

Condover Church of England Primary School

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Condover CE Primary School Newsletter 13.12.24

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
Christmas Church Service	18 th Dec AM
Christmas Panto Day	Fri 20 th Dec
Last day of term	Fri 20th Dec
Parent drop in joining in with mental health activities 9-9.30am	3 rd Feb
Books and Breakfast 9-9.30am	6 th March
Easter Service	9 th April AM
Sports Afternoon	19 th May 1.30pm
Reserve Sports afternoon	3 rd July
Parent drop in 9-9.30am	10 th June
Arthog	11, 12, 13 June
Leavers Service	16 th July AM
Leavers Disco	16 th July

Attendance & Lateness

Attendance this week at Condover looks like this:

Our proposed percentage attendance set by the EWO is 95%

Whole School	93.36%
Raindrops	98.24%
Stream	81.90%
River	91.58%
Estuary	97.65%
Ocean	95.20%

River Class trip to Blists Hill

On Thursday River Class went on a school trip to support their learning on the current history topic 'what were schools like in the past?'

They visited Blists Hill Victorian Town and had a lesson in costume in the school room as well as investigating what life was like for Victorian children outside of school.

They had a fantastic day with Miss Amplett, Mrs Jackson and Mr Harris and were all very well behaved.



Christmas Jumper Day

The children have enjoyed coming to school in their Christmas jumpers today and we've all really got into the festive spirit.

Thank you for everyone who has donated on the Just Giving page, there is still time to donate over the weekend:

<https://christmas.savethechildren.org.uk/fundraising/CJD240022113>

I will share the amount raised in next weeks newsletter.



Christmas Dinner Day

This year our Christmas Dinner will be served on Wednesday 18th December.

There will be a change to the menu on Thursday and Friday as detailed below.

Thursday 19th December – Pizza/ Fish & Chips

Friday 20th December – Packed lunch from home or ordered via Jackie at Haynes.j@condoverschool.co.uk.

Christmas Post Box



Our Christmas Post box is back. If your child has been busy writing their Christmas Cards for all their friends, then these can be brought into school and placed in the post box outside River Class.

Please make sure that you write each child's name and class on the front of the envelope, so it gets to the right person.

Christmas Church Service

The Christmas service will take place at St. Andrews & St. Mary's Church on **Wednesday 18th December**. The service will start at 9.30am and family and friends are welcome to join us at the church. We would recommend arriving to be seated for 9.15am before the children arrive.

Christmas Gifts and Foodbank

The rise in cost of living and fuel poverty continues to be a major concern for many families. Many households will feel real pressures as we enter the winter months and Christmas can be a particularly challenging time.

We know that parents often buy gifts for school staff, although it is not expected, and they don't have to. The school staff are very appreciative of these gifts but as last year, if you are planning on being so kind and buying something for staff (that includes Mabel and Dottie), then instead use the money to buy food or non-food products such as toiletries and hygiene products and bring them into school, where we will collect them up and take them to the local foodbank.

Please do not feel pressured to contribute to this cause. None of us know what others are going through and their financial situations. By spreading the word or informing your children of what foodbanks are, you can contribute to making a change and supporting others.

Awards

Awards will return in the New Year.

Flourishing Moments

We have lots of fantastic achievements to share from the past 4 weeks. Thank you to all the parents for sending these in.

Sienna (Ocean) got the opportunity to be the mascot for Wolverhampton Wanderers at Everton last week for the Premier League fixture. She also got to walk out onto the pitch with her favourite player, Mario Lemina.



Leah (Ocean) competed at STARS Champions of Champions Show earlier in the term.

Through the Summer, Leah and her pony Jasper competed at Wrekin North Riding Club Open Shows, accumulating the most points in two classes hence becoming Champion Pony Club Pony and Champion Plaited First Ridden.

As Champion they were eligible to compete at STARS 2024.

Each class had over 55 Champions from around the UK! Leah and Jasper achieved 11th place in Champion First Ridden Plaited Class, this was an amazing reward for all the hard work and training they have done.

Jasper was a very good boy and has had lots of polos and extra carrots!



Poppy (River) has recently joined Elements Acro Gymnastics Club in Shrewsbury. She is enjoying learning how to do handstands; cartwheels and she was very pleased to be awarded two badges last week that recognise all the new skills she has learned.



