



Welcome to our Young People's Newsletter - it is separate to our Leavers Come First Newsletter - and is for ALL YOUNG PEOPLE!

This newsletter is packed with:

- Chances to get involved with upcoming activities and events
- Opportunities to build your future
- Tips and tricks for everyday life
- P A chance to hear from the Voice Of the Child Apprentice Team!

We believe every story matters. Your voice matters. And this newsletter? It's all for you.

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VOICE OF THE CHILD

APPRENTICE TEAM







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Hello!

We are the Voice of the Child Apprenticeship Team, a group with real lived experience. We're here to make sure you feel heard, shout about things that could be better and ensure that your voice is at the heart of everything that is happening in children's services!

Recent Team Updates

Did you know?

Our team are doing a Level 3 Youth Support
Worker Apprenticeship! It helps us plan and lead
sessions with young people. Giving us the skills to
be strong voices for children and young people.
Want to explore your own path?
Check out the Training and Opportunities page —
apprenticeships could be your next step into a great
career!





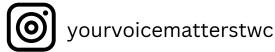
This week, our team are attending a networking event with local children's residential providers, including those currently supporting young people from Telford and outside the Borough. It's a great chance for us to share the work we are doing and connect with others.

Our team's been busy planning and leading forums for children and young people in care (8–14), in kinship arrangements (11–17), and those open to children's services (4–11 & 11–16). These sessions are led by young people, for young people.

Know someone who might want to join?

Get in touch via email!!





HALLOWEEN HALF TERM FREE ACTIVITIES!

You must book to secure a

FREE space!

Don't miss out...

CLICK HERE TO BOOK



MADELEY TOWN COUN

HALLOWEEN

Pumpkin Trail 2025

27 OCTOBER - 31 OCTOBER

Follow the pumpkin trail in shop windows in Madeley, write down the spooky pumpkin names and claim your prize from Madeley Community Library OR Jubilee House.



No need to book, just collect trail sheets from

Madeley community

HALLOWEEN

Halloween trail on Wellington High Street

26 October - 2 November 2024

Pick up a free Halloween trail map from The Orbit and take a stroll through Wellington High Street.

Follow the map to discover the clues, visiting some of the towns bet independent shops along the way. A perfect mix of education and Halloween thrills!

October Awareness days



World Stroke Day 29th October

World Stroke Day is an annual event to raise global awareness of stroke as a serious medical emergency, emphasize prevention, and improve care for survivors

Black History Month Wednesday fst - Friday 3fst October



Black History Month is a dedicated time to honour and celebrate the history, achievements and contributions of Black people to society, although its observance varies by country, with February in the United States and October in the United Kingdom and other nations. It aims to raise awareness and understanding of Black history and culture, challenge existing narratives, and promote racial equality, often through community events, educational programs, and museum exhibits.

