WROCKERS' WEEKLY

This Half Term's Value — Friendship

Friday 19th December 2025

<u>Christmas Performance by years 3 and 4</u>

Our Year 3 and 4 pupils delighted us all with a wonderful Christmas performance! The children showcased their talents through a mix of traditional and modern carols and songs, filling the hall with festive cheer. They also performed beautiful Christmas poetry and read narrative pieces to retell the Christmas story, bringing its meaning to life in a heartfelt way.

Every child demonstrated great confidence on stage, and their singing was truly beautiful. It was a joy to see their enthusiasm and hard work shine through in every moment of the performance.

A huge thank you to all the teachers for their dedication and support, and to Gayle from Music Heroes.





Achievement Award	TA Award	Star of the Week	
Abbie P 68 Arthur W 4M	Lilly-Mae B & Evelyn M 6KS Alfie R 4M	Darcie F 5B	Jay Jay P 3H
Leo B 6S Leon M 4M	Headteacher Award	Darci C 5G	Zakariya A 3LB
Abbie M 6S Eknoor K 4M	George R 3H	Jacob L 6KS	Nissih D 4D
Theo H 6S Billie D 4M		Harvey H 6S	Hunter B 4M
Isaac E 6S Carter D 4M		Lunchtime Supervisor Award	
Ana G 6S Orla M 4M		Theodore B, Elliott P & Darcie F	



Dates for your diary

Monday 5th Jan 2026
PD Day - staff only in school

Tuesday 6th January All children back to school - normal times normal uniform

Mon 26th January Year 4 trip Shrewsbury Art Gallery. Letter and ParentPay to follow in

January.

<u>Tue 10th February</u>

Year 3 trip
Wolverhampton Art
Gallery. Letter and
ParentPay to follow in
January.

Wrockwardine Wood C of E Junior School "Love, Laugh and Learn"



This year's school discos were a fantastic success, bringing together fun, laughter and plenty of energetic dancing for both events.

Years 3 and 4 Disco

Our younger pupils enjoyed an evening packed with excitement. The dance floor was always busy, with children showing off their best moves during the dancing competitions. Traditional favourites like Musical Statues kept everyone on their toes, while modern games such as The Floor Is Lava brought squeals of delight across the hall.

School Christmas

Disco 2025

Years 5 and 6 Disco

The older children were just as enthusiastic, dancing with friends and taking part in friendly competitions. They embraced the mix of classic party games and modern challenges, creating a brilliant atmosphere from start to finish.

A Night to Remember! Even the teachers joined in the fun—especially when the conga line wound its way around the hall! But the highlight for everyone had to be the foam machine, which sent soft, snow-like foam drifting across the dance floor. It created a magical wintery scene that made the evening feel extra special.

Both discos were filled with smiles, laughter and unforgettable moments. A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the events such a joyful experience for all.

Disco Fun!

When I entered the disco, various sweets and drinks were placed on a table for children to buy. Music was played and colourful lights shone around the room. Songs were suggested to the DJ and he kindly played them. Sometimes, snow (foam) was blasted through the air, creating a magical scene. As well as the children, the teachers also had a blast! A big thank you to the DJ and



We were sad to say goodbye to Miss Simpson who left us today after more than 6 years of working at our school. She is moving on to pursue a new career outside of education.

We wish her well in this endeavour.











<u>Wraparound Care Christmas Breakfast – A Festive</u> <u>Morning to Remember</u>

The Wraparound Care team kicked off the holiday season in style with a wonderful Christmas Breakfast celebration. Staff came dressed in festive costumes and cheerfully served a delicious selection of Christmas treats, including fluffy pancakes, warm croissants, and tasty crumpets.

The highlight of the morning was a special visit from Santa himself, who delighted everyone by showing off his impressive dance moves! Nala, the school dog, also joined in the fun and was more than happy to help sample some of the breakfast goodies.

A huge thank you goes to all the Wraparound staff for hosting such a lovely event. Your effort, creativity, and festive spirit made the morning truly magical for our children.

Amazing Homework



Well Done BP in year 5, we absolutely love the roller coaster you have made as part of your Design and Technology homework this term. This is a truly marvellous piece of designing and building well done.

