



Dear parents & carers,

Welcome to another edition of The Link.

Thank you to parents & carers of year 11 pupils for attending the Progress Evening yesterday. It was lovely to see so many in attendance and we hope that the conversation with subject teachers provided useful information for you to support your child in the final few months of their time at Church Stretton School. Thank you also to Mr Austin, Careers Adviser who was present to answer any questions regarding Post-16 choices. Indeed, on Monday this week, year 11 pupils had a mock interview, coordinated by Mr Lowe. Thank you therefore to the local employers and business people who came in to give our pupils a real-life experience of attending an interview.

For pupils in year 7, we look forward to welcoming parents and carers to the year 7 Progress Evenings taking place next month. Please look out for a letter from Mr Bird, Assistant Headteacher informing parents and carers of the date, time and how to book an appointment.

Finally, you will have no doubt seen in the media that the National Education Union (NEU) has announced national and regional strike action for teachers in England across a range of dates. We will provide further information regarding this after we have more information to help us understand how strike action may impact the staffing levels in the school.

Have a good weekend!

John Parr
Headteacher

Next week will be WEEK B

Appointments

We appreciate that pupils may need to have appointments during the school day, please could we ask that we have prior notice and a copy of the appointment card/letter. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

- **Mon 23rd January** - Year 9 Foundation Exams start
- **Wed 25th January** - Year 11 Hereford Taster Day 12-3pm
- **Thurs 2nd February** - Year 7X1 and 7X2 Progress evening
- **Thurs 9th February** - Year 7Y1 and 7Y2 Progress Evening

Lunch Money

Please can you ensure that you top up your ParentPay account for school lunches. There is also a top up machine in the lunch hall where students can use coins or cash.

Late Students

A number of students are arriving late into school. Please can we remind parents that students need to be in school by 8.45am latest.

Thank you.

Whole School Attendance

from 9th January - 13th January

Caradoc 91.7%	Hazler 93.5%
Ragleth 91.9%	Lawley 90.4%

Year 11 Berlin Trip December 2022

In December, 36 students went to Berlin. They had a busy four days visiting a Spy Museum and Unterwelten Museum where they learned about the nuclear bomb shelters. They also visited Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp and not forgetting the Christmas Markets and lots more!! Everyone averaged 20.000 steps a day, walking 35 miles in four days. If you would like to see anymore photos you can visit our twitter account [here](#). Thank you to Miss Sollars for organising the trip!



Chess Club

In W2
On Wednesday's
at 3.10pm



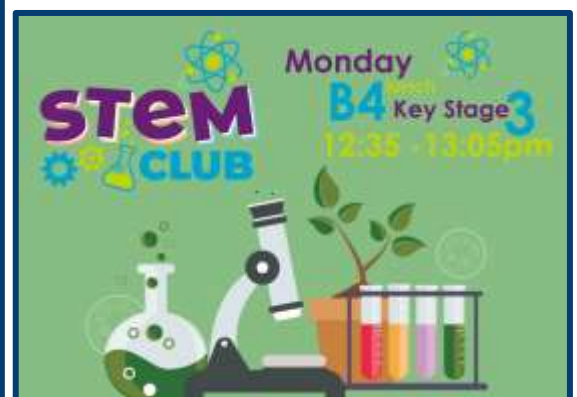
HOMEWORK

CLUB

In W1

3.10pm to 4.10pm

Every Tuesday
& Thursday



Sporting News

PE Extra Curricular Timetable can be found [here](#)

The PE timetable can be found [here](#)

Please can students collect lunch passes for their PE lunch time clubs from the PE office at the start of the week. Students can then show this pass to enter the queue on first calling.

A reminder that students who cannot take part in PE should always bring a note and their PE kit to take part in other roles.

Last weeks sporting results

As part of the district basketball league, Church Stretton made the journey to Mary Webb school for the KS3 girls and boys basketball fixture.

Church Stretton girls were technically brilliant but lacked the game experience and physicality.

The boys have been putting in the practice during club which meant they held their own against experienced Shrewsbury Storm players, drawing both games.

Mr Barham was extremely happy with how both teams conducted themselves against tough competition.

Upcoming Fixtures:

25th January - Year 7 County Cup Girls Football vs Sir John Talbot @ home

25th January - Year 8 & 9 netball vs Ludlow @ home

25th January - Year 8 Rugby vs Wrekin

1st Feb - U13 Netball District Comp

4th Feb - Shropshire Schools XC

8th Feb - KS3 Boys Rugby

8th Feb - U15 District Netball

15th Feb - U13 County Netball

27th Feb - U13 Boys hockey

XCountry NOTICE

X country Club has now moved to a Tuesday after school. this runs 3.30-4.15, if you would like to attend you must have consent to go offsite which is on ParentPay.

