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Edition 3 23rd September 2022



Dear parents and carers

As we settle into the new term and school year, pupils are doing fantastically well as they also settle into the routine of their timetabled school day. Now that we have run through a fortnight of the timetable, pupils will notice an increase in homework which corresponds with the homework timetable recently published, a copy of which can bound here (useful to print and pin to the fridge door). Please do check Go4Schools as parents and carers to keep track of the homework that has been set for your child and know what they are currently learning about in their lessons. To find out exactly what the sequence of learning is, please take a look at the curriculum section of our website and in particular the curriculum plans in each subject for each year group. I'm sure parents & carers will find this really helpful.

Thank you now to Mr Balmer, Head of English, Mr Seager, Miss Sollars and Mr Godwin who accompanied a group of Year 11 pupils to Theatre Severn on Wednesday evening to watch An Inspector Calls. I know that they enjoyed the performance and benefited hugely from this opportunity.

Finally, may I remind you of the **early school closure on Thursday 29th of September** so that we can prepare for our Open Evening event? Please do make arrangements for your child to be collected earlier if not getting school transport and arrive home earlier than usual on that day. Further details can be found in the letter sent home recently, a copy of which can be found here.

With best wishes for a good weekend

John Parr Headteacher

Appointment Reminder

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.

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.

Next week is

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Next Weeks Sporting Fixtures

Year 8 Basket Ball - Wed 28th Sept away @ William Brookes

Year 11 Football - Thurs 29th Sept @ Ludlow

Consent forms must be signed by parents for all students attending away sporting fixtures. Forms can be found on Parent Pay and students will only be able to attend if these forms have been completed.

All information regarding arrival/departure times will be given to participants individually.

Car Park Safety

Please can we remind parents/carers and students to be mindful when using our car park. Between 8.20am-8.45am and 3.10pm-3.30pm are our busiest times, with students arriving/leaving on foot, cars, and buses. Vehicles must drive slowly. If you are collecting your child by car students need to wait until a member of staff allows them to cross the car park to avoid numerous students walking around.

Thank you

Sponsored Walk 2022

Due to other events already being held at Carding Mill Valley, we will be moving the Sponsored Walk to Friday 14th October.

Consent forms need to be completed these can be found here

Upcoming Events - September

- 29th Open Evening 17:00-19:30
- 30th Open Morning 9:15-11.00
- 30th Year 9 revised Safari Park Trip

A few messages from Mrs Hodnett in PE:

"I am extremely excited to take on the role of Head of PE at Church Stretton School. I trained to be a teacher here at this school 5 years ago and am so happy to be back. My aims are to provide all students with PE lessons that will develop their skills, fitness and knowledge as well as provide them with regular fixtures and a variety of extra curricular opportunities".

PE expectations- All students must bring PE kit to lesson, if for whatever they cannot partake in PE they must bring a signed note from parent/carer as well as their PE kit as they will have a leadership role in the lesson.

For those attending X Country club after school on Wednesdays please can parents complete the consent form on ParentPay

Extracurricular clubs have commenced -The timetable is available to view on the CSS Website.

There is also a practical PE timetable which shows the sport each group will be doing for each lesson.

Fixtures- students who are selected for fixtures will receive a memo with all relevant information. For away fixtures, parents must give consent on ParentPay.

Parents are welcome to watch home fixtures but must abide by the Spectator Code of Conduct found on the website (Code of Conduct).

Fixtures Write up:

We have already had some great results in the first 2 weeks back to school:

An excellent turn out for years 8,9,10 & 11 netball fixture at home against very strong teams from Ludlow. A Mixed result for the year groups- we look to have return fixtures in forthcoming weeks.

Our U16 Rugby 7s team Vs Ludlow won their final match- showing great progress against a team comprising of year 11 students

Our Year 11 boys football dominated and won 2-1 against Ludlow

Our year 9 Boys football team managed to keep a clean sheet 0-0 vs Ludlow

Year 8 Boys Football showed grit and determination throughout ending in 0-1 to Ludlow

Year 9 Netball team represented CSS at the District competition, great teamwork shown and lots to work on, placing 5th.

Let the success continue!

For any further information please contact Mrs Hodnett: Holly.Hodnett@csschool.co.uk

Many thanks!

Holly Hodnett

Vacancy

SS22/114 Kitchen Assistant, 15HPW, Church Stretton Secondary School, Church Stretton, SY6 6EX. Closing 02/10/22.

