



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

25TH OCTOBER 2024

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"To be the best
that we can be"

Happy retirement Mrs Bailey

A BIG THANK YOU! We would like to wish Mrs Bailey a very happy retirement and thank her for all her hard work and dedication over the last 30 years. We know Mrs Bailey will definitely be enjoying some more holidays with her husband but we will really miss her in school.









Change to lunchtimes



After half term all children from Reception to Year 6 will have their lunchtime from 12pm till 1pm.

Have a safe halloween

-  Adults should always accompany children when trick or treating. Young people should never go trick or treating alone.
-  Do not knock on the doors of strangers - only go to people you know. Never go into a stranger's house.
-  Always keep to well-lit areas. Wear bright clothing and always carry a torch. Remember road safety.
-  Unless pre-arranged, do not visit elderly members of the community. Be careful not to frighten vulnerable people.
-  Keep your tricks within the law - anything that results in damage is an offence and will be dealt with as such.
-  Please do not knock on doors where there is a 'No trick or treat sign'.

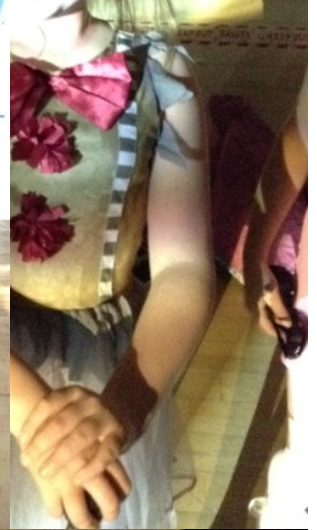
Have a lovely half term.
See you on Monday 4th November.



Halloween disco

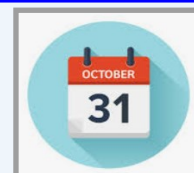
Thank you to everyone who attended the Halloween Disco.
Here are a few photos from the night.





Year 7 Applications for September 2024

If your child is currently in Year 6, you will need to go online to apply for their Year 7 school place.



It is vital that this application is made by 31st October - failure to do so is likely to result in your child being allocated a school that you may not want them to attend, meaning that they may also have to travel some distance to attend school. You can apply online at : https://www.telford.gov.uk/info/20026/school_admissions/3247/applying_for_a_school_place

Dates for your diary:

Monday 28th October—Friday 1st November	Half term
Tuesday 5th November	Nursery Parents Consultations
Wednesday 6th November	Year 3 Parents Consultations
Friday 8th November	Year 1 Parents Consultations
Tuesday 12th November	Odd socks day
Friday 15th November	Children in Need Day
Monday 18th November	School photo day
Tuesday 19th November	Times Table Rockstars/NumBots day
Thursday 21st November	Flu vaccinations
Friday 22nd November	Year 4 Parents into lunch
Monday 25th November	Year 3 Trip to Thinktank
Tuesday 3rd December	Key stage 1 Christmas Play for Year 2 parents
Tuesday 4th December	Key stage 1 Christmas Play for Year 1 parents
Tuesday 10th December	Nursery Christmas Activities
Wednesday 11th December	Christmas dinner and Christmas Jumper day
Friday 13th December	Reception Christmas Play
Monday 16th December	Christmas parties Year 1 and 4
Tuesday 17th December	Christmas parties Year 2 and 5
Wednesday 18th December	Christmas parties Year 3 and 6
Thursday 19th December	Christmas party Reception
Friday 20th December	Break up for Christmas holidays

William Reynolds Primary School and Nursery

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TWCVS CHARITY DAY 2024

Come and join us for a SPOOKTACULAR fundraising day at Telford Town Centre on Wednesday 30th October



From 9am Sherwood Square will be buzzing with activities, crafts, games, competitions, treats, and more!

All funds raised will go towards our community projects, for the benefit of families in Telford and Wrekin.

To donate, please scan the QR code below



Story Telling

Apple bobbing with a twist



Halloween Crafts



Balloon Modelling

Trick or Treat Lucky Dip



Face Painting

Guess the name of the Halloween dog



Make your own marshmallow ghosts



Spin the wheel



Guess how many sweets are in the jar



Guess the weight of the cake



Raffle

Toy Tombola



We wish to thank the Telford Shopping Centre for this opportunity

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE TO BUILD EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE

With increasing societal pressures, many children struggle with managing emotions, facing challenges and processing failure in a healthy way. This is why building emotional resilience in young people is vital for their mental health and personal success. This guide provides practical strategies for parents and educators to help children develop resilience and foster confidence, adaptability and a positive mindset.

1 ENCOURAGE OPEN COMMUNICATION

Regularly engaging children in open dialogue fosters trust and emotional expression. Encourage them to share their thoughts and feelings freely without judgment. Set aside time daily, perhaps during dinner, to ask open-ended questions such as, "What's made you happy today?". This encourages children to express themselves openly.

2 MODEL POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR

Children often learn how to manage emotions by observing adults. By modelling calm and positive responses to challenges, you can teach them valuable emotional management skills. If you've had a difficult day, verbalise how you're feeling and explain how you plan to handle it, such as "I'm a bit worked-up, so I'm going for a walk to clear my mind."

3 TEACH PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS

Helping children break down challenges into manageable steps encourages a proactive mindset. Explain that every problem has a solution, even if it's not immediately obvious. For example, if a child is stuck on homework, support them in breaking the task into smaller steps, saying things like "Let's focus on just this first question for now."

4 FOSTER A GROWTH MINDSET

Encourage young people to view mistakes as learning opportunities. A growth mindset helps them see setbacks as part of the process, rather than something to be upset about. After a child loses a game or performs poorly on a test, for example, ask them what they've learned from the experience. This reinforces the idea that effort – and even failure – leads to improvement.

5 PROMOTE SELF-CARE PRACTICES

Teaching children about self-care helps them understand the importance of balancing work with relaxation to maintain emotional wellbeing. Parents and carers could start a screen-free hour before bedtime where the family engages in relaxing activities like reading, setting an example to the child for how to unwind.

6 BUILD HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

Strong relationships with peers and adults provide a support system that enhances resilience. Encourage positive, respectful interactions to develop social skills. Playdates or group activities can be instrumental in teaching children how to resolve conflicts with friends by modelling and practicing calm communication.

7 SUPPORT EMOTIONAL AWARENESS

Helping children to identify and name their emotions allows them to manage those feelings more effectively. When a child's upset, encourage them to talk to you about what they're feeling in an empathetic and supportive manner, and ask them why they might be experiencing these emotions.

8 ENCOURAGE INDEPENDENCE

Giving children opportunities to make their own decisions boosts confidence and problem-solving skills. A good example of this would be letting children choose and pack their own lunches for school, guiding them with options but allowing them to assume responsibility for the task to help them take ownership.

9 DEVELOP COPING STRATEGIES

Teaching children techniques like mindfulness, deep breathing or journaling can help them to manage stress. Show them how to perform breathing exercises when they're feeling anxious, and practise this regularly. Reinforcing this behaviour in young people will make it easier for them to use these techniques of their own accord during stressful moments.

10 CELEBRATE SMALL WINS

Recognising effort, no matter how small, reinforces perseverance and encourages children to keep trying. After a child completes a difficult task, makes progress on a project or reaches another type of personal goal, praise their efforts. Emphasise the hard work they've put in and be sure to let them know how proud you are!

Meet Our Expert

Adam Gillett is Associate Vice Principal for Personal Development at Penistone Grammar School and works on secondment one day a week for Minds Ahead, which works with schools on improving their mental health provisions.



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