



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## SEASIDE DAY

As we have had to reschedule the Chester Zoo trip to 14<sup>th</sup> of July, we are going to have our own seaside day at school on the 13<sup>th</sup> July. We are going to set up paddling pools, have a mini sand castle competition and lots of other exciting activities. This will be combined with the Parents' open afternoon.



It has been an incredibly busy and exciting time across the whole school!

Our recent activities began with a fantastic trip to Shropshire Sings, where many of our children joined pupils from schools across the county to perform as part of a massed choir. The weather was kind to us, the children sang their hearts out, and the performance was thoroughly enjoyed by parents and families. Thank you to everyone who came along to support the event.

We were also delighted to open the Bettws Triangle Festival, where the children once again showcased their wonderful singing using the songs they had practised for Shropshire Sings. They performed beautifully and represented the school brilliantly.

At the Bishop's Castle Community College DT Challenge Day, our pupils enjoyed a range of exciting STEM activities. We were especially proud that one of our teams achieved second place in the marble run competition against many other competitors. Well done to everyone involved.

Back in school, the children have been creating shadow puppets in art lessons, linking perfectly with the Year 5 and 6 science topic on light. We've also been enjoying our own private performances by the Clun Valley Music group.

Although several planned trips were unfortunately cancelled this week, we have still managed to have lots of fun. The children have made the most of our shaded Forest School area, continued their learning with great enthusiasm, and coped brilliantly with the hot weather. Thank you to everyone for remembering sun hats and sun cream, and a special thank you to Mrs T for treating us all to jelly and ice cream each day this week!

Year 6's had a brilliant day out at Crucial Crew which is organized by local authorities, police, and fire services. They rotated through interactive, real-world scenarios to learn how to identify hazards, stay safe, and properly contact emergency services.

## KEY DATES:

**Sports Day July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.30pm**

**Year 6 transition days July 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Year 6 bowling trip - 8th July**

**Seaside day & Summer Parents' Afternoon July 13th**

**Chester Zoo trip July 14th**

**Year 6 Leavers' service July 16th 2pm**

**Break up July 17th**



Teacher Feature

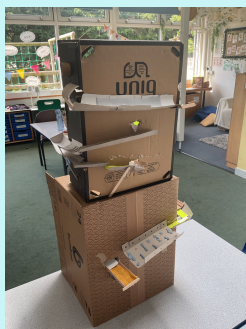
## Oak Class

Oak Class has been working incredibly hard over the last few weeks and has produced some fantastic work across the curriculum.

In English, the children have been exploring How to Train Your Dragon as part of their Anglo-Saxon topic. Inspired by the text, they have written their own instructions for training a dragon, using a range of time conjunctions, time adverbials and the appropriate features of a non-fiction instructional text. Their writing has been both imaginative and highly entertaining, and it has been wonderful to see their creativity shine through.

In maths, we have taken advantage of the glorious weather by learning outdoors. Using capacity equipment and plenty of cool water, the children have been developing their understanding of units of measure, including millilitres and litres, through a range of practical activities.

Year 5 and 6 also enjoyed a fantastic visit to Bishop's Castle Community College for the DT Challenge Day, where they took part in a variety of STEM activities - they really enjoyed making their own rockets and were delighted to achieve second place in the marble run competition!



## Acorn Class

Our Acorn class has had a busy and exciting few weeks. In science, we explored how potatoes grow underground, sparking lots of curiosity and discussion.

Year 3 and 4 pupils have also been learning about teeth and how to care for them. In English, we continued our work on Grandad's Secret Giant, writing some lovely descriptions of Gableview.

In maths, we have been developing our understanding of money through practical activities.

During the recent hot weather, we have focused on regulating our bodies in extreme temperatures, enjoying water play, creating personal foot spas and exploring capacity.

We have also loved spending time in our forest school area, keeping cool in the shade while completing observational drawings and woodland activities



**Keeping cool!**