

The Brockton Bulletin

1st March 2024



The Brockton children have thoroughly enjoyed the new play equipment.

A big thank you to everyone that was involved in raising funds, donating, giving up their free time to clear away the old play equipment and putting up the new colourful fence.

A special thanks to FOBs, Nick Martin, Adam Hayward, Chris Morris and Geoff Priest and everyone else for making this happen.



Spring Term Dates

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

Thursday 14th March

Swimming Gala @ Bridgnorth

Endowed (Y3-Y6) 9.15am-11.30am

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

Summer Term Dates

April

Monday 8th April

First day of summer term

Thursday 11th April

Y3/Y4 Pioneer Residential

Friday 12th April

Y3/Y4 Pioneer Residential

May

Thursday 23rd May

Climbing Wall

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



Hello everyone,

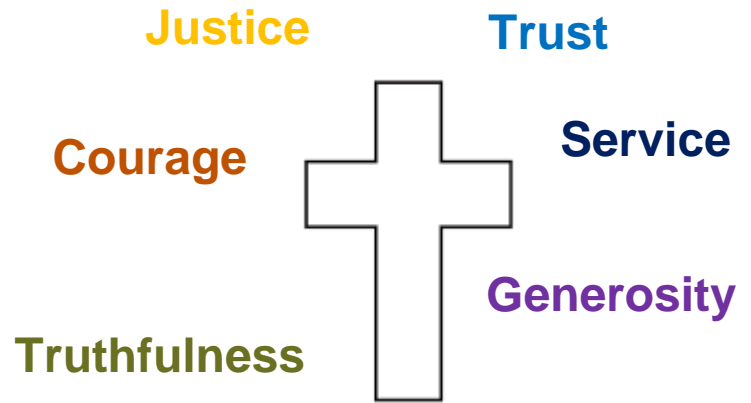
It was fantastic to come back after half term to see all of the new play equipment in place with the new fence really setting off the playground and providing a much safer barrier along the side of the wood and brook. Thank you so much to everyone from FOBS for all of your hard work both in your amazing fundraising efforts and all of the volunteers who rolled up their sleeves and dug, carried, cemented and sawed to ensure that every penny of the massive amount raised could be spent on providing such lovely new resources for our children to enjoy.

It is always a pleasure to welcome Mrs Benbow into school as she has continued her regular "Godly Play" visits this week. We are so lucky to have our connection with Mrs Benbow who volunteers her time with us to create such beautiful and thought-provoking learning opportunities for all of the children.

It was great to see our fellow federation pupils from Church Preen and Wistanstow who joined us at Brockton for an afternoon workshop, led by the Shropshire Music Service, to practice our songs for the Shropshire Sings performance by pupils from Year 3 to Year 6 in Shrewsbury in June. We have managed to secure a few more tickets for the performance, so if your child would like to attend, please confirm with Mrs Duce in the school office by Monday.

Finally, this week, a big thank you to the Harrison family for a very generous donation of books to the school library. As such a big "reading school" we are always on the lookout for new and interesting books for our children to enjoy. The books will have a really big impact in our school library and we are looking forward to sharing them!

Our Christian Values



This half term Christian value focus is:

Justice

'Learn to do right. Seek justice.'

Isaiah 1.17

Justice cannot be for one side alone but must be for both.

(Eleanor Roosevelt)

Earth provides enough to satisfy every man's greed.

(Mahatma Gandhi)

Do you think about what is fair for others as well as what is fair for yourself?

If you want peace, work for justice.

Overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity; it is an act of justice.

(Nelson Mandela)

(Pope Paul VI)

Why do you think Pope Paul VI believed justice was essential to having peace?

