



# Wistanstow CE Primary School Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers

This week, I have been to visit the Craven Arms Food Bank to deliver the donations collected over the past few weeks and to meet more of the volunteers who support the food bank. This small but vital service is available to anyone in the community who may need a little extra help as happens from time to time. As a result of this visit, I am now able to make referrals to the food bank for anyone in the area.

Thank you to all who have responded to the parent voice survey around the distinct Christian nature of our school. Your views really do matter and help to inform the next stages of our school's development. There is still time to share your thoughts.

Do join us for our Easter Service at Holy Trinity, Wistanstow on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm. It has been a delight to listen to the rehearsals going on in school. We will be joined by Wistanstow Under 5s and Reud. Dr Steve Alston again for prayers and a blessing.

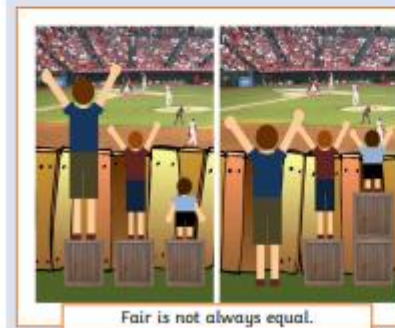
Sue Phillips  
Head of School

Wistanstow School - Growing and Learning Together



The Parable of the sower

Our Christian value this term is **JUSTICE**



Sometimes, in order to do the right thing, we need to work hard to seek out the whole story.

## Food Bank Friday



Wistanstow CE Primary School are collecting on Fridays for Craven Arms Food Bank.  
Please bring your donations to the school office.

Thank you for your generosity.



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## Dates for your diary



Wednesday Afternoons	Class 3, Team Talk with Shrewsbury Town Football Club.
Tuesday 19th March	Easter Service at Wistanstow Church
Wednesday 20th March	Easter Special Menu
Thursday 21st March	Class 3 Trip to Malvern Theatre Class 2 PE Event at Church Preen
Friday 22nd March	School Nursing Team visiting
Thursday 11th–Friday 12th April	Class 2 Pioneer Centre Residential
Tuesday 23rd–Thursday 25th April	Class 3 Residential at Oakerwood
Friday 26th April	Pizza Party Special Menu
Wednesday 1st May	Cricket Engagement Day
Thursday 16th May	Scholastic Book Fair
Sunday 19th May	Wistanstow Bike Show

### Private Tutors

We are aware that sometimes parents choose to hire a private tutor for their children. Please remember that it is your responsibility to ensure that anyone you are “hiring” as a private tutor, has the appropriate credentials and safer recruitment checks in place. Always ask to see their DBS documentation and recent references.



Hello from the Family Information Service (FIS for short).

Our job is to give you the info and resources you need to help your family life run a little smoother.

We can help with:

- Childcare - finding it and advice on paying for it
- Local baby and toddler groups
- Events, activities, and fun things to do in the school holidays,
- Support for parents and families

We cover everything and anything to do with family life, so if you have a question, chances are we'll be able to help, or if we can't, we'll point you in the direction of someone who can.

Follow us on social media for all the latest news and info, or [sign up for our brand new newsletter](#).



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We are very excited about our upcoming residential!

Pioneer Residential for Class 2 is Thursday 11th April – Friday 12th April.

Oakerwood Residential for Class 3 is Tuesday 23rd April – Thursday 25th April.

Thank you for making your payments on time.



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Well done to all of our Wistanstow Stars!







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## class 1

[Here is a link to our Just Giving Page for our Comic Relief Fun Run.](#)

The children had a great time and came back filthy.  
This was definitely a trip to remember! Photos will be shared next week.



During RE this week, we decorated crosses to remind us of the Easter story.



