



Shustoke C of E Primary School



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER: Autumn 1: Week 3

REMINDERS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 21st September 2026

During the School Day		After School	
Monday	P.E. Yrs 1, 2, 4	NW Active Club - Year 1 & 2 Cookery Club - until 4pm - all year groups.	
Tuesday	P.E. Rec, Yrs 5, 6 Lunchtime Club - Board Games - all year groups Cricket Tournament Years 4,5	Nouveau Dance	
Wednesday	P.E. Yrs 3, 6	Dodgeball Evolution Club Years 3 & 4 Golf Year 3, 4, 5 & 6	
Thursday	P.E. Yrs 1, 3, 4	Dodgeball Evolution Club Years 5 & 6	
Friday	P.E. Yrs 2, 5	Lego Club -Full. Waiting list.	

Our Collective Worship theme this half term is:

Compassion



Times of the school day

Morning

Gates open @ **8.38am**

Registration @ **8.40am**

Lessons begin promptly @ **8.45am**

Afternoon

Gates open @ **3.10pm**

Dismissal @ **3.15pm**

Attendance:

Congratulations to Reception and Year 4 who achieved 100% attendance last week. They were closely followed by Year 1 = 99.2%, Year 2 = 98.8% and Year 3 = 97.2%. Well done.

Please note: Lessons begin @ 8.45am. If your child arrives after 8.50am, they will receive a late mark. Attendance is monitored weekly, including punctuality.



Attendance Matters



Term Dates 2026-27

Autumn term 2026

- Half term - 26 to 30 October
- Ends - Friday 18 December
- Christmas holiday - 21 December to 1 January 2027

Spring term 2027

- Starts - Monday 4 January - this is a teacher training day
- Half term - 15 to 19 February
- Ends - Thursday 25 March
- Easter holiday - 29 March to 9 April

Summer term 2027

- Starts - Monday 12 April
- Half term - 31 May to 4 June
- Ends - Wednesday 21 July

Contact details:

If you wish to contact school with a confidential matter, please use: shustokeparents@welearn365.com.

The shustokelearning@welearn365.com email should be used to submit examples of school work, or for general communication with teachers.
Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Our Vision:

At **Shustoke**, all are encouraged to flourish and let their light shine.

Passionate staff guide and support children to become **compassionate, respectful, forgiving** and confident individuals equipped to **persevere** when faced with challenges and to serve their community as Jesus taught us. Like a tree planted by streams of water, Children grow strong in **wisdom**. They explore talents, interests, and spirituality through opportunities to live life in all its fullness. Through our shared values, loving relationships are nurtured, and doors are opened to a future filled with **hope**, joy, and peace. Together, we all thrive.

We would like to respectfully remind all families that any outstanding monies owed should be settled as soon as possible. school is currently holding a debt of £2724.39
Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Dates for your diary ~

Please find some provisional dates for this year. **These may change, due to unforeseen circumstances**, but we will inform you if we have any new information to share. However, so that families can try to plan, we wanted to give you as much information as we have.

Dates:	Event:	Year Groups:
Autumn Term		
1st October	Harvest Festival	
2nd October	Autumn Fayre – details to follow	All Years
5th October	Space Centre Trip	Year 5
7th October	Open Day for Reception Parents for 2027	
9th October	Staff Training Day	
13th October	Coventry Cathedral Trip	Year 6
14th October	Stay & Play	New Rec 2027 children
21st October	Reception Family Event - PM	Reception
21st October	Parent Consultations	All years
22nd October	Parent Consultations	All years
23rd October	Stone age Workshop	Year 3
26th – 30th October	Half Term	
3rd November	Cadbury World Trip	Year 4
1st December	Movie Night	Rec, 1 & 2
3rd December	Movie Night	3, 4, 5 & 6
8th/9th December	Nativity	Rec, 1, 2 & 3
11th December	Pantomime Trip	Whole School
15th December	Carol Service	4, 5 & 6
18th December	Carols for Grandparents	4, 5 & 6
18th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner	Whole School
21st December – 1st January	Christmas Holiday	Whole School
4th January	Staff Training Day	
27th January	Tamworth Castle Trip	Year 1
26th – 28th May	Year 5/6 Residential	Year 5 & 6
11th June	Sports Day – 1st attempt	Whole School
19th July	School Show	5 & 6
20th July	School Show	5 & 6
21st July	Leavers Assembly	Year 6

Parking in the local area.

May we respectfully request that cars are parked considerately and that road markings are observed to ensure the safety of all of our school community and residents of Shustoke.

The parish car park is available for use at the beginning and the end of the school day.

Thank you.

Reception Class News



Over the last two weeks, the children in Reception have settled into school really well and are becoming increasingly confident in their new routines. We have been exploring a range of nursery rhymes and have enjoyed creating our own spider webs and twinkling stars through creative activities.

This week, we have been focusing on the story of *Elmer*. The children have enjoyed mixing colours to create new shades, learning interesting facts about elephants, and developing their mathematical skills by sorting objects into different groups. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and engagement in all of these activities.



