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Lilleshall School Newsletter



Year R We have had a great couple of weeks exploring the Christian celebration of Christmas. We have enjoyed learning the songs for our Nativity play and the children have shown great confidence and enthusiasm in the performances. We have also started learning about space with the book ~Whatever Next. We have been learning how to create different joins for paper and cardboard such as tabs and slots and the children have used these joins to design create and evaluate a space rocket. They have done an amazing job with a lot of independence.

We have been so impressed with the progress children have made this term in all areas of the curriculum. We are so pleased to see children reading words with confidence and writing them too. Their fluency with numbers to ten is growing all the time. Have a well deserved rest children and keep safe until next year when we have lots of things to look forward to. ready for the Spring Term.



Year 6 have continued to impress us with their effort and determination to learning, even at this exciting time of year. They have learned a method to complete long division, written a retell of the Mr Morris Lessmore' story and continued their studies of The Maya. Everyone deserves a well earned break - Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



In **Years 3 and 4** this term, our Design and Technology lessons have been all about creativity and problem-solving. The children have explored structures with electrical components, starting with building working lighthouses. They then reflected on their designs and sketched ideas for how they would improve them if they were to recreate their nightlight. It has been fantastic to see their imagination and practical skills come together. From all of the staff in Years 3 and 4, would like to thank you for your ongoing support throughout the term. We wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy, restful holiday!



Year 5 have learnt so much in music this term and their ukelele skills have come on amazingly! The music teacher, Mr Bolton, was really impressed with their knowledge and the progress that they made over the ten weeks. They loved playing some Christmas songs in the last session and this was a fun way to end their time with the ukelele. We may have found some ukelele players of the future! We would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and restful break. See you in the New Year!

Years 1 & 2 Mrs Giles and Mrs McCormick are incredibly proud of how well all of the children performed in our recent nativity. The children have done a fantastic job of learning all their lines and all of the words in the songs, and we couldn't have asked anymore of them on stage. They were all superstars! We've had a very busy end of the term getting ready for Christmas and showing everything we have learned in our recent assessments, and we know the children are ready for a well earned rest over the Christmas holidays. We would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing you all in January



Celebrating Success

Year R – Eira Shotton, Cohen Kneale

Year 1 - Mila-Rose Lester

Year 2 – Mylo Wilkes, Poppy Russell

Year 3 – Isla Giles, Lyra Davies

Year 4 – Seb Jenkins, Sophia Pearce,
Trisha Shah

Year 5 - Aamaran Mander, Paige Pryor

Year 6 – Eliza Dauncey, Freddie Hicks



Poppy Appeal

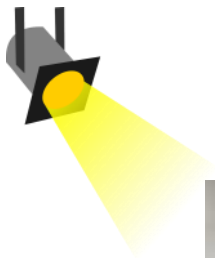
Thank you for supporting this years Poppy Appeal.
We raised an amazing £274.79!



Sports



Well done to our Year 5/6 Football team. They won their quarter final match in the Village Cup and are now through to the semi finals.



Extra Curricular Achievements



We wanted to say a massive congratulations to Freddie Hicks in Year 6 for working really hard and for that hard work to have now paid off. He has recently signed for Stoke City and we can't wait to see him grow as a player.

Headteachers Comment

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the close of the Autumn Term, it is nice to reflect on some of the wonderful achievements and experiences that have taken place across our school.

Eco Team Success

Our school has now achieved **Level 3 of the School Gardening Awards**. This is a fantastic accomplishment and a testament to the dedication of our Eco Team, who have worked tirelessly over the past year. Their efforts continue as they now set their sights on achieving Level 4.

A Term Full of Fun and Experiences

This term has been rich with opportunities for our children to learn, explore, and enjoy new adventures. Highlights have included:

- Launching rockets and exploring science in action
- Traveling on steam trains and visiting Blists Hill experiencing history first-hand
- A sweet and educational trip to Cadbury's World and Coffee and Cake afternoon
- Year 6 having an amazing time in Arthog
- Orienteering challenges that have made our lessons more active
- School discos and Christmas Fayres
- Wonderful productions showcasing the talents of our pupils

Celebrating Staff Achievements

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our incredible staff team. Their commitment, hard work, and passion for providing the highest quality education never goes unnoticed. Many have also been furthering their professional development:

- Mr Firmstone Hill has successfully completed his NPQH (National Professional Qualification for Headship)
- Mrs McCormick has achieved her NPQLL (National Professional Qualification for Leading Literacy)

Miss Evans has recently passed her NPQSL (National Professional Qualification for Senior Leadership)

These achievements reflect the dedication of our staff to continually grow and ensure the very best provision for our pupils. We also have staff working towards Best Practice Network Training. Level 5 Specialist Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship and Sports Leadership qualifications.

