

Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

I can't believe that we have come to the end of an academic year. As pupils, parents and staff we have all had to adapt to an extreme situation and overcome many different hurdles. The children both at home and school have done us all proud with their hard work and resilience. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our families for their support this year and for the kind words and messages that we have been receiving throughout the year.

Our Year Six Leaver's Assembly on Zoom was a real success. Congratulations to all these pupils, especially those who achieved special awards this year. If you still haven't seen the pupil's leavers video, please follow the link below. It is just brilliant and cleverly done.

<https://youtu.be/cPZldtqkjc>

Congratulations to all our Pupil of the Year children. It was amazing to watch some of the winner's faces as the winner was announced on screen. To watch this video, click the link below.

<https://youtu.be/WGUf7RQrgTU>

For all the information you will need for your child's return to school on Wednesday 2nd September, please refer to our FAQ document that was emailed out to you and is also on our website.

Have a great summer break and we will look forward to seeing you all back at school in September.

Mrs Zillah Cope
Headteacher



Trust Newsletter

We are pleased to show you our end of term Trust newsletter, [please click here to view](#). It is also available on our website.

Be Aware!

We have been made aware of the 'Blue Whale Challenge' that is doing the rounds on social media.

A 50 day challenge where an administrator invites a player (child) to engage in a daily self harm task, which get worse as the days go on.

Blue Whale Challenge has existed on social media for a long while now the challenge is for young people to complete 50 tasks over 50 days, starting with things such as wake up in the night or watch a scary movie, as the days go on the tasks get more and more sinister with the final task on day 50 being to commit suicide which has resulted globally in many deaths. There is usually an individual involved telling people what tasks to complete each day.

Get Involved

At a time when we are all missing out on the magic of going to the theatre, The One Show, along with The Shakespeare North Playhouse is launching an exciting new playwriting competition, giving children and young people across the UK the opportunity to see their ideas come to life on stage. We hope this will help inspire the next generation of playwrights as well as encouraging a love of theatre and the arts in children and young people. [Click here to find out more.](#)

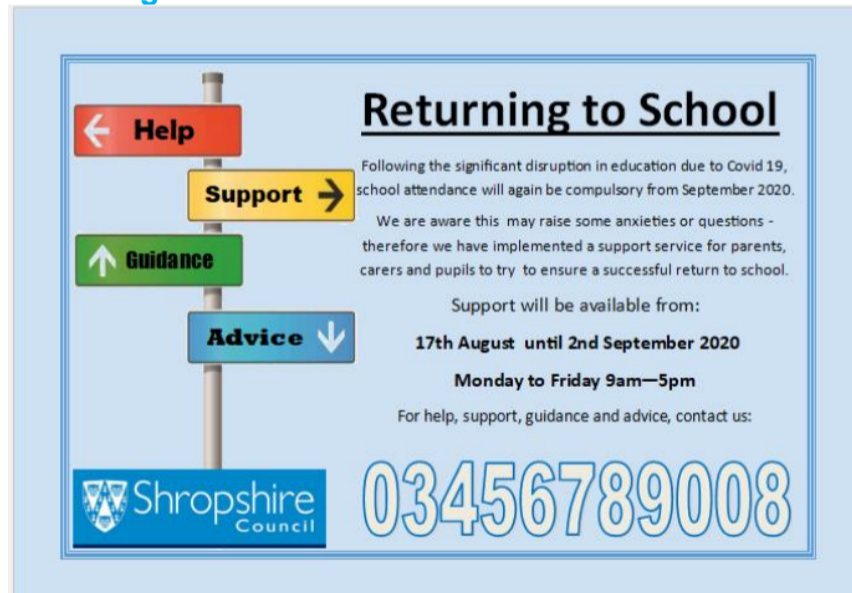
Stars of the week

Congratulations to last week's award winners:

Fir - Lylah Wheeler
Willow - Harper Almond
Maple - Jake Ploughman and Mia Jones
Rowan - Keera Partridge
Elm - Logan Mazan and Leo Collins
Beech - Oliwier Wasko
Oak - Jenna Klyn

Well done everyone!

Returning to school



Returning to School

Following the significant disruption in education due to Covid 19, school attendance will again be compulsory from September 2020.

We are aware this may raise some anxieties or questions - therefore we have implemented a support service for parents, carers and pupils to try to ensure a successful return to school.

Support will be available from:
17th August until 2nd September 2020
Monday to Friday 9am-5pm

For help, support, guidance and advice, contact us:
03456789008

Shropshire Council

Free School Meal Vouchers

For those families whose children are eligible for free school meals (not universal free school meals which all younger pupils receive), you will receive your shopping voucher during the first week of the holidays to cover the whole 6-week period: £90 per child. This will be emailed to you in the same way as your previous vouchers.

Good luck to our leavers!

We would like to wish all of our **Year 6 leavers** all the very best for their next steps in education - they have been an amazing group of children and we will miss them very much! Have a look at our Facebook page for some video messages from the staff.

Summer reading challenge

Click [here](#) for information and how to take part.

Impressing the High Sheriff

The High Sheriff of Shropshire, Dean Harris, is really impressed with the work that we are doing at Longlands with our Eco Allotment and Social Farm Project. She will be spending time over the summer with pupils from KS1 visiting our outdoor area to see for herself how the provision enhances the curriculum offer in our school the benefits it provides to improve the mental health and well-being of the pupils. She has also awarded a grant to us to help fund future provision.



Exciting new additions

We are excited to announce some more new arrivals to our farm...



Betty and Martha - our Indian runner ducks

Ella - our dwarf rabbit



Competitions & Challenges

Biology Competition: The Nancy Rothwell Award celebrates specimen drawing in schools and highlights the benefits of combining Art and Science. The competition challenges entrants to draw, paint, sketch or digitally create artwork capturing plant and animal anatomy. Open to students aged 7 to 18 years old, closing date for submissions 31 July 2020. [Click here](#) to view full details and prizes available.

History Competition: Focus Games Ltd are challenging all age groups to create a unique piece of work; drawing, poster, short story, video, or artwork to celebrate 100 Great Black Britons and their legacy. Entries close on 30 September 2020, [click here](#) for more information.

