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Condover CE Primary School Newsletter 21.11.25

Condover C of E Primary School



Important Dates Coming Up:

Important dates can also be found on our school calendar here:

<https://www.condoverschool.co.uk/diary/grid/2024/09/>

Any changes to the calendar will be in red.

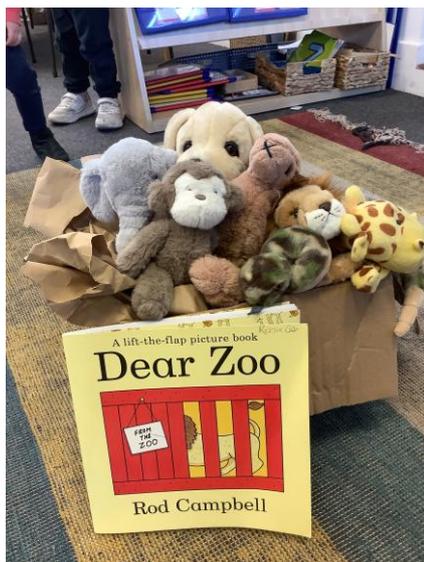
Event	Date
NCMP – rec and Y6 children – School Nursing Team	Tues 25 th November
Rescheduled Phonics Workshop – Stream parents only	Wednesday 26 th November
No Pens Day	Thursday 27 th November
Whole school trip to the Pantomime	Friday 5 th December
Hereford Cathedral Carol Service for Ocean Class	Tuesday 9 th December
Christmas Dinner Day	Wednesday 17 th December
Condover Christmas Performance	Thursday 18 th December

Last day of term

Friday 19th December

The Christmas Performance will be slightly different this year. The performance will take place at St. Andrew and St. Mary's Church, Conover and there will be one evening performance that will take place on Thursday 18th December.

Snapshot of Conover this week



Attendance & Lateness

Attendance this week at Conover looks like this:

Our proposed percentage attendance set by the EWO is 93%

Whole School	96%
Raindrops	96%
Stream	95%
River	97%
Estuary	97%
Ocean	94%

Makaton sign of the week



Flu Immunisations

The flu immunisations were given in school today. For anyone that missed them due to illness The Shropshire Community Health Trust (SCHT) School Aged Immunisation Service (SAIS) team will be running a School aged Seasonal Flu (Reception Children to Year 11 pupils) walk-in clinic at Coral House, 11 Longbow Close, Shrewsbury SY1 3GZ on Saturday the 22nd November between 09.30am and 1.30pm.

NCMP – National Child Measurement Programme for children in reception and year 6 – Tuesday 25th November.

An email was sent out to parents regarding the NCMP.

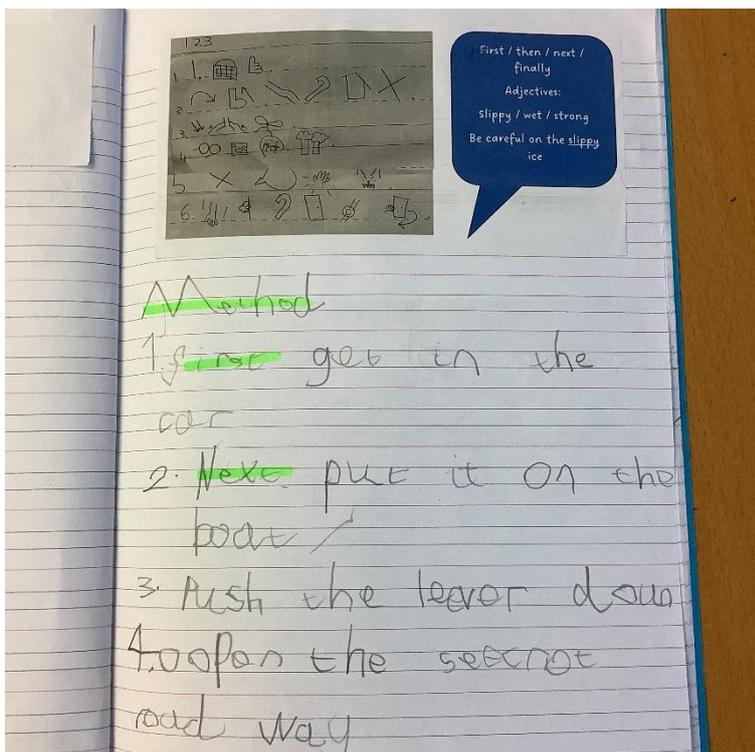
The School Nursing Team will be back in school on Tuesday 25th November to carry out the height and weight checks for reception and year 6.