If your child has achieved something amazing, and you would like to share it with the school, please email the office so it can be featured in the next 'flourishing moments' section on **Friday 17th January**.

The email address is admin@condoverschool.co.uk

Current Vacancies

We currently have a the following vacancy:

Cleaning assistant

Contract Type - Permanent

Contract Term - Part-Time

Salary - £12.26 Hourly / Grade 1 (SCP 2) Term time plus 3 weeks.

Closing Date - Midday, 6th Jan 2025

Start Date 03/02/2025

Driving licence required

For further information, the full job description and how to apply please visit My New Term:

<https://mynewterm.com/school/Condover-CofE-Primary-School/145275>

Sunset and Breakfast Club

Week beginning 16th December 2024



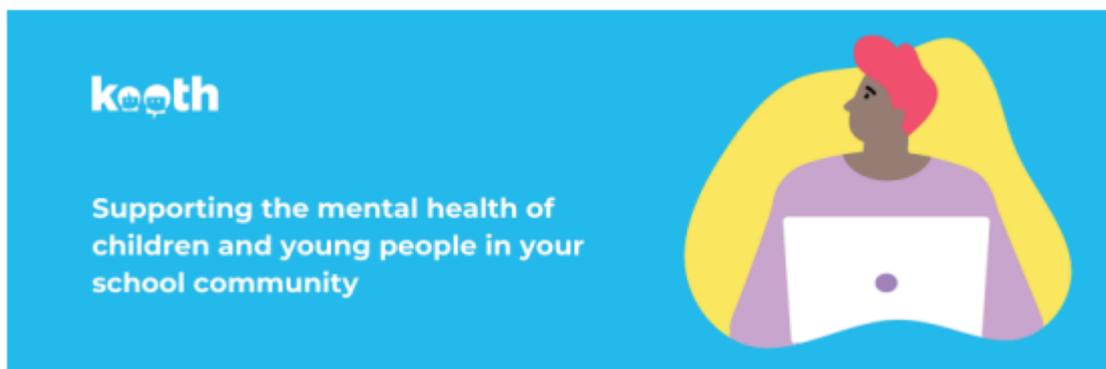
Breakfast Club booking form – <https://forms.gle/9FycSExtAwgSsom59>

Sunset Club booking form - <https://forms.gle/XDhRUCJNe8A52TeY8>

Booking forms can be found on the school website here:

<https://www.condoverschool.co.uk/breakfast-and-sunset-club/>

Kooth – Mental health support for young people



With 1.2 million young people referred to NHS mental health services last year according to YoungMinds (2023), access to continuous support is essential.

This festive season, we're here to help - offering free resources and webinars to keep young people in your community supported, and a reminder that Kooth is here for them over the winter break.

KoothTalks Families

Supporting your child with Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA)

[Link to share.](#)

Register for School Milk

Is your child registered for
SCHOOL MILK?

Child
UNDER 5

Every child under the age of five is entitled to free school milk. Simply register your child online.



Child
OVER 5

Every child over the age of five is entitled to milk at a subsidised cost of around £20 per term. Register your child and pay online.

Children in receipt of benefits-based free school meals are eligible for free school milk. Speak to the school for further information.

Free milk for under 5s is funded by the Department of Health and milk for over 5s is subsidised by DEFRA.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY

Register online
www.coolmilk.com



Need help?
Send us a message
at www.coolmilk.com/contact
or give us a call on **0800 321 3248**

 FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA - SEARCH COOLMILKSCHEME

Activities, workshops and information



Smartphone Free Childhood is a grassroots movement of parents who believe childhood's too short to be spent on a smartphone

We're on a mission to

01.

Bring parents together to start new and positive conversations about the problems of smartphones and social media in childhood

02.

Empower parents to wait to get their kids a smartphone until at least the end of Year 9, through signing up to the Parent Pact in their region

03.

