

# LUDLOW PRIMARY SCHOOL



## NEWSLETTER



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### Contacting Teachers and Senior Leaders

If any parent has a concern to raise with a teacher or senior leader, we respectfully ask this is done via the school office or admin email - [admin@ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk) and not Dojo or individual email addresses. This will enable your query to be dealt with more effectively and efficiently.

Thank you



## 2026 - The National Year of Reading!



### **Week 1 - Welcome to the Year of Reading!**

This year, Ludlow Primary School proudly celebrates 2026 - the year of reading.

Reading is at the heart of learning. It builds vocabulary, develops imagination, confidence and understanding, and supports children with their learning in all subject areas.

### **At home:**

Create a calm daily reading routine, even if it is only 10 minutes. Listening to a story is the perfect way to prepare for bed!

### **Recommended Read:**



'Funny Bones' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg

Funny Bones follows the adventures of a well-loved family of skeletons.

This classic story is full of humour and provide a great link to learning about what lies within the human body or simply to read for the sheer delight of enjoying the characters and their night time adventures!

## Easter Holiday Club

This club is for children in receipt of benefits related free school meals aged 5-16.

Please use the website or QR code to book.



**Genius HOLIDAY CLUBS**

# EASTER 2026

ARTS & CRAFTS   SPORTS   HOT MEALS   TRIPS

**WHEN: TUE-FRI 7TH-10TH APRIL**  
**TIME: 10AM TO 2PM**  
**WHERE: Ludlow Primary School, Sandpits Road**  
**Shropshire, SY8 1HG Year-1 to 6**  
**VISIT: WWW.GENIUSTUITION.CO.UK/ludlow**

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Shropshire

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Reception and KS1 children have been enjoying using the new playtime equipment at Sandpits Road! We are ensuring that we are respectful to the equipment, to other children and to the adults at playtimes and lunchtimes!



## Celebration Time & Reader of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who were celebrated in Assembly on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

Well done all!

Oscar Collis      Reyna Oliver      Marlie Dulgheru      Mariia Korniienko

Yasmin Powell      Alannah Brookes      Vinnie Collier      Noah Ulyatt

Ivy Smith      Milo Edwards      Brax Downes      Amelia Weaver      Rennie Jones

George Smith      Brooke Richards      Juvana Bright      Amelie Hiles

Eaiden Wilkes      Deon Lijo      Alfie Jennings      Carolina Marques Pinto      Archie Morris

Lillie May Riley      Olly Mcgrath      Amelia Rose Hansom      Freya Angell

Casey Davies      Connie Martin      Annabelle Moseley      Bea Harkin



## Careers Day

We at Ludlow Primary School, are organising a careers day for the children on Friday 22nd May and would like to invite you to be involved.

The day will involve a short session talking to our children all about what you do and what an exciting career it is. The teachers will then follow this with a short activity for the children based on your talk.

We hope this will be a great opportunity for us to develop closer relationships with the businesses in our community and inspire the children about the world of work and their futures.

If you would like to be involved, please contact me directly or [admin@ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk)

Many thanks  
Mr Whitbread



# Acorns Nursery

At Ludlow Primary School



## What do we offer?

Morning Sessions: 9.00am - 12.00pm  
Afternoon Sessions: 12.00pm - 3.00pm  
Full Day Sessions: 9.00am - 3.00pm



Acorns Nursery forms part of the exciting Early Years Foundation Stage at Ludlow Primary School. We take children from the age of 2 years. We have our own self-contained, spacious facilities together with a large natural outdoor area. We have full access to all school facilities.

Open Morning for prospective September start parents Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 9:30 - 10:30

Come and see the provision that we can offer



We understand that choosing the right setting for your child is an extremely important decision. We feel that the best way to get a true feel for what we can offer at Acorns Nursery is for you and your child to come and visit us and meet our children and staff. Please contact the school office if you would like to come and see us.

## Government funded and private places available

We accept 24U funding and funding for 3-4 year olds (if eligible). Please contact us to find out more or you can check eligibility on the Shropshire council website:

<https://next.shropshire.gov.uk/early-years-and-childcare/childcare-funding/>



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Visit us online:

[ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk](http://ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk)



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**IT'S TIME TO**  
*apply!*



**PE & SPORT APPRENTICESHIP**

**Join our team as a  
PE Apprentice!**

Learn, earn  
and make a  
difference

For more information visit  
[www.strideactive.org](http://www.strideactive.org)

We are on the lookout for our own PE Apprentice to support PE, school sport & physical activity at our school! If you think you can make a difference and help us create exciting, fun & positive physical activity experiences for children in our school, apply today:

<http://bit.ly/3rsnPV8>

**Spark**   
**Young Writers**



Scan Me

**Creative writing groups for children at Ludlow Library.**

Poetry | Playwriting | Fiction | Wordplay

Fun, playful sessions for children who love writing in school years 3-6.

