



*Be courageous; Be strong. Do everything in love (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)*

## **Bitterley CE Primary School Newsletter 04.07.25**

### **PTA Colour Run**

On Sunday 29th June, Bitterley School kicked off their first-ever colour run, organised by the PTA and friends of Bitterley. It was a brilliant day filled with laughter and vibrant fun! A huge thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the event such a fantastic success. We would like to thank our very generous sponsors for this event: Mark Wiggin Estate Agents, Henry Daly, Teme Leisure, Sports & Massage Therapy with Emma and Castle Hill Joinery. Thank you to Chris Maddox Photography for taking photos at this event.





## **Before and After School Club**

From September we will be using Eduspot for bookings for breakfast and after school club. This will work in a similar way to how school lunches are booked and will require you to choose which sessions you would like to book for your child, one hour, two hours or the whole session. It will require payment at the time of booking via Eduspot. If you do need to cancel, a credit can be applied to your booking; if you require a last minute booking, the procedure will remain the same and you will need to contact the school office or Mr Lawrence who will be able to add this for you and then a payment will be requested.

We will let you know once the system is live and you can make bookings.

Due to the recent rise in operational costs, particularly in staffing, we find ourselves in the position of needing to increase the fees for the breakfast and after school club.

The new fee structure will be as follows:

- £4.50 per hour will increase to £5 per session.

We understand that any increase in costs can be challenging, and we have taken steps to ensure that this adjustment remains as minimal as possible while still allowing us to sustain excellent staffing levels that prioritise the wellbeing and development of our children.

Please contact the school office if you have any concerns regarding this change.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

In school this week

Little Acorns





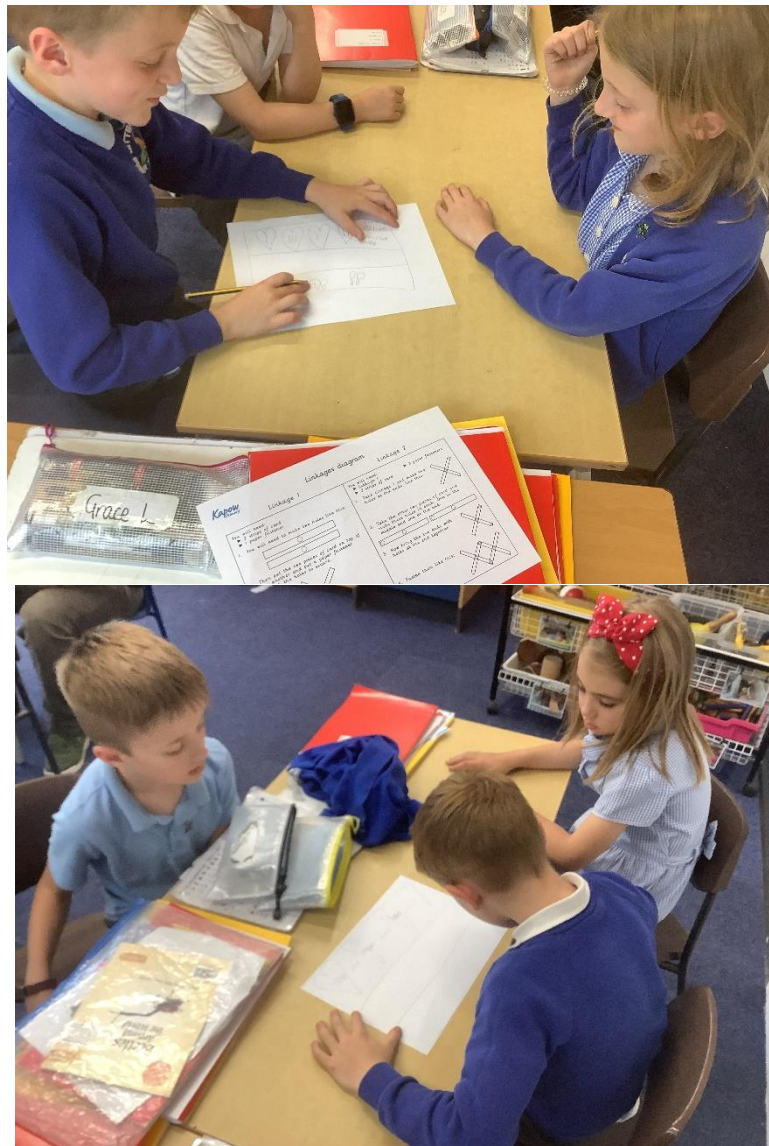
Little Acorns Class thoroughly enjoyed our trip to Home Farm at Attingham Park this week. We met all of the animals that appear in our Talk 4 Writing book - The Pig in the Pond plus lots more! Thank you to all the parents that joined us for the day.

