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St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

Year 6 Prom

Our year six children are very excited about the forthcoming prom on Friday. We are too!! The prom will start at 5:30pm and will finish at 9:00pm. Please drop off and collect your children at the office area. There will be a decorative frontage where children will be able to have their photo taken, a professionally made buffet and a DJ!! Parents are keen to take photos of their child both individually and in groups as a keepsake of their time at St Mary's. **If you do not want another parent to take a photograph of your child, please contact the office immediately to let us know. We do ask that photographs of children are not put on Facebook, Instagram or any other social media. Thank you for your support with this.**

## Children's School Reports



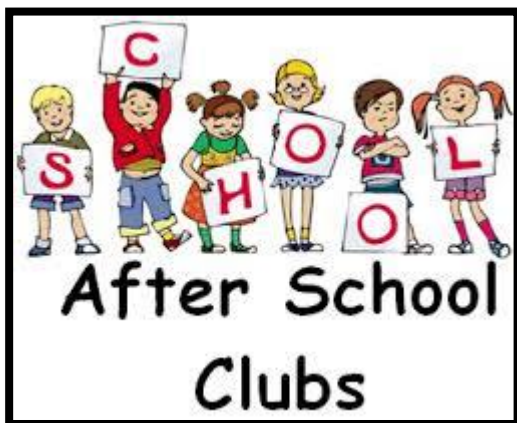
If you were unable to attend your Parents Evening appointment, the child's report will be sent to you in the post.

## Scarlet Fever

We have had a recent case of scarlet fever in school, please follow the link to view the common symptoms. Thank you.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/scarlet-fever/>

## Afterschool Clubs



The last after school club of this academic year will be on Thursday the 4th of July. There will be no clubs now until the new academic year

in September.

The endless choice of clubs our teachers and sports coach run, provide fun and motivating ways

for children to learn, play, develop new skills, and gain new and exciting experiences.

Whilst they help to burn off some extra energy and keep them entertained, they also offer great developmental benefits that will no doubt enhance their academic abilities, as well as their social skills. Attendance at afterschool clubs are linked to improved academic performance.

Thank you for supporting after school club this year.

## Summer Reading

We are not collecting-in reading diaries this year in the hope that children will continue with their reading at home over the summer. I have listed a number of challenges for children in different year key stages. Any reading your child can do over the summer will really benefit their academic achievement in September.

**Reading challenges for EYFS kids**

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1. Share a book outside.
2. Share a book about your favourite TV character, such as Peppa Pig, Thomas and Friends, Fireman Sam or Paw Patrol.
3. Share a book of poetry (or find poems online to read together).
4. Make a den to share a book in.
5. Find a picture book with no words and make up a story to go with the pictures.
6. Share a rhyiming book.
7. Choose a book you can try to read yourself.
8. Share a book that you loved when you were a baby.
9. Read out loud to your mum, dad, grandma or grandad.
10. Share a book whose cover is your favourite colour.

### **Reading challenges for KS1 children**

1. Read to your pet. If you don't have a pet, read to a soft toy.
2. Read a book in the bath – mind you don't drop it!
3. Read under the covers with a torch.
4. Read a comic.
5. Read a book about animals.

6. Read for 20 minutes straight (or a time that you think is right for your child's reading level).
7. Listen to an audiobook.
8. Read a bedtime story to your mum or dad, instead of them reading one to you.
9. Read a book from the library (most libraries let you borrow e-books online).
10. Read a book by an author who has the same initials as you.
11. Read a book about your favourite hobby or interest – for example, performing, football, art, rugby, superheroes or space.
12. Read a book set in the past.
13. Read a book by Roald Dahl.
14. Read a book with a one-word title.
15. Read a joke book.
16. Read a book by Enid Blyton.
17. Draw a picture of a character from your favourite book.
18. Read an adventure story.
19. Read a book that your teacher loves.
20. Read a book that teaches you a new skill – for example, a recipe

book, or a book of magic tricks.

