

# THE LINK

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Dear Parents & Carers,

As we reach the end of another week, may I thank you for your continued kind messages of support as we respond to the ever-changing Covid-19 situation. This has seen some school events cancelled, postponed or changed in format so that they can still run remotely. We hope that these changes, along with the reintroduction of some measures in school quickly make the difference we want so that our ambition for normality can be realised. However, we know that the road to get there is likely to remain bumpy.

The one constant amongst all of this, are our students who have been fantastic (as always) in adapting to the changes and our Staff who continue to work tirelessly in the best interests of the children. Well done and thank you to all!

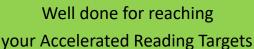
Have a good weekend

John Parr Headteacher

#### **Lunch Money**

Please can you ensure that you top up your ParentPay account for school lunches. Thank you.





#### Year 7

Nia Carter Alfie Matthews
Abbie Child Thea Morgan-Jones
Sam Cornehls Neve O'Leary
Adella Drakeford Sam Pike
Ivy Goode Erin Skelly
Norah Hall Dora Turner
Elizabeth Watkins

#### **PSHE Curriculum**

Please find a link below to an overview of our PSHE curriculum for 2021/22. We are pleased to inform you that it incorporates the new statutory RSHE framework. If you have any questions, please contact your child's Head of Key Stage. Please click here for the link.

# **Fundraising Superstars**

A huge well done to Molly and Scarlett. I am so proud of them both and their amazing efforts. Please read below to see what they have been up to.

Mrs Carr



We are Molly and Scarlett, and we raised £360 for the WWF (World Wildlife Fund) which is a charity that saves endangered species.

We arranged a car boot sale stall (arriving at 4.30am) and set up with bric-a-brac gathered from family and friends. It took a while to gather but after Scarlett's shed was full, we then labelled every item, washed and fixed a few items and we were ready.

We enjoyed arranging the stall to make it more eye-catching.

After a long day of selling and smiling at people and telling them what charity we were raising money for we went home and counted up the money. We donated it straight to the WWF for immediate aid of animals and to help tackle climate change.

We plan to do our third car boot stall around Christmas.

By Scarlett Marais and Molly Bell

### **Year 7 Virtual Review Meeting with Tutors**

## Thursday 7th October 15:20 - 17:00

Given the reintroduction of some measures to restrict the spread of Covid-19 it is no longer possible to hold the Year 7 Review Meeting with Tutors face to face in school. However, we have an online video call system that we will use to allow parents/carers to meet their child's tutor and discuss how they have settled into life at Church Stretton School.

The online booking system gives parents/carers the opportunity to choose their appointment time and they will receive an email to confirm the time with a link to access the video appointment. This of course raises questions about how the system works and what device you need to access the appointments. There is a short video showing how the process works and the best device to access meetings on <a href="here">here</a>.

Appointment bookings are now open and will close on Monday 4th October at 16:00.

Please visit https://churchstretton.parentseveningsystem.co.uk to book an appointment.

Login with the following information:

Student's Preferred Name

Student's Surname

Date of Birth

We are continuing to monitor the COVID-19 situation with a view on upcoming Progress Evenings, in particular the Year 10 Progress Evening on Thursday 21st October 2021. The parents and carers of Year 10 students will be contacted next week with

### Watch the video here about video calls

#### In order to make video calls you need to have as a minimum:

- · a device with a microphone and speaker/headphones
- a compatible up-to-date web browser:

iPhone/iPad: Safari Note: there is a known issue joining video calls using iOS 14.2.

Please upgrade any iOS 14.2 devices to iOS 14.3, or use an alternate device.

Android: Chrome or Firefox

Windows: Chrome, Firefox or Microsoft Edge (Chromium - download here)

Mac: Safari, Chrome or Firefox

Linux: Chrome or Firefox

#### We also recommend:

- Using your smartphone for video appointments. If you don't have a smartphone with a front-facing camera, use a laptop or computer with a webcam.
- Using a headset (or earphones with a microphone) to reduce echo.

#### **Parents' Guide for Booking Appointments**

Browse to https://churchstretton.schoolcloud.co.uk/



#### Step 1: Login

Fill out the details on the page then click the *Log In* button.

A confirmation of your appointments will be sent to the email address you provide.



#### Step 2: Select Parents' Evening

Click on the date you wish to book.

Unable to make all the dates listed? Click I am unable to attend.



