# The Brockton Bulletin

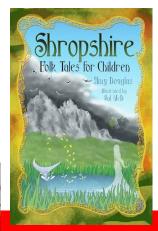
9th February 2024



On Monday 29th January, Reception and KS1 children enjoyed a visit to Church Preen School where Local author Amy Douglas shared her book 'Shropshire Folk Tales For Children'









#### Spring Term Dates

**February** 

Monday 26th February
School Nurse Hygiene Visit
Wednesday 28th February
Federation KS2 Shropshire Sings at
Brockton 1.15pm-2.45pm

March

Thursday 7th March
World Book Day
Tuesday 12th March
Parent/Carer Meeting 3.20pm -6pm
Wednesday 13th March
Parent/Carer Meeting 3.20pm-5.30pm
Wednesday 13th March
WBS Swimming Gala (Y3-Y6) 9.15am11.30am

**Tuesday 19th March** Y6 and Reception Height and Weight screen

Thursday 21st March
Yr3/4 Federation sports inclusion @
Church Preen, 9am
Thursday 21st March
Easter Service @ Bourton Church, 2pm
Friday 22nd March

Cressage Cup Broseley 9.30am-12.30pm

Friday 22nd March
FOBs Boats and Bonnets 1pm
Friday 22nd March
Last day of term

April Monday 8th April First day of summer term

Afterschool Club Provision 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Monday

Football Club (Mr Bourton)

or

Afterschool Club (Mrs Carver)

Tuesday

JAM 'Jesus And Me' (Mrs Carver)

**Wednesday** Afterschool Club (Mrs Carver)

#### Fortnightly Message from

#### **Mrs Hunt**



My thanks first of all to everyone in FOBS (and their "helpers") for all of the hard work that has gone into the playground refurbishment so far. It has been a lot of work for all of the volunteers but they have saved a huge amount on the budget by undertaking much of the preparation work themselves - this will go back into FOBS funds for the benefit of all of our pupils. I'm sure you will agree the work that has been completed so far on the new fence has already significantly improved the playground. The new playground equipment is scheduled for installation during half term so hopefully we will have everything ready for the children's return to school. It has been a huge project to fundraise for over the past few years so it is fantastic to see everything finally coming together. Thank you to everyone involved!

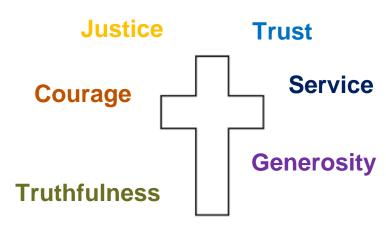
I would also like to thank Adam Hayward for all of the voluntary work he has done recently on ensuring that the trees affected by Ash Dieback around the playground were made safe – it was a huge job so thank you!

Thank you also to FOBS for putting on another very successful film night earlier this week and particular thanks to Year 6 pupils Will Furniss and Horatio Diamond for helping with the event and the clearing up afterwards.

Finally this week a big "well done" to our dance group for such a successful performance at the William Brookes Dance Festival on Tuesday evening. They were one of the few schools whose pupils had choreographed their whole performance themselves and they were a credit to Brockton.

Enjoy your half term break and see you all back in school on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**.

#### **Our Christian Values**



### This half of term our Christian value focus is

#### Courage

'Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.'

Joshua 1.9

Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the little voice at the end of the day that says I'll try again tomorrow.

(Mary Anne Radmacher)

Courage is not the absence of fear. It is acting in spite of it.

(Mark Twain)

Can you remember a time when you thought I've just got to keep trying?

If you have courage to begin, you have the courage to succeed.

(Mary Anne Radmacher)

Everyone feels scared sometimes. Have you ever overcome your fears and achieved something that you're proud of?

A person cannot discover new oceans unless he has the courage to lose sight of the shore.

(Andre Gide)

## Our School Menu



Please note change to menu on Fridays in Week 2,

Main option is Sausage Roll

Vegetarian option is Cheese Pizza





#### Polite reminder:

Please make sure your SCHOOL MONEY account is topped up to pay for school meals ordered.

To check if your child is eligible for free school meals and find out how to apply go to:

https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/-free-school-meals

# **CLASS NEWS**

#### Class 1

Class 1 have had a very busy fortnight! We have had two visits and two special visitors.

Class 1 went to Church Preen to see the storyteller Amy Douglas. Her stories were very funny and the children listened beautifully. We then went to William Brookes where we split into groups and carried out lots of different activities. Class 1 listened so carefully to the instructions from the sports leaders. Mrs Benbow came into school on her birthday to share with us the Parable of the Sower. Class 1 always make such thoughtful comments. Today Raj the school nurse came into school to talk to us about brushing our teeth. Class 1 knew exactly what they needed to do to brush carefully. They knew which foods were healthy to eat and which were bad for our teeth. They are bringing tick charts home to encourage them to brush their teeth twice a day. The children in Class 1 are definitely ready for a rest, they have worked so hard. Have a wonderful half term and recharge those batteries!

#### Class 2

Wow-this has been a whirlwind of a short half term and I think Class Two are all ready for a rest!