21. Read a non-fiction book.

22. Read a book by Dr Seuss.

23. Read a book set in a school.

24. Read a book by Michael Rosen.

25. Read a book with more than six chapters.

### **Reading challenges for KS2 kids**

1. Read a book that was written in the year you were born.

2. Read a magazine or newspaper (e-editions count, too).

3. Read for an hour straight (adapt the time according to your child's reading ability).

4. Read to a younger brother or sister, if you have one.

5. Read a book with over 100 pages.

6. Read a book with a friend – take it in turns to read a chapter out loud. You can do this on FaceTime, Zoom, Houseparty or Messenger while schools are closed.

7. Read a biography.

8. Find a word that you don't know in your reading book and look it up using a dictionary. You could find a notebook and make your own list of new words.

9. Read your best friend's favourite book.

10. Read a graphic novel such as the Tom Gates or Diary of a Wimpy Kid series.

11. Read a book that your mum or dad loved when they were little.

12. Review a book that you've enjoyed – you could do this on a website like Toppsta or Scholastic, or write a review to share with your teacher.

13. Read a Narnia book.

14. Read a mystery story like a Famous Five story.

15. Read a book that's been made into a film, or watch a film based on a children's book.

16. Play 20 Questions about book characters: think of a character, and see whether your parents, brother or sister, or friends can guess who it is.

17. Read a book written by an author who has the same first name as you.

18. Read a fantasy book.

19. Read a Harry Potter book (or if you know every Hogwarts story, try a book that other Harry Potter fans love).

20. Read a book written by an author who also writes books for adults.

21. Read a book set in the future.

22. Choose a word from a book and use a thesaurus to find other words that the author could have used.

23. Read a biography or a book based on a true story.

24. Choose and read a book just because you like its cover.

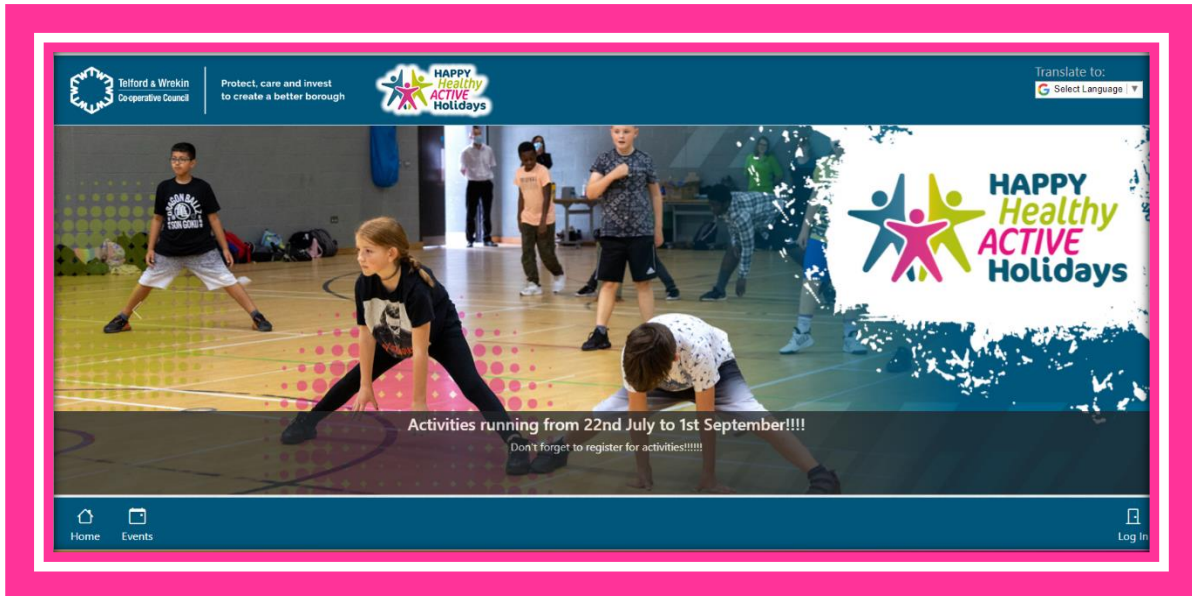
25. Try to read a book every week for a year and make a list of their titles.



