



IDSALL NEWS edition 66

12 June 2026

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- Thu 18th June : New Student Induction for Sixth Form
 - Fri 19th June : Collaboration Day
 - Mon 22nd June ; UCAS Convention, Birmingham
 - Tue 23rd June : Year 11 Prom
 - Tue 23rd to Tue 30th June : Year 12 Mock Exams
 - Thu 25th June : Year 13 Leavers Breakfast and Prom
 - Fri 26th June : Armed Forces Day
 - Mon 29th to Fri 3rd July : Year 10 Work Experience Week

 - Thu 2nd Jul : 6th Form Parents Evening
 - Fri 3rd Jul : UN COP Climate Summit - Year 8
 - Mon 6th & Tue 7th July : Year 6 Transitions Days
 - Mon 13th & Tue 14th July : School Show "Beauty and the Beast"
 - Wed 15th July : Boogie Nights
 - Mon 20th July : Sixth Form Enrichment Trip to Alton Towers
 - Mon 20th July : Year 7 to 10 Sports Day
 - Tue 21st July : Sixth Form Sports Day
 - Tue 21st July : Drayton Manor / Cinema & Bowling Enrichment Trips
 - Wed 22nd July : Alton Towers Enrichment Trip
 - Thu 23rd July : Last Day of School (Sports Day Contingency Day)

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Michelle King - Headteacher



Dear Parents, Carers and Students

We say a fond farewell to our Year 11 students as they complete their five-year journey at Idsall. It has been a privilege to see them grow into confident, resilient young people who have contributed so positively to our school community, including the many ways they have supported and inspired younger students.

They have approached their exams with maturity and determination, and we are incredibly proud of all they have achieved. We are also delighted that many will be returning after the summer as senior members of our Sixth Form, continuing their journey with us and taking on important leadership roles.

For the rest of the school, Year 11 leave behind a strong example of commitment, kindness and ambition one that we encourage all students to continue to build on in the months ahead.

Year 7 News



Geography Fieldwork

It was a perfect day for fieldwork, and Mrs Green's Year 7 took full advantage of the excellent weather while carrying out their microclimate studies around the school.

Working in teams, they navigated the site confidently and used their equipment and observation skills effectively to produce some fantastic results. Well done to the entire group.

A special mention goes to Kaiden E, who was the Geography star of the day!



Kick Rounders

On Wednesday 10th June, a selection of Year 7 students played their first game of lunchtime kick rounders, supported by Mrs Reeve and Ms Martin.

It was a fierce and closely fought competitive game where each team faced 20 balls. These could have easily been won by either team.

- "A" half scored 11 rounders from their 20 balls
- "Alpha" half scored 13 rounders from their 20 balls.

Well done to both teams for representing their year half and congratulations to the "Alpha" half on their victory.

Those that played today have already asked for more games - so Mrs Reeve is going to try to organise some she also says she is hoping to be able to organise a staff vs Year 7 kick rounders match too! Watch this space!





Year 8 News



Year 8 Climate Summit

On Friday 3rd July 2026, Year 8 students will take part in a Trust-wide Model United Nations COP Climate Summit, exploring the theme “Is the world doing enough?”.

Representing countries from across the globe, students will research climate issues, deliver speeches, and engage in debate before culminating in a high-level Top Table negotiation.

The event is supported by the United Nations Association Marches and Borders Branch, with Gareth Von Dinther, Director of the UNA, leading the day.

This initiative will help prepare students for future participation in Year 9 and Sixth Form simulations.



Year 9 News



Rain Stops Play!

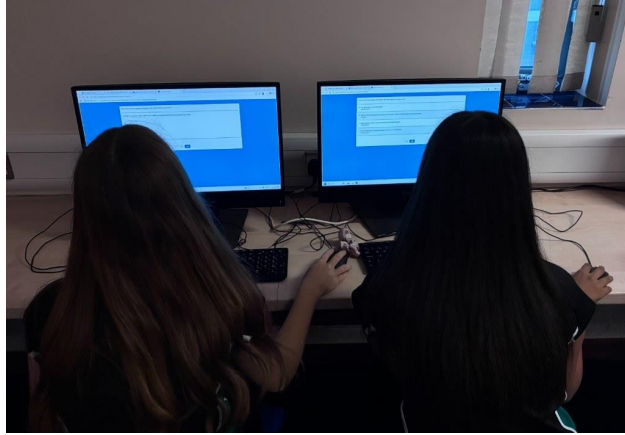
Rain stops play, but not for our Year 9 girls!