Our School Menu

WEEK 1 *Fresh DINING*

MONDAY Everyday favourites
TUESDAY Mid-week roast
WEDNESDAY Mid-week roast
THURSDAY Mid-week roast
FRIDAY Take-away day

SAMMY SWEETCORN SAYS...
'Enjoy your lunch'

OPTION 1	Pork Sausages & Gravy	BBQ Chicken	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	SpagheTTi Bolognaise	Chicken Nuggets
OPTION 2	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans v	Vegetarian Sausage Roll v	Cheese & Potato Pie v	Vegetable Goujons v	Pizza Selection v
CARBS	Mashed Potatoes or Crusty Bread	Pasta or Diced Potatoes	Roast & New Potatoes	Garlic & Herb Bread or Potato Wedges	Potato Crunchies or Pasta
PUDDING	Mousse	Waffle	Iced Cake	Cookies	Fruity Friday A selection of chilled, frozen & fresh fruit desserts

ALL SERVED WITH - A choice of two vegetables, baked beans, freshly prepared seasonal salads, crusty bread, fresh fruit salad & yoghurts

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Please note change to menu on Fridays in Week 2,
Main option is Sausage Roll
Vegetarian option is Cheese Pizza

WEEK 2 *Fresh DINING*

MONDAY Everyday favourites
TUESDAY Mid-week roast
WEDNESDAY Mid-week roast
THURSDAY Mid-week roast
FRIDAY Take-away day

SAMMY SWEETCORN SAYS...
'Enjoy your lunch'

OPTION 1	Fish Finger Fish Cake or Fish Shape	Breaded Chicken Steak	Roast Beef Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Chicken Tikka Masala	Pizza Selection
OPTION 2	Mac 'n' Cheese v	Quorn Bolognaise v	Roasted Quorn Fillet & Gravy v	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans v	Nacho Bites v
CARBS	Diced Potatoes or Crusty Bread	Potato Crunchies or Garlic & Herb Bread	Roast & Mashed Potatoes	Rice or Potato Wedges	Chips
PUDDING	Chocolate Crunch	Waffle	Ice-cream Tub	Toffee Apple Slice Custard	Fruity Friday A selection of chilled, frozen & fresh fruit desserts

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WEEK 3 *Fresh DINING*

MONDAY Everyday favourites
TUESDAY Mid-week roast
WEDNESDAY Mid-week roast
THURSDAY Mid-week roast
FRIDAY Take-away day

SAMMY SWEETCORN SAYS...
'Enjoy your lunch'

OPTION 1	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Beef Burger with tomato ketchup	Roast Pork Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Mac 'n' Cheese Chicken Bake	Shepherd's Pie
OPTION 2	BBQ Veggie Hot Dog v	Vegetable & Bean Burger v	Meat (free) Balls Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy v	Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans v	Pizza Selection v
CARBS	Pasta or Potato Crunchies	Diced Potatoes	Roast & New Potatoes	Potato Wedges or Garlic & Herb Bread	Chips
PUDDING	Flapjacks	Iced Cake	Waffle	Apple Puff Slice Custard	Fruity Friday A selection of chilled, frozen & fresh fruit desserts

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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

We have been learning about moles. They have 44 teeth!! We have been reading 'Mrs Mole I'm Home!' Class 1 have been trying really hard with their handwriting and joining, it looks fantastic. In maths we have been learning about measures. We have been measuring using the balances for weight and containers for capacity. Class 1 have been testing materials in science. We have tested the strength of paper, thought of the best material to make a teddy and made our own salt dough. Mrs Benbow was very impressed with Class 1 during Godly Play. She is always amazed by their thoughtful ideas. We had a visit from the school nurses on Monday. The children saw how germs were spread using glitter. All of the children have tried really hard with their assessments this week. I am extremely proud of them!

