



School Newsletter

December 2023

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School Website: <https://williamreynoldsprimary.org/>

**"To be the best
we can be"**

Head Teacher:

Miss Julie Marriott

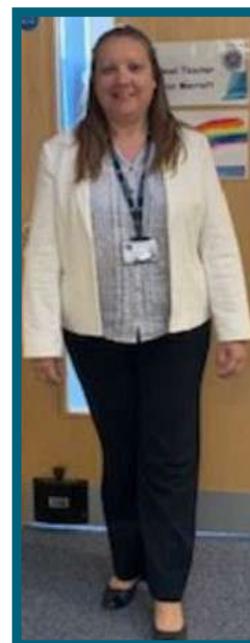
Chair of Governors:

Mrs Jane Tranter

Dear Parents, Carers and Governors,

As we reach the end of the autumn term, we are sure you will join us all in saying a heartfelt farewell to our Headteacher, Miss Marriott.

Miss Marriott has dedicated 15 years to our school and has always wanted nothing but the very best for our children, families and staff. We want to show our appreciation for all she has contributed and will be holding a special assembly this week to express our thanks, say our goodbyes and wish her good luck with her future endeavors.



Our School Values



Challenge  Make every experience exceptional	Honesty  Always do the right thing	Ownership  Take accountability for your actions	Courage  Be determined to deliver greatness	Collaboration  Work together to succeed
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Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 8th December children and staff came to school in their Christmas jumpers.





Parent Consultations

We look forward to welcoming parents into school to meet with their child's class teacher in the Spring Term. Please make a note of the date below. You will receive further information closer to the date so that you can book an appointment.



Date	Event
Monday 26th February	Year 1 Parent Consultation
Wednesday 28th February	Year 4 Parent Consultation
Thursday 29th February	Year 3 Parent Consultation
Friday 1st March	Year 6 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 5th March	Reception Parent Consultation
Wednesday 13th March	Year 2 Parent Consultation
Thursday 14th March	Year 5 Parent Consultation
Tuesday 19th March	Nursery Parent Consultation

Is your child due to start Reception in September 2024?

The online application form for children starting school in September 2024 is now available via the website www.telford.gov.uk/admissions.

The online form will need to be used to apply for a place. The deadline is 15th January 2024.

There is an information booklet available online at: [School Admissions Information Booklets - 2024 / 2025 - Telford & Wrekin Council](#)

Apply online NOW

Starting school?

Closing date for applications:
15 January 2024

If your child has an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP) the closing date is **31 October 2023**.

www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

- You must apply if your child was born between 1 September 2019 – 31 August 2020.
- You must apply even if your child is attending a nursery or pre-school on a school site or you have a child already attending the school.
- Attending a nursery does **not** guarantee a school place.
- School places are allocated in line with oversubscription criteria.
- See website for more information www.telford.gov.uk/admissions or contact School Admissions at admissions@telford.gov.uk

Church Visit - Year 1

Year 1 went on a visit to St Luke's Church in Ironbridge. The church warden told us all about the different features in the church and what they are used for. We were also told about the history of the church and how the local community helped to build it many years ago during the Industrial Revolution. We were able to look around the church and apply our R.E learning and knowledge. As it was the start of December, we were lucky enough to see decorated Christmas trees and lights up around the church.



Fire Service Visit - Year 3

The Shropshire Fire Service visited Year 3 on Tuesday 28th November. They gave the children advice about what to do in the event of a fire at home. We discussed the importance of having a family escape plan that everyone in the house knows about - just in case! Some children were lucky enough to look around the fire engine and learn more about the tools and equipment that fire fighters use in emergencies.



Parents into Lunch

In the Spring Term, we are looking forward to welcoming our Year 5 and Year 6 parents in to school to join their child for a school lunch.



Year 6: 26th January

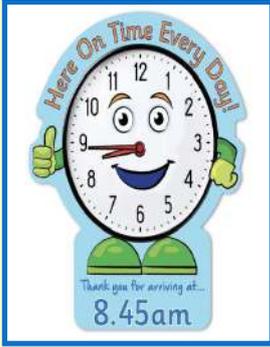
Year 5: 8th March

More information will follow when we return in the spring term.

Let's Dine
School meals catering service
Primary, secondary and special schools



Attendance and Punctuality



A polite reminder to our families that our school day starts at 8:45am. If your child arrives after this time, their lessons will have already started, meaning that they are missing out on their learning which will have an impact on the progress they are able to make in school. A few minutes late here and there really starts to add up over time. Please support your child by ensuring they arrive on time every day.

School begins at 08:45



Every school day counts BUT every minute is equally important!