With rounders cancelled due to the weather, the girls spent some time completing the Sport England Active Lives Survey, contributing to important data that helps shape the future of sport and physical activity.

Afterwards, it was time for some fun as they swapped bats for dance moves! Lots of laughs, plenty of energy, and even a Rasputin dance-off to finish the session (if you know you know!).



A great way to stay active, support wellbeing, and make the best of a rainy day!



3rd in the County!

Bertie P (Y9) was part of the Shropshire Handball team that finished an impressive 3rd in the country at this year's U14 National Handball Finals. The team were coached by Toby M (Y12).

Shropshire narrowly missed out on a place in the final by just one goal before going on to secure an impressive bronze medal.

Shropshire Handball is an external club and is always keen to welcome new players. Anyone interested in finding out more can contact shropshirehandballfoundry@gmail.com.

Huge congratulations to all the team!



Year 10 News

Jessie Shows Shetlands

Jessie turned her hand to something new in the horse world - Shetland Showing.

Over the half term break she really excelled herself and had the honour of showing Ice and Pearl owned by Marney Hancock at the Shropshire County Show and the Staffordshire County Show coming back with some amazing results.

She got placed 2nd and Shetland Society Best Yearling as well as qualifying for the Pony of the Year show with Ice at Shropshire County Show.

Well done to Jessie.





Year 11 News

🎓 IDSALL SCHOOL 🎓

🌟 YEAR 11 LEAVERS 2026 🌟

Sports Leaders Leave Legacy

The Idsall Sports Leaders have always been a credit to the school and local community. They give up their time, share knowledge and create opportunities which will be remembered by many children in our local feeder primary schools.

This summer we will be saying farewell to some fantastic sports leaders who have been part of the leadership team since they were in Key Stage 3. They have really flourished during their time in school, committing to a range of leadership awards and events.

Collectively, their hours of service are outstanding and they have really grown into confident young ladies who will be missed. We have no doubt that they will use the skills that they have developed and take them into their post 16 adventures.

Thank you for all your hard work!



Exam and Revision Timetable

Year 11 now only have one exam left until they walk through the gates, on Monday, for a final time as year 11 students in Idsall uniform!

There will be celebrating, there will be relief the exams are over, there will be the anticipation of a lovely long summer break, but there will also be tears and sadness as it is the final time the cohort of **Idsall 2026** will be together!

As a school, we are proud of all you've accomplished - go forward with confidence into the next chapter of your journey wherever that may be.

GCSE EXAM PLANNING			
		P1	P2
Monday 15th June		COMBINED SCIENCE : PHYSICS (1 hr 15 min) (170 students) PHYSICS (1 hr 45 mins) (42 Students)	

Results Day - Date for the Diary

Year 11 GCSE Results Day will be on **Thursday 20th August, 2026.**

This is a time for the year 11 students to come back into the school, meet their teachers and receive their results. They will also have the time to confirm their place in the Idsall Sixth Form as the Sixth Form Team will be there ready to welcome their new cohort!

Sixth Form News



Key 6th Form Dates

Please see below a list of key dates for Sixth Form students until the end of term. We are hoping to visit Keele University in addition to this list but dates for this visit are still to be confirmed.

18th June - New student induction day

22nd June - UCAS Convention, B'ham

23rd – 30th June - Year 12 mock exams

25th June - Leaver's breakfast and Year 13 Prom

29th June – 3rd July – Year 12 WEX (Select students only. All other students to be in lessons as per TT).