Demonstrate that parents are demanding change at scale, and therefore force the government and tech companies to act

Why we're doing this now

We've been put in an impossible position by the tech companies. It's a lose lose - either allow our children access to something all the evidence tells us is damaging, or say no and risk alienating them among their peers at a crucial stage of their social development. **We believe something needs to change, and it starts with all of us.**



Scan to sign the Parent Pact
[#smartphonefreechildhood](#)

How you can get involved

Sign the Parent Pact - Join the growing movement of parents choosing to delay - it takes 30 seconds
parentpact.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Join your WhatsApp community - Find solidarity, support and inspiration - we have one in every county in Britain
whatsapp.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Help build the movement - Volunteer to be a Regional Leader and start making change in your community
regionalleadersignup.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Sign up to our newsletter - Get the latest news and campaign updates from SFC HQ
smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/newsletter

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Please join us for our

CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY CAROLS

St Edwards CE Primary School
Tuesday 17th December

4.00pm - 5.30pm

Santa's Grotto from 3.30pm

Join us to sing in the festive season around the
Christmas Tree.

Open to all so please bring family and friends.
Enjoy a spot of Christmas shopping with our local
stallholders.

Refreshments available including mulled wine and
mince pies from The Friends.

Our Santa's Grotto Is Back!

£5.00 per child to include a gift from Father Christmas.

Booking is essential by Tuesday 10th December.

Please book via the QR code link.



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JOIN US FOR A FREE TASTER SESSION
ALL ABILITIES WELCOME

GIVE RUGBY A TRY

SUNDAY MORNINGS, TERM TIME

9AM-10AM, YEAR 1-4 (U7S & U9S)
10AM-11AM, YEAR 5-8 (U11S & U13S)

LONDON ROAD SPORTS CENTRE

visit shrewsburylionsrugby.net
or contact 07792 165082 (Alex Smith)





**PASSMASTER
COACHING**

Y1-Y6 KIDS

XMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS

ART & CRAFTS SPORTS, GAMES, OUTDOOR FUN

SEE OVERLEAF FOR
VENUES, DATES AND
PRICES



DECEMBER 23, JANUARY 2 & 3

Mount Pleasant Primary Activity Camp Shrewsbury SY1 3BY
St Lawrence Primary Activity Camp Church Stretton SY6 6EX
London Road Football Camp Shrewsbury SY2 6PR (23 Dec only)



SCAN ME



Department
for Education



More Information

<https://passmastercoaching.schoolipal.co.uk>



Christmas HAF Programme

with Shrewsbury Town FC



Festive Fun!

Join us in Shrewsbury, Ludlow and Much Wenlock for holiday activities and hot food for children ages 4-12.

Our HAF dates are as follows:

23rd & 31st - Shrewsbury
30th & 31st - Ludlow & Much Wenlock



Find out more
Scan the QR Code
or visit:
shorturl.at/kG8gE





Christmas Crafts and Santa's Grotto



This Christmas, visit us for a Santa craft experience! Join Santa's elf to make a tree decoration, a puffy paint picture and more. Meet Santa in his grotto and receive a gift.



Saturday 14th December
Hourly slots available between 11am - 3pm
£10 per child
Booking essential on our website

info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk
01588 676060
School Road, Craven Arms SY7 9RS
Grow Cook Learn, a registered charity: 1158795

NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY FUN

Join us to celebrate 2025 in our
New Year's Eve family activity.

Make a balloon animal, bake a new
years treat, make a confetti popper
plus more.

Tuesday
31st Dec
Drop in between
11am and 3pm



£4.50 per child
Recommended age 4 - 11 years

Shropshire Hills
Discovery Centre
the home of Grow Cook Learn

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NEW YEAR'S EVE FILM

ILLUMINATION'S
**DESPICABLE
ME 4**



TICKETS

Adult - £6
Child - £4



Cinema snacks &
themed crafts

**TUESDAY
31ST
DECEMBER**
**FILM STARTS
AT 3PM**

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL
BOOK ONLINE**

www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk
01588 676 060





SHREWSBURY
HIGH SCHOOL

G D S T
WILLY DAY SCHOOL TRUST

An evening with **CLARE BALDING**

Award winning
broadcaster
and author



Wednesday 5th February 2025

DOORS OPEN AT 6.00PM FOR A 7.00PM START

The New Hall, Town Walls,
Shrewsbury, SY1 1TN

Refreshments and book signing

Tickets Adults £25 | Students £10 | 16 & Under £5

Early Bird Tickets (before 1st Jan 25) £23

Available from School Office and Eventbrite. Email: events@shr.gdst.net



Have a lovely weekend!

The Staff Team