Would you be interested in representing the school in XC? The Shropshire Schools County Championships is being held 4th Feb. Entries will be sent in the next week- please email

Holly.hodnett@csschool.co.uk if you would like to enter.

Primary Events and Sports Leadership News

Our Tag rugby leaders trained by Mr Longhurst had a practice with St Lawrence primary school this week, picking up some warm up and practice drills from Miss Dillon, then final officiating practice with Mr Longhurst, lets hope they are ready for next Tuesdays big event with 13 teams in our School Games Tag competition! Good luck leaders!



LEOMINSTER LADIES HOCKEY CLUB

DEVELOPMENT HOCKEY LEAGUE



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Sunday's
starting
Jan 22nd
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10am - 12
noon
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New to hockey? Looking to develop your skills? This is for you!

Leominster Ladies Hockey club will be holding a development hockey tournament starting Sunday 22nd January through to March.

Games between 10am & 12noon.

Kit can be provided if required.

All games held at Halo, Bridge Street,
Leominster.

If you think this could be for you, please contact
Liberty on: 07805 082831 - **Everyone welcome.**

Head Boy/Girl—2022-2023



Head Girl

My name is Erin and I am Head Girl. I applied for Head Girl because I wanted to push my leadership skills and have a positive impact on our school community. I am interested in languages, and I am learning Spanish and French at school and last year I took my GCSE German exam and passed! I really enjoy sport and I am a member of a local tennis club and netball club. In the past, I am very proud to say that I have represented Shropshire County at netball.

Deputy Head Girl

My name is Evie Jackson and I am deputy head girl at Church Stretton School. One reason I wanted to take on this role was to play a part in the organisation of events in the school such as the much-anticipated prom! Outside of school, I enjoy playing the guitar (although I am still learning), reading fantasy books and cooking food I haven't tried before. I can't wait to see what the rest of the year brings as we approach our GCSE exams and the end of our secondary school careers.

Deputy Head Girl

Hello, my name is Louisa Crump and I am a Deputy Head Girl. In my free time I am a member of the local Rangers group and I attend regular dance and drama lessons. I am passionate about animals and their welfare and hope to work with animals in a medical capacity in my future career. I decided to apply for this role as I wanted to further my leadership and communication skills. Furthermore, I wanted to act as a link between pupils, staff and the community. I hope that students would consider as someone that they could confide in and I am grateful to the staff for giving me this opportunity.

Head Boy

My name is Alex Meason and I am Head Boy at Church Stretton School. I have a strong passion for aviation and an interest in the military.

I applied for the role of Head Boy because I was looking to gain experience in a leadership role and develop skills that would demonstrate my value as a candidate in my chosen profession.

During my free time, I enjoy playing badminton, basketball and guitar. When I am not playing computer games I make time for reading - some of my favourite authors are Ryk Brown, Mathew Dunn and Daniel Suarez.

In the holidays, I volunteer at Sleaford airfield and work as a labourer for a local landscaper/builder.

My ambition is to join the RAF as a Fast Jet Pilot and possibly become a commercial pilot after a lengthy career. When I finish school I am considering studying Maths, Physics and History at A level.

Deputy Head Boy

Hi, I am Jack, Deputy Head Boy at Church Stretton School. I wanted to have a Head Boy role because I want to be a role model for the younger students. I am aspiring to become a veterinary surgeon after leaving school going to either Aberystwyth or Glasgow University. My hobbies include fishing, running, badminton and cycling and working at a local veterinary practice. I love learning new skills at school like French and Biology.

Deputy Head Boy

My name is Alfie Lawton and I am the deputy head boy. I'm a Lance Corporal in the Ludlow army cadets and have been the flag bearer at the most recent remembrance parade. My other hobbies include boxing and mountain biking. I applied for this position because I wanted to help younger students with their mental health, knowing that there is always someone who they can talk to and willing to listen to their problems.