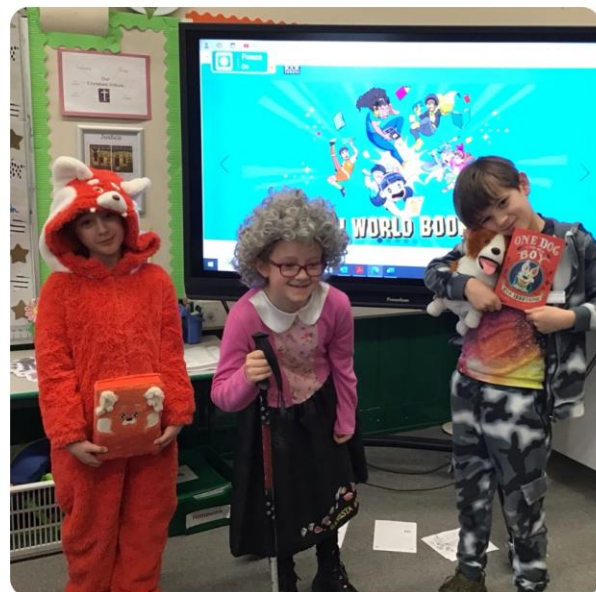




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Class 2 all came dressed in fantastic costumes for World Book Day.

Well done Class 2!



PIC•COLLAGE

Class 3  
World Book Day







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### Stokesay Church Easter Saturday

**Family Easter gathering and  
big egg hunt.**



Join us at St John the Baptist Church,  
**Stokesay** as we celebrate Easter with a big  
egg hunt and the Easter Story.

All ages are welcome.

**Saturday 30th March 2.30 to 3.30**

## Get creative! Get inspired!

*Celebrate Easter with crafts and the  
best story ever!*



Join us at **Laila's Café, Craven Arms** for  
Easter Crafts, and the Easter Story.

All ages are welcome.

**Tuesday 26th March 10.30 to 12 noon.**



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# DRAW A DRAGON COMPETITION

### All ages welcome

Draw a dragon and tell us its name.

The winning entry will receive a made-to-match bespoke needlefelt miniature dragon complete with a short history of its species. (Created by our Archivist and Resident Artist)

Email [shropshiredragonsopg@aol.com](mailto:shropshiredragonsopg@aol.com) for more information

Competition run by Dragons of Shropshire. No cash prize alternative. Entries independently judged.

Competition open  
1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> March  
2024

Be inspired by our  
County.

Draw, paint or  
sketch a dragon &  
give it a name.

Winner announced  
5<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Everyone is  
welcome to join  
in!

### ENTRIES TO

[shropshiredragonsopg@aol.com](mailto:shropshiredragonsopg@aol.com)

or to

Burway Books, Church  
Stretton

# Health

## Measles

Cases of measles are increasing in the UK, including in the West Midlands, and it's likely that there will be cases in Shropshire soon.

Measles is a viral illness that can be serious and sometimes fatal. Spending 15 minutes with someone with measles is enough to get the virus.

Symptoms of measles include high fever, runny nose, cough, red and watery eyes, small red spots with a bluish-white centre inside the mouth. A rash can appear later, usually on the face, upper neck, hands and feet, fading after 5 to 6 days. If you've not been vaccinated against measles, you can be at risk, but it's most common in young children. Someone with measles can spread the virus up to 4 days before a rash appears, and up to 4 days after.

Measles can have serious and sometimes fatal consequences, so make sure you and your children are up to date with MMR vaccinations and ask your GP about catch-up jabs if needed. The MMR vaccine is highly effective at protecting against measles.

If you are unsure if your child is up to date with all their routine vaccinations, you can check their Red Book (personal child health record) in the first instance. If you are still not sure, or if you need to bring your child up to date with their vaccines, you should contact their GP practice to check and book an appointment.

If you are concerned that your child has measles, please call your GP in the first instance, to reduce the risk of passing the disease to others in the waiting room.

For further information about Measles and the MMR Vaccination, please see the NHS website.

[Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

[MMR \(measles, mumps and rubella\) vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)