Absence

Please call us by 9am, in the event of your child being too unwell to attend school.

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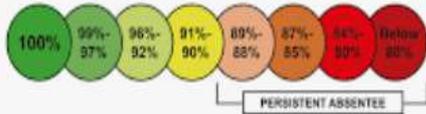


Thank you for your support with this.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

We have high aspirations for each and every child in school, which we know they can reach, when they attend school regularly.

Attending school has many benefits for your child - when children are absent from school they miss lessons, which are taught in a sequence, meaning that gaps in learning can occur.

Do you know your child's attendance percentage?

As a school, we aim for each child to have an attendance percentage of at least 96%. When a child's attendance drops below 90%, they are classed as a persistent absentee, meaning that they will have increased monitoring from the Education Welfare Officer, who works alongside school, on behalf of the local authority to ensure all children are attending school.

If your child is taking prescribed medication, they can still attend school and we can administer their dose for you.



A really big well done to Base 10, who currently have the best attendance in school across the autumn term!



Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....



Pedestrian Training - Year 2

Children in Year 2 took part in a Pedestrian Training Course to help them stay safe when crossing the road. The children started the day with a quiz to see what they already knew about road safety. Then the children used actions and songs to help them remember The Green Cross Code.

Safety rules the children learned were:

- ⇒ A child should stand 30 cm away from the kerb when crossing the road.
- ⇒ Adults walk on the side nearest to the road when walking on the pavement.
- ⇒ Holding hands with an adult near roads or on carparks helps to keep us safe.
- ⇒ Wearing bright colours will help drivers to see pedestrians.



The children went out on a local walk and put all these safety messages into practice. We used a Pelican Crossing and made sure that the cars had stopped before we crossed and we continued to use The Green Cross Code even when the light had turned green.



Nursery Christmas Workshop

The children and parents had a lot of fun at the Christmas craft workshop. Together they made Christmas trees, sewed baubles and decorated biscuits. Each child also had an opportunity to make an 'elf of them self' and make Christmas characters.



Early Years - Home Learning Bags

Councillor Paul Watling visited Early Years to launch the Telford and Wrekin Home Learning Bags which are part of the Family Hub Programme to support children's learning at home. They provide parent/carers with fun ideas and a book with games to support early talk.



Reminders for January...

Please bring a water bottle to school each day.

Please bring reading and homework books in each day.



Nursery Places

We have spaces available for Nursery. Children can start after their third birthday - please ring the School Office.



Wraparound Care

We provide:

Breakfast Club: 07:45am

Cost: £1:50 per session

After School Provision: Until 5:30pm



Cost: £5 per session

Please fill in a form at the office if you need a place for your child. Payment is made through ParentPay.

A Polite Reminder

We encourage children to travel to school on their bike or scooter and have places for them to store these during the school day. **All scooters and bikes are parked at your own risk.**

Please could we ask that they do not ride these on the school site. We appreciate your support with this to help us ensure the safe drop off and collection of all children. As you are aware, the playground is a busy place at the start and end of the school day and we want to avoid any accidents.



Contact Information

Have you moved or changed your contact information?

If you have had a change of address, contact number or email address, it is really important for us to be informed of this.

Please go to the school office if you need to update any of your contact information. It is really important that there is an up to date contact number held at school so that we can contact you, if needed, during the school day.

It's getting colder...

Please ensure your child comes to school in warm clothing appropriate for the weather.



School Uniform Prices

Uniform can be purchased from the school office. **Payments for uniform can be made on ParentPay.**



Uniform Price List	
Sweat Shirts (sizes 24"-34")	£10.55
Sweat Shirts (sizes S, M, L)	£12.05
Cardigans (sizes 24" - 34")	£11.95
Cardigans (sizes S, M, L)	£12.45
Polo Shirts (sizes 24"-34")	£8.45
Polo Shirts (sizes S, M, L)	£10.45
Book Bags	£7.75
Water Bottles	£3.50
PE Bags	£5.00
PE T-shirts	£3.00
PE Shorts	£4.00

Sweatshirts, Cardigans & Polo Shirt Size Guide (as published by Brigade uniform)									
Chest	24"	26"	28"	30"	32"	34"	36"	38/40"	42/44"
Age	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	10-11	12-13	S	M	L

Autumn 1 Term 2023/24



SEND Information | - William Reynolds
williamreynoldsprimary.org

PODS HELPLINE

Are you in need of some guidance or information? Would you like to access our Befriending service or maybe receive a call from one of our staff?

Then please give us a call or email us!

Hello it's PODS, how can we help?

