



5th July
2019

Dear Home,

I saw this on Facebook and it just summed it all up for us at Oakmeadow...

So with a little edit here and there...we say...

"Today we close our classroom doors and hang our ID badge up....

Don't get us wrong– we absolutely love the summers! They are needed to rest, spark creativity, build new dreams for the next year and most importantly- to pour into our own families.

But something feels so hollow in these last days of cleaning, filing and closing doors.

For 180 days, 30 children have walked into our doorway. We have heard them laugh the deep down heal your heart belly laughs. We have held them through tears and covered boos boos with bandaids. We have known they were sick without a thermometer. We have watched them grow in all things academic. But, above all...We have watched them grow in confidence.

They have seen us laugh so hard. They have seen us cry. They knew our last nerve and right where to find it. They knew coffee is necessary...

Because...

We became a family.

...We worry about them over the summer. We wonder what teacher will fit them best next year. We think of what we could've done differently...or done more. We think of the silly moments and the maddening ones.

Then we pack it all up, close the door and think how lucky we are to have known them...to forever call them, "my kids" and to have the opportunity to begin again with new little faces who will, once again, become family. "

Happy summer!

With our whole heart,

The Oakmeadow Team

Dates For Your Diary	
July 2019	
Monday 8th	Move Up Fortnight begins
Wednesday 10th	Parent Picnic
Thursday 11th	PTA Disco
Monday 15th	Yr 6 Leavers' Night - Doors open 6:00pm
Wednesday 17th	Yr 6 Leavers Performance - 5:00pm
Friday 19th	Parent Picnic—information to Follow
Friday 19th	End Of Term
September 2019	
Wednesday 4th	Back To School

Letters out this month

Parent Picnic 10th July

PTA Disco

Bikeability

Move Up Meetings

New Class Allocation Letters



Copies of our letters are available on the school website & Blog.

<http://www.oakmeadowprimary.co.uk/website>

Reminder

Please can we ask parents to switch off their engines when collecting children from school, apparently an idling car emits enough gas each minute to fill 150 balloons!



Mrs Whelan's Mum has been very busy knitting woolly friends.
They can be purchased from school reception at £10 each.
All money raised will go towards developing our outside areas.



School Games Update

Last week was a really busy week for our teams who were representing our school in the School Games Days held up at the Sports Village. On Wednesday, children who attended the Dodgeball Club after school took part in the Level 2 competition, in what was a very competitive fixture. They did fantastically well, just missing out by losing in the Semi-final to Mount Pleasant, finishing 3rd overall.

We also had children taking part in the archery competition from Y5, two teams who finished 4th and 6th respectively and on Friday a team from Y5/6 taking part in the tri-golf. The golf was very competitive between our two teams, with only a difference of 80 or so points between them! This resulted in us finishing in 8th and 11th place overall out of 18 teams.

Well done to all children who took part. Upholding of our sporting values was clear to see, and the staff who attended had a very enjoyable time!



A message from the safer school team

Our school gates automatically close at 3.30pm, this is a safeguarding procedure so please ensure you allow plenty of time. If you are late for any reason (as we appreciate you may need to talk to a teacher etc), please do not hesitate to exit via the main reception.

Please ensure children with you are supervised at all times.

We endeavour to have a member of staff near the school gates at the start and end of the day, however this is not always possible. As the roads outside both gates get very busy particularly during drop-off and pick-up, it is essential to keep your children close to you.



Oakmeadow C of E Primary and Nursery School

Online Safety Newsletter: July 2019

More control over your broadband

Do you have Vodafone or Virgin Media Broadband? If yes, they have their own apps which give you further control over your internet access.

Vodafone Broadband App

- View and manage all devices on your network.
- Control when your Wi-Fi is on.
- Receive notifications when devices join your network for the first time.

Virgin Media Connect App

- See how many devices are connected to your WiFi.
- Pause access to the internet for particular devices.