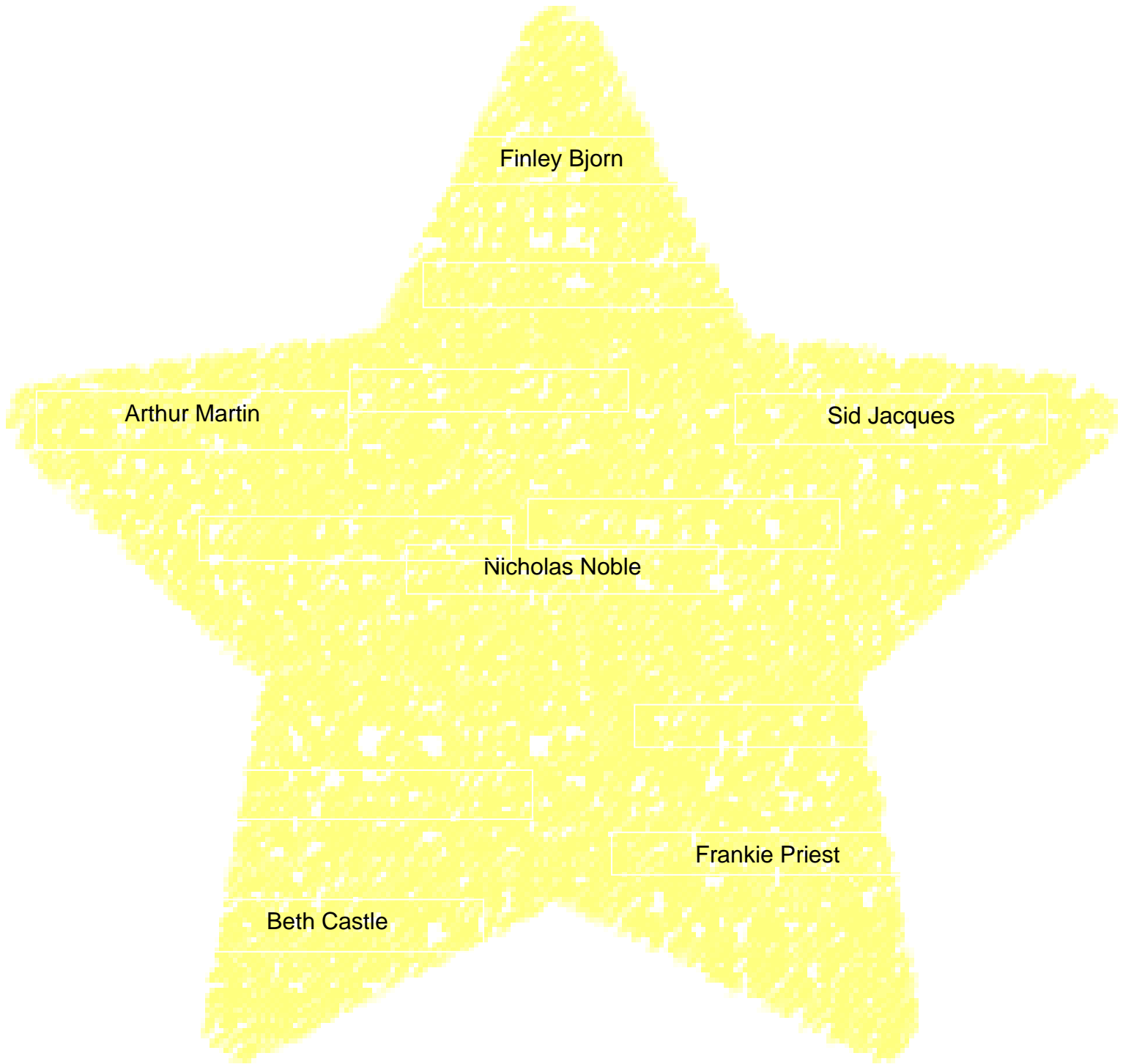
Class 2

Class 2 have been busy writing their metaphorical poems based on wild animals. We chose Wolves and Yaks. We used our developing handwriting skills and have produced a poetry book for our reading corner. In Maths we finished our unit on Multiplication, although we still need to continue to practise our Times tables. We got messy in science and used Mrs Cowper's tights to help us to model the digestive system in a practical way. There was lots of mess as we squeezed some crackers, a slice of bread, water and orange juice through one of the tights legs and made poo!! Great exploration Class 2. This week we have been kept busy with assessments. On Monday we had a clean start to the week with a visit from the school nurse about hygiene and hand washing. Then on Tuesday a thought provoking discussion with Catherine Benbow about Lent as part of Godly play sessions. We had questions such as 'How was love made?' 'How did Jesus survive in the wilderness?' and 'Where am I in the world?' A super busy two weeks.

