



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Plea for Plants!

As the season changes, we are once again turning our attention to the vegetable beds and the greenhouse. If anyone has plants they would like to donate, we would be very grateful. We are also hoping to add more plants to our classrooms, so any spare plants would be given a very good home.

KEY DATES:

**Music workshop Bishop's
Castle Church Year 3-5
1st May**

SATs Week 11th May

Half term: 25th -29th May

**Year 4 Multiplication Check -
1st June**

**Year 1 Phonics Screening - 8th
June**

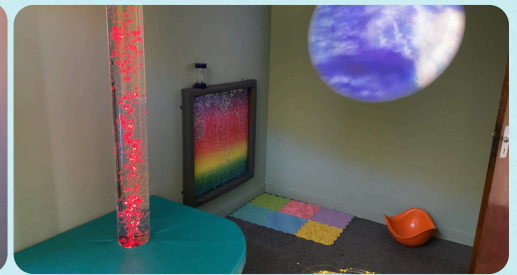
**Shropshire Sings Year 3-6
10th June**

**Leavers' Ceremony for Year 6
Hereford Cathedral - 25th
June 10-11am**

**Millichope Countryside
Learning Day Year 3-6
26th June**

**Summer Parents'
Afternoon July 7th**

**Break up July 17th
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was listed previously!**



A New Look Sensory Room

We are incredibly excited to finally open the doors to our newly refreshed sensory room! This space has always been something special to our school, and we are so grateful to the parents and families who helped create it in the first place. Thanks to your support, enthusiasm and fundraising efforts, the sensory room has grown into a calm, welcoming environment that truly supports our children.

We're delighted to share that the room has now been upgraded with some fantastic new pieces designed to engage, soothe and inspire. Highlights include a stunning bubble tube, which provides gentle visual stimulation and a real sense of calm, alongside beautiful fibre-optic lamps that create a relaxing, immersive atmosphere. These additions have already made a wonderful difference and are helping to support children's regulation, focus and wellbeing.

The sensory room is used by many children across the school, offering a safe space to reset, explore, and feel supported. We are incredibly proud of this space and very thankful to everyone who has helped make it possible. We can't wait for our pupils to continue enjoying all it has to offer.

Message from Ms Mullock

We are delighted to welcome Gaia to our school; she has joined us in Year 3, and we know she will be very happy with us. We are also pleased to share that Mrs Twistleton is now with us on a full-time basis to support the children with their learning. She has already been a fantastic addition to our team.

Teacher Feature

Oak Class

We have had a fantastic start to the term. In English, we have begun a new unit on Plastic Pollution, learning about the issues surrounding single-use plastics. The children will use this knowledge to write a persuasive text, encouraging our school community to reduce the amount of plastic we use.

In maths, pupils have been learning about perimeter, area and volume, while our Year 6 children have been practising for their arithmetic paper and are becoming speedier and more accurate each week. We are enjoying our geography topic, exploring our local area and comparing it to other places in the UK, while developing map skills by locating cities around the country.

In art, we are creating careful observational drawings and paintings of flora and fauna. We're especially lucky to have beautiful cherry blossom in our school grounds to study up close. Finally, Year 5 and 6 did a brilliant job reorganising the classroom to make it work best for their learning—well done to everyone for all your hard work, energy and ideas!



Acorn Class

We have started our new book Tidy and the children enjoyed beginning this with a litter pick around the school grounds. We were very pleased to see there was not much rubbish to collect. The children have created some beautiful diamante poems inspired by the story and shared strong opinions about Pete's treatment of the animals and forest.

In maths, the children are working hard while learning about mass, capacity and volume.

In science, Reception and Year 1 have planted runner beans to observe how plants grow, while Year 3 and 4 have been learning about the human skeleton. Our topic work has focused on the seven continents of the world.