Part of the Marches Academy Trust







Headteachers report of the week.

This week has reminded me (as if I needed reminding...) how fabulous our Woodlanders are.

Because we are growing as a school, we interviewed for a new Deputy Headteacher, to help us develop Woodlands further. We want to build our culture of belonging, where everyone feels like Woodlands is the school (or workplace) for them and this role is such a big part of that.

The candidates spent the whole day with us. They were with us when we welcomed the pupils to breakfast club, they taught a lesson, they had lunch with the staff, and they were interviewed by the pupils themselves. All of them shared how welcoming our children are and how each of them expressed pride at being a Woodlander.

The pupil panel really thought about their questions and took the job very seriously. Their voice was a genuine part of our decision-making process because we value their thoughts and experiences and want to get it right for them.

As I was driving home last night, I was also a proud Woodlander. I was proud of the way our pupils showed how amazing they are and proud of what our school is becoming. I want it to be the absolute best for them, and I know all the staff here share that commitment.

Best Wishes

Jules



24TH NOVEMBER 2023

WOODLANDS FOREST SCHOOL -NESSCLIFFE

BY Romeo James



HI MY NAME IS ROMEO JAMES AND I GO TO WOODLANDS SCHOOL, AND THE REASON I'M HERE, IS TO TELL YOU ABOUT WOODLAND FOREST SCHOOL CAMP AT NESSCLIFFE WOODS, I GOT WITH MY CLASS MATES EVERY WEDNESDAY, WITH GAZ, RAE OR JOSEPH.

FIRST WE TRAVEL FOR AT LEAST 15 MINUTES IN THE MINI-BUS, ONCE WE GET THERE, WE WALK FOR FIVE MINUTES TO THE CAMP AND THEN SETTLE DOWN, AFTER THAT I GO EXPLORE AND BUILD A SECRET BASE WITH MY CLASS MATE OLLIE AFTER THAT WE GO EAT BACON SANDWICHES AND SAUSAGES WITH BROWN OR KETCHUP SAUCE AND WE SIT THERE AND HAVE A CHAT ON HOW WE THINK ON THE FOREST AND NEXT TIME WE GO ON WHAT WE COULD DO AND THEN HEAD BACK TO THE MINIBUS AND GO BACK TO SCHOOL.

WHAT I REALLY LOVE ABOUT FOREST SCHOOL IS THE BACON SANDWICHES AND HAVING GREAT FUN WITH MY FRIENDS,

WHAT WE SEE UP THERE IS AMAZING YOU CAN SEE A REALLY GREAT VIEW AND WE ALSO GOT ON THE ROPE SWING IT REALLY FUN BUT ITS SCARY BECAUSE WHEN YOUR ON IT YOU'LL REALIZE HOW MUCH FUN IT ACTUALLY IS.

I WOULD RECOMMEND GOING TO FOREST SCHOOL IS BECAUSE 1 YOU'LL SEE HOW GREAT THE NATURE AROUND YOU REALLY IS AND THE AMOUNT OF FUN YOU CAN REALLY GET TO DO IN THE WILD LIKE PEOPLE WILL THINK IT'S BORING WHICH ISN'T TRUE THEY JUST HAVEN'T WENT THERE AND HAVE FUN LIKE YOULL WILL BE.

-ROMEO JAMES

Year 10 students have been making Shortcrust Pastry this week, they have made Mince Pies and Festive Jam Tarts. They have been putting their pastry making skills to good practice and using maths to work out the flour: fat ratio.











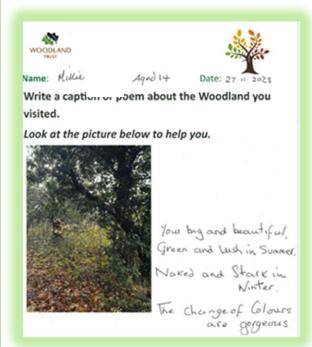
Students this week worked on developing their artistic skills using soft pastels on black paper. They used the photographs taken at Shropshire Falconry last week as inspiration for their Owl eyes.