For more information please click the link below

https://careers.shropshire.gov.uk/vacancy/ss22-114kitchen-assistant-500852.html

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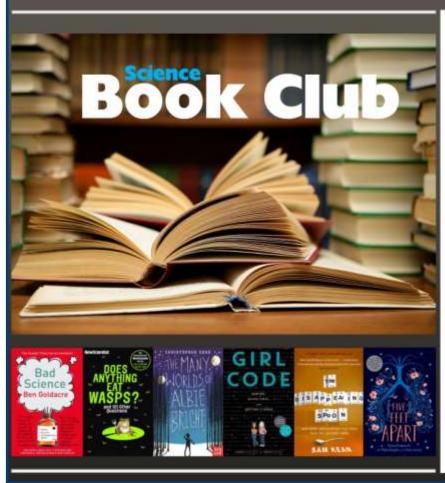
https://autismwestmidlands.org.uk/ events/

Lost Property

If your child/ren have lost any items of clothing, please ask them to check lost property in **W1**.

Please can we also ask parents and children to check at home whether they have the correct labelled PE kits as a few have gone missing in recent weeks.

Thank you



Science Book Club

Do you enjoy science? And enjoy reading? then why not combine the two...

The science department is in the process of increasing the science literature available to students by growing the number of science books in the school library.

Therefore, we are requesting students who would be happy to read some of the new books on offer and write us a book report to inform others... As a thank-you, you can keep the book and a copy of it will be placed in the library for others to enjoy.

New books will be added periodically throughout the year, so the more up for the challenge the merrier. Our first instalment of books includes the following:

- · Five feet apart Rachel Lippincott
- · The many worlds of Albie Bright -Christopher Edge
- · The disappearing spoon Sam Kean
- Girl Code: Gaming, going viral, and getting it done – Andrea Gonzales and Sophie Houser
- · Does anything eat wasps? New scientist
- · Bad science Ben Goldacre

Please see Mrs Carr to sign up or for further details.

We look forward to you joining the club.

Kingswood 2022

Thank you to the Year 7 pupils who came on the Kingswood residential for their company, enthusiasm, resilience, and kindness.

Mr Wright (Head of Key Stage 3) and his accompanying staff team are all very proud of the pupils.

You are now able to see photos of all their adventures on the "Gallery" page of the school website here













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Post 16 Options Roadshow

If you're unsure of your next step after leaving school next summer, don't worry: these events are perfect for you. And if you've already got a good idea of your future, these are fantastic opportunities to meet with the colleges and organisations that you are looking to join.

As well as presentations spotlighting the different routes open to you - A Levels, BTECs, T Levels and apprenticeships - we will have all the main providers of post-16 education in the region. Whether you are looking to go to university or employment, come and speak to the experts.

· Shrewsbury Colleges Group · NHS Trusts · Hereford Sixth Form College · Thomas Adams Sixth Form · Haberdashers' Abraham Darby · Royal Navy · Newport Girls' High School · Bridgnorth Sixth Form · North Shropshire College · Derwen College and many more...

Virtual Expo, online

22 September 2022, 6.00pm-7.30pm

Holiday Inn, Telford

8 October 2022, 9.30am-12.00noon

Montgomery Waters Meadow, Shrewsbury 26 September 2022, 4.00pm-8.00pm



Open Evenings

Open Evenings at SCG give you the opportunity to visit our campuses, see our facilities, and talk to teachers and current students about what our courses involve and what student life is like. College support staff will be on hand to talk to you about careers, transport and finance. You will be able to visit other areas including our learning resources centres, social spaces and cafés.

Virtual Open Evening, online

11 October 2022, 6.00pm-7.30pm

A Level and Vocational Art Courses, English Bridge & Welsh Bridge campuses
13 October 2022, 4.00am-8.00pm

Vocational and Technical Courses, London Road Campus

19 October 2022, 4.00pm-8.00pm

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Further Open Evenings in spring.

Year 11 Subject Tasters

It can be hard to choose three or four different A Levels or to decide on one vocational subject, which is why we run Subject Tasters where you can try out our courses to see if you want to apply for them. These on-site events also provide you with an idea of what college life is like.

English Bridge & Welsh Bridge campuses

Saturday 19 November 2022, 9.00pm-12.30pm

London Road Campus

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Aimed at students in Year 10 - 13, the programme includes informative talks from: Medical student and OM Molly Creaser-Ogden; Dean of Clinical Medicine at Chester Medical School Prof Terry Wardle, Keele Medical School lecturer Dr Gordon Dent; Chief Medical Officer at the RJAH Hospital Dr Ruth Longfellow; Dr Kevin Eardly from the SaTH William Farr Academy.