Christmas Wishes

As we head into the festive season, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on **Tuesday, 6th January** for the start of the Spring Term.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Christobel Cousins
Headteacher

Governors Corner - December

This month we held our main Governor Board meeting where we had a number of key items on our agenda. We reviewed our role in school improvement and heard from the Headteacher latest information about: school attendance, curriculum development and Pupil Premium Grant amongst other items.

Governors looked at the training we need to complete to ensure we are able to fulfil our statutory responsibilities for child safeguarding – namely training and updating in child protection and online safety for example. Governors reviewed our responsibilities regarding implementing school attendance requirements in light of Department of Education statutory attendance legislation and guidance. And we looked at the problems children have in catching up when they miss lessons or arrive late to classes.

Christine A Raper
Chair of Governors



Thank you so much for supporting our Christmas Fayre's.
We raised over £1250 over the two days!

Our "Guess the Name" and "Guess the amount of Sweets"
winners were;

Flynn Year R
Nancie and Louie Year3
Annie Year 4

All other Christmas fundraisers will be added to our January Newsletter once totals have
been confirmed.



Dates for your diary:

Thursday 18th December - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Bingo
Friday 19th December - Last day of term.
Tuesday 6th January 2026—School returns
Wednesday 14th January—Skills for Bills workshop Year 6
Thursday 12th February —Bikeability Year 4
Friday 27th February—Year 5 and Year 6 Harry Potter World Trip
Wednesday 4th March—Parents Day
Monday 16th March—Thursday 19th March—Bikeability Year 5
Thursday 19th March—Easter Egg Hunt
Friday 20th March - Red Nose Day
Tuesday 24th March - Year 3 and Year 4 Production PM
Wednesday 25th March—Year 3 and Year 4 Production AM
Wednesday 25th March—Year 2 Big Sing
Thursday 26th March—Easter Extravaganza Orienteering Event
Thursday 26th March—Easter Bingo
Thursday 16th April - Image Theatre
Tuesday 21st April - Year 2 Pedestrian Training
Monday 11th May—Friday 15th May—Year 6 S&T's Week
Monday 18th—22nd May - Walk to School Week
Monday 1st June—Friday 5th June—Year 4 Multiplication Checks
Monday 8th June—Friday 12th June—Year 1 Phonics Screening
Monday 15th June—Friday 19th June—Sports Week
Wednesday 17th June—Sports Day
Thursday 18th June—Bikeability Year R and Year 1
Monday 22nd June—Thursday 25th June—Bikeability Year 6
Thursday 2nd July—Year 6 Transitions Workshop
Monday 6th July and Tuesday 7th July—Burton Borough School Transitions Days
Friday 10th July— School Reports Out
Tuesday 14th July—Year 5 and Year 6 Production (Year 5 Parents Only)
Wednesday 15th July - Year 5 and Year 6 Production (Year 6 Parents Only)

Please note, dates and times can be changed and added to throughout the year. Updated versions of this section will be on each months Newsletter.



Thank you to everyone who donated prizes to this years Christmas raffle. We do appreciate the support we get from our parents and local businesses.

A special thanks goes to our top prize giver Best Concrete, I'm sure their generous donation of £100 will make the lucky winners Christmas that little bit more special.





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Closing date for applications:

15 January 2026

If your child has an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP) the closing date is **31 October 2025**.

www.telford.gov.uk/admissions

- You **must** apply if your child was born between 1 September 2021 – 31 August 2022.
- You **must** apply even if your child is attending a nursery or pre-school on a school site or you have a child already attending the school.
- You are advised to list four schools on your application form, including your catchment area/nearest school.
- Attending a nursery does **not** guarantee a school place.
- School places are allocated in line with oversubscription criteria.
- See website for more information **www.telford.gov.uk/admissions** or contact School Admissions at **admissions@telford.gov.uk**





Please use the link below to access the Winter Edition of All About Family magazine.
The free digital magazine aimed at giving your parents valuable information for their children.

There is exclusive content from NSPCC, St John Ambulance, plus more.
Within there is advice on;

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Childhood Vaccinations from Dawson Cornwell

ADHD Advice

NSPCC and Childline Christmas Campaign

How to Manage Festive Gatherings with SEND Children

Anaphylaxis Advice from St John Ambulance

How to Talk To Children About Mental Health

The Benefits of Extra Private Tuition

Adult Education Advice

Plus more.....

Below is a link to the Winter edition;

<https://allabout-family.co.uk/national-magazine/>



JOIN US FOR A FREE FAMILY
BIKE RIDE



Christmas GLOW RIDE

18th December
6:00 pm - 7:00pm

Book your free tickets at Tickets
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