TikTok Update (users must be 13+)

What is TikTok? Users can watch musical clips, record 60 second clips, edit them and add special effects. You must be over 13 years of age to use it so if you do choose to allow your child to set up an account then we recommend users have a private account to control who can see their videos and who can send them messages. Tik Tok also includes a 'Restricted mode' to limit the appearance of content that may be inappropriate. More information is available here:

http://support.tiktok.com/?ht_kb=for-parents

Parent Zone have recently updated their website with a full summary of what TikTok is and how it can be used more safely so we would highly recommend reading this if your child does use TikTok:

<https://parentzone.org.uk/article/tiktok-everything-you-need-know-about-video-production-app>

Books to read with your child

Childnet have released their latest Digiduck book, 'Digiduck's Famous Friend.' This book is available to read online here:

<https://www.childnet.com/resources/digiduck-stories/digiducks-famous-friend>

Parent Zone crisis messenger

Parent Zone have launched a new service: Crisis Messenger text service which provides free, 24/7 support across the UK. If you are experiencing a mental health crisis and need support, you can text PARENTZONE to 85258.

Further information available here:
<https://parentzone.org.uk/parent-zone-crisis-messenger>

Does your child have an Apple Device?

Have you set up Family Sharing with Apple? Family Sharing allows you to create an Apple ID for those under 13 (they are not allowed to do it themselves) or for children over 13 who have already set up their ID, you can add it to your family group. Once set up, you can limit what content your child can access and also enable 'Ask to Buy' (enabled by default for children under 13 and you'll be asked to set it up when adding anyone 13 – 18 years of age.)

With Ask to Buy, whenever a child tries to purchase or download something (from iTunes, Apple Books, App Store, In-App Purchases or iCloud storage), a request will be sent to you to review and either approve or decline the request.

Further information about setting up Family sharing and an Apple ID is available here:

<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201084>

Creative Destruction – PEGI 12

This is a Battle Royale survival game with similarities to Fortnite. 100 players are parachuted into a battlefield where the aim is to be the last player standing. It is rated as 12+ by the App store which means you should be aged over 12 years of age to play this game. This is due to the game containing mild realistic violence and mild mature/suggestive themes.

Chat facility

Creative Destructions contains voice and text chat systems which may contain inappropriate language.



In-app purchases

You should be aware that whilst this app is free to download, additional in app purchases in the form of diamonds can be made, ranging from £0.99 – £99 per item!

Further information

Common Sense Media have produced a further review about this app here: <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/app-reviews/creative-destruction>

PEGI ratings explained

If you see this rating on a game then it means the game refers to or depicts the use of illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco. Games with this content descriptor are always PEGI 16 or PEGI 18 meaning you should be over 16 or 18 years of age to play the game.



Roblox – PEGI rated 7+

Roblox has appeared in the news recently as a mother reported how her younger son was being groomed as a result of playing this game. It's important to stress that the child was contacted via a third-party app that was not connected to Roblox (source: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-48450604>) but if your child is playing Roblox please ensure you set up all parental controls and monitor their usage as well, play and watch the game with them and ensure they are not connecting with third party apps.

More information is available here: <https://en.help.roblox.com/hc/en-us/categories/200213830-Parents-Safety-and-Moderation>.

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Tickets available from:

School parents

School Reception

Violet James Boutique (Broadoak Cres)

email oakmeadowpta@yahoo.co.uk

or text 07779 726580

OVER £1000 OF PRIZES

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CLOTHING & BEAUTY

Handmade silver stud earrings from Amy Smith Jewellery
£50 gift voucher from Boden
Tote bag full of items from Boots
Selection of clothing and accessories worth over £80 from Brok Menswear
£40 Uniform Decostitch voucher
£15 Makeup & Tanning by Louise voucher
Body Shop Bathbubbles and body lotion from Sam's Beauty Bargains
A pair of gloves from Turtle Doves
Wash, cut & blow dry at Violet James Boutique
Disney rucksack & tationery, RMW Travel