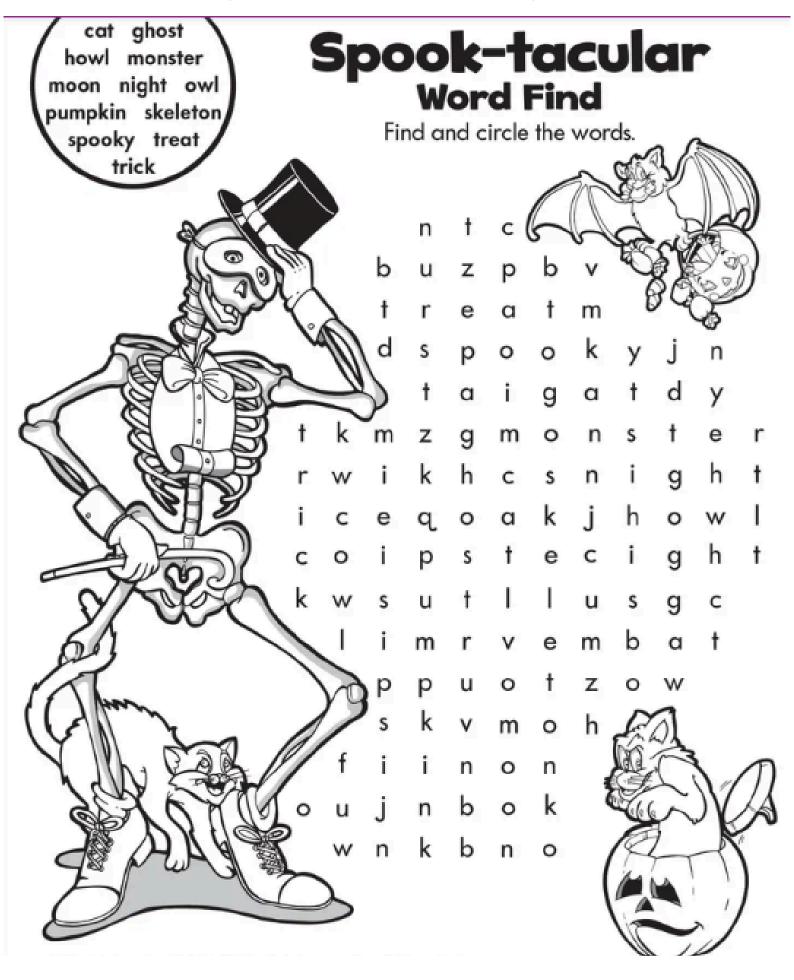


Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Wednesday fst - Friday 3fst October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month, observed every October, is a global initiative to raise awareness about breast cancer, promote early detection, and encourage fundraising for research and support for those affected by the disease. The month aims to educate the public on risk factors, symptoms, and the importance of regular breast self-exams and screenings to improve survival rates and encourage healthier lifestyle choices

Can you find all the spooky words?





Have You Heard About Urban Games?

Telford & Wrekin's Urban Games Half Term Programme is packed with free activities for young people!

From BMX biking to multi-sports sessions like cricket, football and basketball all led by professional coaches. There's something for everyone at venues across Telford!!!



Get involved and have fun this half term!



Click Here for more information!















Our Winter Top Tips!

As the cold creeps in, so do those pesky winter bugs! But don't worry, here's how to keep yourself feeling your best:

Having a winter wellness kit is essential but what to have in your winter wellness kit?

- Tissues (for those sniffly days)
- Hand sanitiser (keep those germs away!)
- Lip balm & moisturiser (cold air = dry skin)
- A reusable water bottle (hydration = healing)
- cosy socks & a warm hoodie (comfort is key!)



Want some quick remedies to feel better? We got you covered:

- Honey & lemon in hot water soothes sore throats and warms you up.
- Steam inhalation helps clear blocked noses (just hot water in a bowl + towel over your head).
- Rest & sleep your body heals best when you're chilling out.
- Eat the rainbow colourful fruits and veggies boost your immune system.

Extra Top Tip: If you're feeling unwell, let someone know and take time to rest.

Your health comes first!

Stay warm, stay well, and look after yourself





ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

OCTOBER 2025 - JULY 2026

18-25, West Mids based and want to have your voice heard?

> Join us on our FREE programme!

LEADERSHIP

Develop transferable skills for your CV, whatever your career goals.

ACTIVISM

Learn how to spark positive change in your local area and beyond.

COMMUNITY

Connect and build relationships with passionate, like-minded people.









THE LINK

Personalised support for children and young people across Telford & Wrekin aged 13-18 (Year 9 - Year 13) to build confidence, access advice, and connect with their community, helping them make informed choices about relationships, health, and wellbeing.



The team can support any child or young person who is at least two of the following:

Family history of teenage pregnancy | First sex before 16

Affected by Child Sexual Exploitation / Child Criminal Exploitation

Engaged with social care | Child in Care | Care leaver

Drug and/or alcohol use | Free school meal eligibility | Persistent school absence



The Link supports Children and Young People navigating and accessing support in theses areas:

Healthy Relationships
Emotional Wellbeing
Sexual Health Housing
& Finance Domestic
Abuse Loneliness and
Isolation Activity
groups & community
hubs Not in
Employment, Education
or Training

How to refer: Scan QR code or email thelink@telford-mind.co.uk

If you want further information about this service or referrals, please email thelink@telford-mind.co.uk or call 07434 869248









Youth groups in Telford and Wrekin

These clubs offer a mix of games, socialising, creative activities, and support for young people across different age groups. You will need to contact the youth group prior to attend, all the information you need is provided on the Youth Local Offer website, click here for the link!