Applying for Free School Meals:

For the new school year starting in September 2026, there will be two categories of free school meal eligibility depending on your financial circumstances:

- **Targeted free school meals** for those getting Universal Credit with annual household earnings of £7,400 or less, or another qualifying benefit
- **Expanded free school meals** for anyone getting Universal credit whose annual earnings are above £7,400.

Households in **both categories** will benefit from the financial savings of getting free school meals.

Households who fall into the **targeted category** will get access to additional benefits:

- **Holiday activities and food (HAF) programme** is for children aged 4 to 16 in reception to year 11 in receipt of benefits-related free school meals in the targeted category. HAF offers eligible pupils access to activities and at least one healthy meal is provided during each session. The activities take place during the Easter, summer, and Christmas school holidays
- **Pupil premium** is extra funding paid directly to schools for each pupil who is eligible for free school meals in the Targeted category. It can help to fund valuable teaching and learning support to improve pupil's education.

If you have already received a notification from us to confirm your child/ren's free school meal eligibility status for the 2026/27 school year, then you do not need to do **anything, unless your child/ren attend a school on our list of schools we are unable to process free school meals for. If they are at one of these schools, you will need to** contact the school directly to ensure they have re-checked your child's entitlement to free school meals and if this will continue.

If your child has never received free school meals before, then please **apply online**, as long as your child attends a school who works with us on free school meals.

Once you have applied for free school meals, if your child is eligible, they will remain eligible for that whole school year, regardless of any changes to your circumstances. If your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2, they will automatically be entitled to universal infant free school meals - you do not have to apply for these. However, if you do meet the benefits-related free school meals eligibility criteria, then it is advised you apply as you may receive the additional benefits described above.

Apply online

The Coleshill Grammar School Trust

To qualify from our individual grant funding applicants must be **aged 25 or younger, attend one of the schools in the Coleshill Cluster** (or have attended The Coleshill School), and **be in financial need**. All applications will be considered on their 'educational merit' and impact against the long term aspirations and goals. As a charity we are required to carefully consider each application to ensure that it meets its objectives, but also to apply the available funds in a way that makes the biggest impact.

If you are struggling to pay for uniform or school trips please look on The Coleshill Grammar School Trust website and you can apply for a grant.

<https://www.coleshillgst.org.uk/individual-applications>

We are on week 3

All food is cooked fresh on site daily. We now have a Jacket Potato option available.

Dinners cost £2.87 per day. £14.45 per week

Warwickshire, Coventry, Oxfordshire		SPRING / SUMMER Weekly Menu					CHOICE/JKT/COLD	
WEEK ONE		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	APRIL 2026	
20/04/2026		MAIN	Pork Meatballs in a Rich Tomato Sauce with Pasta (G)	(h) Mild Chicken Curry with Rice	British Roast Pork Slice, Apple Sauce & Gravy with Roast Potatoes	(v)(h) Broccoli & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake with Malted Wheat Baguette (D.G)	(msc) Fish Fillet Fingers with Chips (F.G)	
11/05/2026			(v)(h) Vegetable Cottage Pie with Crusty Bread (G.D.SB)	(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza Wedge with Diced Potatoes (G.D)	(vg) Classic Quorn Roast with Gravy and Roast Potatoes (G)	(v) Plant Power Sausages in Gravy with Mashed Potato (D)	(v)(h) Cheese & Baked Bean Pasty with Chips (G.D)	
08/06/2026			Jacket Beans VG	Jacket Cheese D	Jacket Tuna FE	Jacket Cheese D	Jacket Cheese D	
29/06/2026			Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (F.E.G)	(v) Egg Mayonnaise Bap (G.E)	British Ham Soft Bap (G)	(v) Cheddar Cheese Bap (G.D)	British Roast Chicken Bap (G)	
20/07/2026		DESSERT	(v)(h) Honey and Ginger Cookie (G)	(vg)(h) Chocolate Cracknell (G)	(vg)(h) Jam Tart (G)	(v)(h) Eves Pudding (G.E.D) (vanilla apple sponge cake)	(vg)(h) Floppack (G)	
07/09/2026					(v) Frozen Swirl Mousse (D)		(vg) Jelly with Fruit	
28/09/2026								
19/10/2026								
WEEK TWO		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
27/04/2026		MAIN	British Pork Sausages & Gravy with Mashed Potato (G.SB.SU.D)	(h) British Beef Bolognese with Garlic Bread (G) Cheese (D)	British Roast Chicken fillet, Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy with Roast Potatoes (G)	(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza Wedge with Herby Diced Potatoes (G.D)	(msc) Battered Fish Fillet with Chips (F.G)	
18/05/2026			(v)(h) Chinese Style Quorn with Noodles (E)	(v) Crispy Quorn Dippers with Rainbow Rice (G)	(vg) Classic Quorn Roast Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy with Roast Potatoes (G)	(v)(h) Vegetable Pie, Gravy with Herby New Potatoes (G)	(v)(h) Cheesy Omelette with Chips (E.D)	
15/06/2026			Jacket Beans VG	Jacket Cheese D	Jacket Tuna FE	Jacket Cheese D	Jacket Cheese D	
06/07/2026			Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (F.E.G)	(v) Egg Mayonnaise Bap (G.E)	British Ham Soft Bap (G)	(v) Cheddar Cheese Bap (G.D)	British Roast Chicken Bap (G)	
14/09/2026		DESSERT	(vg)(h) Chocolate Shortbread with Orange Wedge (G)	(v)(h) Lemon Drizzle Cake (G.E)	(v)(h) Apple Charlotte & Custard (G.SU.D)	(v) Strawberry Whip with Fruit (D)	(v)(h) 'School Favourite' Sprinkles Sponge Cake (G.E)	
05/10/2026				(v) Ice Cream (D)		(v)(h) Crunch Cookie (G)		
WEEK THREE		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
13/04/2026		MAIN	(v)(h) Macaroni Cheese with Crusty Bread (D.G)	(h) Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread (G.D)	British Roast Chicken Fillet, Yorkshire Pudding, Gravy with Roast Potatoes (D.E.G)	Pork Hot Dog with Herby Diced Potatoes (G.SU.SB)	(msc) Salmon Fishcake with Chips (F.G)	
04/05/2026			(vg) Plant Power Burger in a Bun with Diced Potatoes (G)	(vg) Country Garden Vegetable Fingers with Seasoned Wedges (G)	(v) Plant Power Toad in the Hole with Roast Potatoes (G.E.D)	(v)(h) Vegetable Curry with Rice	(v) Cheese and Tomato Pizza Wedge with Chips (G.D)	
01/06/2026			Jacket Beans VG	Jacket Cheese D	Jacket Tuna FE	Jacket Cheese D	Jacket Cheese D	
22/06/2026			(v) Cheddar Cheese Bap (G.D)	Tuna Mayonnaise Bap (F.E.G)	(v) Egg Mayonnaise Bap (G.E)	British Ham Soft Bap (G)	British Roast Chicken Bap (G)	
13/07/2026		DESSERT	(v) Strawberry Whip with Fruit (D)	(v)(h) Apple Cookie (G.E)	(v) Pancake with Fruit (G.E.D)	(v)(h) Jim Jam Chocolate Brownie (G.E.D)	(v)(h) Carrot & Orange Cookie (G)	
31/08/2026				(v) Ice Cream (D)			(vg) Jelly with Fruit	
21/09/2026								
12/10/2026								