01952 458047
info@podstelford.org

Call us for assistance between 10am-4pm Monday-Friday, outside these hours please leave a message.

SHROPSHIRE BEAM

Emotional wellbeing drop-in service for children and young people under 25

Who are we?
 We're Shropshire Beam, part of The Children's Society. The Children's Society are a national charity that fight for the hope and happiness of every child and young person to achieve long-lasting change for this generation and the ones to come. Here at Beam, we hold drop-in sessions with our experienced practitioners to offer emotional support for children and young people under 25 who are registered with a GP in Shropshire or Telford and Wrekin. We also offer a range of workshops which are advertised on our Instagram account: @shropshirebeam.

To access our drop-in sessions, you don't need to book - just pop-in and one of our friendly practitioners will welcome you in!

LOCATIONS AND TIMES

When?	Where?	Time?
Mondays	Sundero Youth Centre 218 Sundero Road Shrewsbury SY1 4RG	12pm-4pm (last sessions held @ 3pm)
Tuesdays	Shropshire Beam Market Square Walsingham TF1 1SP	10am-4pm (last sessions held @ 2pm)
Thursdays	Shropshire Beam Market Square Walsingham TF1 1SP	10am-4pm (last sessions held @ 2pm)
Saturdays	Shropshire Beam Market Square Walsingham TF1 1SP	10am-2pm (last sessions held @ 1pm)

Become a PODS a Befriender!

Empower, Connect, Support: Make a Difference in a Parent Carer's Journey

PODS are looking for volunteers to be part of our Befriending Scheme, offering heartfelt emotional support to parent carers.

Why Become a PODS Befriender?

- Meaningful Connections:** Provide empathetic understanding in a non-judgmental space.
- Empowerment:** Be a beacon of strength, helping parents discover their resilience and empowering them.
- Active Listening:** Your compassionate ear can make a world of difference.
- Peer-to-Peer Support:** Share insights, strategies, and coping mechanisms based on your own experiences.

For more information, please contact
 Kerrie: kerrie@podstelford.org or call: 07309 753044

PODS WARM HUB

Pop along to PODS warm hub this winter!

Here you can meet others, access hot drinks, soup and biscuits, have a cuppa and enjoy activities run by PODS staff! Everyone in the community welcome

Tuesday 12th December	Christmas crafts and card making	12pm-2pm
Friday 12th January	knit and natter	12pm-2pm
Tuesday 18th January	General crafts	10am-12pm
Friday 26th January	Knit and natter	12pm-2pm

Funded by National grid community fund

Find us at:
 1 Hawksworth road
 Central park
 Telford
 TF9 2TU

Contact us: 01952 458047

CONTACT US

Website:
www.childrensociety.org.uk/beamshropshire

Instagram: @ShropshireBeam

Email: shropshirebeam@childrensociety.org.uk

Who is this service for?

Our service is available to children and young people 0-18 years who have a diagnosis of autism. Our website is available for everyone and offers a wide range of information and resources.

To access our Children's Autism Hub you need to be a resident of Telford and Wrekin.

HOW TO FIND US
 The Autism Hub is based at Telford Centre, so you need to get to us by car, bus or train.

Plus, there's a library of parking too!

Telford & Wrekin CVS GET IN TOUCH

01952 458047
www.telfordandwrekin.gov.uk
www.childrensociety.org.uk

BSAT & The Linden Centre Coffee Mornings/Evening

Please come and join us for a cuppa, a slice of cake and a chat!

The BSAT Team are keen to hear your suggestions of how we can further support our students and their families. We would also like to support parents/careers and our young people to better understand school systems, exclusion, procedures and signpost the different support agencies that are available.

We look forward to seeing you.

The BSAT Team

@ The Linden Centre
 Oak Road
 Overdale
 Telford
 TF3 5BT

BSAT Coffee Dates:
 Wednesday 17th January
 Wednesday 20th February
 Wednesday 17th April
 Wednesday 12th June

9.00 - 10.30am & 5.00 - 6.30pm

Telford Children's Autism Hub

Come and join us for a Coffee & Chat

"Really nice to share experiences with other parents. Also, to receive support and encouragement from staff and parents"

Every Monday
 11.15am to 12.15pm
 (Term time only)

"Attended the coffee & chat. Made to feel welcome, a warm atmosphere and nice just to talk to other parents that 'get it'"

Email us on childrensautism@telfordandwrekin.gov.uk or call 01952 262652 if you would like to attend

SEND SUPPORT AND PLAY FOR EARLY YEARS FAMILIES

Let us introduce to you the exciting world of our Early Years SEND Support Group. We will be supporting parents and carers with Telford & Wrekin, ensuring they have a positive experience and a healthy, inclusive environment for their children with a diagnosis of Autism.