Class 3

Class 3 have enjoyed discussing and reflecting on the issues raised in 'Cosmic' by Frank Cottrell Boyce. For our final piece of written work we have examined written interviews of authors and listened to several audio interviews including the Story Heroes interview and a good part of the authors time on Desert Island Discs. Having collected lots of information, the children are inventing their questions and writing their own interviews. In Science we have investigated the difference between dissolving and melting. And in PE we have started basketball and dance lessons. Our Geography work this term focuses on several case studies examining evidence of global warming.

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



Join us for
**Freshly Baked
Friday's**

After school this
Friday FOBS will be
selling Homemade
Brownies for £1.00

See you there!

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 [here](#) and information on the MMR vaccine can be found [here](#).

Understanding Anger: Yours & Theirs!

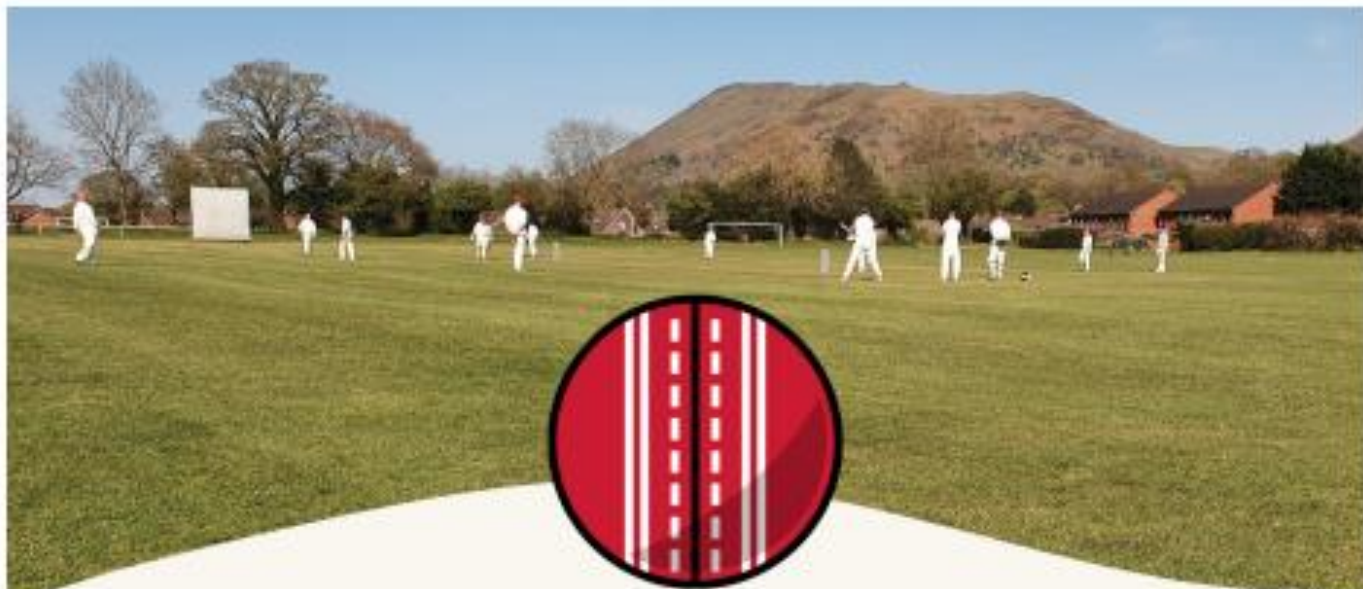


UNDERSTANDING ANGER

11th March 7-9pm £24

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE
giving a two hour talk to parents (and teachers),
explaining what anger is, why we have it
and how to manage it.

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk



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.

Table Tennis Club



Table Tennis club is
available on Wednesday's
12.30pm-1pm.