Available Daily:
Fruit Cordial or Fruit Water from the Hydration Station
(v) Semi Skimmed Milk, & (vg) Homemade Fresh Bread Basket,
Daily Salad Selection, Vegetables of the Day, (v) Yoghurt (D.SB) and Fresh Fruit

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G-Gluten/Wheat, C-Celery, S-Sesame,
F-Fish, M-Mustard, SU-Sulphites, D-Dairy
E-Eggs, SB-Soyabean.



Downloading and registering for the Eduspot app

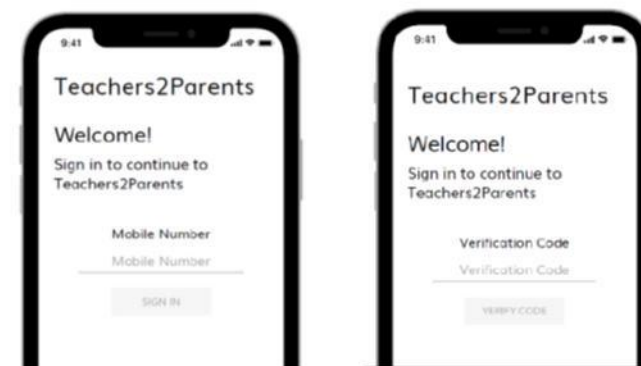
You will only need to register and login to the Eduspot App once. Once you have done this, the app will remain permanently logged on, unless you delete the app.

First, you will need to download the app onto your device through the relevant app store; it is compatible with both Android and Apple iOS. Please search for 'Teachers2Parents' in the Google Play or Apple App Store.



Once opened a screen will pop up, this screen will ask you to register your mobile phone number. It will match that phone number with the one on record at the school, so please ensure the school has your correct details.

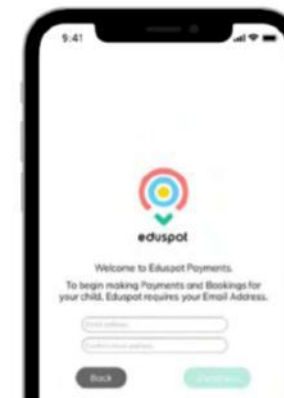
If your mobile number is not recognised, please contact the school and ask them to check the number registered to the account.



After your phone number has been entered, you will be asked for a verification code. This will be sent via SMS to the mobile number you entered.

Enter the code and press Verify Code.

If your email address isn't registered with SchoolMoney a second screen may pop up. This will ask you to confirm your email address so that when you make a payment a receipt can be sent out to you. Enter your email address in both boxes and press Continue.



You will then be sent to the homepage.

For further information about using the App, please ask your child's school for our full App Guide.