



ST. LAURENCE'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Friday 9th December

PANTO

Year 1 – Year 6 will be attending The Courtyard on Friday 16th December to see Beauty & the Beast. We will be arriving back at school **around 5pm.**

Children will be dismissed from their classrooms as they would on a normal school day, this will enable them to collect bags and belongings, as well as being safer than releasing the children to parents in Old Street.

All children will need a packed lunch, which will be eaten in the classroom before they catch the bus. **School packed lunches cannot be ordered in the last week as we need to order the food in advance.**

Snow White - Reception & Nursery: packed lunches will be needed and these should also be booked by Monday. Nursery and reception children will be back in time for 3.15pm collection.

Bravo!!!

Well done to our younger children in the infants for entertaining us so well earlier on this week: with a *fabulous* performance of, “**Lights; Camel; Action**” and a charming Nativity. Our older children have been busy rehearsing for the Carol Concert next week and singing at the college and Betjeman House, to great acclaim. (photos on the next page)

We have an action packed week coming up with Carols; Christmas Dinner; Christmas parties/Christmas Jumper Day and of course the pantomime on the last day of term!!

Useful Resources

Visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/HAF to sign up for the HAF e-newsletter.

You will receive fantastic top tips, free resources, links to local services and opportunities.

Contact us:

HAF programme@shropshire.gov.uk

@ShropFamilyInfo, #HAFSHROPSHIRE, #HAF2022

www.facebook.com/shropshirefamilyinfo

This opportunity is provided as part of the government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme being delivered across Shropshire during 2021 to 2024. Visit the government website for more information on the national programme.

Shropshire Council are not responsible for the content on the third-party websites that we provide links to (although all links are made in good faith). All the activities listed are provided by professional organisations delivering excellent high-quality programmes.

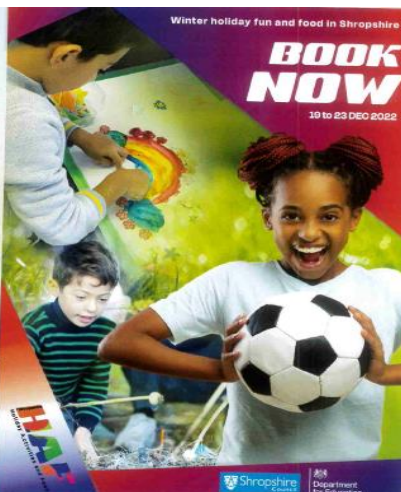
All organisations have safeguarding policies, DBS certificates, insurance and risk assessments in place and will be following government guidelines regarding COVID-19.

www.shropshire.gov.uk/HAF



Your unique code is:

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Winter holiday fun and food in Shropshire

BOOK NOW

10 to 23 DEC 2022



14th December

Christmas Carol Concert
at

St. Laurence's Church – 10am.
All parents are welcome



Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 15th December

50p in aid of Save the Children
payable through School
Money



Come and Join....

**THE
LIVING NATIVITY**



Street Theatre...

Real Donkey



Ludlow Town Band



**Hot
Chocolate
& Mince Pies
for all**



Tuesday 13th December - 6pm

Start: Peace Memorial, Castle Square, Ludlow.
Ends around 7pm at the Castle.

In severe weather the event will be held in St. Laurence's

For any enquiries please email ludlowmethodist@outlook.com



School closes for Christmas on
Friday 16th December and
re-opens on Wednesday 4th
January 2023.

Tuesday 3rd January is a PD Day



Spring Term Swimming

Year 4 swimming – Starts Thursday 12th Jan for 5 weeks - up to and including Thursday 9th Feb.

Year 3 swimming – Starts Thursday 2nd March for 5 weeks –up to and including Thursday 30th March



Job Vacancy

Teaching Assistant L3-St Laurence CE Primary School

DBS Required - Yes

Contract Type - Fixed Term

End Date (if FTC or Temp) 31.08.23

Weeks Per Year - 43.6

Hours Per Week - 25

Grade - NJC Grade 6

Actual Salary - £12,754.58 per annum

Location/Work base -

St Laurence CE Primary School

Required Start Date - ASAP

Interview Date - 10/01/2023

Closing Date - 06/01/2023

For more information visit:

<https://careers.shropshire.gov.uk/vacancy/teaching-assistant-l3st-laurence-ce-primary-school-507266.html>

Job Vacancy

Senior Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant
St Laurence CE Primary School

DBS Required - Yes

Contract Type - Permanent

Weeks Per Year - 43.60

Hours Per Week - 6.25

Grade - NJC Grade 3

Actual Salary - £2,937.71 Per annum

Location/Work base - St Laurence CE Primary School

Required Start Date - ASAP

Interview Date - 12.01.23

Closing Date - 06/01/2023

For more information visit:

<https://careers.shropshire.gov.uk/vacancy/senior-lunchtime-supervisory-assistant-509009.html>

Admission to Reception

If you have a child born between Sept.1st 2018 and Aug. 31st 2019, it is now time to apply for their place in school. Please apply on-line no later than **15th January 2023** at

www.Shropshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

If you do not have internet access or require further information please contact the Admissions Team on 0345 678 9008 if in doubt, please speak to Mrs Nash or Mrs Tonkinson who will assist you.

30 Hours Funding

Any parents that are claiming for 30 hours nursery funding, please ensure that you have renewed your claim by 31st December to receive funding in the Spring term.

Please could we remind parents to telephone or email the school before 9am to notify us of any absence. admin@st-laurenceprimary.com 01584 872766. If we do not hear from you children will be marked as unauthorised.