Join us for our fortnightly drop in held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month 9.30am to 10.45am (Term time only) Excluding Bank Holidays!

Drop in with Telford SENDSAS and Telford Children's Autism Hub offers you:

- A safe play area for children where parents can relax.
- Guest speakers from relevant organisations to talk about specific issues or hear they can help parents.
- Non-judgmental environment for the children to play, socialise and be themselves.
- Understanding environments filled with support, friendship & advice.

To register for our Early Years SEND Support group please call 01952 262652 or email childrensautism@telfordandwrekin.gov.uk if you are unable to attend. Free of charge. However, we will support you to attend if you are unable to attend. Please contact us if you need support.

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 Suite 20, 20th November House, Central Square
 Telford Centre, Telford, TF1 4AL

Telford Children's Autism Hub

FAMILY FUN SESSION

3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
 4PM TO 5PM TERM TIME ONLY

COME AND JOIN US FOR OUR FAMILY FUN SESSION FOR PRIMARY AGED CHILDREN

If you would like to attend email our team at childrensautism@telfordandwrekin.gov.uk

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BeeU Children's & Family Mental Health Services

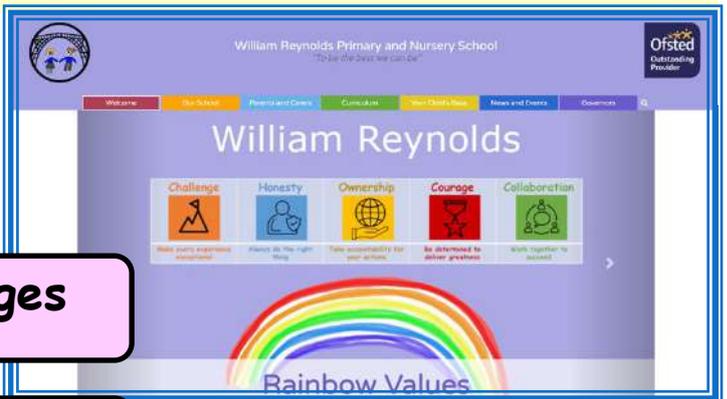
Midlands Partnership
 NHS Foundation Trust
 A Keele University Teaching Trust

Bee U is the emotional health and wellbeing service for people, up to the age of 25, living in Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin. Previously known as CAMHS the service offers a range of support depending on the needs of the child or young person. The services you may be offered are described briefly here or you can find out more about what help is available at <https://camhs.mft.nhs.uk/beeu>

Website Reminder

Please remember to visit our website regularly. We are always updating our pages so that you can find current information and access class pages.

Did you know that on our website you can find...



Term Dates

Class Pages

School Menu

Policies

Subject Areas

And so much more...

Visit our website at:

<http://williamreynoldsprimary.org/>



Have you downloaded our School APP?

Please follow these instructions to download it.

- Android or Apple - go on to the APP Store and download by searching for - Telford and Wrekin school App
- This is the picture that comes up
- Download the APP
- Open the APP
- Change school to William Reynolds Primary school
- Click on notification settings and select school notifications
- Choose - general and the year group your child/children are in
- Then click save
- You can view any notifications sent by clicking on - view notifications.



FamilyConnect



We are all responsible for reporting concerns about a child's welfare.

If you are worried about a child, call Family Connect:

01952 385385 option 1

01952 676500 (out of hours)



PEGS
PARENTAL EDUCATION
GROWTH SUPPORT

Get in Touch

hello@pegssupport.com

What is the process of Early Help?



Early Help Assessments (EHA) are used to identify a child and family's needs and strengths, and to plan the right support and services to address those needs at an early stage. The process allows different agencies and services to share information and work together in a coordinated way.

What does an early help support worker do?

Early Help is providing support to children, young people and their families as soon as problems start. When a child, young person or the family need some extra support, Early Help is often the first response offered by those services in contact with them.

We all need a bit of support from time to time. **If you feel that you would benefit from support, please contact school.** We can arrange a meeting with you to complete an Early Help Assessment. Once the referral for Early Help has been made, your family will be allocated a Strengthening Families Practitioner, who will work with you to identify your needs that will be addressed with an Early Help Support Plan.



Strengthening Families are NOT Social Services.

[Child to parent abuse](#) | [Parental Education Growth Support \(PEGS\) \(pegssupport.co.uk\)](#)

What is PEGS?

PEGS is committed to supporting parents, carers and guardians impacted by Child to Parent Abuse.