### Happy healthy active holidays

Spend a few minutes to find this website. You will need to create an account, but it gives you access to lots of activities for children across the borough over the summer holidays. Some of the activities have massive discounts, reduced in price or totally free. Please take a look.





<https://hhah.telford.gov.uk/>

[Telford residents are invited to Early Years Family Fun Day on Saturday 6 July 2024](#)

Next month we will host a new family fun and information event in Telford Town Park to help families understand more about the different childcare support options which are available to them.

The Early Years Family Fun Day will take place on Saturday 6 July between 11am and 4pm in Telford Town Park.

The event is about providing families with vital information on the different funding entitlements and resources which are available to them as they navigate their way through parenting. This includes:

**Childcare funding entitlements for 0-5-year-olds**

**Happy Healthy Activity Holiday clubs for 5-16-year-olds**



## **Wrap around childcare options for 5- 11-year olds**

### **Family Hubs**

Experts will be on hand to offer advice about the various types of childcare support for families as well as provide guidance on what they are entitled to and how to apply.

As well as being an information event, there is also plenty of family fun activities organised to keep the whole family entertained from storytelling with Sal Tongue to workshops by Telford & Wrekin Music and Lola's Caribbean Kitchen who will be demonstrating her exquisite Caribbean cooking.

There will also be a sporting theme to the event as local provider 'Active Future' offer children the chance to take part in their Nerf battles and 'Cyclone's Football' who will be encouraging children to improve their footballing skills whilst having fun.

### **Dinner Monies Owing**

**Could we kindly ask you to pay for any outstanding dinner money owing as soon as possible. Thank you.**

# Muxton Extra Holiday Club

## Summer Half Term

Open to all children aged school 4—11 years old

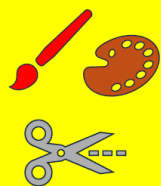
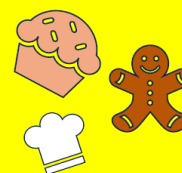
**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July-Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

(Closed Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August)

**8:00am-3:30pm £17.00**

**8:00-6:00pm £20.00**

(These prices include breakfast)



- ❖ All day arts and crafts
- ❖ Sports including football, dodgeball, gymnastics etc
  - ❖ Our very own sports day morning.
    - ❖ Local walks
    - ❖ Baking/cooking activities
    - ❖ Water play
- ❖ Games, BINGO, art competitions, quizzes etc.  
Booking available through your child's scopay.



For more information: [Email:muxtonextra@muxtonprimary.org.uk](mailto:muxtonextra@muxtonprimary.org.uk)  
Or phone the school office 01952 327007

## Dates for your diaries

| Date                            | Event                    | Notes  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Friday July 5 <sup>th</sup>     | Year 6 Leavers' Prom     | 5.30-9.00pm  |
| Wednesday July 10 <sup>th</sup> | Family Picnic            | 11.45am-1.30pm. All parents welcome. More information will be provided.                      |
| Monday July 15 <sup>th</sup>    | Key Stage 2 Sports Day   | 9.00am – 11.00am. All parents and family members invited. More information will be provided. |
| Tuesday July 16 <sup>th</sup>   | Key Stage 1 Sports Day   | 9.00-10.30am. All parents and family members invited. More information will be provided.     |
| Thursday July 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly | 8.50am- 10am. All parents of Year 6 children invited.  |
| Friday July 19 <sup>th</sup>    | Break-up                 | Tee-shirt signing day for Year 6   |