What have nursery been upto...



We had some very special visitors in nursery last week for Love Your Pets Day. Thank you to Edith and Mabel for letting us look after your pets and to Mrs. Cowper for bringing Floyd the dog to visit us.

We are thinking about toys this half term and have enjoyed reading, 'Harry and His Bucket of Dinosaurs' and 'Where's my Teddy?'. Then we made our own dinosaurs and teddies in art. We have been talking about our favourite toys and why we love them. Later, we are going to bring our favourite toys into nursery and make our own book all about them.

We really love the new playground equipment and have been outside every day to enjoy it. Thank you to FOBS for getting it for us.





Shropshire Sings KS2 Federation rehearsal

On Wednesday we invited our friends from Church Preen and Wistanstow for a singing rehearsal. This was to mark the start of our preparations for Shropshire Sings on Monday June 10th.

We were led by Sarah from the Shropshire Music with support from the teachers. We had a fantastic time. It was lovely to hear the sound coming out of the hall. We are so excited to be taking part.



Can you help?



As some of you may be aware Mrs Wright is our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA). To support her work, she would appreciate any donations of any unwanted/ good condition Orchard toys/games or jigsaws.

Thank you



- Would you like to know more about why sleep is important for our health and emotional well-being?
 - Does your child struggle with their sleep?
- Would you like to access help and support to improve sleep and bedtime routines?
 - Would you like to meet other parents/carers to share and discuss experiences?

SLEEP TIGHT WORKSHOP

Starts on Monday 15th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am
at Whitchurch Infants School, Station Road, SY13 1RJ

Starts Wednesday 17th April 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am
Virtually via MS Teams

Starts Monday 10th June 2024 from 12.30pm to 2.30pm
at Bridgnorth Youth Centre

Starts Wednesday 12th June 2024 from 9.30am to 11.30am
Virtually via MS Teams

The workshops are delivered virtually via MS Teams or face to face at a venue in Shropshire. Our workshops run for 5 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

To book a place on one of our workshops or for further information on the workshops we run please contact the Parenting Team by:
Emailing Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk
Or call us on 01743 250950

All our Workshops are free to Shropshire Council residents.



www.shropshire.gov.uk
General Enquiries: 0345 678 9000

- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need help and support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents and carers with children of a similar age?



UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD GROUPS From Toddler to Teen

Understanding Your Child starts on Wednesday 10th April 2024
From 12.30pm to 2.30pm in Shrewsbury at Sunflower House

Understanding Your Child SEND starts on Thursday 11th April 2024
from 9.30am to 11.30am Virtually via MS Teams

Understanding Your Child starts on Thursday 11th April 2024
From 1.15pm to 3.15pm in Bridgnorth at St Marys Bluecoat Primary School

Understanding Your Child SEND starts on Friday 12th April 2024
From 09.30am to 11.30am in Shrewsbury at Sunflower House

Understanding Your Child starts on Friday 12th April 2024
from 12.30pm to 2.30pm Virtually via MS Teams

The groups are delivered Virtually via MS Teams or Face to Face at a venue in Shropshire. All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays. SEND groups are for parents/carers of children who might have special educational needs and disabilities, no formal diagnosis is needed to attend the groups.

To book a place on one of our groups or for further information on the groups we run please contact the Parenting Team by: Emailing: Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call us on telephone: 01743 250950
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PARENTING HELP AND SUPPORT LINE

available

Monday to Thursday from 9.30am to 4.30pm
and

Friday 9.30am to 3.30pm

You can contact the Parenting Help and Support Line by calling
01743 250950

Parenthood can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. It can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting. The Parenting Team is here to help and support parents and carers to raise healthy, well-rounded children in a loving and stable environment.

Do you have any questions around your child's development and parenting?

Why not call our Parenting Help and Support Line where one of our trained Parenting Practitioners will be ready to listen.

(Please note the Parenting Help and Support Line will not operate on Bank Holidays)

If you have concerns about a child's safety or well-being, please call

First Point of Contact 0345 678 9021