

Heeley's Highlights

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Dear Parent/Carers,

This week we have had many families of prospective pupils, visit for next September intake, and it has been lovely to show them just how well our current Reception children have settled in but also to celebrate all the wonderful things we do in school. If you know of any families for next Sept intake who would like to visit, please ask them to contact the office. We prefer to arrange visits on an individual level rather than an open morning, as we feel the families get a better understanding of the school when the tour is in smaller groups.

Lunchtime on the playground is often the highlight of a child's day, as they have a range of activities and toys to play with. We were very grateful to our families who donated generously last year with our sponsored bike and scooter ride, raising £5000 for new equipment, toys and a lot of the total was also used to repair the adventure playground. We still have a little money left to replenish some toys but if you have anything at home that you are getting rid of (before the new Christmas toys come along!), please send them into school. Any small world toys, cars, sand toys, scooters, games, books and colouring equipment would be most welcome. Dolls and prams are very popular with boys and girls from all year groups, so we definitely would love those! If you can help, please drop any donations into the school office. Thanks so much.

Have a super weekend and enjoy the wonderful autumnal colours about at the moment!

Emma Heeley
Headteacher

Absences

Just a reminder if your child is off sick, please ring or email the office. The office need to know of any absences and do not see Dojo messages sent to the teachers.

Many thanks. **A2074@telford.gov.uk** or **386610**

Gold Star Awards

Oak Class

Rory, for super effort with your sounds at Nursery and at home! We are so proud of you, keep up the hard work!

Den Class

Amelia, for your fantastic turn taking and games this week. Amelia you have joined your friends for circle times and have shown us how keen you are to learn and explore. Well done we are so proud!

Fox Class

Amara, you have really impressed us with your super engagement in all of our activities about our families this week. You always support your friends and work well within your team. We are so proud of you!

Rabbit Class

Aarohi, you have impressed us so much by locking into your learning this week! You are becoming much more confident in the classroom and you're accessing different learning areas! Keep up the great job!

Hedgehog Class

Dshawn, for working really hard this week in your phonics and writing. You have really impressed Miss Owen and Mrs Davies with your knowledge of sounds and using these to write. Keep going Dshawn! You are becoming a super phonics whizz. Well done!

Squirrel Class

Freddie, for your amazing writing this week! Your handwriting is neat and clear and you did super posh talking for your sentences about The Blue Balloon. Keep up the great work!

Badger Class

Hunter, for making fantastic progress in maths this week. You kept on going and didn't give up. You have worked really hard to understand tens and ones and partitioning two-digit numbers this week! Keep being a brilliant Ready Eddie learner!

Deer Class

Oscar, for being a super Maths whizz this week! You used your fantastic maths knowledge to partition 2 digit number into tens and ones and could explain clearly the value of each number. What a super mathematician you have been!







Birthdays this week

There are no birthday's to celebrate in School this week!

Jeans for Genes Day

Last Friday we all wore jeans or denim for this charity.

we raised **£139.00**

Thank you to all of you for donating.

JEANS FOR GENES

Headteacher's Award

Radiyah in Deer Class for her super progress in her writing.

Well done.





ATTENDANCE

Our whole school attendance this week is 94.37%

Fox Class	89.91%
Rabbit Class	94.47%
Hedgehog Class	94.47%
Squirrel Class	97.94%
Badger Class	95.88%
Deer Class	95.58%
The Den	85.25%



Mrs Heeley says:

A little bit lower than she would like. Let's try and get it higher next next week.

Next week I will be in **Squirrel Class**
Well done!



Absence

Please report all absences to the school office **before 9.00am** on **01952 386610** or email **A2074@telford.gov.uk**. Thank you.

Is your child too ill for school? Click on the link for the NHS advice:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

GOOD ATTENDANCE MEANS



...being in school at least 95% of the time or between 180 and 190 days

190 days in school each year	180 days in school each year	169 days in school each year	161 days in school each year	150 days in school each year	143 days in school each year
100% attendance	95% attendance	89% attendance	85% attendance	79% attendance	75% attendance

SAFETY ZONE
Best chance of success

AMBER ZONE
Poor attendance - less chance of success

DANGER ZONE
Very poor attendance - serious impact on education and life chances



There are only 190 school days each year... that leaves **175** days not at school for shopping and holidays!



Well done to all of our Ready Eddies this week!



