes after school club pick-ups). Thank you



## Nursery Admission September 2020

If you, or someone you know, has a child who will be 4 years old between September 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 and August 31<sup>st</sup> 2021, applications are now open for our Nursery.

Please follow the link to the school website

<https://www.williamshrewsbury.staffs.sch.uk/page/?title=Nursery+Admissions&pid=167> to print an application form. Alternatively, please contact the office who will provide you with an application pack.

**The closing date for applications is 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

## Head Lice

We would be grateful if you could check your children for these unwanted visitors!

Holiday times, when children have less contact with one another, are a good time to check and treat your child if necessary.



## Building works

Over the half term, work is planned to increase the number of spaces in our car park. We will also have some builders in to insulate the glass roof of our ramp corridor at the front of the school. We hope that this will make the area a little warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer.

Thank you to the Central Cooperative Learning Trust Board for providing the funds to carry out both of these projects.



## Attendance Letters

Attendance letters will be sent out after half term to keep you up to date about your child's attendance and punctuality.

Your child's attendance will be coded as one of the following:

Green (96-100%) Excellent

Yellow (91-95%) Good but be careful

Red (below 90 %) Persistent Absence

Attendance across the school is very good and we thank you for your support with this important part of your child's education. We appreciate that there are a small minority of pupils who will have a high absence rate for genuine reasons, mainly medical.