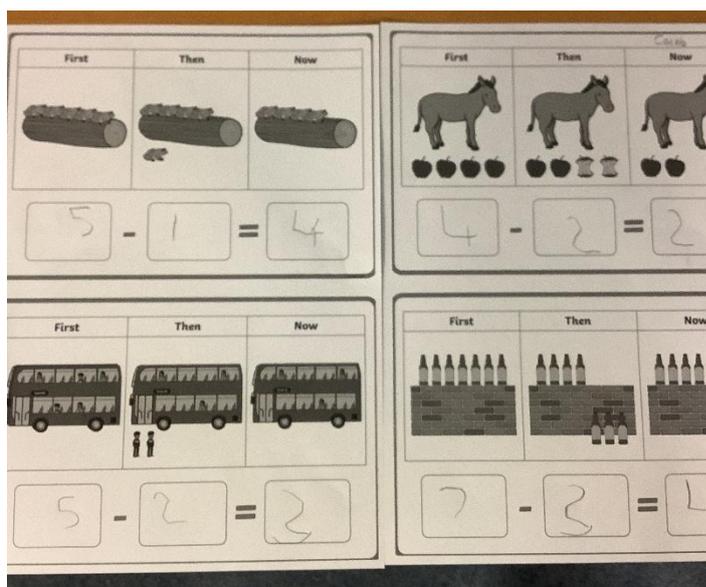
Please find below a QR code that links to a video from the school nursing team. This explains the process in more detail for parents.



Stream Class Work

This week Stream have been writing instructions in English and completing number sentences in maths.





After School Clubs

We have several after school clubs running this half term for children in year 1- year 6. We have KS1 multi-sports and KS2 netball from STFC, Dance with KCDC and Create Club from Creation Station.

Please find below details of days, times and how to join:

Club	Day	Time	How to book
KS1 Multi-Sports	Tuesday	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Please email the office to book onto this club: admin@condoverschool.co.uk . Payment is via SchoolMoney
Dance	Tuesday	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Please email Katie Crossland to book and pay for this club: kcdancecentre@gmail.com
Create Club	Wednesday	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Please use the link below to book and pay for this club: portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/9807
KS2 Netball	Friday	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Please email the office to book onto this club: admin@condoverschool.co.uk . Payment is via SchoolMoney

Awards

There were no awards today due to the flu immunisations taking place in school. Awards will return next week.

Our Weekend Prayer

Chosen by George and Ivy (River Class)

Dear God,

Help us to love the littlest creatures

You have made:

The beetle on the pathway,

The snail on the doorstep, and the spider who has come right into the house without an invitation. Help us to give each and every one the space they need.

Amen

(A child's First Book of Prayers by Lois Rock and Alison Jay)

Flourishing Moments

We love to hear about the amazing things that the children achieve outside of school hours. Thank you to parents for sharing these with us and allowing us to be part of these proud moments.



Last Saturday Elliot (Stream) travelled down to Ascot where he joined a group of children, all with upper limb differences, for a session at Lavender Park Golf Club where he was able to play golf for the first time.

The session was run by a charity called 'Sport for All' and was completely free for him to take part. As well as offering free golf lessons, Elliot was also fitted with a new ALX Sleeve prosthetic by a company called Koalaa. This sleeve has varying attachments which he can swap around depending on what he needs to do; the attachment that you can see on the sleeve in the picture enables him to hold a golf club and other things such as brooms.

Elliot is keen to continue his new hobby and will be visiting the driving range in Shrewsbury so that he can carry on using his prosthetic.

A few weeks ago, Leo, Alfie, Oliver and Ollie (all Ocean Class) took part in a sponsored abseil at JCA Adventure, Condover Hall. As part of the SAHA Rapids football team, the boys helped raise just over £1,000 - an incredible total that has gone towards Dry Robes and other team essentials. A huge thank you to Deco Stitch for personalising each coat, we were all delighted with them!

Alongside the abseil, the boys also took on rock climbing and the high rope swing. Well done boys!



Phoebe Postles and Leah Willetts (both Ocean class) recently performed as Orphans in Annie at Theatre Severn, appearing in two shows each alongside the adult cast of Get Your Wigle On.

They performed iconic numbers, such as 'It's the Hard Knock Life', and 'You're Never Fully Dressed Without a Smile', absolutely smashing complex choreography whilst singing and acting beautifully. Public reviews were fantastic, and they received standing ovations from audiences.

Well done girls! Your hard work and commitment were absolutely phenomenal, and everyone is so proud of you!



If your child has an achievement that they would like us to share in the newsletter, please email a photo with a description of the achievement to admin@condoverschool.co.uk

Our next flourishing moments feature will be **Friday 12th December**.

Current Vacancies

St Edwards CofE Primary School

Wrap Around Care:

To be responsible for the day to day running of the wrap around care programme to include both breakfast and after school clubs at St Edwards CE Primary School. To plan and provide a range of engaging and creative play activities for children aged between 4 and 11.