HOME & GARDEN

Oak chopping board, Neff recipe book & tea towel from Abbey Kitchens
Two hour house clean, Your Dream Clean
Personalised box frame , Evelyn and Elliot
Oscillating garden sprinkler, Green Thumb
Framed Shrewsbury landscape print from Jamarmstrong (Etsy).
A plant from Potters of Shrewsbury
A framed geometric giraffe print from Romy Design
A selection of seeds from Thompson and Morgan

FOOD & DRINK

Afternoon tea for two at Abel's Harp
Fish and chips for two at Atlantic Fish Bar
£20 Gift Voucher for Daisy and Tilly's Shop donated by Bayfield Car Hire
Selection of cheeses from Belton Farm
500g Pick and Mix from Candyland
Sunday Lunch for 2 at The Compasses
Tanners Prosecco from Daisy and Tilly's
£25 voucher, The Fox at Ryton
2 x Large Pizzas fm Domino's Pizza
Bottle of White Wine from Earlsdale Garden Services.
£20 Gift Voucher from Gindifferent
£10 voucher from Shrewsbury Handy Veg
£25 voucher for Shropshire Wine School
Suzy's Slimming WorldGoody bag
£20 gift voucher for Sweet
Red and white wine from Tanners
£20 gift voucher for The Alb
A meal for two at The Beeches
£30 gift voucher for The Riverbank
Bottle of bubbly from Tipples
Hot drink and cake for two at Zap Coffee
A chocolate hamper from Spar
A beer hamper from Spar
£10 gift voucher for the Mahim Indian Takeaway
From Oakmeadow Parents:
2 boxes of sweets
Bottle of Cherry Bakewell Gin Liqueur
Bottle of Champagne
Bottle of Rioja red wine

OVER £1000 OF PRIZES

ACTIVITIES

Free child pass to Area 51
Family day pass to Aislin's Funhouse.
Family day pass to Attingham Park.
5 x £10 gift vouchers for Castle Kings
Bouncy Castles
Two adult cinema tickets for Cineworld
A girls sleepover package for two from
Enchanted Little Slumber Parties
One free half term at Glasshouse Mini
Drama Classes
10 free sessions at Glasshouse Tots Drama
Classes
A weekend's free camping for 3 families at
The Green Caravan Park
30 minute Personal Training gift voucher
from Love2Live Gym
3 free exercise classes at Love2Live Gym
5 free rugby sessions from Primary Rugby
Voucher for one day at Sonic Sports
Holiday Club
A family ticket to Shrewsbury Live from
West Mids Agricultural Society

OTHER PRIZES

Voucher for 10 foil and latex balloons worth
£25 from Air Flair
Handmade knitted soft toy, Bellini's Box
Outdoor candle lantern from the British
Ironworks Centre
A dog treat hamper from Company of
Hounds.
Winnie the Pooh Complete Collection from
Creanova Ltd
Personalised soft toy from Decostitch.
Preparation of a Will for one person, or two
Mirror Wills up to the value of £500 from
Hatchers Solicitors
Giant teddy, Lanyon Bowdler Solicitors
Pink picnic cooler bag from Morris and Co
Eco valet and posh wash from Pretty Clean
Valeting
Luxury wicker picnic basket from Rob Ellis
Plumbing and Heating.
Signed celebrity photo, Spotlight Casting
A vehicle pamper day worth £95 from TJ
Vickers and Sons Ltd




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SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP



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Oakmeadow**

PRICE GUIDE

<u>Official School Logo Items</u>			<u>Plain School Uniform Items</u>	
Coats	£5		£1	Lilac Summer Dresses
Jumpers / Cardigans	£3		£1	Daps / Shoes
T-Shirts/PE (House) T-Shirts	£1		50p	Skirts/Pinafores/Shorts /
Book Bag /Rucksacks/PE Bags	£1		50p	Trousers
Baseball Caps	£1		20p	P.E. Shorts /Leggings/T-Shirts
			Hair Scrunches' /Socks/Tights	