All sessions are run by professional writers.

Saturdays monthly from September 2025 - July 2026

£10 per 2 hour session. Bursaries available.

Full details and booking: [sparkwriters.org](http://sparkwriters.org)



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## Family Information Service (FIS)

Please find below useful information which can be found on the Family Information Service (FIS) page, helping you to find information on childcare, things to do, plus local and national organisations and services for children, young people and families. Further information can be found on the link below:

[Information to help families in Shropshire - Shropshire Together Community Directory](#)

### Fun for free

#### At your library

Libraries are so much more than books, long gone are the days where you were expected to talk in a whisper. Shropshire's libraries are warm, welcoming, community spaces. You'll find loads of free activities on offer for all the family including things like:

- Rhyme and story time sessions for 0-5 year olds
- Stay and play sessions for pre-schoolers
- Baby Sensory sessions
- Lego and Duplo clubs
- Board game clubs
- Creative writing, art and crafts
- Jigsaw libraries
- Free school holiday activities

You can find out what is going on at your local library on the library events page [Library events | Shropshire Council](#) Some libraries also have social media pages where they advertise events and activities.

### Drop in and chat to a Health Visitor

Did you know Shropshire Health Visiting Service run free drop-in clinics in Shrewsbury, Market Drayton, Oswestry, Ludlow, Bridgnorth and Highley?

Health Visitors can help families with children aged 0-5 years old. They can offer information, advice and support on a range of topics, including:

- Infant feeding and breastfeeding advice
- Child development
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Parenting and local support groups
- Behaviour
- Sleep

If you would like support but are unable to get to a session, you can also get help by calling 0333 358 3654 or texting the team on 07520 635212.

### Food banks to community food shares

#### Food Banks

If you are struggling to buy food you may be able to get emergency food through a food bank. To use a food bank you may need a referral. There are many people who can make a referral for you including health professionals, advice workers, housing associations and Shropshire Council. You can find your local food bank and further information here on the [Shropshire Larder website](#).

#### Food Shares and Community Kitchens

Food shares and Community kitchens redistribute surplus food on a 'pay as you feel' basis - meaning you pay as much as you can or are willing to spend. These are often open to everyone and are aimed at stopping food waste. Local projects include:

- [Shrewsbury Food Hub](#)
- [Osnosh Community Kitchen - Oswestry](#)
- [Ludlow Foodbank Open Table Events](#)
- [Ludlow Hands Together Community Fridge](#)
- [Highley Community Project](#)
- [Telford Community Grocery Store](#)

#### Coffee and Chat - Early Help support

You can get free Information, advice and support on all aspects of family life, at our Family Drop-Ins and Stay and Plays. You can chat, have a cuppa and see how we can help you with:

- Family life
- Parenting support
- Domestic abuse support
- Money worries
- Housing support
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)
- and much more

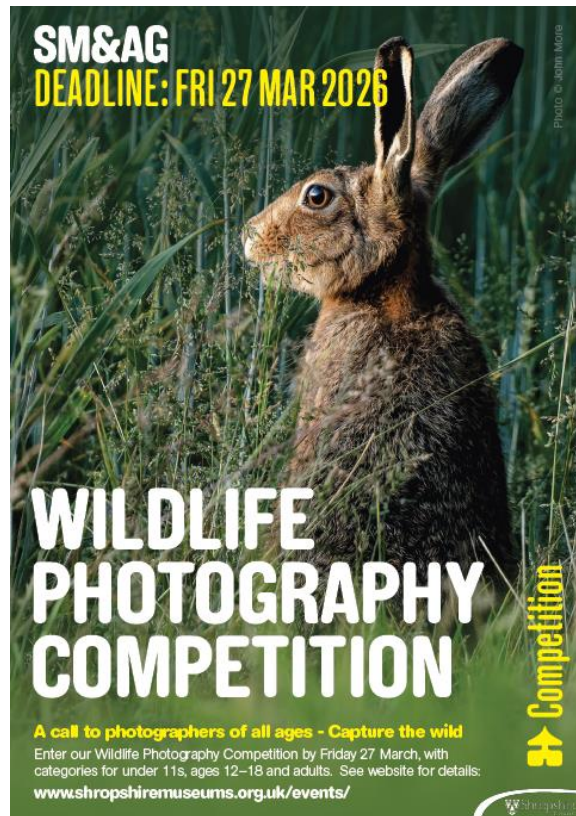
To find your local drop in please visit the Family Information Directory