The children really enjoyed their science investigation to see how well they brushed their teeth! They couldn't believe how blue/purple and red their teeth looked after chewing the disclosing tablet. We all reminded each other that we need to brush for 2 minutes and 2 times a day. Well investigated C2! In maths this week we are all looking at different ways of solving multiplication facts and how if you know 3 times tables, you can work out the 6 times tables. Keep reminding your child to keep up with their TTRS practice. In Literacy, we are looking at poetry and are discussing Kennings. We know a lovely Kenning we have already studied in our RE lessons and recited to you in Well done assembly. We should have our own versions ready soon. In Art, we have nearly completed our Aboriginal pieces of work. We have used cotton buds to recreate the dots that were typically used in earth colours. I hope you all have a lovely half term, enjoy the rest!

#### Class 3

Class 3 have been enjoying practical work in science. Last week we were cleaning muddy water. The children experimented with a variety of materials to use as filters. After an hour of filtering, it was surprising to see how clean the water was. Our challenge this week is separating a mixture of sand and salt. Class 3 will be using their knowledge of dissolving, soluble materials and evaporation - along with their filtering skills - to separate the two materials. In maths we have been studying square numbers and prime numbers and solving problems involving multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. In R.E. we have explored more evidence in the Bible to support the Christian belief that Jesus was the Messiah.

## Stars of the week



Out of school super stars

Please share your children's achievements with us in our weekly well done assemblies. All are welcome to join us every Friday afternoon at 2.45pm



# Important parent information regarding the rise in cases of measles

#### Please read the information below

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. More information on measles can be found <a href="here">here</a> and information on the MMR vaccine can be found <a href="here">here</a>.



## Blind Bart Collective Worship



This week we reflected upon the story of Blind Bartimaeus being healed by Jesus., We can make a difference if we stop, listen and show care for those around us. Watch it again here. https://voutu.be/iBN9k3W1ZvY

#### Further ideas for reflecting

When was the last time someone asked you for help and what did you do?



#### Retell Bart's Story

Listen to this song that retells Bart's story in the first person. <u>Jason Bellard</u>
<u>-Blind Bartimaeus - YouTube</u> Have a go at writing your own poem to retell the story from Bart's point of view. What did it feel like for him before and after his encounter with Jesus? What do you think he would do next?

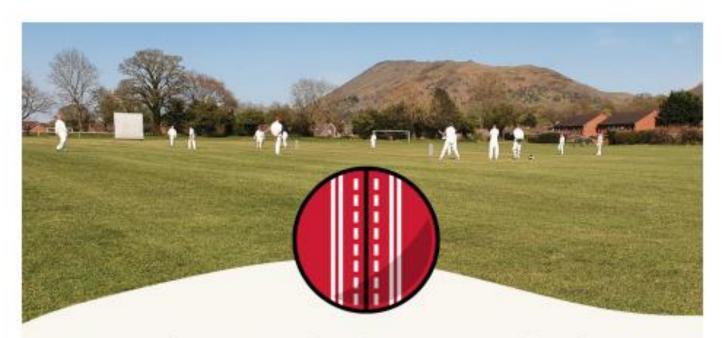
Watch this clip from the Jesus film, a retelling of the healing of Bart JESUS, (English), Healing of the Blind Beggar, Bartimaeus (youtube.com)

How did Bart's life change as result of meeting Jesus? How did this change other people's ideas about Jesus? Why do you think Jesus asked him what he wanted?



Changed View—Use the glasses below to draw a picture to write/draw an image of how Bart would've felt before and after meeting Jesus.





## Junior cricket training

at Church Stretton Leisure Centre

Sessions run by ECB qualified coaches for boys and girls

Costs £5 per child per session

Starts Saturday 2 March

for six weeks

10am - 11am for years 3, 4, 5, 6 11am - 12pm for under 13s, 14s and 15s



For more information, call 07967571044 or email churchstrettoncricketclub@gmail.com



JAM Club runs every Tuesday from 3.30 - 4.15pm at a cost of £3

The club is run by Mrs Carver

If you wish to join the JAM Club please book a space via School Money.



#### Shropshire Parent and Carer Council Monthly Newsletter. January 2024

Welcome to PACC's monthly newsletter.

If you have any questions or require any further information, please email:

info@paccshropshire.org.uk

#### **PACC Annual Report**

PACC has been working hard to improve how it shares information with the Shropshire SEND Community, as part of this the PACC Annual Report for the period November 2022 to October 2023, has taken on a new look. Our Annual Report is now structured around our three new work area headings:

- Influence & Change
- Information Provision
- Community Support

Each work area is has a specific colour reflecting PACC's branding and to help identify in broad terms what the information is about.

Our hope is that this brings more clarity to our role and ensures that the Shropshire SEND Community's has a good understanding of what we do and how we work. We have also taken the opportunity to share some of the lovely photographs we have to celebrate the amazing children and young people who are at the heart of our community. ONLINE SURVE

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#### SEND Transport Update

READ MORE

SEND Transport is currently under review by Shropshire Council. PACC have shared several updates over the last 12 months about this, and have made representations to Shropshire Council encouraging coproduction throughout the process. They have now announced engagement sessions are to be delivered where families can present their views on SEND Transport options and inform the process further.

We would encourage families to consider how not having SEND Transport. would impact your lives, how the provision can be improved, and how the process of applying and accessing transport can be delivered so that families feel supported and cared for.

Included in our article is a survey from Shropshire Council to help them arrange the engagement sessions and a survey from us to help shape our ongoing input and what we say to Shropshire Council to inform and influence the process.