Located Opposite The Main Meeting Room

**This Service Is Run Entirely By Volunteers
& All Donations Go To Oakmeadow PTA**

PLEASE HELP To Keep This Service Available By



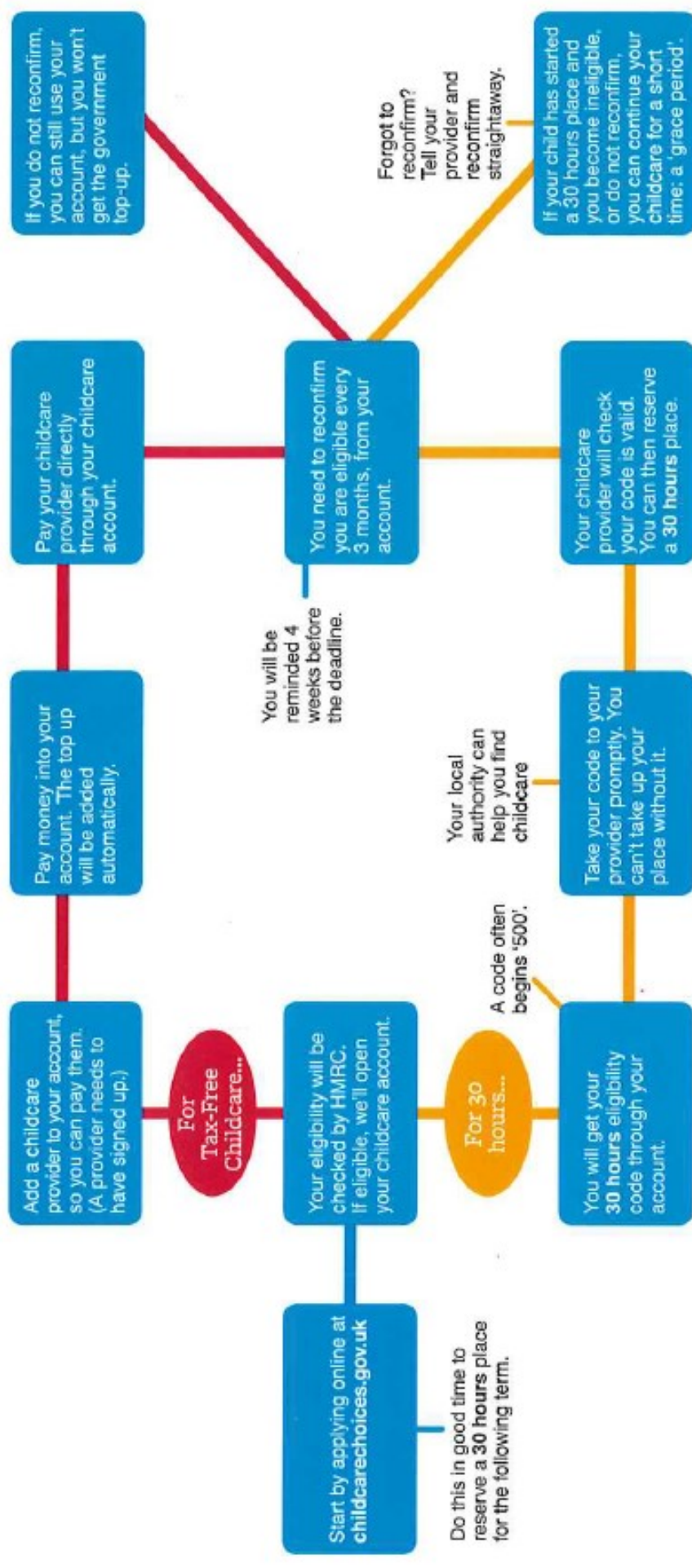
1. Donating good clean uniform (in the box provided)
2. Paying for purchases at Reception
3. Keeping the cupboard tidy

Thanks For Your Support!