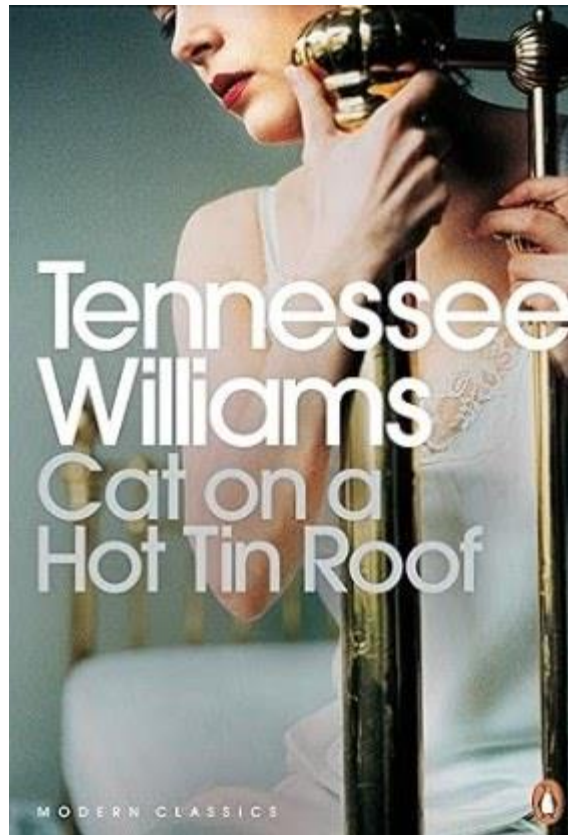
20th July - Alton towers

Book Club

The next book we will be reading is the play: 'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof' by Tennessee Williams.

'Big Daddy' Pollitt, the richest cotton planter in the Mississippi Delta, is about to celebrate his sixty-fifth birthday. His two sons have returned home for the occasion: Gooper, his wife and children, Brick, an ageing football hero who has turned to drink, and his feisty wife Maggie. As the hot summer evening unfolds, the veneer of happy family life and Southern gentility gradually slips away as unpleasant truths emerge and greed, lies, jealousy and suppressed sexuality threaten to reach boiling point.

Discussions about the play and its themes will take place during lunch time on Tuesday 16th June in BA1.



OTHER IDSALL NEWS



*** Introducing Our New Community Governor**

Idsall Local Governing Body are pleased to introduce our new Community Governor Miss Lucy Evans.

Lucy is an Associate Product Manager at Lloyds Banking Group, working within Business and Commercial Banking. She is passionate about supporting her local community and is actively involved in a range of initiatives across the Midlands, with a particular focus on helping young people access employment opportunities. She brings a collaborative mindset, alongside a strong focus on continuous improvement, and is keen to contribute these skills as a Community Governor.

She is keen to help create a positive and inclusive school environment where young people can flourish.



* **Armed Forces Day**

On Friday 26th June Cadets are invited to wear their Cadet Uniform to school in honour of Armed Forces Day.

Armed Forces Day is a national event that celebrates and honours the men and women who serve in the Armed Forces, including the Army, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, veterans, and cadets. It is a day where we all have a chance to :

- Show appreciation for serving personnel and veterans
- Recognise the sacrifices made by military families
- Celebrate the work and dedication of the Armed Forces

Students are encouraged to wear their cadet uniform in recognition of this very special day.

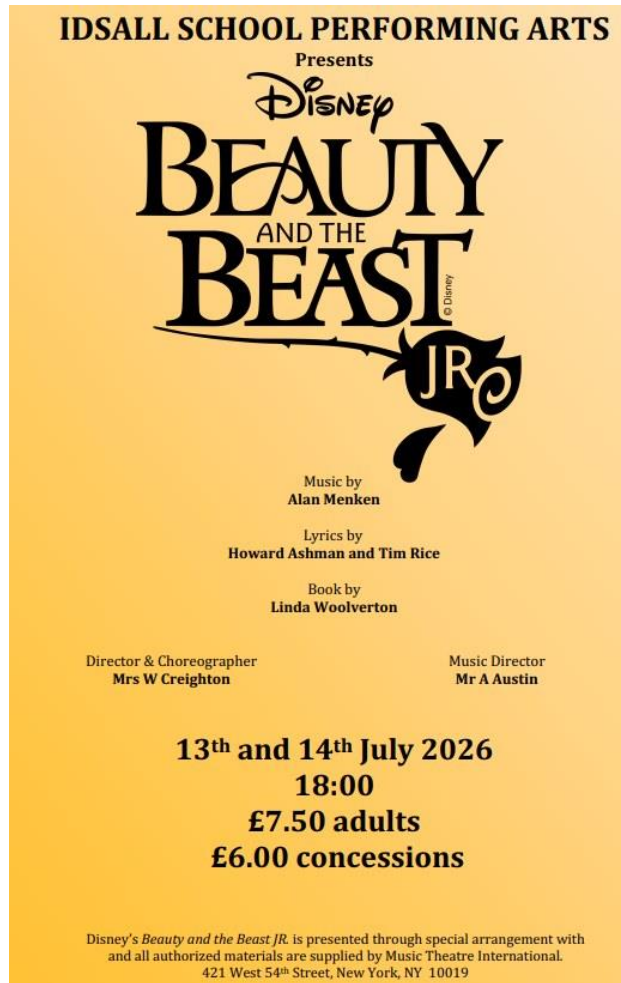


* Beauty and the Beast

Have you got your tickets yet!