Our Woodland Poems







Students from Lower and Upper School have been foraging in our school grounds and with their exciting finds designed a wall display. Full of inspiration they wrote poems about their experiences. Students are encouraged to think about how the Woodlands make them feel, what sounds they can hear, what they can see and smell. All working towards the Woodland Trust Green Tree Award

Career of the Week



Motor mechanic

Alternative titles for this job include Light vehicle service technician, car mechanic Motor mechanics repair and service cars and vans

Average salary (per year) Starting £18,000 to £35,000 (experienced) Average hours (per week) 38-45

You can get into this job through a college course or an apprenticeship.

College

You could take a college course before applying for a trainee motor mechanic role with a garage.

Relevant courses include:

- Level 2 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Competence
- Level 3 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance
- T Level in Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and Manufacturing

You could specialise in hybrid and electrical vehicles by doing a course like:

- Level 3 Diploma in Auto-Electrical and Mobile Electrical Operations
- Level 3 Award in Electric/Hybrid Vehicle System Repair and Replacement Entry requirements

You'll usually need:

- 2 or more GCSEs at grades 9 to 3 (A* to D), or equivalent, for a level 2 course
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, for a level 3 course
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths for a T level

Apprenticeship

You could do an advanced motor vehicle service and maintenance technician apprenticeship.

This will usually take 2 to 3 years. You'll do on-the-job training and spend time at a college or training provider.

You could also train as a vehicle mechanic in the British Army.

Entry requirements

You'll usually need:

 some GCSEs, usually including English and maths, or equivalent, for an intermediate apprenticeship

Skills and knowledge

You'll need:

- the ability to use, repair and maintain machines and tools
- to be thorough and pay attention to detail
- problem-solving skills
- the ability to work well with your hands
- customer service skills
- the ability to work well with others
- knowledge of engineering science and technology
- the ability to use your initiative
- to be able to use a computer and the main software packages competently

Restrictions and Requirements

You may need a driving licence for some jobs.

Day-to-day tasks

As a motor mechanic, you could:

- · find and diagnose faults using hand tools or a computer
- advise customers on what repairs are needed, including cost
- repair or replace faulty parts and carry out regular maintenance
- test vehicles on the road to check repairs
- check stock levels and update vehicle service records
- work with high voltage batteries if you work on hybrid or electric vehicles

Working environment

You could work at a garage.

Your working environment may be noisy, dirty and physically active.

You may need to wear safety clothing and use safety equipment.

With experience, you could:

- become a senior technician, workshop supervisor, garage manager or MOT tester
- become a <u>motor vehicle breakdown engineer</u>, or specialise in an area such as motorsport engineering
- work on electric and hybrid cars or specialise in modifying vehicles
- set up your own business, train apprentices or become a further education teacher

This week at Woodlands

• Rhiley and Harvey supported the younger students



with their boxing, showing some impressive mentoring.

- Fantastic skills!



- Willow has really impressed with her independent and enthusiastic learning – Well done Willow!
- Super effort from Rio this week reat effort attending school and lovely to see you engaging in lessons. Great work Rio
- We had some brilliant interviewers for the New Deputy Head Role –
 Oscar, Alex, Ollie, Willow and Romeo all asked some challenging questions that really put our interviewees to the test.

They have all given Jules their very valued opinion. Thank you all for your very appreciated contribution!!



Alex has received a Gold Token



You have really turned things round this week Alex.

- super star!

- Jack worked on radiators at College Great work Jack!
- Oaks 2 have done some great learning this week!
 - Great job all
- Brae has really impressed in his science this week Well Done Brae!
- Lydia has completed her 100th hour for play therapy this week. She
 has also started her diploma to be a play therapist. This will really
 support our students and we are excited for our students to benefit
 from having a play therapist within our team.



Winter Holiday Fun in Shropshire

Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved? During 21 December 2023 to 5 January 2024, eligible children and young During 21 December 2023 to 5 January 2024, eligible children and young people are invited to take part in a range of fun activities, happening at 42 holiday clubs from across the county.

There are free places available at HAF holiday

Children and young people aged 4 (in reception class or equivalent) to Character and young people aged 4 un reception class or e 16, who are eligible for benefits-related free school meats.

Children and young people living in areas of high deprivation and/or from Linarieu ano young peupie uving in areas oi ingo deprivation andivor-low-income households who are not in receipt of benefits related free iow-income households who are not in receipt of benefits relational meals. See page 5 for more information about referrals.

