

## News and Events

### Friday 31st March

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another term has flown past and as I look back on what we have done, you realise why. We have had parent consultation meetings, World Book Day celebrations, Stay and Play sessions for 2 year olds, a trip to a quarry, Jewish, Sikh and Humanist visitors, muffins for mum, an artist recreating our vision with the children, wearing red for Red Nose Day, Collaborative Schools music festival, Acorn Trustees visiting, chicks, tadpoles and caterpillars growing, Rags 4 Riches fundraising, bingo, KS1 multi-skills with Acorn schools and a cake sale for Ukraine - all in addition to our usual timetabled learning. Definitely a busy term!



Shooting Stars were very excited to show me their Easter Garden on Wednesday. They were so proud to be able to tell me all about what I could see in the garden and why it was there. I listened to the Easter story as they showed me the key characters and locations. The wonderful guarded tomb had Mary approaching and they all knew she would find it empty. They had made some beautiful crosses to surround the garden which were decorated with bright colours. I was told this was to celebrate new life. Their love of learning just makes me smile.

Own clothes day raised £63.15. Thank you for supporting FOWAS.

### Reminder

The library is open after school on Tuesday and Friday.



### Important dates for your diary

17-21 April—Voyagers residential  
24 April—FOWAS meeting  
26 April—Cricket Enrichment Day.  
Everyone in PE kit.  
1 May—Bank Holiday  
5 May—Explorers and Discoverers  
Kings and Queens Coronation  
Parade in Trowbridge  
5 May—Jubilee Picnic on the field  
after school  
8 May—Bank Holiday  
9-12 May KS2 SATs  
22 May—Y3/4 Acorn Athletics  
Festival  
24 May—Pentecost Day  
Experience  
26 May—End of Term 5

### Attendance

Highest attendance:

Shooting Stars 97%

Lost learning: 122.5 hours



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We are on Facebook! Please like our page.



Acorn hosted the KS1 Multi-Skills Festival on Monday and a huge thank you goes to Ethan and Sebastian in Explorers for representing West Ashton.

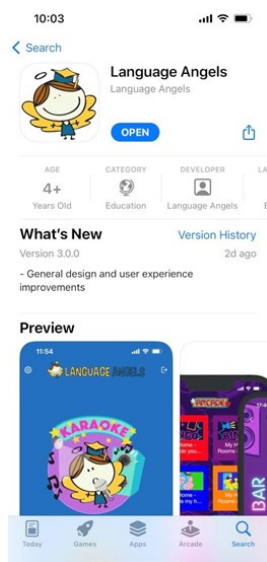
Thank you to the CSL Music festival choir for sharing their performance of I'm Still Standing.



Language Angels interactive games and karaoke app is now live on BOTH the Google Play store and the Apple app store! It's completely free and available to all pupils.

You will be able to find the app by visiting either the Google Play store or the Apple App store and searching for 'Language Angels'. Look out for the angel character in the app icon so you know you're downloading the correct app.

Language Angels is used in KS2 to deliver our French curriculum.



Thank you to everyone for your support with the cake sale. It is always so encouraging when children ask if they can do something for others so when the Head Girls and House Captains asked if they could raise money for Ukraine, it was a definite yes. With your help and support, they raised £92.70.

Agape: £27.60

Hope: £38.00

Wisdom: £27.10

The money will be sent to the Disasters Emergency Committee.

## SEND News – Term 4 2023



Dear parents and carers,

Finally, the government's response to the consultation on the green paper on Special Educational Needs and Disability and Alternative Provision has been published. It looks like any reforms will take a few years to develop. However, inclusion remains high on the agenda with more and more children and young people with EHCPs being educated in mainstream schools. For us at Acorn, this is good news and allows us to continue to embrace diversity and welcome all to our schools. We are fostering a culture at all levels in the Trust where every decision at every level is made "through the lens" of children and young people with SEND or who are disadvantaged. By shining a light on SEND and disadvantage, we ensure that our decisions allow our neurodiverse school population to thrive. Yes – we make adaptations to our environments, routines and our teaching and learning, but even better if those spaces, our practice and curricula are built with these children in mind, so that inclusion is built-in and not bolt-on.

Sue Fulbrook (Head of SEND)

### Waves of intervention

Approximately, 18% of our children and young people in the trust have SEND which requires provision which is additional to or different from the core school offer. Within Acorn, our schools operate a model for intervention under "waves" of support in order to meet the diverse needs of our learners.

Wave 1 – universal support. This is provision available to all within the classroom. This involves adaptive teaching which is of a high-quality. This may include flexible seating, explicit teaching, awareness of cognition and metacognition, use of technology and scaffolding. It also includes inclusive environments within the school and classrooms.