The Wrockwardine Wood CE Junior School "Living life in all its fullness" challenge.

This week's challenge is to:

Have a family talent show!

We would love to see your photos please email them to: a3129@telford.gov.uk or DoJo to your class teacher.



Book Balance

Active Families

What you need: your favourite story

How to play:

 Using your favourite story, pick out three characters and create a balance that represents each one e.g.



- Read through your story or ask someone else to!
- Each time the character is mentioned, hold the balance you have created for five seconds.
- Make this harder by holding your balance until the next character is mentioned!

Attendance Update

We've finished this half term with an overall attendance of 95.1%, which is just below the national average of 95.34%. Here's how each class performed:

3H - 96.3%

3LB - 95.0%

4D - 95.0%

4M - 95.0%

5B - 96.4%

5G - 96.3%

6S - 93.5%

6KS - 91.6%

Congratulations to 5B (96.4%) and 5G (96.3%) for leading the way this half term!

A big well done to 3H too for an impressive 96.3%!

Special shout-out to 6S and 6KS – let's aim higher next term and show everyone what you can achieve! We believe you can do it!

Together, let's push our attendance above the national average next term! Attendance winners - Aaima (5G) and Justin (4D)



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Local Myth and Legend Workshop

This week, our children were treated to a wonderfully imaginative Myth Workshop led by a visiting historian and librarian who has spent years researching the myths and legends of Telford. Through gripping storytelling, local folklore, and fascinating historical insights, they brought these tales to life in a way that truly captivated our pupils.

The children were inspired by the stories shared—from mysterious local creatures to heroic figures rooted in Telford's past—and used their newfound knowledge to create their own

wonderful pieces of writing. Many produced expressive poetry, while others crafted imaginative stories and descriptive myth-inspired scenes. The workshop not only enriched the children's understanding of local history but also sparked their creativity and enthusiasm for writing. We are extremely grateful to our visitor for sharing their expertise and passion with us. It was a memorable experience that will continue to inspire our young authors for weeks to come.

On Monday 15th December, we had a brilliant time learning all about local myths and legends in a really interesting workshop. We listened to many different stories about mermaids, the Wrekin and Ancient Egypt!



Year 6 acts of Compassion and Generosity

Tuesday 16th December, the Rudolph Relay commenced in aid of raising money for Severn Hospice. A lucky mascot (Rudolph) ran around with us to spread the joy of Christmas and to encourage us to keep going. Each class ran around the track to try and run as many laps as possible for this fantastic cause. This was a fun and merry experience and made our day. 6KS







6KS wrote Severn Hospice a heartfelt poem to show our appreciation and to thank them for always being there when we need them. Two members of our class read the poem to them and presented it framed with a box of biscuits to wish them a Merry Christmas and thank them from the bottom of our hearts for all their hard work.





Friendship Value Award Celebration

This term, we are incredibly proud to celebrate the children who have been awarded the Friendship Value Award. These pupils have consistently demonstrated what true friendship looks like within our school community—showing compassion, kindness, and genuine care for others in all that they do.

Whether offering a helping hand, including others in their play, or simply sharing a smile when someone needs it most, our winners remind us every day that friendship is one of the greatest strengths we can show. Their thoughtful actions create a warm, welcoming environment where everyone feels valued and supported. We are inspired by the way these children lead by example, and we thank them for showing our whole school what it means to be a good friend. Congratulations to all of our Friendship Award recipients—you make our school a brighter place!



Celebrating Outstanding Homework Achievement

This week, we are delighted to recognise a wonderful group of children who have received awards for their fantastic homework. Their dedication, creativity, and commitment to doing their best has truly shone through in every piece they produced.

Whether tackling challenging tasks, presenting imaginative projects, or putting extra care into their research and writing, these pupils have shown what can be achieved with perseverance and pride in their learning. Their work has impressed teachers, inspired classmates, and demonstrated a real enthusiasm for learning beyond the classroom.

We are incredibly proud of their hard work and the positive example they set for others. Congratulations to all of our homework award recipients—keep shining and keep striving for excellence!