Use this Guide to find out what activities will suit your child/ren. Free nutritious meals will be provided at each session.

ee www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf r a searchable timetable of all



Booking:

All bookings are being made directly with the organisations running the holiday clubs. Your child/ren will be given a HAF Information leaflet and unique code via their school. You will need to use this code when booking

What You Need To Do:

- 1. Use this Guide to find which holiday club is suitable for your child/ren. Check dates and times using the online searchable timetable.
- 2. Book onto activity by contacting the organisation running the holiday club direct, using the contact details in this Guide.
- 3. When making a booking, please quote your unique HAF Code (see information leaflet issued by your child/rens school, or through professional referral).
- 4. If your child/ren has SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) or receives any extra help at school, before booking onto activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs. Please see page 6 for more information.

Any queries you have about your booking or the activities on offer, please contact the organisation running the holiday club directly.

The unique code entitles your child/ ren to attend 4 sessions of free holiday activity in Shropshire during the winter/Christmas holidays.

Please don't use this code to book onto more than 4 sessions of activity, it won't be valid.

This code is individual to your child/s school and is not transferable to other children.

How do I know if my child/ren is able to access HAF activity for free?

Core Eligibility - There are free places available on the programme for children and young people aged 4 (who are in reception class or equivalent) to 16, who are eligible for benefitsrelated free school meals.

All eligible children and young people will get information about the programme direct from their school.

Professional Referrals

Wider Eligibility - There are a limited number of free places available for children and young people on the winter programme, living in areas of high deprivation and/or from low-inco households, who

are not in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

These children and young people can be referred onto the programme by a

To request a referral form and for more information please email

HAF.programme@shropshire.gov.uk or visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf





A number of providers are running activity, with places available for children and young people with SEND. These places are at settings offering mainstream programmes offering mainstream programmes with a range of children and young people. These have been highlighted in the Guide. Before booking onto any activity.

Dlease contact the provider to discuss your child/s needs.

Support in place before attending.

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activities, some of the activity providers can help. For a fee they may be able to provide a member of staff to ofter your child/ren 1:1 support. Please ask the organisations direct about availability and costs. As mentioned above HAF is not able to fund this 1:1 support. fund this 1:1 support.

More information and support is available at www.shropshires.gov. uk/the-send-local-offerfamily-support/information-advice-analysis. pport/information-acvice-and ipport-service-lass/ and email cal.offer@shropshire.gov.uk

Actio Consortium - 'All In Short Breaks':

Shropshire HAF are working in partnership with the Actio Consortium. Actio are responsible for commissioning, promoting, and incomitoring Shropshire Councils Minister and Unique activities for children and unique activities for children and young people with SEND. Shropshire HAF are working

Actio is supporting the HAF programme by promoting inclusive programme by promoting inclusive opportunities within the HAF offer, to the All In' and Actio membership. To the All In' and Actio membership ind out more about Actio, please visit their website at www.actio.org.uk

paid Places & Longer Activity

ome of the holiday clubs also include Some of the holiday clubs also include paid spaces for children and young people who are not eligible for the HAF programme. These have been highlighted in the Guide. Please contact the organisation running the club to make a booking.

organisations are subsidising Some organisations are subsidising the HAF programme and are running for longer than the HAF funded 4 hours a day.



1 Activsports Ltd

Age 4 to 12 A + SEND

Multi Sports and Activities A breakfast and lunch will be provided at the beginning and middle of the day, followed by many hours of multi sports and various enrichment activities.

Children will be split into groups to ensure all activities are age appropriate and they will rotate around the sessions that are on offer each day

Our main focus will be multi sports but we will also have some indoor activities such as arts and crafts, making healthy foods and the opportunity to read a book, draw pictures or play games with friends.





- Market Drayton Au Road, TF9 3HU

Free HAF Booking Details: Market Drayton Junior School booking link https://forms.office.com/r/Fxza6qKjKt

Greenacres Primary School booking link-https://forms.office.com/r/Bttze8ryw8

- @ www.fa
- ☑ jason@activ-sports.co.uk 07400810400

Social and emotional ne

SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your child/ren recei extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

Learning disabilities - Physical disabilities - Hearing impairments

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

See www.facebook.com/ activsportsocaching for details. All bookings via Microsoft forms.