Reception

Fox Class	Rabbit Class
Shawn, Amber, Clara, Charlie, Louie B	Grace, Bentley, Parker, Lilah, Aarohi, Piper

Year 1

Hedgehog Class	Squirrel Class
Monnika x 2, Louis x2, Tommy x2, Hope, Lyla, Isla, Dshawn	Harry, Luca, Hollie, Pippin x2, Maeve, Amine, Preston, Alicia, Harby, Freddie, Jorji, Lilly

Year 2



Badger Class	Deer Class
Archie, Emilia, Sienna, Max	Osacr, Mia, Pragasti x 2, Radiyah, Holly, Grace, Chloe, Nezar, Isaac



Our wise owl readers this week are

Fox Class	Elsie-Mae
Rabbit Class	Lilah
Hedgehog Class	Tommy
Squirrel Class	Harry
Badger Class	Isla
Deer Class	Harley-May





Maths Certificates
Most Improved Awards





	1	2	3
Y2	Pragasti	Isaac	Oscar
Y1	Holly	Grace	Alfred

Well done to our Handwriting Heroes this week!

Fox Class	Clara, Poppy
Rabbit Class	Leo
Hedgehog Class	Toby, Til, Isla, Dshawn, Zayn, Rosie, Grace
Squirrel Class	Freddie, Alicia
Badger Class	Poppy, Florence, Toby, Hugo
Deer Class	Mason, Radiyah, Olive, Finn, Ava & Nezar.

Dates for your diary

Sun
Mon
Tue
Wed
Thu
Fri
Sat

October

Thurs 1st	Census Day
Fri 9th	The Den Class Farm Visit
Thur 15th	Harvest Festival. More details next week
Mon 19th	Y2 Parent Consultations 1-3pm
Tues 20th	Y1 Parent Consultations 1-3pm
Wed 21st	YR Parent Consultations 1-3pm
Thurs 22nd	YR/1/2 Parent Consultations 3.45-6.15pm (And Oak)
Fri 23rd	PD DAY - School closed to children

Click here to see our term dates

Thursday 2nd October is also National Poetry Day!

November

Thurs 5th	Newport Junior School Open day



The Eco Committee would like to let you know about Collection4Clothes, a recycling and fundraising organisation which helps schools, charities, and community groups raise funds through the collection of unwanted clothing, shoes, toys, and small household bric-a-brac items.

Indoors in the Reception Area we have a recycling collection box. This provides an easy and accessible way for pupils, parents, staff, and visitors to donate unwanted items while supporting both fundraising and environmental sustainability.

As part of the fundraising initiative the school will be paid 40p per kilogram for clothing donations and 20p per kilogram for bric-a-brac donations.

This initiative not only helps generate additional funds for the school but also encourages recycling and reduces the number of reusable items sent to landfill. It is a simple, hassle-free way to make a positive impact.

Newport Infant School and Nursery

School and Holiday Term dates

2026 – 2027

Autumn 2026	
Tuesday 1st September	**School closed – PD Day**
Wednesday 2nd September	**School closed – PD Day**
Thursday 3rd September	First day of term
Thursday 22nd October	Last day of term
Friday 23rd October	**School closed – PD Day**
Monday 26th – Friday 30th October	**School closed** – half term break
Monday 2nd November	School returns from half term break
Friday 18th December	Last day of term
 **CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS** 	
Spring 2027	
Monday 4th January	**School closed – PD Day**
Tuesday 5th January	First day of term
Friday 12th February	Last day of term
Monday 15th – Friday 19th February	**School closed** – half term break
Monday 22nd February	School returns from half term break
Thursday 25th March	Last day of term
Friday 26th March – Friday 9th April	**School closed** - Easter break
 **EASTER HOLIDAYS** 	
Summer 2027	
Monday 12th April	First day of term
Monday 3rd May	***School closed** – Public holiday*
Friday 28th May	Last day of term
Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June	**School closed** – half term break
Monday 7th June	**School closed – PD Day**
Tuesday 8th June	School returns from half term break
Wednesday 21st July	Last day of term

Is my child too ill for school?

UK Government NHS

Does your child have a high temperature (38°C or more)?

YES Keep them off school until it goes away.

NO Follow the guidance below.

Your child can usually go to school with a mild cough or cold if they are otherwise well. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school or nursery on the first day and give them the reason.

Should go in

A cough, cold or sore throat

Fine with slight cough or common cold symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat or headache, as long as they're otherwise well and do not have a high temperature.

Threadworms

Speak to your pharmacist, who can recommend a treatment.

Should go in (let the school know)

Cold sores

Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

Conjunctivitis

Fine unless they are feeling very unwell. Seek advice from your pharmacist. Encourage your child not to rub their eyes and to wash their hands regularly.