<u>Christmas Service at Holy Trinity Church</u>

On Thursday our school community enjoyed a special Christmas service at Holy Trinity Church, led by our Year 5 pupils and Spiritual Ambassadors. The children retold the Christmas story with confidence and joy through readings, prayers and singing, helping us all to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Their thoughtful words and performances reminded us of the hope, love and light that the Christmas message brings. Through the story of Jesus' birth, we were reminded that Christmas is about new beginnings, kindness and living life with joy and purpose. Thank you to Holy Trinity Church for welcoming us so warmly, and to all the staff and pupils who helped make the service a memorable occasion. We wish all our families a peaceful and joyful Christmas.



A Wonderful Whole-School Christmas Dinner

On Wednesday, our whole school came together to enjoy a fantastic Christmas dinner. Everyone tucked into turkey with all the trimmings, followed by a choice of mince pie or an iced biscuit for pudding. The hall was filled with excitement, laughter, and plenty of festive cheer.

We were thrilled to have a special visit from Santa, which caused great excitement among the children. Their faces lit up as he walked through the hall, adding an extra touch of Christmas magic to the afternoon.

To show our appreciation, the children offered a big thank-you speech—and an even bigger cheer—to our wonderful kitchen staff, who worked incredibly hard to prepare such a delicious meal for us all. Even Nala, our school dog, joined in the fun! She enjoyed her own Christmas dinner while proudly wearing her festive jumper, much to the delight of the

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the occasion so memorable, and especially to our dedicated dinner staff for their hard work and festive spirit. It truly was a wonderful experience for all.



<u>Celebrating Handwriting Success with Kinetic Letters Approach</u>

Since introducing the Kinetic Letters handwriting programme in September, we have been thrilled to see the remarkable progress our pupils have made in both the quality and presentation of their writing. The approach has helped children develop strength, control, and confidence in their handwriting, and these improvements are shining through in their class work each day.

This week, we proudly presented Handwriting Awards to pupils who have shown exceptional commitment to the new programme. Whether through beautifully formed letters, consistent

presentation, or a clear determination to improve, these

children have demonstrated what can be achieved through practice

and perseverance.

pupils.

Teachers across the school have been impressed by the impact Kinetic Letters has already had on pupils' handwriting skills. From improved posture to increased stamina and legibility, the difference in such a short time has been truly outstanding. A huge well done to all our award



recipients—you are setting a wonderful example for others. We look forward to seeing even more fantastic handwriting as the year continues!

A Magical Christmas Lunchtime at School

Today, some of our pupils enjoyed a truly special Christmas lunchtime experience! One child from each class was carefully chosen by a dinner lady to sit at the Top Table—a beautifully decorated festive table reserved for children who have shown outstanding behaviour during lunchtime.

The Top Table looked wonderful, complete with Christmas treats, colourful decorations, and fun festive props for the children to wear while they ate. Laughter, smiles, and jingling bells filled the hall as the children proudly took their seats at this very special place of honour. One of our dinner ladies also joined them, sharing the celebration and enjoying lunch together.

Children are selected for the Top Table for demonstrating excellent behaviour outdoors, being kind friends to everyone, acting as positive role models, and joining in with playground activities. It was a joy to recognise their efforts and celebrate the way they contribute to our school community every day.

A huge well done to all of today's Top Table guests!

We loved seeing your festive spirit and fantastic manners, and we look forward to discovering which pupils will be invited to join our Easter-themed Top Table at the end of the spring term.



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E-SAFETY SUPPORT

Parent's Guide to Digital Wellbeing & Online Safety



Screen Time Balance

Set healthy limits for play & sleep. Encourage offline time.



Age Limits & Specific Apps

Most apps are 13+ (e.g., WhatsApp, TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat, Facebook), Stick to age ratings.



Agree Family Boundaries

Set gentle routines; no devices at night or screen-free meals.



Strong Passwords & Privacy

Create unique passwords, check seltings, only add real friends. Keep it private.



Scam Awareness & Footprint

Recognize suspicious links Think before posting, it lasts forever.



Fact-Checking & Content

Encourage critical thinking. Use parental controls and filters.





Open Communication & Support

Create a safe, judgment-free space for chats. Be their first point of contact for problems.

You don't need to be an expert – staying interested and talking often goes a long way.