Their services are free, available for any parent regardless of the age of their child (including adult offspring), and aimed at any parent, carer or guardian experiencing Child to Parent Abuse.

Self referrals can be made by clicking the link below:

[Self Referral Form \(pegssupport.co.uk\)](#)

Online Apps

Apps that can be downloaded have age ratings, which act as a guide for parents to inform them about safe choices when considering what their children have

Quick Age Limit Guide		
WhatsApp 16	TikTok 13	Facebook 13
Instagram 13	Snapchat 13	S 13

access to at home. We would advise that parents check their child's online use regularly to ensure they are safe online.

Top Internet Manners

internet
matters.org

As the online world becomes a bigger part of our daily lives, it's important to make sure we all, especially our children learn the difference between good and bad behaviour online.

To get started see our top internet manners to encourage us all to make the online world a kinder place to be.



1. Treat others as **you would like to be treated**



2. If you wouldn't say it to someone in person, **don't say it online**



3. People can't see your facial expressions or hear the tone of your voice online so **don't over-use icons and punctuation** to convey meaning

4. **Don't make a situation worse** by provoking people even more



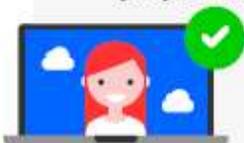
5. **Don't start rumours or spread gossip** about someone online



6. **Don't make fun** of someone in an online chat



7. Post things that will **inspire and motivate people** in a positive way



8. Make sure you **don't create a negative environment** in an online world or game through name calling



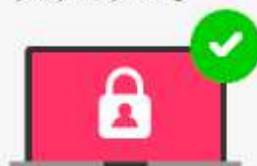
9. **Include people** in online games and social forums, and don't intentionally leave people out



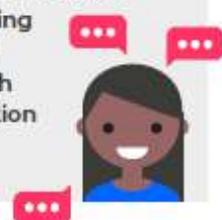
10. You can't retrieve material once it's sent or posted online so if it might embarrass you or someone, **don't put it online**



11. **Respect** other people's privacy



12. Respect other people's time and bandwidth by **avoiding posting too much information**





PARK LANE CENTRE COMMUNITY LIBRARY NOW OPEN!

OPENING HOURS

Monday 9am - 4pm

Tuesday 9am - 4pm

Wednesday 9am - 4pm

Thursday CLOSED

Friday 9am - 4pm

**PLEASE REGISTER WITH RECEPTION
BEFORE BORROWING BOOKS**



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ACTIVE HOLIDAYS

THE HOLIDAY PROVISION IS FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 11 WHO RECEIVE BENEFIT RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS.

JANUARY 2024

Hub on the Hill
(Sutton Hill)
3rd & 4th January
9am until 3pm

Park Lane Centre
(Woodside)
3rd, 4th, 5th January
9am until 1pm



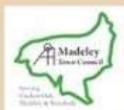
PARK LANE CENTRE WARM SPACE

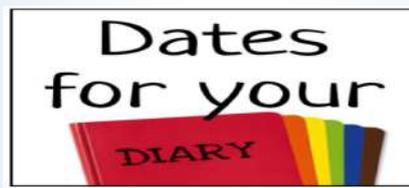
We will be providing a warm space this winter. No need to book - just turn up and pop to Reception

**STARTING IN
DECEMBER
EVERY TUESDAY
& WEDNESDAY
2PM - 4PM**



Park Lane Centre | Park Lane |
Woodside | Telford | TF7 5QZ | Tel:
01952 683 700





Date	Year Group	Event
Tuesday 16th January	Year 5	Veolia Street Champion Project
Thursday 18th January	Year 5 and Year 6	St Giles Trust Workshop
Monday 22nd January	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Visit
Wednesday 24th January	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Writing Project
Wednesday 24th January	Year 5 and Year 6	Young Voices Choir
Thursday 25th January	Y6	School Nurse—Height and Weight
Friday 26th January	Year 6	Parents into Lunch
Wednesday 31st January	Early Years	Chinese New Year Workshop
Friday 2nd February	Year 5	Enginuity
Wednesday 7th February	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Writing Project
Wednesday 21st February	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Writing Project
Wednesday 21st February	Year 6	Professor McGinty
Wednesday 28th February	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Writing Project
Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March	Year 6	Arthog Residential Trip
Wednesday 6th March	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Writing Project
Friday 8th March	Year 5	Parents into Lunch
Wednesday 13th March	Reception	Ironbridge Gorge Museum Writing Project

End of Autumn Term: Friday 22nd December 2023

PD Day: Monday 8th January 2024

Back to School: Tuesday 9th January 2024