[Job Adverts & Applicants](#)

Maternity Cover

Qualified teacher to cover maternity leave for Key Stage 1, Reception to year 2 at St Edward's CE Primary School. Visits to the school prior are welcomed.

[Job Adverts & Applicants](#)

Activities, workshops and information

**ST EDWARD'S CE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

OPEN MORNING

Monday, 1 December

*Love each other and know
we are loved.
(John 13:34-35)*



9.30 - 11.30am

- ✓ Tour the school
- ✓ Meet the leadership team, teaching staff and pupils
- ✓ View our fantastic grounds and facilities
- ✓ Ask questions

Church Road, Dorrington,
Shrewsbury, SY5 7JL

Call us

01743 718462

Email us

**admin@stedwardsprimary
school.co.uk**

 Diocese of
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HELPING YOUR CHILD THRIVE IN THE EARLY YEARS



BY REDUCING SCREEN TIME

You are not to blame

Phones and tablets are everywhere, and they are designed to grab attention. But did you know that too much screen time - for both parents and children - can make it harder for little ones to develop key skills they need to **grow, learn, and connect?**

Too much screen time can:

- 1 Delay speech and communication**
Young children learn to talk by hearing real voices and taking part in conversations. Screens often reduce these important moments of connection.
- 2 Make it harder to handle emotions**
If screens are used often to calm a child down, they may miss out on learning how to cope with frustration, boredom or big feelings in other ways.
- 3 Impact feeding**
Screen use during feeding can make it harder for babies to connect with their parents and for their needs to be noticed. It can also affect how children learn to try new foods and recognise when they're hungry or full.
- 4 Reduce active play**
Children need to move, use their hands, and explore. Long periods of screen time can limit this, affecting coordination, strength and posture.
- 5 Impact focus and attention**
Fast-moving videos can make it harder for children to focus on slower, real-life tasks, such as playing, reading, or listening.

Why this matters

In the first five years, your child's brain is growing faster than it ever will again. These years lay the foundation for how they think, move, talk, and build relationships, which are important for being ready for school.

What can help:

You do not need to do it all at once

Small steps matter. This isn't about guilt, it's about giving your child the best chance to grow and thrive. What your child needs most is you: **your attention, your voice, your time.**

- 1 Make time for screen-free activities** like play, outdoor time, or reading.
- 2 Keep screens off** during mealtimes and before bed.
- 3 Watch or play alongside** your child when screens are used - this helps support learning.
- 4 Keep screens out of bedrooms** overnight - yours too, if possible.
- 5 Be a role model** - children copy how adults use phones and tablets.



HEALTH PROFESSIONALS FOR SAFER SCREENS



VISIT HPPSS

This leaflet has been developed by experts at Health Professionals for Safer Screens, led by Dr Kelly Brown, Consultant Neonatologist and Olivia Dann, Paediatric Speech and Language Therapist.



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DON'T LET YOUR CHILDREN BECOME THE NEXT STATISTIC



Simon Frazer, Principal, Guilsborough Academy

According to the **ORR Report**, April 23 - March 24 on UK railways:

12 people died in accidents while trespassing	58% were struck by a train or tram	42% were electrocuted
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According to **Rail Safe Friendly**, July 25:

120+ companies support the programme	11,000+ schools in the UK have engaged	20,000+ UK schools still need to be reached
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Shrewsbury Town Foundation

Christmas Holiday Club

22nd to 23rd December 9am - 3pm
with late pickup 3pm - 5pm

For children aged 5-11, our holiday clubs are open to all abilities, with a focus on football, fun, and festive activities. Children will be grouped by age and ability.

At Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST

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Our Nursery Offer

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CONTACT US

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Merry Christmas!



December Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Decreasing Depression	1 DEC 10am
Raising Self Esteem	1 DEC 7pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	2 DEC 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	2 DEC 7pm
Autism - Improving Communication	8 DEC 10am
Improving Family Communication	8 DEC 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	9 DEC 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	9 DEC 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	15 DEC 10am
Understanding Anger	15 DEC 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 DEC 10am
Facing Defiance	16 DEC 7pm



1st Condover Brownies.
Are you aged between
7yrs and 10yrs
and fancy joining us ?
We meet Mondays
6.30pm – 8pm
Condover Primary School



These are some of the
activities we have done
this year 2025.



We ended 2024 by
having a Christmas
Bowling party



Started 2025
by joining a Disco
with other
Brownies



Went on a trip
to the
International
Space Centre
where we met
other
Girlguiding
members



Did badge
work learning
about
Rio de
Janeiro's
carnival



Our 2
night Pack
Holiday
at Lyneal



Our annual
Brass
cleaning
at the local
church

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for September
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The staff team