2 Broseley Town Council

Age 5 to 11 ▼ SEND

Broseley Town Council's Winter Play Scheme 2023 This Winter we will be offering FREE Fun Activities and lunch for all children!!

The scheme will include Christmas themed activities with a visit from Santa and a Free gift for all children attending.

Activities will include sports, games and fun arts & crafts activities

Activity Address:

Birchmeadow Centre, Birchm Broseley, TF12 5LP

Free HAF Booking Details:

https://broseley-to.gov.uk/

admin@broseley-to.govuk

SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your child/ren recent

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with SEND Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss you child/s needs.







Chloe Elizabeth Dance Company

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Christmas Dance Camp
Chiloe Elizabeth Dance Company
provides outstanding dance holiday
club opportunities for young people.

Our experienced choreographers ensure our sessions are fun, encouraging, and inspiring for both children who have dance experience and those who are experiencing dance for the first time.

We pride ourselves in the nurturing environment we have developed for our dancers to build their confidence and dance skills throughout the camps. Sessions also include, crafts, games, team building activities, challenges, prizes, guest dance instructors in a variety of dance and creative arts.

Activity Address:

Open Space studios CIC, Oswestry Library, Arthur Street, Oswestry, SY111IN

Free HAF Booking Detail

- www.cedc.co
- Chloe_elizabeth_dance@hotmail.com
- O 07874 331313









SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and (fyour child/ren receives any extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

For years 5 - 11, from 9.00am to 1.00pm, cost £10.00, snack and lunch included.

Book by phone 01588 676060 or in

6 Grow Cook Learn

Age 5 to 11 ▼ SEND

A Discovery Winter Holiday Club
We will go down into the meadows
and collect natural materials to
use in Christmas/winter crafts
making ornaments and gifts inside.
Bake turnovers. Also create bird
feeders and mini minibeast hotels.
Construct dens and go on hunts in the
meadows.

Activity Address:

 Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre, School Road, Craven Arms, SY7 9RS

Free HAF Booking Details:

- www.shropshirehillscliscoverycentre.
- info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre
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- © 01588 676080





and outdoors, whatever the weather, to include, arts and crafts, cookery, forest foraging and more.

Never ending fun for children to learn new skills and make everlasting memories from the experience. Daily morning snack and a hot Christmas lunch will be served. Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF.

Umited paid places available at a cost of £6 per session to include lunch (£12 for the whole day). Session runs from 9.00am - 1.00pm or 12.00pm - 4.00pm. Contact the school for booking details.

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sports, arts and craft, cookery and

Lacon Childe School, Love Lane, Cleobury Mortimer, DY148PE

computing.

Activity Address

Free HAF Booking Details: ☑ Koristia

> LACON CHILDE SCHOOL

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Physical disabilities Learning disabilities - Sensory needs - Visual

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

impairments - Hearing impairments

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

Please complete a booking form, which will be circulated via schools. For more information email: Kristien.wood@laconchildeschool.co.uk

10 Park Hall Forest School

Park Hall Forest School Children from age 4 to 8 can come along to enjoy a cosy campfire breakfast, free play and bushcraft in our woodland followed by a hearty lunch down at the farm café and crafts to take home. Children attending 2 HAF sessions will also receive an activity box and hamper to enjoy on Christmas Eve.

Park Half Countryside Experi Road, Whittington, SY11 4AS

Free HAF Booking Details:

https://perich

SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your child/ren receives any extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

- Learning disabilities - Sensory Needs · Hearing Impairments · Neurodiverse participants - Social and emotional

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

The session and offer is exactly the same for paid oustomers, £25 for activities, snacks and a cooked lunch in the café. Paying customers will not receive the Christmas Eve hamper,





Shrewsbury Town FC Foundation

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Shrewsbury Town Foundation
Shrewsbury Town HAF program is a
great way to keep your children active
during the holiday periods.

Our courses cater for boys and girls.

Each day is action packed with opportunities for participants to take part in fun and exciting multi-sport or football activities. Alongside these activities, we will provide educational workshops around health, nutrition and weilbeing to help children lead a healthy and active lifestyle.