Wave 2 – targeted support. This is usually short-term intervention to fill any gaps in learning or provide an intensive block of intervention with the aim of rapid progress.

Wave 3 – targeted plus. This may be where a learner requires longer term intervention or adaptations to meet their needs or remove barriers to learning. External advice may also be sought.

Wave 4 – Trust level or external provision. This involves use of Trust level services (such as Educational Psychology, Behaviour support, forest school, nurture base) or external alternative providers.

Learners may be added to the SEND register as they access support at wave 3 or above. Sometimes, learners at wave 2 may also be added. Our focus is always on ensuring that wave 1 is our first response to suspected SEND and that this level of support is of high quality.

### Autism Awareness

Autism awareness week is this week. The theme this year is colour and they are running various challenges to raise awareness and money.

<https://www.autism.org.uk/get-involved/raise-money/world-autism-acceptance-week-2023>



A fantastic paper on learning disability was jointly published by CST and Ambition Institute in December 2022 -

[https://cstuk.org.uk/assets/CST-Publications/CST\\_AmbitionInstitute\\_Whitepaper\\_AGoodLife.pdf](https://cstuk.org.uk/assets/CST-Publications/CST_AmbitionInstitute_Whitepaper_AGoodLife.pdf) It is well worth a read.



Dear Parents and Carers

Please find [here](#) the Clarendon Academy Newsletter for Term 4.

Have a lovely Easter break!

David Cade  
Deputy Headteacher

Follow us @AcornSEND on twitter

Look out for tweets about achievements for children and young people with SEND as well as links to useful information.



# Winning House: Hope House



Hope House gained the most House Points in Terms 3 and 4. Today they had squash and biscuits as a congratulatory treat and their House Captain Lilli gave a little thank you speech. They also make the most money in the cake sale.

## News from the classes:

**Shooting Stars:** This week we have learnt that Jesus died at Easter, then he came back alive again to do his good work. We have also been learning about numbers to ten and our butterflies have made cocoons. Rhiannon

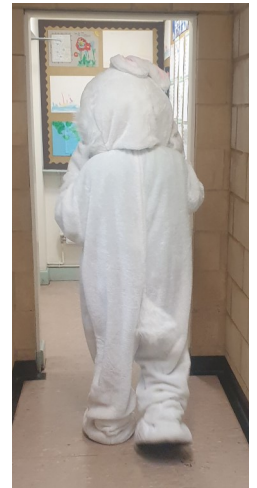
**Explorers:** In Year 1 we have been doing lots of number formation and using base 10 to make numbers to 50. In Year 2 we have been working on grouping and sharing and odd and even numbers for our times tables. In science we have been keeping a plant diary, it was 0cm until yesterday when some people's plants started to grow. I wish my plants could grow higher but I'm thankful for what I have. In English we have been writing an explorer diary, we needed to write in the past tense and first person. We finished history by deciding who the greatest explorer is out of the four people we have been researching. Today we went to church to celebrate Easter and at lunchtime we had a visit from the Easter Bunny in the hall, it was very exciting. Luca and Fynn

**Discoverers:** In Discoverers class this week, we have enjoyed exploring Rag Time Jazz and Dixieland. We have used xylophones and glockenspiels to create our own Jazz Motifs. We also had a go at playing 'Mary had a little lamb' using a swung rhythm. As part of our English we have completed a historical diary about a Roman banquet. We look forward to using our editing skills today to up level it. Brie

**Voyagers:** This week we have been writing poems about the Book The War of the Worlds (beginning to end). In maths, we have been learning about area, perimeter, dual bar charts, line graphs, volume and pie charts. In Year 5, they learnt about angles. In science we made a poster of everything we learnt about forces. In geography, we have been learning about deforestation and how it effects us. Abigail and Poppy



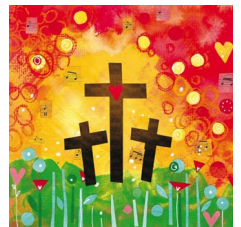
We had a surprise visitor! Thank you to the Easter Bunny for leaving the children a delicious Easter egg.



Finally, thank you for all your support this term with the many activities that have taken place and for some lovely feedback. Term 5 and 6 both look busy so please keep reading the newsletter to check for upcoming dates of events. I hope you have an enjoyable and dry Easter and look forward to seeing everyone again on 17th April.

Best wishes,

Alex Blake-Thwaite





# Top Tips for Adopting SAFE & HEALTHY ONLINE HABITS

Everyone has so much going on in their lives, and that includes children: from exams and deadlines to anxiety and mental health struggles. It's quite easy to send memes, make jokes and vent online about the things that irritate us, but when was the last time you – or your child – took a moment to share something kind or positive instead? In fact, when did you last stop and think about your family's online activities? To help keep them safe and teach them healthy online habits, we need to develop our children's digital resilience. There are lots of ways that children can become more digitally resilient, and we've pulled together some popular strategies here...

