



Newsletter

12th June 2026

THIS week in school...

This week, our Year 1 pupils completed their Phonics Screening Check, while our Year 4 pupils took part in the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC). The Phonics Screening Check helps assess children's decoding and early reading skills, while the MTC measures pupils' fluency and recall of times tables up to 12×12 .

We are incredibly proud of all our pupils for the positive attitude, resilience and hard work they have shown in preparing for and completing these assessments. Well done to everyone for giving their very best effort!

Today we were delighted to welcome author Emma Swan to school. The children thoroughly enjoyed listening to her talk about her books, the inspiration behind her stories and the journey of becoming an author.

We also celebrated Pyjamarama, BookTrust's annual reading event, which encourages children to share stories and develop a love of reading while dressed in their pyjamas.

Thank you to everyone who took part and helped make the day such a success.

Attendance

This week's attendance is

Whole School: 95.4 %

Robins: 93.0 %

Skylarks: 93.8 %

Owls: 99.3 %

Starlings: 93.3 %

Kites: 96.4 %

WELL DONE



Brilliant teamwork, determination and respect. Congrats to Team A for winning the tournament.



Upcoming Events

JUNE

Monday 15th

Cruical Crew – Yr 6

Wednesday 17th

Hay Performance at 2pm

Friday 19th

Summer Fair

Monday 22nd

Year 4 & 5 Parent meeting for Liverpool Residential (Bishops Castle)

Tuesday 23rd

Year 4 & 5 Parent meeting for Liverpool Residential (St George's)

Wednesday 24th

Skylarks Living History @ Ludlow Castle

Thursday 25th

Year 6 Leavers Service at Hereford Cathedral

Friday 26th

Kites trip to Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre

Monday 29th

Robins – Healthy Hero's talk

JULY

Thursday 2nd

Sports Day – afternoon

Monday & Tuesday 6th – 7th

CCBC Yr 6 Transition Day

Thursday 9th

Skylarks trip to Park Hall Farm

Friday 10th

Bog-eyed Jog

Friday 17th

Last day of Summer Term

Term Dates 2026 / 27

Summer

Starts 13.04.26

Half Term 25.05.26–29.05.26

Ends 17.07.26

Autumn

Starts 03.09.26

Half Term 26.10.26–30.10.26

Ends 18.12.26

Spring

Starts 06.01.27

Half Term 15.02.27–19.02.27

Ends 25.03.27

2026 The Year of Reading



Reading Together Builds Connection

Shared reading strengthens relationships and supports learning.

At home: Take turns reading or acting out parts of a story.

Recommended read: Paddington by Michael Bond – classic kindness and humour.

ALL FREE



TNT

TEA N TOAST

SECONDARY AGE AFTER-SCHOOL DROP-IN



THURSDAY'S AFTER-SCHOOL TILL 5PM

TEA, TOAST, HOT CHOCOLATE, SQUASH
GAMES, MUSIC, CHILL & CHAT

YOUTH
DROP-IN
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School vaccinations - consent requests will come directly from the NHS

We're changing the consent process for school vaccinations

Dear parent or guardian,

We're writing to let you know about a change to how you'll be asked to give consent for school vaccinations. From September 2026, our local NHS school age immunisation service will contact parents and guardians directly to ask for consent. You'll receive an email or text message from the NHS with a link to an online consent form.

You can use the online form to:

- give consent for your child to be vaccinated
- say you do not want your child to be vaccinated
- update your contact details if needed

Filling in the form will be quick and easy. It's important to respond, even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated.

What information we will share

To allow the NHS immunisation team to contact you, we will give them:

- your child's name, date of birth, postcode and school class
- your email address and mobile phone number

These details will only be used to send messages about your child's vaccinations.

You can find more information about the school age vaccination schedule on the NHS website.

Keeping your information safe

Your personal data will be stored securely in line with NHS data security standards. Only authorised members of the immunisation team and the digital service team can access your contact details.

If you have any questions

If you have questions about vaccinations or the consent form, please contact the immunisation team at shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net



Do you have any concerns about your child's well-being?

Would you like support with your child's attendance?

If you, your child or family would benefit from extra support with your well-being, or if you are worried about a difficult situation in your family you can contact us for support.

[Julie Owen – Pastoral Lead](#)

J.Owen@bishopscastle.dhmat.org.uk

Or via

admin@bishopscastle.dhmat.org.uk

You might also benefit from Early Help.

What is Early Help?

Families might access Early Help for a variety of reasons, including concerns about a child's behaviour, difficulties at school, family relationship challenges, mental health worries, or changes in family circumstances such as bereavement or separation.

Early Help is not just for when things go wrong - it's there to provide guidance and support before small issues become bigger problems. Seeking Early Help is a positive step, showing a family's commitment to working together with professionals to find practical solutions and support their child's wellbeing and development.

The type of things Early Help can support with include:

- Concerns about child's health, development or behaviour
- How a child is doing at school
- Housing or financial concerns
- Children who may be affected by domestic abuse, drugs, alcohol, ill health or crime



He's Coming Home.

~~Women's Aid is asking everyone to come~~

together and unite against domestic abuse.



Football doesn't cause domestic abuse, but incidents can increase or become more severe around key matches.

If you need help, for local and national support services go to: www.womensaid.org.uk

If you are worried about your behaviour in a relationship, go to: www.respect.uk.net



#EndAbuseTogether

women's aid
until women & children are safe



EARLY HELP DROP IN

Bishops Castle Food Bank

Apr Tuesday 7th 09:30 am - 10:30 am
May Tuesday 5th 9:30 am - 10:30 am
June Tuesday 2nd 9:30 am - 10:30 am
July Tuesday 7th 09:30 pm - 10:30 am
August Tuesday 4th 09:30 - 10:30 am

Church Lane, Bishops Castle, SY9 5AF
All families within the local area welcome

**Free information, support
& advice around:**

Family Life
Housing & Finance
Special Education Needs and/or
Disabilities (SEND)
Parenting Support
Training & Employment
Domestic Abuse Support
And much more...

Refreshments will be provided
by the food bank



shropshire.gov.uk/early-help



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