To register your attendance for this event please email Mrs Peel by Friday 19th September.

peelh@moretonhall.com





SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 12th October 6.30pm

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Calling all students considering a career in the Health Professions

An opportunity has arisen for you to secure a place on the Allied Health work experience programme (if you are interested, try to do it as soon as possible as it is expected that the deadline will be Saturday 1st October). This will allow you to complete several sessions of work experience which will not only be exciting and insightful, but will also help support any future college, apprenticeship and higher education applications. Please note that this is not a replacement for the work experience placement that you will undertake in school if you are in Year 10.

https://alliedhealthmentor.org/product/live-virtual-work-experience-programme/

Once registered, you will be emailed links to the virtual work experience portals.

Students are awarded a Work Experience Certificate for every session they complete. Those who complete the full 5-month programme will be awarded a Highly Commended Reference from the Presidents of Allied Healthcare Mentor. These are fantastic additions to their CVs and UCAS applications!

This programme is suitable for students in years 10 - 13 who are interested in the following careers:

- Nursing
- Midwifery
- Paramedicine
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Dietetics
- Radiography
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Pharmacy

During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. They will gain a unique insight into how patients interact with a variety of healthcare professionals and what it's like to work in an NHS multidisciplinary team.

Attendees will have the opportunity to interact with healthcare professionals throughout each day. This will empower students to make an informed career decision and demonstrate their commitment to healthcare in their UCAS applications.

Students can register individually at any time throughout the 5-month programme using the link below. We recommend booking early to gain as much out of this programme as possible. Places are £10 a session to cover administrative and technological costs.

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 - o Does your child struggle with their sleep?
- Would you like to access support to help improve sleep and bedtime routines?
 - Would you like to meet other parents/carers to share and
 discuss experiences?

SLEEP TIGHT WORKSHOPS

Come and join us for a 5-week workshop Starting on

Friday 23rd September 2022 Virtually via Ms Teams from 9.30am to 11.30am

Or

Thursday 22nd September 2022 at Market Drayton Junior School from 9.30am to 11.30am

or

Thursday 10th November 2022 Virtually via Ms Teams from 9.30am to 11.30am

Or

Friday 11th November 2022 at Oswestry Castle View from 9.30am to 11.30am

To book a place on one of our workshops or for further information on the workshops we run please contact the Parenting Team by:

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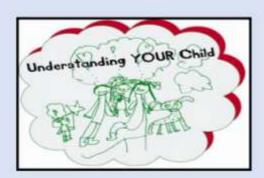








If you would like to find out about other services the Parenting Team offers please email Parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk or call us on 01743 250950



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Do you have any questions around child development and parenting?

Why not call our Parenting Helpline where one of our trained

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

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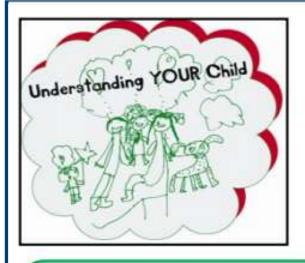
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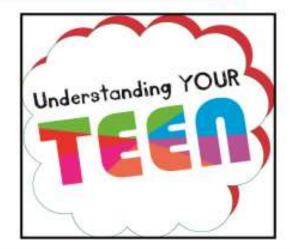
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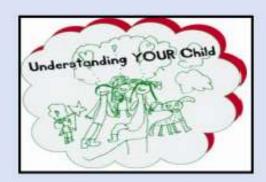
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- Would you like to know more about your child's development?
- Do you need support to understand your child's behaviour?
- Would you like a chance to meet with other parents with children of a similar age?



UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD GROUPS

Delivered Face to Face or Virtually

All you need is an email address and an electronic device for the virtual groups, and we'll talk you through the rest

All our groups run for 10 weeks from the start date excluding the School Holidays.

Understanding Your Child SEND on Tuesday 27th September 2022 Virtually via MS Teams from 12.30pm to 2.30pm

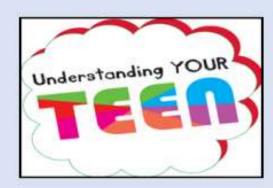
Understanding Your Child SEND on Wednesday 28th September 2022 Face to Face at Sunflower House Hub, Kendal Road, Shrewsbury, SY1 4ES from 9.30am to 11.30am

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