Tickets are available on Arbor Pay for this magical night, where Idsall School brings you a touch of the West End and Disney in their captivating performance of Beauty and the Beast.

A night not to be missed as our students showcase their amazing talent and tell the timeless fairy tale about love, transformation, and looking beyond appearances.

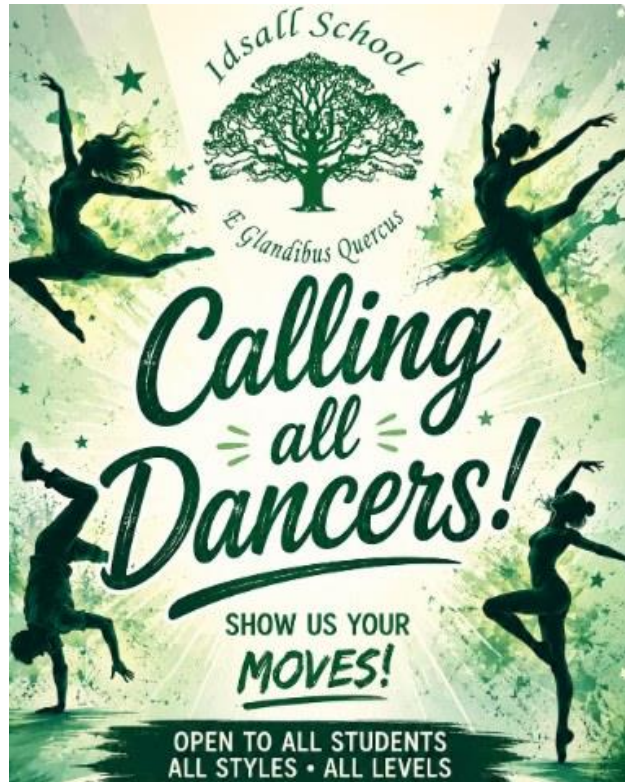


* Attention All Dancers

On Wednesday 15th July, Idsall will be hosting the annual 'Boogie Nights' dance showcase for all our local feeder primary schools to attend.

As part of this celebration night we would like to display the talents of Idsall students to inspire the younger children.

If you are a dancer and would like to get involved in performing in the show please get in touch with Mrs Thompson (School Games Coordinator) via email or pop to the PE office on Wednesday or Thursday.



* 6th Form Induction Day

New student induction day will be taking place on the 18th June for students that have been offered a place in the 6th Form.

The day will follow the normal school timings and students are welcome to arrive from 8.45 am.

- The dress code for this event is smart casual.
- Students will need to bring basic stationary and some comfortable footwear for the afternoon activities.

For any further questions or queries about the day, please contact Mr Bowler, the Head of Sixth Form.

**Your future
starts here...**

* From the PE Department



KS2 Rounders Festival

On Wednesday 10th June, Idsall Sports Leaders welcomed Year 5 and 6 children from Sheriffhales, St Andrews and Shifnal Primary to take part in a Rounders Festival held at Idsall School.

Eleven of our sports leaders worked alongside Mrs Thompson and Mr Bennett (Trusted Sports Alliance) to plan and deliver a fun, competitive afternoon to develop rounders skills and game play knowledge.

The children and leaders were excellent and fully embraced the freakish June weather.

Congratulations to St Andrews Primary School for winning the competition and to all our schools for demonstrating the values of determination, teamwork and passion throughout.

A massive shoutout to the sports leaders who were recognised as being "really strong and doing a fantastic job".





U13 Mixed Cricket

Idsall U13 mixed cricket team beat Ercall Academy in the first round of the Telford Schools 50 ball cricket competition.

The team put in a huge effort to win with 14 balls to spare!

Congratulations to them all!



KS3 & KS4 Rounders

Our KS3 and KS4 Rounders teams faced Oldbury Wells School in the East Shropshire School Games Semi-Final.

Both matches were closely contested, with excellent batting and fielding on display in the sunshine.

Our KS3 team narrowly missed out by just 1½ rounders, while our KS4 team secured the win and now progress to the School Games Final to represent East Shropshire.