Acethetry Address

- Shrewsbury Town Football Chills, Mortgomery Waters Meedow, Oteley Poort SY2 GST
- Much Wenlock Leisure Centre, Farley
 Read Much Wenlock, TF13 GNB
- Lucilow Football Stadium, Bromfield Road,

Emp HAF Booking Details

- www.foundationstrc.co.uk/hafprogramme/
- admin@foundationstfc.co.uk; adam.
- © 01743 289177 Opt 6

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This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

Physical disabilities Learning disabilities - Sensory needs - Visual impairments - Hearing impairments -Neurodiverse participents - Social and amotional needs

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

£16 a day. Please visit www. foundationstfc.co.uk for more information

Shropshire Community Leisure Trust

Age 5 to 12 + SEND Ofsted

Shrettsbury Sports Village Superstars

Join us for 2 days of fun, in your build up to Christmas! We are going to be doing activities to get you into the Christmas Spirit! Christmas Card Making. Christmas Disco, Christmas Movie Time, Santa Letter Writing, Hair Braiding. Wreath Making. Christmas Cookie Decorating and lots more!

Acethery Address

Shrewsbury Sports Village and Indoor Bowls Centre, Sundome Road, Sundome Shrewsbury, SV1 4RQ SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your child/ren receives any extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

Physical disabilities Learning disabilities - Sensory needs - Visual impairments - Hearing impairments - Neurodiverse participants - Social and emotional needs - Alternative communication needs (i.e. Makaton)

1:1 support (if own 1:1 provided who has a DBS)

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your childs needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

Superstars Holiday Club – 8.30am to 5.30pm, £25.00. Contact Shrawsbury Sports village to book - 0345 000



14 SYA

Ago 10 to 18 A + SEND



HAF @ SYA Winter 2023 HAF @ SYA Shrewsbury. The first

day will be a trip to
Flip Out in Telford, where young
people can take part in a variety of
activities. We will then return to
the Scout Hut Shrewsbury, for an
afternoon of Winter themed fun.

The second day we head to Attingham Park where we will have a walk around the grounds and then head for the Eco Rink, ice skating with a difference. Then to Climbing the Walls, before an evening meal and return to Upton Lane for collection.

Lunch and evening meals will be provided on both days.

HAF @ SYA Wem. One full day of fun.
Meeting at the Wem Youth Centre
young people will head to Shrewsbury
and go bowling at Hollywood Bowl.
After some fun games we will
return to the Youth Centre in Wem
and have a session of Christmas
activities, including Christmas Bingo,
card making, fake snowball fight,
inflatable suit obstacle course and
more.



Lunch and evening meals will be provided.

HAF @ SYA Market Drayton. Meet at the Phoenix Centre and head to Flip Out in Telford. Young people

Out in Telford. Young people will have the opportunity to take part in roller skating, bumper cars, E Karting and Ninja Tag.

Evening meal will be provided.

Activity Address

- The Phoenix Centre, Drayton Grove, Market Drayton, TF9 SAD
- Wern Youth Chilin Leek Street, Wern, 5Y4
- The Scout Hut "main meeting point, Upton Lane, Strewsbury, SY2 SRR

Free HAF Booking Details:

- https://forms.office.com/e//rpxscory
- ☑ lee@sys.org.uk
- 0 07741 885025, 01743 730005



SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your children receives ony extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

Learning disabilities - Sensory needs -Hearing Impairments - Neurodiverse participants - Social and emotional needs

Before booking onto this activity please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

A limited number of paid places are available. £10 per session. To book use contact details above.



The Big House Holiday Club

Age 5 to 11 + SEND

Big House Holiday Club
Here at Big house we will be offering
2 days of fun filled activities! On
Thursday its all about christmas craft,
designing and creating decorations
and gifts and a good old festive
singsong to include a yummy boxing
day style luncheon. On Friday its our
christmas extravaganza party day
full of fun and games and a visit from
Santa in the morning followed by a
delicious festive lunch with all the
trimmings before our cinema screen
christmas movie!