If you have any spare children's clothes hangers donations would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off at the main school reception. Thank you

How to apply for 30 hours and Tax-Free Childcare

Use the joint application for both Tax-Free Childcare and 30 hours. Follow the steps below to get the most out of your childcare account and to access your 30 hours code.



Check your childcare options at childcarechoices.gov.uk

Childcare
Choices



HM Government

About the government's new childcare offers

What is Tax-Free Childcare?

Tax-Free Childcare is a government scheme to support working parents with childcare costs.

For every £8 you pay in, the government will pay in an extra £2. You can get up to £2,000 per child per year, or £4,000 for disabled children.

What is 30 hours?

Working parents of 3 and 4 year olds in England may be entitled to up to 30 hours of childcare, for 38 weeks of the year (or fewer hours over more weeks). This is an additional 15 hours of childcare on top of the 15 hours universal entitlement for all 3 and 4 year olds in England.

Am I eligible?

Find out if you are eligible at childcarechoices.gov.uk. The website also has a Childcare Calculator where you can learn more about which government offers might be best for you.

How do I apply?

You can apply via childcarechoices.gov.uk

You, and your partner, if you have one, will need your:

- National Insurance number(s)
- Details of one or more of the following – your UK Passport, tax credits, P60 or a recent payslip.

In some cases, additional checks may be needed to confirm whether you're eligible, so it's important to apply in good time. If you are found ineligible we will tell you why.

When can my child access a 30 hours place?

You can claim 30 hours from the term after:

- your child turns three, and
- the date you receive your eligibility code from HMRC. Whichever date is later.

We recommend that you apply in good time, so that you receive your code the term before your child becomes eligible. You can apply up to 16 weeks before your child turns three.

Will I have to pay for additional charges if I am using 30 hours?

Just like at school, your childcare provider can charge for additional services, for example, lunch, trips or music classes. These charges cannot be a condition of accessing your 30 hours place and alternative arrangements should be made available. Any charges should be itemised and cannot be a supplementary 'top-up'. You should speak to your provider for further information about any additional charges.

Is 30 hours only available in term time or all year round?

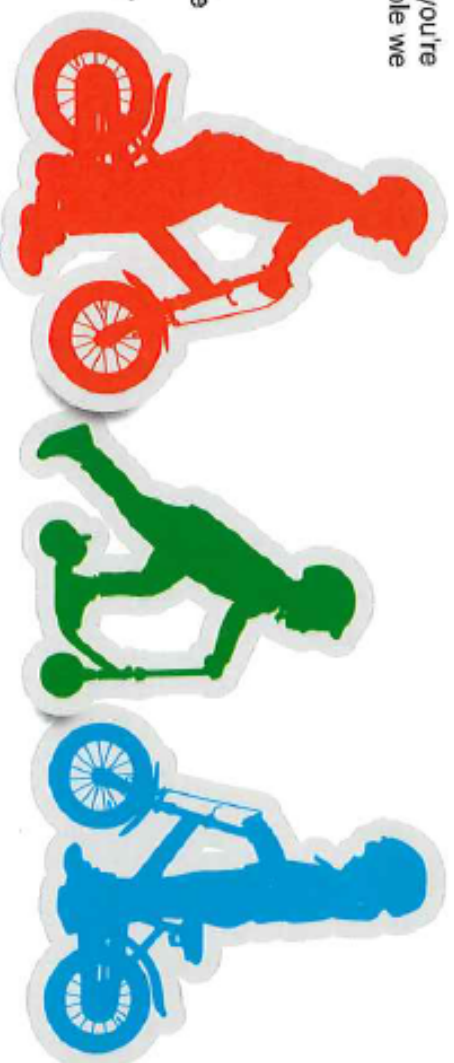
Like the existing 15 hours, eligible parents are entitled to a maximum of 30 hours a week in each of the 38 weeks of the academic year. However, you can stretch this offer over the year, for instance, you can take 22 hours a week for 52 weeks, or just under 24 hours for 48 weeks. You should speak to your provider about how they are offering 30 hours.