Head lice & nits

You can treat head lice and nits without seeing a GP.

Hand, foot & mouth disease

If they seem well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues straight away and to wash their hands regularly.

Slapped cheek syndrome

Once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious. Let the school or teacher know if you think your child has slapped cheek syndrome.

Seek treatment before returning to school

Impetigo

They'll need treatment from a pharmacist or GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment. Encourage your child to wash their hands regularly and not to share things like towels and cups with other children at school.

Ringworm

See your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

They'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Chickenpox

Keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over. This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Keep them off (at first)

Ear infection

If your child has an ear infection and a high temperature or severe earache, keep them off school until they're feeling better or their high temperature goes away.

Measles

They'll need to see a GP. Call the GP surgery before you go in, as measles can spread to others easily. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

Vomiting & diarrhoea

Stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea due to illness for at least 2 days (48 hours).

Feeling worried or anxious: It's normal for any of us to feel worried sometimes. We may get a tummy ache or headache, or have problems eating or sleeping. Avoiding school can sometimes make a child's worries about going to school worse. If your child is struggling, please speak to school as soon as possible to explore available help. If your child is still struggling and it's affecting their everyday life, you should contact GP or school nurse.

To find out more, search www.NHS.uk for the specific illness or infection, or 'Is my child too ill for school?'

P.E Kits

If you have any old P.E kits from last year that your child has outgrown please could we have them for spares in school. Thank you

Polite notice

Please try to remember to send your child to school with everything they need for the day. When items are brought in late it can take time to get them to class and the office cannot be unmanned.
Thank you.

Please Help

Please save and send in your used Pringles tubes. After Half term Year 2's will be making a winding mechanism toy in Design and Technology and they need as many as possible.
Many thanks.



Registration Documents

If your child is in Year 1 or 2 then they will have brought home details of their registration documents with them last week. Please send them back ASAP.
Many thanks.

Polite notice

Please NO PARKING on the Zig-Zag lines outside school at any time during the day
Thank you.



Census day—Thursday 1st October

Census day is when Telford and Wrekin gather pupil information from us so they can work out our School budget for the next financial year.

The number of children having a school meal on this day will be used to calculate our funding for the following year.

It would be great if all children could please take up the offer of their Universal Free School Meal on Thursday.

Change of Menu

On this day it will be Beef Burger, fries, spaghetti hoops and ketchup.

Vegetarian Burgers will be available too.

Chocolate Brownie for pudding.

Lunch Menu

Next week we are following **Week 2**

Census Day next Thursday. Please can all children have a school meal.



V Vegetarian
Ve Vegan
H Halal

WEEK 1

MONDAY
Big Breakfast *Farm Assured Pork Sausage Pattie, Free Range Scrambled Egg* V, *Baked Beans*
Vegetarian Sausage, Free Range Scrambled Egg V
Hash Browns, Plum Tomatoes, Mushrooms, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
Cheese and Crackers or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY
Wrap Day *Soft Tortilla Wrap with a selection of fillings* **BBQ Chicken, Ham, Tuna Mayonnaise** V, **Cheese and Beans** V
Herby Diced Potatoes or Boiled Rice, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
Ice Cream
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY
Roast of Day *Farm Assured Sliced Meat served with Tasty Gravy*
Cheese and Potato Puff *Grated Cheddar Cheese and Creamed Potato wrapped in Puff Pastry* V
Roast Potatoes, Creamed Potato, Broccoli, Carrots, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
LS - Chocolate and Pear Cake
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY
Pizza Bar *Selection of topped Pizzas on a Thin Crust Base* **Ham, Pineapple** V, **Peppers** V, **Sliced Onions** V, **Sweetcorn** V
Spaghetti in a Chef's Tomato Sauce V
Big Salad Bar, White and Wholemeal Bread
Cookie Selection
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY
Salmon Fish Star *MSC Salmon and Mashed Potato seasoned within a Crispy Crumb* **or Fishless Fingers** V
Macaroni Cheese *Macaroni Pasta in a Creamy Cheese Sauce* V
Chips, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
LS - Carrot Cake Muffin
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit



Sandwich Option
Packed lunch available

WEEK 2

MONDAY
Beef Burger *Farm Assured Minced Beef Pattie in a Burger Bun*
Vegetable Burger V
Potato Waffles, Garden Peas, Sweetcorn, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
Chocolate or Strawberry swirl Mousse
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY
Handmade Chicken Goujons *Farm Assured Chicken coated in Bread Crumbs* **served with Homemade Sweet and Sour or BBQ Sauce**
Quorn Dunkers V
Boiled Rice or Jacket Wedges, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
LS - Banana Muffin
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY
Roast of Day *Farm Assured Sliced Meat served with Tasty Gravy*
Roasted Vegetable Stuffed Yorkshire Pudding V
Roast Potatoes, Creamed Potato, Carrots, Cauliflower, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
Pudding Of the Day
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

THURSDAY
Handmade Meatballs *Farm Assured Minced Pork or Beef served in a Chef's Tomato Sauce*
Vegetarian Pasta Bake *Mixed Beans,and Pasta Twist in a Rich Tomato Sauce* V
Pasta Twists, Broccoli, Sweetcorn, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
Cheese and Crackers or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

BE SAFE

FRIDAY
Fish Finger *Fillet of Fish Coated in a Crispy Breadcrumb* **or Battered Fillet of Fish** *White Fillet coated in a Light Batter*
Cheese Flan *Free Range Egg, Milk and Cheese baked in a Short Crust Pastry Case* V
Chips, Couscous, Baked Beans, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, White and Wholemeal Bread
Ice Cream
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

Ripe cranberries bounce like rubber balls
FUN FOOD FACT

WEEK 3

MONDAY
Tuna Pasta Bake *Tuna and Pasta Twists in a Chef's Tomato Sauce*
Macaroni Cheese *Macaroni Pasta in a Creamy Cheese Sauce* V
Crusty Bread, Carrots, Broccoli, Big Salad Bar, Wholemeal Bread and White Bread
LS - Peach and Yoghurt Cake
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

TUESDAY
Handmade Sausage Roll *Farm Assured Pork Sausage wrapped in Golden Puff Pastry*
Quorn Roll *Quorn pieces in a Chef's Tomato Sauce Wrapped in Golden Puff Pastry* V
Herby Diced Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Garden Peas, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread and White Bread
Cheese and Crackers or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

WEDNESDAY
Roast of Day *Farm Assured Sliced Meat served with Tasty Gravy*
Vegan Sliced Beef *Quorn Slice served with a Tasty Gravy* V
Roast Potatoes, Creamed Potato, Carrots, Swede, Green Beans, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread and White Bread
Raspberry Bun
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

BE READY

THURSDAY
Pizza Bar – Cheese and Tomato Pizza V *with a selection of topping* **Ham, Pineapple** V, **Sliced Peppers** V, **Sliced Onions** V, **Sweetcorn**
Spaghetti in a Chefs Tomato Sauce V
Sweetcorn, Broccoli, Big Salad Bar, Wholemeal Bread and White Bread
Ice Cream
Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

FRIDAY
Fish Finger *Fillet of Fish Coated in a Crispy Breadcrumb* **or Battered Fillet of Fish** *White Fillet coated in a Light Batter*
Vegetable and Bean Parcel *Mixed Beans and Roast Vegetables encased in Puff Pastry* V
Chips, Lemon Couscous, Garden Peas, Baked Beans, Seasonal Salad Selection, Wholemeal Bread and White Bread
LS - Apple and Raisin Muffin
Cheese and Crackers or Fresh Fruit

FUN FOOD FACT
Broccoli contains more protein per calorie than Steak, but you would have to eat a LOT more broccoli!

Fresh Fruit available daily. All items subject to availability.
All our puddings meet school food standards and are made with little or no added sugar.

Packed Lunches

Please note, lunchbox rubbish is sent home so that you can see what has been eaten. If your child brings grapes or mini eggs, please cut them in half lengthways to prevent any potential choking hazards. For healthy lunchbox ideas, follow this link: **https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/**



Summer Term 2026	
13 APR	WK 1
20 APR	WK 2
27 APR	WK 3
4 MAY	WK 1
11 MAY	WK 2
18 MAY	WK 3
25 MAY - HALF TERM	
1 JUN	WK 2
8 JUN	WK 3
15 JUN	WK 1
22 JUN	WK 2
29 JUN	WK 3
6 JUL	WK 1
13 JUL	WK 2



We welcome any primary school aged child. However ,the children that attend are almost exclusively neurodiverse. Many of our volunteers have lived experience of parenting neurodiverse kids.

We are not at all experts , but we aim to be an inclusive, welcoming space, where children can learn life skills and have fun without judgement.

We also welcome parents / carers who can sit and chat with other parents who understand their child's challenges.

We return on Thursday 17 th September.