Jewellery: Jewellery should not be worn or brought into school. Watches can be worn but no responsibility for damage or loss can be accepted.

We also ask that nail varnish is not worn in school.

The school cannot accept responsibility for injuries caused by the wearing of earrings. **Children with pierced ears who need to wear earrings should only wear the stud type** (no hoops or dangly earrings) and they must be removed or covered for PE.



UK Health
Security
Agency

Dear Parent(s) / Carer(s),

Re: Increase in scarlet fever

We are writing to inform you of a recent [national/local] increase in notifications of scarlet fever to the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), above seasonal expected levels.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the signs, symptoms and the actions to be taken if you think that you or your child might have scarlet fever.

Signs and symptoms of scarlet fever

Scarlet fever is a common childhood infection caused by *Streptococcus pyogenes*, or group A Streptococcus (GAS). It is not usually serious, but should be treated with antibiotics to reduce the risk of complications (such as pneumonia) and spread to others. The early symptoms of scarlet fever include sore throat, headache, fever, nausea and vomiting. After 12 to 48 hours, the characteristic red, pinhead rash develops, typically first appearing on the chest and stomach, then rapidly spreading to other parts of the body, and giving the skin a sandpaper-like texture. The scarlet rash may be harder to spot on darker skin, although the 'sandpaper' feel should be present. Patients typically have flushed cheeks and be pale around the mouth. This may be accompanied by a bright red red 'strawberry' tongue.

If you think you, or your child, might have scarlet fever:

- contact your GP or NHS 111 as soon as possible
- make sure that you or your child take(s) the full course of any antibiotics prescribed. Although you or your child will feel better soon after starting the course of antibiotics, you must complete the course to ensure that you do not carry the bacteria in your throat after you have recovered
- stay at home, away from nursery, school or work for at least 24 hours after starting the antibiotic treatment, to avoid spreading the infection

You can help stop the spread of infection through frequent hand washing and by not sharing eating utensils, clothes, bedding and towels. All contaminated tissues should be disposed of immediately.

Invasive Group A Strep (iGAS)

The same bacteria which cause scarlet fever can also cause a range of other types of infection such as skin infections (impetigo) and sore throat. In very rare cases, the bacteria can get into the bloodstream and cause an illness called invasive group A strep (iGAS). Whilst still very uncommon, there has been an increase in iGAS cases this year, particularly in children under 10 years old. It is very rare for children with scarlet fever to develop iGAS infection.

As a parent, you should trust your own judgement.

Contact NHS 111 or your GP if:

- your child is getting worse
- your child is feeding or eating much less than normal
- your child has had a dry nappy for 12 hours or more or shows other signs of dehydration
- your baby is under 3 months and has a temperature of 38C, or is older than 3 months and has a temperature of 39C or higher
- your baby feels hotter than usual when you touch their back or chest, or feels sweaty
- your child is very tired or irritable

Call 999 or go to A&E if:

- your child is having difficulty breathing – you may notice grunting noises or their tummy sucking under their ribs
- there are pauses when your child breathes
- your child's skin, tongue or lips are blue
- your child is floppy and will not wake up or stay awake

Stop the spread

During periods of high incidence of scarlet fever, there may also be an increase in outbreaks in schools, nurseries and other childcare settings. Children and adults with suspected scarlet fever should stay off nursery / school / work until **24 hours** after the start of appropriate antibiotic treatment. Good hygiene practice such as hand washing remains the most important step in preventing and controlling spread of infection.

Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th December



Breakfast with Santa

9am - 11am

Choose between pancakes, sausage sandwich or bacon sandwich.

Tea with Santa

4pm - 6pm

Choose between chicken nuggets, sausage or vegetarian sausage and chips with peas or beans.

£8.50 per person

Booking essential

Book at reception or call

01588 676 060



**Shropshire Hills
Discovery Centre**

the home of Grow Cook Learn

www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk
info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk
01588 676060

School Road, Craven Arms SY7 9RS
Grow Cook Learn, a registered charity:
1158795



Enjoy Breakfast OR Tea

**Meet Santa and his elves
and take home a gift**

Make a Christmas decoration

**Post your letter in
Santa's special letterbox**
Letter writing packs available

All children must be accompanied by an adult

Presents



Held in the rotunda Cinema Room

Adult £5.50 child £3.50

Family £16 (2 adults, 3 children)

call 01588 676 060 or pop in to book

Wednesday 21st December

Film starts at 5pm

Hot dogs, pizza, popcorn and crafts from 4pm

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FUN

Christmas Crafts

Wednesday 21st December



Do crafts that go with Christmas from around the world. Gingerbread from Germany, a Swedish paper candle, crown or star ornament, Filipino star suncatcher, Mexican Poinsettia and Ukrainian Spider Web Ornament.

£4.40 per accompanied child aged 4 – 11 years, £3.96 for members. Drop in between 11am and 3pm.



Winter Crafts

Tuesday 27th December



Make puffy paint snowmen and polar bears, snowflakes of various sorts, melted snowman biscuits and more.

£4.40 per accompanied child aged 4 – 11 years, £3.96 for members. Drop in between 11am and 3pm.



New Year's Eve Children's Celebration

Saturday 31st December

Celebrate New Year's Eve with us. Make a New Year's treat, a confetti popper, a noise maker and more.

£4.40 per accompanied child aged 4 – 11 years, £3.96 for members.

Drop in between 11am and 3pm.




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