Well done to all involved! 🌞🏏







Year 9 & 10 Athletics

A fantastic evening at the Shropshire Schools County Cup Semi-Final at Oakengates for our Year 9 and 10 athletes! ✨

We couldn't be prouder of the way our students competed, especially those who stepped out of their comfort zones to fill in and support the team. 💪

With the sun shining all evening (no hiding from the weather for Miss Broughton and Miss Logan today! 🌞 😊), it was a great event all round.

Now we're keeping our fingers crossed as we wait to hear who has qualified for next week's final! 🍀 🏃‍♀️ 🏃‍♂️

Amazing special mention to those students that did events they didn't really want to but helped fill gaps - took one for the team and got points for us! Some of these students were hesitant but showed real determination and resilience and we are really proud of them!

- Poppy B - year 10
- Bertie P - year 9
- Baylee F - year 9

- Ethan D - year 9
- Adam S - year 10 ... not only did he step up but he WON the event!







* Safeguarding



We are supporting and raising awareness of The Royal Life Saving Society UK's Drowning Prevention Week to promote water safety, which takes place from 13-20 June.

For over a decade, RLSS UK's Drowning Prevention Week has aimed to equip parents, and carers of children with vital water safety knowledge ahead of the summer months, when drownings are most likely to occur. Over the last five years, 3,615 people have tragically drowned in the UK and Ireland. This year, Drowning Prevention Week is expanding to reach 13-17-year-olds, as recent data reveals that drowning deaths among this age group have increased an alarming 67% between 2020-2022 and 2023-2025.

Knowing how to swim is a great skill - but it is not enough to stay safe in the water. True competency and confidence in and around water require knowledge of the Water Safety Code, including always staying together, stopping to think about and assess the dangers before getting into the water, and understanding what to do in an emergency.

Ashley Jones, Head of Water Safety and Education at RLSS UK, said:

"We urge everyone to use RLSS UK's free, accessible water safety resources to educate children and teens with critical information this June, to make sure everyone has a safe summer. Whilst a foundation of water safety will be included in England's school curriculum from September, this vital information needs to be taught now, ahead of the summer period, and across the entire UK and Ireland to prevent tragedies. We can all contribute to creating communities free from drowning."

Drowning is preventable – please ensure all pupils have read the below poster, and visit RLSS UK's website to access free water safety resources for children, parents and carers

<https://www.rlss.org.uk/dpw>.

Always follow the

WATER SAFETY CODE



Whenever you are around water:



STOP AND THINK

Take time to assess your surroundings.
Look for the dangers and always research local signs and advice.



STAY TOGETHER

When around water always go with friends or family.
Swim at a lifeguarded venue.

In an emergency:



CALL 999

If you are at the coast, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard.
Don't enter the water to rescue.



FLOAT

Fall in or become tired – stay calm, float on your back and call for help.
Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



Learn more about water safety.
Scan the QR code



* Supporting Our Armed Forces and their Families

We have been contacted by the Project Team Lead who is currently working on an important project – Supporting Serving Forces and their Families on the Move.

The objectives of this project are to.

- Improve the quality of life for service families impacted by relocation.
- Offer preventative and /or early intervention approaches – emphasis on health & wellbeing.
- Assist forces families to access services as they relocate
- Reduce isolation and loneliness, enabling families to build support networks locally.
- Address unique challenges and issues families can face.
- and much more!

For more information please see the poster below and contact Val or Joe direct.

Proudly supporting our armed forces and their families



Serving Families: On the Move

Is a local settlement support service for serving personnel and their families posted to Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

You tell us what you need - we'll find you the right support:



- healthcare, schooling and local services
- mental health and wellbeing
- debt and money advice
- relocation and life changes
- settling into your new community

Scan the QR code to make an enquiry



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Serving Families: On the Move

Who are we?

Val and Joe support armed forces families in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin. Offering a confidential service to help you understand the area, access services, and feel at home.



Val brings lived experience as an ex-RAF spouse alongside strong health and wellbeing expertise in armed forces communities.

Joe is the son of a veteran and understands how to help military families feel settled, connected and supported.

How does it work?

Scan the QR code and complete the short form. We'll contact you for a friendly confidential chat to understand what support you need. Whatever your situation, we'll do our best to help.