Can I use Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as 30 hours?

Yes, you can get Tax-Free Childcare and 30 hours at the same time. You can't get Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as tax credits, childcare vouchers or Universal Credit but you can get 30 hours alongside these schemes.

I don't have access to the internet. How do I apply?

If you need assistance or do not have access to the internet, you can call the childcare service helpline on 0300 123 4097 and apply over the phone.






Please complete this form by ticking the days you would like your child to attend and return to the school office F.A.O Miss Turner along with your payment to book your place.

Your child will need indoor and outdoor clothing/footwear and a packed lunch.

Prices are £10 per day. Days will run from 9am – 3.00pm.



	Tues 13th August	Wed 14th August	Thurs 15th August
School day (9—3.00pm)			

Payment made by direct transfer
20-77-85 03486273 ☐ Cash enclosed ☐

Name..... D.O.B...../...../..... School Year.....

Address.....

Post Code.....

Email Address.....

Emergency Contact name..... 2. Emergency Contact name.....

Relationship..... Relationship.....

Contact Number..... Contact Number.....

Medical Requirements/ Allergies and Any Other Information.....



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Summer holidays are fast approaching!

At Bayston Hill After School and Holiday Club we have planned:

- Week 1 a pirate week with walk the plank, cannon ball toss, treasure hunts, maps, boat building etc.
- Week 2 bugs, bug hunts, bug moves, bug hotel, slime, creepy critters, bug costume, bug musical instruments, etc.
- Week 3/4 we're closed
- Week 5 Marvel week, hammer throw, Spider-Man challenge, action hero game, design a new super hero, hulk smash etc.
- Week 6 A-Z of sports: athletics, badminton, cricket, darts, etc.

Please call or text Tara on 07979522197 for more details.



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Drama classes with a difference!
For tots to teens

In the heart of
Bayston Hill

First Session
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Amy on 07983 420058



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Getting care and support for children and young people



BeeU is the emotional health and wellbeing service for Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin.

It is available to children and young people up to 25 years of age.

Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (MPFT) is the lead provider and commissions a number of voluntary sector agencies to deliver different parts of the service.

Open access and self-referral

Anyone can access the website, beeu.org.uk.

Self-help

The self-help section provides up-to-date details of the online counselling and drop-in facilities.

It also has information about a number of common conditions.

Online counselling

Online counselling is available at <https://kooth.com/> for people aged between 11 and 25.

This operates:

- 12:00 to 22:00 (Monday to Friday)
- 18:00 to 22:00 (Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays)

Drop-ins

Drop-in sessions provide immediate access to support and advice, structured counselling and therapy.

Telford

9 Market Square, Wellington, Telford. TF1 1BP

Monday 12:00pm-7:00pm

Tuesday 12:00pm-7:00pm

Saturday 11:00am-4:00pm.

Shropshire

Palmer's Coffee Shop, Belmont Church Claremont Street, Shrewsbury. SY1 1QG.

Thursday 2:00pm-7:00pm.

Other venues are being sought and will be added to the self-help section of beeu.org.uk.



MEASLES

Don't let your child catch it
– get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

- Measles is in the news again. There have been serious outbreaks in Wales and England and the number of children catching measles is rising.
- Measles can be a very serious disease, leading to ear and chest infections, fits, diarrhoea, and damage to the brain. Measles can kill.
- Your child is at risk of measles if he or she hasn't had the MMR vaccination.
- Two doses of MMR vaccine are needed to get the best protection.
- If your child is due to have had two doses of MMR but has not yet received them, no matter what age they are, you should contact your GP to get them vaccinated as soon as possible.*
- If you can't remember if your child has had any, one or two doses of MMR vaccine, check his or her personal child health record (the Red Book). If this doesn't help, speak to your GP.
- If you don't know how many doses your child has had, it's better to have two doses of MMR vaccine now rather than risk leaving them unprotected.