## WHAT IS DIGITAL RESILIENCE?

Resilience doesn't mean being so tough that nothing gets to you, and it's not about "putting up with things" either. Instead, it's the ability to recover from setbacks. Everyone feels sad, worried, scared or upset at times: it's how we respond and adapt to those situations which is important. Digital resilience is about making choices that keep us safe and happy online, even when we're exposed to something negative or upsetting. Building your child's digital resilience will help reduce the impact of potential risks as they engage with and navigate around the online world.

## MAKE POSITIVE LIFESTYLE CHOICES

- Make time for the people and things that make you happy.
- Monitor your screen time and stick to your limits.
- On social media, follow people that make you feel good about yourself – and unfollow the ones who don't.
- Spread some positivity: post good reviews, leave encouraging comments and share good news.

## KEEP YOUR HEALTH IN MIND

- Try to factor in regular breaks offline and away from your screen – ideally, outdoors for some revitalising fresh air.
- Exercise is a brilliant stress-buster: even a walk around the block, a bike ride or a stroll to your local shop can really work wonders.
- Be strict with yourself about putting devices away in plenty of time before bed: they can interfere with a good night's sleep, which is essential for staying healthy.

## REACH OUT FOR SUPPORT

- If you have a problem online, don't be afraid reach out to specialist people or organisations that could help.
- Follow people on socials who have the same values and morals as you.
- You could always talk to a friend, or a trusted adult like a teacher or family member for some advice.

## PUT SAFETY FIRST

- If you see something online that upsets or worries you, tell a trusted adult about it as soon as possible.
- You could also report the content that's making you feel uncomfortable to the site or app that you saw it on, so they can look into it.
- Another option is to block the person or the account that's causing you a problem – or you could go one step further by totally deleting the app you were using.

## GET THINGS CLEAR IN YOUR HEAD

- Ask yourself what kindness online actually looks like. Can you remember the last time someone was kind or supportive towards you online? What did they do?
- Think about how it makes you feel when someone sends you a positive or funny message online.
- What about the opposite: has someone ever been deliberately unkind to you online? What did they do and how did it make you feel?
- If someone's behaviour online is causing you stress, try to remind yourself of all the steps you can take if a person's being unkind online.

## Meet Our Expert

Cayley Jorgensen is a registered counsellor with the Health Professions Council of South Africa, working in private practice to offer counselling to children, teenagers and young adults. She is the founder of Ingage Support, a mobile app focusing on mental health awareness with the goal of providing resources and solutions to schools worldwide.



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## National Online Safety Update

# ***Trowbridge Library Booksters!***

**Book group run exclusively  
for readers in years 5 & 6**



**One Thursday a month 4:00 – 4:30pm**

26 January  
23 February  
23 March  
20 April  
18 May  
15 June  
13 July  
21 September  
19 October  
16 November  
14 December

Drop-in session – Must book your FREE place  
at Trowbridge Library or on 01225 716700

**Voyagers—  
Trowbridge library  
book club**





**Trowbridge  
MUSEUM**



## Easter Break 2023 Family Activities

Easter Bunny Terrarium **Wed. 5th April.** at the museum - free.

Easter Baskets **Thurs 6th April** at the Museum - free.

Daffodil Bird Feeder **Wed. 12th April** at the Museum - free.

Mini-bugs **Fri. 14th April** at the Museum - free.

Book  
ahead for  
Museum  
activities!

For further details on times and booking please visit website: [trowbridgemuseum.co.uk](http://trowbridgemuseum.co.uk), or our social media pages



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## JOIN US IN TROWBRIDGE!

**EVERY TUESDAY DURING TERM TIME!**

Ages 7-11: 4.00pm - 6.00pm

Ages 11-18: 6.00pm - 8.00pm

Trowbridge Town Hall, BA14 8EQ

**BASS | GUITAR | VOCALS | DRUMS**

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SESSION!**

### BENEFITS OF OUR SESSIONS:

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- ✓ LEARN A LIFE SKILL - DEVELOP YOUR CREATIVITY & FOCUS!
- ✓ GAIN BAND EXPERIENCE - JAM EVERY WEEK!
- ✓ INCREASE SELF ESTEEM & CONFIDENCE
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Trowbridge Youth Parliament presents...

# HEROES AND VILLAINS 2K FUN RUN

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Park



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Dress

Whether you run, jog or walk, join us in Trowbridge Park for a family-friendly 2K Fun Run, raising money for local charity Julian House.

Even if you're not signing up for the Fun Run, come along and explore a wide range of activities including...