Activity Address:

 St. Andrews Church, Church Street, Shifnal, TF11 9AB

Free HAF Booking Details:

m.facebook.com/
thebighouseholidayclub/

bighouse@shifnalbenefice.org.uk

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SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your child/ren receives any extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable for children and young people with:

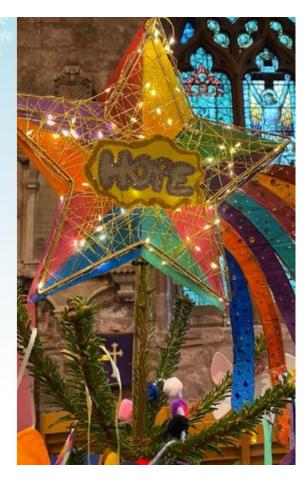
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 Hearing Impairments - Neurodiverse participants - Social and emotional needs - Visual Impairments

Before booking onto this activity, please contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

9.00am - 3.00pm £30 per day. For more information, please use the contact details above.





The Embrace Group

Embrace Holiday
Children aged 5-13 can participate in
sports activities such as Dodgeball,
Football, Tag Rugby, Basketball,
Cricket, Rounders, Hockey, and fun
wide games.

All activities are planned and delivered by qualified sports coaches and teachers.

The Department of Education funds the HAF program for 4 hours, but The Embrace Group offers the opportunity for young people to extend sessions for longer at no additional cost.

Activity Address

- Wern, versie TE
- Road, Strewsbury, Sy3 SHG
- Bright Star Boxing Academy, Unit 1, Old Smithfield, Shifnal, TFI1 8DT

Free HAF Booking Details

- https://ombracegroup.com
- nolday@theembracegroup.co.u



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This activity is particularly suitable fo

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contact the holiday club to discuss your child/s needs.

Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

E18 per day, 8.30am to 5.00pm. Book via https://embrace.ipalbookings.com/

The Marches Academy Trust

Age 5 to 11 & 12 to 16 A + SEND Ofstee



Active Holidays
Active Holidays
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delivered by
The Marches Academy Trust in
partnership with the 4 All Foundation
aims to deliver FUN and EXCITING
sporting activities during the Winter
period.

The activities range from fencing, archery, football, dodgeball, rugby and many more! Additional activities will take place during the programme that includes inflatable shoot outs, animal visits, pizza making, arts & crafts and much more!

The provision is delivered by qualified teachers, coaches, and instructors.



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- The Zone Community Hub, Linden Way, Market Drayton, TED You
- Ser John Talbot's School, Prees Road, Whitchurch, SY23 28Y
- ⊘ Grange Primary School

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This activity is particularly suitable fo children and young people with: Physical disabilities Learning

disabilities - Sensory needs - Hearing Impairments - Social and emotion

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Paid places are available for children who are not eligible for HAF

The cost is £4 per day. To enquire about making a paid booking or for more information, please use the contact details about.

Age 4to 12 & 12 to 16 ▲ SEND

Woodside, Ellesmere, Meadows, Morda & Rural Villages Holiday Activities & Food Come and join us for fun-packed Winter activities and games at Woodside Primary School, The Meadows Primary School, Ellesmere Rangers FC, Morda & Sweeney Village Hall and in the villages of Gobowen, St Martins, Weston Rhyn and Whittington.

Our free, universal access, fully supervised fun and engaging holiday activities are suitable for children of all abilities aged 4 to 12 years.

Children will have opportunities to develop their confidence and skills in a wide range of activities in a nurturing and welcoming environment, with each day packed with a wide variety of fun, educational, and exciting multisport activities and traditional games as well as arts and crafts and quiet corners!



Many activities will take place outdoors if the weather is favourable, and those children wishing to play football are asked to bring football boots and shinpads with them, as well as warm outdoor clothing.

OsTeens for 12 to 16 year olds Are you going to be missing your regular youth club sessions? Bored, and not sure what you're going to do in the days before Christmas? Missing your friends?

Why not come and see what we've got on offer. We'll be providing a range of activities at The Centre in Oswestry (Wednesday 20th December) and at the Senior Citizens Hall in Whittington (Thursday 21st December) - including dodgeball; football; badminton; basketball at

The Centre as well as the usual FIFA games; arts and crafts; pool; music; etc. At the Senior Citizens Hall we'll be providing our usual Whittington youth club activities and more!

Why not try some 'Doodle Art' with artist Luke Crump - he will be at both venues to share his doodle art skills you can perhaps create some lastminute Christmas gifts!

There will also be chill out time; plus some great food - all for free.

We look forward to seeing you on the 20th and 21st!