*In response to a local outbreak then the two doses can be given one month apart from the age of 18 months.



Shrewsbury & Oswestry Crucial Crew

20 July 2019

Open Day

11am to 3pm

British Ironwork Centre



Free Entry

Are you one of the 28,000 year 6 pupils who have attended Crucial Crew at Nesscliff since 1994 or are you one of the 1000 or more volunteers or contributors who have helped to run the event? Everyone is welcome.

Enjoy the stalls, win a prize and enjoy all that the British Ironwork Centre has to offer. We want to meet the earliest participants and find out if you still have the t-shirt?

<http://shrewsburyoswestrycrucialcrew.wordpress.com>



SUMMER 2019



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Shrewsbury - Community Football Hub

Monday 29th July - Wednesday 31st July
Monday 5th August - Wednesday 7th August
Monday 12th August - Wednesday 14th August
Monday 19th August - Wednesday 21st August
Tuesday 27th August - Thursday 29th August

Shrewsbury GK - Community Football Pitch

Monday 5th August Monday 19th August

Bridgnorth - St John's Catholic Primary

Thursday 25th July - Friday 26th July
Thursday 22nd August - Friday 23rd August

Prees - Prees Cricket and Recreation Club

Thursday 25th July - Friday 26th July
Thursday 15th August - Friday 16th August
Thursday 22nd August - Friday 23rd August

Ludlow - Ludlow Football Stadium

Monday 22nd July - Wednesday 24th July
Monday 5th August - Wednesday 7th August
Monday 19th August - Wednesday 21st August

Ludlow GK - Ludlow Football Stadium

Wednesday 24th July Wednesday 21st August
Wednesday 7th August

Wellington - Wellington Football Club

Thursday 8th August - Friday 9th August

Tenbury - Tenbury High Ormiston Academy

Monday 12th August - Wednesday 14th August
Tuesday 27th August - Thursday 29th August

PRICES FROM **£10 PER DAY!**

BOOK NOW!

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shrewsbury-town-courses/soccer-schools.html](http://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/shrewsburytown/shrewsbury-town-courses/soccer-schools.html)



New schools-based Immunisation Service *stakeholder event*



Thursday 11 July, 3pm - 5pm
Severn Fields Medical Practice, SY1 4RQ

Our new service will offer:

- An **Annual Flu Vaccine** for Reception to Year 6 pupils (up to 18 years old in specialist schools)
- **School Leaver Booster** which protects against Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio (DTP) and Meningitis ACW&Y, Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV)
- The **HPV Vaccine** being extended to boys in Year 8

Professionals and families are warmly invited to join us to find out more about the team and the service we will provide.



Immunisation Team

01743 450800

shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net



Shropshire Community Health

NHS Trust

New for Summer 2019: Arts Award Discover

This year, Shropshire Libraries will also be offering children the opportunity to earn a qualification alongside the Summer Reading Challenge. Children can sign up to work towards their Arts Award Discover over the summer holidays at the following libraries: Shrewsbury, Oswestry, Whitchurch, Market Drayton, Ludlow and Bridgnorth. If successful in this arts challenge, children will receive a certificate from Trinity College London. Sign-up for Arts Award costs just £5 per child. Sign-up for Space Chase is free.

We do hope that you are able to promote Space Chase in your school and that you are able to join in the celebration of the children's achievements when they return in September.

If you would like any further information about this year's Summer Reading Challenge, please visit: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

To find out more about Arts Award, please visit:
<https://www.artsaward.org.uk/site/?id=64>