Inflatables | Stalls | Refreshments | Games

10am-1pm  
(9.45am warm up)



25th June



To take part you **MUST** register!  
Scan here to sign up for **FREE**.

Tickets are free but donations to Julian House are welcome.  
For more information visit: [www.julianhouse.org.uk](http://www.julianhouse.org.uk)



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West Ashton and our Trowbridge Youth parliament representatives will be running a stall at this event. Please note the date and come along and enjoy the games and the run.

Easter Break

# Lego Club

at Trowbridge Library



4 small sessions

**Must be booked in advance with a library card**  
(cards are FREE just need parent's proof of address)  
**Just one booking per child please**

**TUES 4 April – 2-3:30pm**  
**THURS 6 April – 9:30-11am**  
**TUES 11 April – 2-3:30pm**  
**THURS 13 April – 9:30-11am**

This activity is for children and teens old enough to play with Lego safely.  
All Lego must stay in the roped off area and everyone has to help tidy ☺.

**For further questions please contact**  
**Trowbridge Library or on 01225 716700**  
**All children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult**

# The Chillout Sessions

Easter at Trowbridge Library

1 - 15 April

**Everyday – 10 Little Spring Things Trail, decorate a butterfly for our window display, mindfulness colouring + books & reading!**

**SAT 1/4 – 11am** Storytime for children (drop in)

**MON 3/4 – 10am** Baby Rhyme Time & **11am** Toddler time (drop in)

**TUES 4/4 – 2-3:30pm** Lego Club small groups!  
**MUST** book in advance with child's library card number.

**WED 5/4 – 9:30-10:15 am** Playful Yoga with Bethan for 7-11 year olds.  
**MUST** book in advance with child's library card number.

**THURS 6/4 – 9:30-11am** Lego Club small groups!  
**MUST** book in advance with child's library card number.

**SAT 8/4 – 11am** Storytime for children (drop in).

**TUES 11/4 – 2-3:30pm** Lego Club small groups!  
**MUST** book in advance with child's library card number.

**WED 12/4 – 2-4pm** Sit & Knit small groups! A space for families to sit & knit & share their skills. Please bring your own knitting needles & wool. This will **not** be staff-led.  
**MUST** book in advance with child's library card number.

**THURS 13/4 – 9:30-11am** Lego Club small groups!  
**MUST** book in advance with child's library card number.

**FRI 14/4 – 2pm** Baby & Toddler Rhyme Time (drop in)

**SAT 15/4 – 11am** Storytime for children (drop in)

**Please book your FREE place at Trowbridge Library or on 01225 716700**





# Sit n Knit

for children & their families

at Trowbridge Library

Wednesday

12 April

2 – 4 pm



For children, their families, and friends to sit & knit and share their skills. Please bring your own needles and wool.

**This will not be staff-led.**



Please book your FREE place at the library or on 01225 716700. Please have your child's library card ready when you book.

All children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.



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# Playful Yoga

With **Bethan**

at Trowbridge Library



Fun session for 7 - 11 year olds

Wednesday 5 April

9:30 – 10:15am

Must book in advance with child's library card number



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WEEK DAYS 3RD APRIL 2023- 14TH APRIL 2023- JOHN OF GAUNT  
STANDARD DAY 9AM - 3PM £19.80 EXTENDED DAY 8AM - 4PM £24.60  
CHILDCARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED EXCLUDES BANK HOLIDAYS



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**GIRLS FOOTBALL  
APRIL 2023**

6TH APRIL 2023  
JOHN OF GAUNT

9AM - 3PM  
STANDARD DAY  
£19.80

9AM - 4PM  
EXTENDED DAY  
£24.60



5 - 14 YEARS

KIT: TRAINERS,  
SHINPADS, PACKED  
LUNCH, WATER  
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# FAMILY OPEN DAY EVERYONE WELCOME

## CHIPPENHAM SPORTS CLUB

Sunday 23rd April

11am - 4pm

Entry Fee - Donation to  
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Bristol Rd, SN15 1NH

Come and try out our variety of sports on the day. Collect your stamps and you will get rewarded with a treat! We have BOWLS, CRICKET, NETBALL, TENNIS, HARRIERS, HOCKEY, WHEELERS & SKITTLES

Lots of Inflatable  
Fun!

Archery  
Donkey rides  
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Kids bumper cars  
Nerf shooting range



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## EASTER HOLIDAYS

3 - 5TH & 11-13  
APRIL  
JOHN OF GAUNT

9AM - 3PM STANDARD  
DAY £19.80  
9AM - 4PM  
EXTENDED DAY £24.60



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# FREE SKILL CLINIC



**SATURDAY 15TH APRIL**



**4-6 YRS (8AM-9AM)**

**7-10 YRS (9AM-10AM)**

**11-14 YRS (10AM-11AM)**



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