SEND (Special Educational Needs & Disabilities) and if your child/ren receives any Disabilities) and 93-extra help at school

This activity is particularly suitable children and young people with:

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- Neurodiverse participants - Social
and emotional needs - Alternative
communication needs (Le. Makaton, please check)

Before booking onto this activity, pl. contact the holiday club to discuss

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Useful Resources

Visit www.shropshire.gov.uk/HAF to sign up for the HAF e-newsletter. You will receive fantastic top tips, free resources, links to local services and opportunities.

www.shropshire.gov.uk/early-help/parentscarers/information-andresources/ Shropshire Family Information Service (FIS). Information on local, regional and national services and organisations for children, young people and families

HAF.programme@shropshire.gov.uk

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www.facebook.com/shropshireFamilyInfo FIS 01743 254400 / shropshireFIS@shropshire.gov.uk

This opportunity is provided as part of the government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme being delivered across Shropshire during 2021 to 2024. Visit the government website for more information on

the national programme.

Shrooshire Council are not responsible for the content on the third-party websites that we provide links to (although all links are made in good faith). All the activities listed are provided by professional org delivering excellent high-quality onal organisations

ations have safeguarding policies, DBS certificates, insurance and risk assessments in place and will be following government guidelines regarding COVID-19.











Students with 100% Attendance last week

Mason	Acorns 1
Noah	Acorns 1
Taylor	Acorns 1
Kiean	Acorns 1
Destiny	Acorns 1
Alexander	Acorns 2
Scott	Oaks 1
Luke	Oaks 2
Corey	Oaks 2
Aaron	Oaks 3
McKenzie	Saplings 1
Riley	Saplings 1
Leo	Saplings 1
Tyler	Saplings 2
Willow	Saplings 3
Romeo	Saplings 3
Ollie	Saplings 3

Challenge of the Week

For Parents/Carers, Students and Staff the challenge this week for anyone willing to give it a try is to

Make a funny face in the mirror



Headteacher Awards

Well done to

- Oaks: Brandon for working hard in GCSE Biology and making steady progress.
- **Saplings: Leo** for being in all lessons this week and working well.
- Acorns: Destiny for working independently for a whole lesson on Wednesday

Mental Health / Wellbeing







TALKING TO YOUR CHILD ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH

Are you a parent or carer who wants to talk to your child about mental health?

This Children's Mental Health Week we want all children and young people, whoever they are, and wherever they are in the world, to be able to say – and believe - "My Voice Matters".

We visited primary and secondary schools to ask students what they wanted from the week – to help shape the activities we create for schools, the messaging we give to teachers, the tips we give to other children, and the advice we give to parents, carers and families.



LOOKING FOR FREE PRACTICAL ADVICE TO HELP YOU SUPPORT YOUR CHILD?

Parenting Smart, Place28e's site for parents and carers, is full of expert advice and tips on supporting primary-age children, and managing their behaviour, and act on their views.

PARENTINGSMART.ORG.UK

Here's what children and young people told us they need from you:

- We don't need to have one-off 'one off conversations about out mental health' sometimes a chat on a journey or at bedtime is enough.
- I need to know it's okay to talk to you about any and all of my feelings. Please hear what I have to say, without interrupting me.
- Please listen to me carefully and acknowledge how I am feeling – it might seem silly to you but what I am going through is important to me.
- Playing with pets can make me feel better.
 Same with playing football, basketball or
 whatever type of sport I am into.
- Don't compare my experiences to your own when you were a child.
- Sometimes I just need you to listen and hear what I'm saying – I don't always need answers (or lectures)
- Please don't worry about trying to fix things for me I often just need to know you are there for me and understand what I am going through.



If you are open with me about your feelings, this can help me to be more open about mine.

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Sometimes I don't want to talk. Please trust that I will come to you (or another grown-up or someone my own age) when I'm ready. Sometimes it's easier for me to talk to someone nearer my own age – my siblings, cousins, friends, younger teachers at school - because they 'get it'.

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Sometimes a hug is all it takes to make me feel supported.



WHAT MATTERS TO YOU? CREATIVE VIDEO ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES

These wellbeing activities can help children and young people think about and share what matters to them.

- For primary children: bit.ly/3PzCGI8
- For secondary children: bit.ly/3LBD2wK