Connect with us to feel more at home

01743 360641

armedforces@community-resource.org.uk

About Community Resource

We are a charity that is committed to making life better for people and communities facing challenges in Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin.

Find out more at community-resource.org.uk

Find us on:



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What's On In The Local Area



WANT TO HELP SHAPE

**SERVICES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
IN SHROPSHIRE?**

Opportunities to make decisions about services for young people across Shropshire -

- Hybrid and in-person workshops, events, training and more June - August 2026

Open to all 16-25 year olds

Living, working or studying in Shropshire

Please fill in a short registration form within your youth work setting or school or contact Rachel directly
We'll invite you to an event to learn more about getting involved

This is open to ALL young people. We're especially interested in hearing from you if you...

- are disabled, neurodivergent, or have a long-term health condition
- are home educated, or struggled with school
- are a young carer, or have other caring responsibilities
- are care experienced or looked after
- live in a rural area with not many opportunities
- are part of a community who experiences racism and/or discrimination
- aren't currently in education, employment or training
- grew up in a household where things weren't easy

REGISTER BEFORE 29TH MAY 2026 TO SECURE YOUR SPOT!

For more information contact Rachel on 07815 018462 or email

youthvoice@shropshire.gov.uk



Exams can be tough.

They're supposed to test you, and sometimes that can be overwhelming. But we're here if it ever feels too much.

With free, confidential support, you can talk to a professional, read how others might be feeling the same or take a moment to write down your thoughts.



Visit [Kooth.com](https://www.kooth.com) to explore the many ways Kooth can support you.



Providing NHS services

Cinderella shall go to the ball!



Calling all teenagers in need of a prom dress!
Community Matters can lend or gift a beautiful dress to those struggling to afford one.

We have a few to choose from

Please contact us



TELFORD COMMUNITY SUPPORT
| [Cinderella shall go to the ball](#)
| Facebook



GIRLS HARD & SOFTBALL CRICKET AT SHIFNAL CRICKET CLUB



All ages • All abilities • Everyone welcome!
Led by a female ECB Core Coach

Looking for a fun, friendly sport where girls can make new friends, learn new skills, and build confidence? Join **Girls Cricket at Shifnal Cricket Club** and be part of a growing, supportive community!

Why try Cricket?

- Sessions led by a **female ECB Core Coach and current County player**
- Teams for **hardball and softball cricket**
- Fun and inclusive sessions for beginners and experienced players
- ECB qualified, friendly coaches
- Build confidence, teamwork and fitness
- Make new friends and be part of a real team
- Training sessions and matches throughout the season.
- Girls of **all ages and abilities**
- Beginners absolutely welcome – no experience needed!



Get in touch

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Come and give it a go –
your cricket journey starts here!

Shifnal Cricket Club
The Cricket Pavilion, Priorslee Road,
Shifnal, Shropshire TF11 8HD



SUMMER TERM SEND MEET & CHAT FAMILY DROP-IN

Hosted by Shropshire Early Help



Do you care for a child or young person with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)?

These sessions are open to anyone supporting a child with SEND – whether you're a parent carer, family member, or professional.

Come along to ask questions, get practical advice, and connect with professionals who understand your journey

Speak with experts in:

- EHCPs
- School support
- Health and wellbeing
- Social care
- Mental health
- Navigating SEND challenges

Each session will have different professionals available, so come along, have a chat, and find the help you need.

BRIDGNORTH LIBRARY

Tuesday 19th May 2026
1:30pm-3:30pm

Bridgnorth Library,
Listley Street, Town Centre,
Bridgnorth, WV16 4AW

SHREWSBURY THE LANTERN

Thursday 16th June 2026
10:00am-12:00pm

The Lantern,
Meadow Farm drive, Shrewsbury,
SY1 4NG

OSWESTRY LIBRARY

Thursday 2nd July 2026
13:00pm-15:00pm

Oswestry Library,
Arthur Street, Oswestry,
SY11 1JN



HAVE YOUR SAY!

Scan the QR code to suggest topics and activities for future drop-in sessions.

Contact Us

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"Great oaks from little acorns grow"

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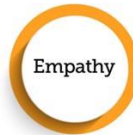
Our values :



Excellence: striving always for mastery and personal success



Integrity: consistently acting with honesty, compassion and respect



Empathy: embracing and supporting the uniqueness of every individual



Creativity: inspiring and challenging through invention, experimentation and exploration



Equality: ensuring fair opportunity for all