### NHS Healthier Families

The NHS Healthier Families website has lots of ideas for games and activities, with your favourite Disney and Marvel heroes, that will keep your kids moving. The website also has advice on healthy eating, recipe ideas and lunchbox inspiration. You can visit the website here: [Healthier Families - Home - NHS](#)

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## Calling All Young Wildlife Photographers!

Love exploring outside? Spotting birds, bugs, foxes—or cool textures on trees and plants? Now's your chance to capture the wild side of your local area!

We're inviting pupils and teachers to enter our Local Wildlife Photography Competition. No fancy camera needed—just curiosity, creativity, and a good eye for nature.

### What to Photograph

- Animals big or small
- Birds, insects, and other creatures
- Trees, flowers, plants, and natural patterns
- Signs of wildlife in your community
- Creative close-ups of natural textures

### How to Take Part

1. Head outdoors and look closely.
2. Snap an image that shows wildlife in a striking or surprising way.
3. Email your best photo to [shropshiremuseums@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:shropshiremuseums@shropshire.gov.uk) with:
  - Your name, age and school
  - A title + short description
  - Where and when you took it

### Key Dates

- Deadline: Friday 27 March
- Winners announced: Friday 10 April

### Prizes

- Winning photos displayed alongside the Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition at Shrewsbury Museum & Art Gallery (25 April-20 June)
- Free exhibition tickets for you and your family (up to 4)

### Rules

- One entry per person
- Your own photo only
- Minor edits allowed (crop, brightness, etc.)
- ~~Submit~~ Submit a JPEG under 10MB, minimum size 600x600. Keep your original/RAW files for printing

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# Red Nose Day - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**WE'RE TAKING OURSELVES**  
**FUNNY**  
**FOR MONEY THIS**  
**RED NOSE DAY**

**WHAT?** Wear as much red as possible!

**WHEN?** Friday 20th March 2026

**WHERE?** Ludlow Primary School

JUST GIVING PAGE QR CODE GOES HERE

← SCAN QR CODE TO DONATE

COMIC RELIEF RED NOSE DAY

Get more posters [www.comicrelief.org.uk/rednoseday/resources](#)

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FRIDAY 20 MARCH

## HOW YOUR MONEY MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Whatever you do this Red Nose Day, the money you raise will help support incredible projects that get people the basics they need, from shelter and safety to food and essential supplies, right across the UK and around the world.

### HELP FEED CHILDREN

**£5**

could help feed a child for a day at a community hub during school holidays in the UK, stopping them from going hungry.



### SUPPORT YOUNG PEOPLE

**£10**

could help provide after school lessons for a child seeking safety in the UK, helping them progress in their education.



### A PLACE TO CALL HOME

**£25**

could provide a young person in the UK who has experienced homelessness with a starter pack, helping them to take the first steps towards thriving independently in a new home.



### THE BEST START IN LIFE

**£36**

could equip 20 students in South Africa with the stationery and basic learning resources they need for a month, helping them complete homework and supporting their ongoing education.



### HELP FAMILIES GET BY

**£100**

could provide a week's worth of baby supplies for five families in the UK struggling to meet their basic needs.



### HELP PROVIDE LIFE'S ESSENTIALS

**£250**

could provide a community rainwater harvesting system, ensuring clean water access for a school or women's group in a community facing water insecurity in South Africa.



Red Nose Day is an initiative of Comic Relief, operating name of Charity Projects, registered in England & Wales (2180044), registered address 9th Floor, The White Chapel Building, 100 Whitechapel Road, London, E1 1DU. Photo credits: Daniel Leavelle, Jordan Maitland, Legas Sotikho



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# Kids

## Shropshire Universal Autism Support Service

Kids offer warm, supportive services for parent carers and families of children and young people with additional needs and disabilities across Shropshire. We help provide families with practical tools, emotional support and confidence to help families thrive.

