



Gobowen Gazette



Nurture, grow, flourish

Week Beginning 17th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have enjoyed another wonderful week of learning in school, and I continue to be impressed by how well the children are doing, especially given the rather unsettled weather we've had recently. Despite the rain and colder days, the pupils have shown great resilience, enthusiasm, and positivity in their lessons and activities.

One of the highlights of the week was having the children's school photographs taken. They approached the experience with excitement and lovely smiles, and we are very grateful for the support behind the scenes that helped everything run smoothly. A special thank you goes to Mrs. Jones in the school office for her excellent coordination and organisation throughout the process.

Have a great weekend.

Mr R. Walsh
Headteacher

Lunch Menu and Busy Lizards Menu - Week 1

Monday 17th November	3.15—4.00pm	Football Club—KS1
Tuesday 18th November	10.00—12.30pm 3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm	Ash Class and Oak Class Swimming Lessons—Week 5 of 5 Christmas Craft Club—KS1 Garage Band Club—KS2 Badminton Club—KS2
Wednesday 19th November	3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm	Art Club—KS1— Cancelled this week Choir—KS1 & KS2 Mini Grand Prix Club—Years 5 & 6 Fencing Club—KS2
Thursday 20th November	3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm 3.15—4.00pm 5.00—5.15pm	Nerf Club—KS1 Cooking Club—Year 1 Girls Football—KS2 Boys Football—KS2 Choir Performing—Oswestry Christmas Lights Switch On
Friday 21st November		

Unicef Rights of the Week

Article 12

You have the right to give your opinion and for adults to listen and take it seriously.

Lost Property

Please ensure that all property belonging to your child is labelled. If you accidentally end up with property belonging to another child at home, please can you return it to school as quickly as possible.

Thank you.



Attendance

Class of the Week

Week ending 7th November 2025

Willow	92.0%
Sycamore	97.1%
Hazel	96.1%
Maple	96.0%
Ash	90.4%
Birch	98.9%
Oak	88.5%

Class of the week is
BIRCH with 98.9%

CONGRATULATIONS!

95% is the
average attendance in
primary schools.

95% or higher is
considered

GOOD attendance.

This means you have had less than 10 days
off school in a year.

Our target is to maintain an attendance
level of **97% or higher**.



Achievement Certificates



Week ending 7th November 2025

Willow	Wilf	Nicole
Sycamore	Paisley-Grace	Izzy
Hazel	Lincoln	Willow
Maple	Hunter	George
Ash	Laura	Ada
Birch	Aiden	Emily
Oak	Annabelle	Savannah
Lunchtime	Adalina (Willow)	Ava (Maple)
Headteacher	Stefan (Sycamore)	



Diary Dates



FOGS Christmas Fair—Friday 28th November
Gobowen School hall from 3.00pm

Cinderella Pantomime - Theatr Clwyd
Wednesday 3rd December
Sycamore Class, Ash Class and Oak Class

Cinderella Pantomime—Theatr Clwyd
Tuesday 9th December
Hazel Class, Maple Class and Birch Class

KS1 Nativity Wednesday 10th December
Performance time—2.00pm in Gobowen School hall

KS1 Nativity Thursday 11th December
Performance times—10.00am and 2.00pm in
Gobowen School hall

KS2 Carol Service—Wednesday 17th December
Carol Service starts at 9.30am in All Saints Church

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 17th December
Non-uniform day

Last Day of the Autumn Term
Friday 19th December

First Day of the Spring Term
Tuesday 6th January
(Monday 5th January is a Staff Development Day)

Christmas Lights Switch On Ceremony Thursday 20th November

Our choir will be performing at
Oswestry Town Council's Christmas Lights
Switch On Ceremony on the Bailey Head,
Oswestry on Thursday 20th November.

The event starts at 4.00pm.
Our choir will be singing between
5.00pm and 5.15pm.

The switching on of the Christmas lights
marks the official start of Christmas in
Oswestry. There will be carols, festive fun
and entertainment, winter warming food
and drink, and a special guest.
Lots of festive cheer for all!

The lights will be switched on at
approximately 6.30pm.





FOGS Christmas Fayre



Raffle Tickets

FOGS have given each family two books of raffle tickets and have asked if parents/carers could kindly sell them to family and friends to help raise funds for the renovation of the trim trail.

If you are happy to sell them FOGS would be grateful, but there is no obligation as unsold tickets can be sold at the Christmas Fayre.

Please return any sold/unsold tickets to the school office by
Friday 21st November.



Emergency Closures—Winter Weather

We would like to update you on our procedures for possible emergency closures due to adverse weather conditions this winter. We will endeavor to open and remain open but should the decision be made not to, the following steps will be taken to notify parents/carers:

Direct Message from Gobowen School

Text messages will be sent to notify parents/carers that the school will not be opening or will be closing early due to a significant deterioration in the weather. The front page of our website will be updated as information becomes available www.gobowenschool.co.uk

Shropshire Council's Website

The Council's website will be immediately updated when they receive notification that a school is closed. Please check the website shropshire.gov.uk/school-closures for the most up-to-date information. All closures will be considered on a daily basis (the closure list is cleared at the end of each day). Please do not assume that our school will be open or closed based on the previous day. A daily check will be necessary.

Radio Stations

All radio stations will be linked to the Shropshire Council's website and will relay school closures out to the public.

If, during the school day, there is a significant deterioration in the weather, consideration will need to be given to ensuring the safe journey home of the pupils and staff. It may be the case that we need to contact parents/carers by phone and/or text message to advise them to collect their children before the end of the school day. If we are unable to contact you, staff will supervise the remaining pupils until the end of the school day. Children will need to be collected by 3.15pm as our After School Club will close.

Hopefully, it will not be necessary to implement these procedures but should the need arise, please be assured that all steps will be taken to contact parents/carers to ensure the safety of pupils.



Friends of Gobowen School

CHRISTMAS FETE

Friday, 28th November from 3.15pm

Gobowen School Hall

Christmas Games • Santa's Grotto • Stalls
Cake Sale • Raffle • Choir Performances

Come join the fun - everyone welcome!