Church Stretton School Lunch Menu

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
LOADED TRAY £2.00	Marinated Chicken Potato Wedges Fresh Salad	Sausage & Mashed potato or chips Baked Beans or Peas	Chicken Herby Diced Potato Fresh Salad	Vegetarian selection Curly fries Fresh Salad or Baked Beans	Chicken nuggets Chips & Curry Sauce or fish & chips, peas or beans
HOT POT £2.00	Pasta with Sauce Garlic Bread	Curry with Rice Naan Bread	Hot wok Noodles & prawn crackers	Curry with rice & naan bread	Pasta with sauce
GRAB & GO	Jumbo hot dog Pizza Slice	Hot Filled Wrap Pizza slice	Beef burger Pizza Slice	Chicken epic Pizza slice	Hot filled wrap Pizza Slice
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
LOADED TRAY £2.00	Marinated Chicken Herby diced potato Fresh Salad	Big breakfast Bacon, sausage, egg, hash brown, baked beans, mushroom, toast	Chicken or pulled pork, potato wedges, fresh salad	Fishcake, crispy potato, baked beans or fresh vegetable	Chicken nuggets Chips & Curry Sauce or fish & chips peas or Baked Beans
HOT POT £2.00	Pasta with sauce & garlic bread	Curry with rice & naan bread	Pasta or noodles with sauce	Curry with Rice Naan Bread	Pasta with Sauce
GRAB & GO	Beefburger Pizza Slice	Hot filled wrap Pizza slice	Jumbo hot dog Pizza Slice	Chicken Epic Pizza slice	Hot Filled Baguette Pizza Slice

All items above are subject to change and availability.

Week 1 menu starts week commencing Monday the 16th of January. Week 2 menu starts week commencing Monday the 23rd of January. The food menus will then alternate weekly.

Pasta pot – Please note **ONE** option will be available from the following choices (when on the menu): Tomato & Basil Sauce, Mac & Cheese, Tomato Meatballs, Carbonara, Baked Beans, Cheese.

Rice pot – Please note **ONE** option will be available from the following choices (when on the menu): Chicken Tikka Curry, Chicken Korma Curry, Sweet & Sour Chicken or Spring Rolls, BBQ Chicken, Thai Curry, Sweet Chili Chicken

Pizza slice – Please note **ONE** vegetarian and **ONE** meat option will be available from the following choices: Margherita (v), Pepperoni, Ham & Pineapple, Meat Feast

Fresh salad available daily for all Grab & Go items free of charge.

Hot Pot and Loaded Tray are available as part of a **MEAL DEAL** (Hot Pot or Loaded Tray, Carton or Bottle Drink and Saver Cookie/Cake).

We also offer a Deli bar that serves made-to-order wraps for £2.10, Soup of the Day with a roll for £1.50 and Jacket Potatoes for £1.00 with a topping for an extra 70p. The Soup and Jacket Potatoes are also available as part of a **MEAL DEAL** (Soup or Jacket Potato, Carton or Bottle Drink and Saver Cookie/Cake).

CHURCH STRETTON YOUTH DROP-IN

Every Tuesday
(during term time)

6pm - 7:30pm

@Russells Meadow Pavilion,
Lutwyche Rd, Church Stretton
SY6 6AT

FOR SCHOOL
YEARS 8,9,10 & ,11
£1 PER WEEK

A mixture of activities
each week:
Baking Crafts Art
Cooking Board
 games
Table tennis

Programme :

- 10th Jan ~ Biscuits, bead jewellery and card games.
- 17th Jan ~ Carrot cake, memory pebbles and table tennis.
- 24th Jan ~ Washi tape art, cookie dough pizza and board games.
- 31st Jan ~ Brownies, curling and painting
- 7th Feb ~ Boccia, valentines crafts and baking Rocky Road
- 14th Feb ~ Shortbread Heart Biscuit, card making and Uno

Activities subject to change or rescheduling

TRAINED &
DBS CHECKED
YOUTH
WORKERS

Drop in with friends &
try new activities in a
safe environment!



For more info contact Adie:

01743 730005

Email: Info@sya.org.uk

If you would like to find out about other services the Parenting Team offers please email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call us on 01743 250950



PARENTING HELPLINE

available on
Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.00am to 12.30pm
Call us on 01743 250950

Parenthood can be extremely rewarding and enjoyable. It can also be demanding, frustrating and exhausting. Shropshire Council's Parenting Team is here to support parents and carers to raise healthy, well-rounded children in a loving and stable environment.

Do you have any questions around child development and parenting?

Why not call our Parenting Helpline where one of our trained

Parenting Practitioners will be ready to listen.

(Please note the Parenting Helpline will not operate between Christmas & New Year)

If you have concerns about a child's safety or well-being please call

First Point of Contact 0345 678 9021