## Wondrous Willows



This week in WWC we had our post Hay Festival art workshop. We created a bower when sharing the story of "The Bowerbird" by Julia Donaldson, painted our kaleidoscopes and used acrylic pens to make a torchlight picture on acetate plastic sheets.

## Majestic Maples



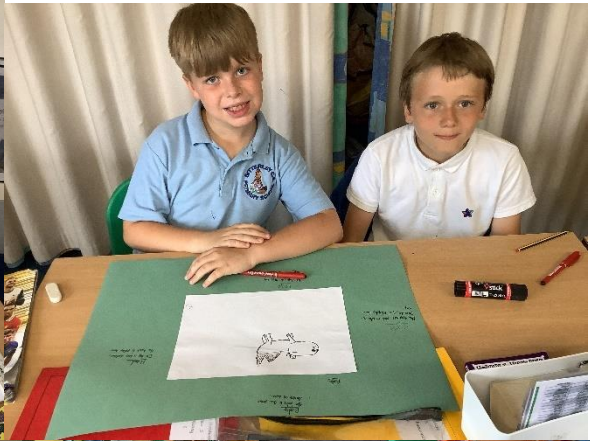
This week in Maples Class, in music, the students explored their creativity by composing a piece of music with a specified structure. They diligently crafted a written score, showcasing their understanding of musical composition. This engaging activity enhanced their skills in both structure and notation, fostering a deeper appreciation for music.

## Fantastic Firs



We made the most of the sunshine this week, playing rounders in PE. The children's skills have really been developing this half term.

# Mighty Oaks





This week, Mighty Oaks had a fantastic time creating our own unique creatures. The imaginative ideas flowed as the pupils designed their critters, sparking lots of excitement and creativity in the classroom.






We have completed our digital animation sets.

## Collective Worship





We acted out the story of the prodigal son with "Open the Book". We got into the character of the wayward son and his dad, using lots of imagination. It's a brilliant way to explore forgiveness and family. We wish them all a happy summer holiday.

## Learning Value Awards

|                  |   |  |  |  |  |
|------------------|--|---|---|--|---|
|                  | Enthusiasm   | Determination   | Perseverance  | Creativity   | Collaboration   |
| Little Acorns    | Daniel for great listening and attention and for being such a good boy for Mummy on our Class Trip to Home Farm.   |   |   |  |   |
| Wondrous Willows | Theo for his creativity when acting out stories from the Bible as part of our RE work. Louis for his creativity in designing and making his bird feeder. |   |   |  |   |
| Majestic Maples  | Joshua for showing excellent perseverance in maths.  |   |   |  |   |
| Fantastic Firs   | Sammy for enthusiasm in English. Josie for enthusiasm in English.  |   |   |  |   |
| Mighty Oaks      | Calvin for super creativity in English and history. Caspar for super debate writing.   |   |   |  |   |