Arleston Youth Club - Ages 11-16, Mondays 4:30-6:30pm, Arleston Community Centre

Brookside Junior & Senior Youth Clubs - Mondays, Brookside Central

FunZone Stirchley - Ages 5-18, multiple sessions throughout the week, Sambrook Centre

Great Dawley Town Council Youth Club - Ages 11-16, Mondays & Thursdays, Dawley Town Hall

Next Gen Youth Club - Ages 11-16, Mondays, Park Lane Centre

Newport Hub Youth Group - Ages 9-13, Mondays, The Hub Newport

Leegomery Youth Club - School Years 6-8, Wednesdays, Leegomery Community Centre

Lightmoor Village Junior & Senior Clubs - Wednesdays, Oak Tree Centre

Donnington & Muxton Youth Club - Ages 8-16, Thursdays, Donnington Community Hub

Frantic Friday Youth Club - Last Friday of each month, Madeley Baptist Church

Awaken Youth - Ages 11-18, Tuesdays, The Hub Brookdale

Anstice Junior & Senior Youth Clubs - Tuesdays, The Anstice, Madeley



Youth Voice & Advocacy Groups

Young people in Telford & Wrekin have powerful platforms to make their voices heard, influence decisions, and access support through a range of advocacy and youth voice groups. If you would like to find out more or see if there is an opportunity to join the forum/groups... visit the youth offer website for more information - Click Here.

Young People's Forum - Ages 11–19, Fortnightly Wednesdays, The Wakes, Oakengates **Shout Out Young People's Group -** For young people with SEND, Family Zone, Telford

Centre

Telford & Wrekin Interfaith Council Youth Clubs - Junior & Senior groups, Mondays, Wellington

Employment and Training Opportunities





Are you looking for work? Do you need training?

The Job Box in Southwater library are now doing supported internships that you may be interested in. But what is a supported internship? They are basically an exciting opportunity to gain confidence and make steps towards a paid work placement Speak to one of the Job Box advisors at Southwater One, Telford from:

Monday to Friday (10am-5pm) to find out more about them. Or call on 01952 388988



An apprenticeship is a paid job that combines practical on-the-job training with study to gain skills for a specific career. Apprentices are employees who earn a wage and work with experienced staff while also completing a program of study, which can lead to industry-recognized qualifications. These programs, which can last between one and five years, are a way to start a career, develop new skills, and increase employability. For more information, <u>Click Here.</u>





Nova training is based in Wellington offer a wide range of training courses and apprenticeships in courses for young people aged 14 to 25 regardless of exam results. When attending the training centre you will have an individual learning plan, matched to your future aspirations which allows you to learn, earn, gain qualifications and progress to an Apprenticeship or employment in your chosen career.



In this weeks edition, we have included a quick and easy recipe for Mini pita pizza and gratitude walk!

Mini Pita Pizza

Ingredients:

- 4 mini pita breads
- 4 tbsp pizza sauce
- ½ cup shredded mozzarella cheese
- Toppings: sliced peppers, sweetcorn, mushrooms (optional)



- 1. Preheat oven to 180°C (350°F).
- 2. Spread 1 tbsp pizza sauce on each pita.
- 3. Sprinkle cheese and add your favorite toppings.
- 4. Bake for 8-10 minutes until cheese melts.
- 5. Serve warm and enjoy!

Gratitude Walk

Goal: Connect gratitude with movement.

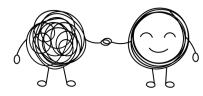
Steps:

- 1.Go for a short walk.
- 2. With each step, think of one thing you're thankful for.
- 3. Try to list at least 10 things before you finish.





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Here are some additional contacts that may be use to you if you need any additional support. Remember it is ok to speak out and ask for support. You matter.





















Hey there! We want to hear from You!

Thanks for reading this edition of our newsletter, we hope you found something inspiring, helpful, or just plain fun!

Got ideas? Thoughts? Something for to share which is helpful to other young people?

We'd love to hear from you! Whether it's:

A cool tip or life hack you want to share

A question you'd like answered

A shout-out to someone awesome

Or just your thoughts on what we should include next time...



Get in touch with the team!! yourvoicematters@telford.gov.uk