**"Kids are here to support families every step of the way."**



### **Families can access a bespoke package of support including:**

- Riding the Rapids programme
- Coffee mornings and drop-in sessions
- Neurodivergency workshops
- Autism, ADHD and Demand Avoidance Workshops
- EBSA workshops
- Sleep support
- Behaviour workshops
- One-to-one support

### **Child and young person:**

- Understanding Me - group sessions
- LEGO® therapy sessions
- Managing emotions and feelings therapeutic activities/sessions

# Kids

Disabled children  
say we can

Registered office: 249 Birmingham Road, Wylde  
Green, Sutton Coldfield B72 1EA  
Company limited by guarantee no: 1346252

Registered charity number: 275936

Tel: 01743 644506

Email: [kids.shropshire@kids.org.uk](mailto:kids.shropshire@kids.org.uk)

### Contact via Dojo

If you have concerns about any incident in school which involves your child, please do not message class TAs through Dojo or by any other means. Please direct all queries to the class teacher.

Please do not message outside of normal office hours, as staff do not receive notifications in the evenings or at weekends.

Thank you

### Parking

Please be considerate when parking near school, at all times.

We have been made aware of people parking in dangerous places and on the zig zags, making car park entry and exit difficult. The road outside Clee View was blocked recently, when a member of staff needed to be taken to hospital.

Emergency services must also be able to access both sites if required.

The local policing team have been made aware and will be making patrols at both sites.

Thank you for your help in this matter.



Our driver Healthy Body, Healthy Mind means that one of the things that we promote is having a balanced diet, rich in essential nutrients and therefore as a school a healthy lunchbox is important to us.

### **What should be in a healthy lunchbox?**

Eating a healthy, balanced lunch is vital for ensuring children have the right nutrients and enough energy to see them through the school day, however, achieving this balance is not always as easy as it sounds. The key to a healthy packed lunch is variety and getting the right balance of foods to provide children with all of the nutrients they need to stay healthy. A packed lunch made at home can be a healthy and delicious choice and gives a parent or carer control over the foods and ingredients included.

These should be based upon the principles of the *Eatwell Guide*, encouraging a lunchbox to contain:

- a starchy food, e.g. potatoes, bread, rice, pasta
- plenty of fruit and vegetables, e.g. carrot sticks, an apple, sliced cucumber
- a source of protein, e.g. beans, pulses, egg, fish, meat
- a healthy drink, e.g. water, semi-skimmed milk.

As a healthier lunchbox school, we suggest to parents/carers that foods high in fat, salt and sugars should not be included (such as crisps, confectionary and sugar-containing carbonated drinks).

There are lots of websites regarding lunchbox ideas and recipes. Here's a link to one of them: [Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS](#)

**EYFS/KS1 Site:**

Sandpits Rd, Ludlow, Shropshire SY8 1HG

**KS2 Site:**

Clee View, Ludlow Shropshire SY8 1HX

**Telephone:** 01584 873602

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**Website:** [www.ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.ludlowprimaryschool.co.uk)

**2025**

**PD days:** Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd September 2025  
**Autumn term starts:** Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

**Half term:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025 - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

**Autumn term ends:** Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**2026**

**PD day:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
**Spring term starts:** Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026

**Half term:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2026 - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**Spring term ends:** Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Summer term starts:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Bank holiday:** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Half term:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026 – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

**Summer term ends:** Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026

*As you will be aware, we are not able to authorise holidays in term time due to government legislation introduced in 2013. Please note that other schools in the area may have different dates as schools have the flexibility to plan their own PD days. This information will also be on our website.*

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## Dates for your Diary 2025 - 2026

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 swimming

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March- 2 Ash Farm Visit

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - 2 Oak Farm Visit

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March- Yr6 Great British Spring Clean

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March- Year 4 swimming

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>-Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March- Yr 6 Mock SATS

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March- Swimming Gala Ludlow Leisure Centre

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March- Year 5&6 Dodgeball Church Stretton school

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March- Year 5&6 Netball Ludlow CE school

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March- Year 4 Easter Performance

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March & Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March- Parents evening both sites

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March- Year 3 Local area walk

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April Year 5&6 Boys athletics Church Stretton School

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April- Year 4 swimming

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April- Year 4 swimming

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May-Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May- YR 6 SATS

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May- Yr3 Bewdley Museum rivers workshop

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May-22<sup>nd</sup> May Walk to School week

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May- Yr 6- RAF Cosford trip

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May- Yr 5- Trip to Hay Festival

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May Yr 5/6 Kwik Cricket County Finals, Shrewsbury Sports Village

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June- Yr 6 Bikeability

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July - Reception Trip to Home Farm, Attingham

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July- Yr 6 Manchester Residential