## Christian Vision awards

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|  |  <p><b>BITTERLEY C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL</b><br/> <i>"Be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love" (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)</i></p> |
| <p>Little Acorns</p>  | <p>All of our Little Acorns that attended our Class Trip. They all showed such kindness towards the animals and were very brave when feeding the big Highland Cows!</p>  |
| <p>Wondrous Willows</p>   | <p>Arthur for being super helpful. Paisley for being super helpful. Sofia for being super helpful.</p>   |
| <p>Majestic Maples</p>  | <p>Ezra for marvellous manners.</p>  |
| <p>Fantastic Firs</p>   | <p>Freddy for having the strength to speak out.</p>  |
| <p>Mighty Oaks</p>  | <p>Millie for sharing her work with the class. Harvey for sharing his work with the class.</p>   |



## Numbot Awards

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| <p>Lucas</p> | <p>Tin</p> |
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## Handwriting Award

This week our handwriting heroes are:

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| <p>Wondrous Willows</p> | <p>Sophie</p> |
| <p>Majestic Maples</p>  | <p>Payton</p> |
| <p>Fantastic Firs</p>   | <p>Ashton</p> |
| <p>Mighty Oaks</p>      | <p>Lucie</p>  |

## Attendance

Attendance this week:

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|---------|-----|
| Willows | 82% |
| Maples  | 85% |
| Firs    | 84% |
| Oaks    | 97% |

**2nd August 2025**  
**10am-2PM**

**Ludlow second hand uniform event**  
uniforms for Ludlow schools available  
Rock Spring Centre, Sandford Road, Ludlow,  
Shropshire, SY8 1SX  
All proceeds go to Ludlow food bank

- Ludlow primary school
- St Lawrence school
- Ludlow High school

First come first served basis

small amount of select items for other schools

All items have been laundered in non-bio detergent

We also have free advice available and plenty of volunteers to have a chat with!

ALL items only 20P

£1 entry fee includes tea, coffee and a slice of cake!  
Small play area for children while you get what you need!  
items are mainly trousers, tops, shirts and skirts! Don't miss out!

Ludlow Baptist Church

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

Ludlow Food Bank

**Bitterley School second hand uniform is also available at the above event.**



Please note that there may be occasions when a date may need to change due to unforeseen circumstances. Further detail about each event will be sent nearer the time.

| Event                  | 2025                                    |
|------------------------|---|
| Moving on morning      | Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July            |
| Year 5/6 Bikeability   | New date - Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July |
| Leavers Service        | Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 9:30am    |
| Year 6 bowling trip    | Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July           |
| Leavers Disco          | Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 4:30-6pm  |
| Bitterley's Got Talent | Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2.00pm  |

**The Staff Team**



**Bitterley C.E. Primary School**  
**School Term and Holiday Dates 2024/25**

**Autumn Term**

Term Starts Wednesday 4th September 2024  
Half Term Monday 28th October 2024- Friday 1st November 2024  
Term Ends Friday 20th December 2024

**Spring Term**

Term Starts Monday 6th January 2025  
Half Term Monday 17th February 2025 – Friday 21st February 2025  
Term Ends Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**Summer Term**

Term Starts Monday 28th April 2025  
Half Term Monday 26th May 2025 – Friday 30th May 2025  
Term Ends Thursday 17th July 2025

**Staff Development days—children not in school**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024  
Monday 4th November 2024  
Friday 18th July 2025

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Local Authority.**



**Bitterley C.E. Primary School**  
**School Term and Holiday Dates 2025/26**

**Autumn Term**

Term Starts Wednesday 3rd September 2025  
Half Term Monday 27th October 2025- Friday 31st October 2025  
Term Ends Friday 19th December 2025

**Spring Term**

Term Starts Monday 5th January 2026  
Half Term Monday 16th February 2026 – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Term Ends Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**Summer Term**

Term Starts Monday 13th April 2026  
Half Term Monday 25th May 2026 – Friday 29th May 2026  
Term Ends Thursday 16th July 2026

**Staff Development days—children not in school**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025  
Monday 5th January 2026

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