#### Step 3: Select Booking Mode

Choose Automatic if you'd like the system to suggest the shortest possible appointment schedule based on the times you're available to attend. To pick the times to book with each teacher, choose Manual. Then press Next.

We recommend choosing the automatic booking mode when browsing on a mobile device.



#### Step 4: Choose Teachers

If you chose the automatic booking mode, drag the sliders at the top of the screen to indicate the earliest and latest you can attend. Select the teachers you would like to book appointments with. A green tick indicates they are selected. To de-select, click on their name.



#### Step 5a (Automatic): Book Appointments

If you chose the automatic booking mode, you will see provisional appointments which are held for 2 minutes. To keep them, choose Accept at the bottom left.

If it was not possible to book every selected teacher during the times you are able to attend, you can either adjust the teachers you wish to meet with and try again or switch to manual booking mode (Step 5b).



#### Step 5b (Manual): Book Appointments

Click any of the green cells to make an appointment. Blue cells signify where you already have an appointment. Grey cells are unavailable.

To change an appointment, delete the original by hovering over the blue box and click *Delete*. Then choose an alternate time.

You can optionally leave a message for the teacher to say what you would like to discuss or raise anything beforehand.

Once you are finished booking all appointments, at the top of the page in the alert box, press *click here* to finish the booking process.



#### Step 6: Finished

All your bookings now appear on the My Bookings page. An email confirmation has been sent and you can also print appointments by pressing *Print*. Click *Subscribe to Calendar* to add these and any future bookings to your calendar.

To change your appointments, click on Amend Bookings.

#### **Celebrating Success**

Year 10 student Alex Hart made it to the last round of the 2021 HSBC UK National MTB Cross Country Series where Alex achieved first place in the juvenile (13 & 14yr olds) category. Alex finished third overall in the series of five races and at the end of the season has achieved fifth in the British Cycling National rankings. Well done Alex!







### Key Stage 4 Student of the Week

Winners and nominees for this week are listed below....

KS4 Winner- Lauren Edwards Nominated by Mr Basnett for real engagement and great understanding of A Christmas Carol

KS3 Winner - Edward Key Nominated by Mrs Dixon - Ed was asked to look after new student in Year 10 . He kept track of him all day and ate with him and ensured he was on the correct bus at the end of school. Far more than I expected!

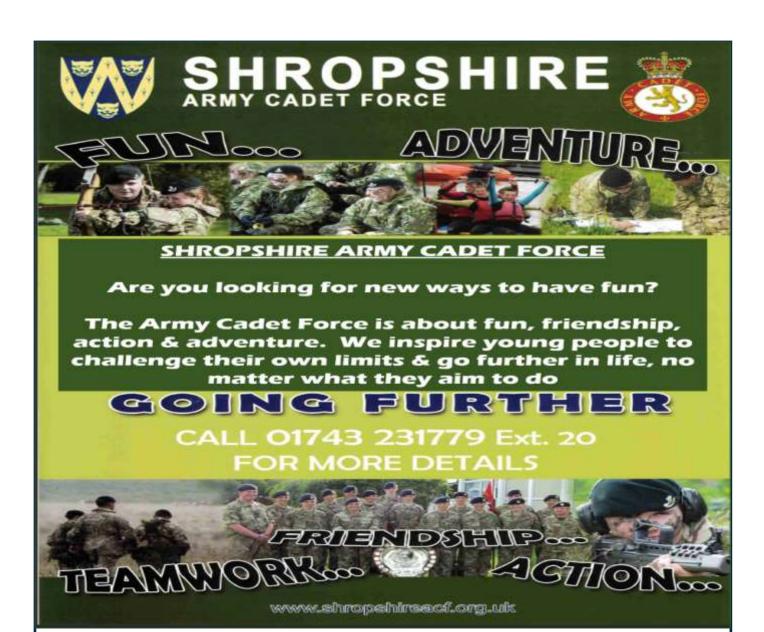
#### This week's nominations:

#### **KS4 Nominations**

| Dr Wood        | Oliver Pownall          | Resilience and desire to succeed in Chemistry   |
|----------------|-------------------------|---|
| Mr<br>Clarkson | Hanae Soussi<br>Dahdouh | Pro-active in developing her understanding in Physics   |
| Mr Hughes      | Macauley<br>Williams    | Great progress and amazing effort on angles revision work. really mature and effective attitude to his abilities. |
| Mrs Dixon      | Natalee Evans           | Rugby achievements  |
| Mr Basnett     | Lauren Edwards          | Real engagement and great understanding of A Christmas Carol  |
| Mrs Scott      | Daisy Swain             | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths  |
| Mrs Scott      | Hayley Wyatt            | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths  |
| Mrs Scott      | Rosie Carr              | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths  |
| Mrs Scott      | Jodie Shelton           | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths  |
| Mrs Scott      | Alex Hart               | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths, excellent contributions to class.   |
| Mrs Scott      | Jemima Fox              | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths, excellent contributions to class  |
| Mrs Scott      | Dylan Jones             | Outstanding start to year 10 Maths, excellent contributions to class  |
| Mrs<br>Colburn | Emily Hale              | Exceptional attitude to History lessons   |
| Mrs<br>Colburn | Hayley Wyatt            | Exceptional attitude to the start of the GCSE History course  |

### **KS3 Nominations**

| Miss           | Lucy Ockenden        | Outstanding home learning in July   |
|----------------|----------------------|---|
| Sollars        |                      |   |
| Mrs Carr       | Morgan Spender       | Fab attitude to learning.   |
| Mr<br>Basnett  | Oliver Friswell      | Brilliant perceptive answers in class.  |
| Mr<br>Basnett  | Kardo Al-Alimi       | Really good perceptive ideas in class.  |
| Mrs<br>Scott   | Chloe Selley         | For outstanding effort and work in Maths  |
| Mrs<br>Scott   | Rosanna Price        | For outstanding effort and work in Maths  |
| Mrs<br>Scott   | Pippa Jones          | For outstanding effort and work in Maths  |
| Mrs<br>Scott   | Courtney Morris      | For outstanding effort and work in Maths  |
| Mrs<br>Quye    | Alfie Taylor         | Reading analysis of Dracula   |
| Mrs<br>Quye    | Isabelle Hill        | Consistent diligent work  |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Millie Price         | Excellent piece of writing based on a description of her French classroom. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Joel Berry           | Excellent piece of writing based on a description of his French classroom. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Rebekah Rafferty     | Rebekah produced an excellent piece of descriptive writing about her French classroom. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Marcus Cordingley    | Marcus was able to produce a piece of writing in French based on his French classroom. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Quye    | Jayden Barratt       | Excellent reading   |
| Mrs<br>Quye    | Cordy Angell         | Excellent reading   |
| Mrs<br>Quye    | Sylvie Booth-Gillett | Excellent reading   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Roman Borowik        | Roman was able to produce a short piece in French accurately in the past tense. Well done!  |
| Mrs<br>Quye    | Assisi Malvone       | Excellent reading   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Denis Barker         | Denis was able to demonstrate his independent learning skill by producing an accurately completed piece of homework. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Anya Angell          | Anya was able to demonstrate her independent learning skill by producing an excellent piece of homework. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Matilda Booth-Gillet | Matilda was able to demonstrate her independent learning skill by producing an excellent piece of homework. Well done!  |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | James Davies         | James was able to demonstrate his independent learning skill by producing an excellent piece of homework. Well done!  |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Ruby Tooth           | Ruby was able to demonstrate her independent learning skill by producing an excellent piece of homework. Well done!   |
| Mrs<br>Hough   | Jess Wilding         | Jess was able to demonstrate her independent learning skill by producing an excellent piece of homework. Well done!   |
| Mr<br>Clarkson | Cody-Lee Watts Y8 C4 | Brilliant coding on self-learning exercises for 2D computer graphics  |
| Mrs<br>Dixon   | Edward Key           | I asked Ed to look after new boy Ishan Manoj - a yr10 in the same tutor group .  He kept track of him all day and ate with him and ensured he was on the correct bus at the end of school. Far more than i expected |
| Mr<br>Basnett  | James Davies         | Very good answers in class.   |
| Mr<br>Barham   | Joey Taylor          | Being a positive influence on his classmates, and displaying various aspects of teamwork over the course of the week.   |



Church Stretton Detachment of the Army Cadet Force (ACF) is opening their doors to new recruits. Young people aged 12 (Year 8) to just before their 18th birthday, are eligible to join one of the oldest youth organisations in the UK.

The ACF offers activities in many exciting subjects including Shooting & Skill At Arms, Fieldcraft where you learn skills currently used by the Army, Team Sports, Radio Communications (Signals), First Aid, Navigation & Expeditions to name but a few. There are also opportunities to participate in the Duke Of Edinburgh's Award Scheme (DofE) for those with an adventurous streak.

Based in the Mynd Industrial Estate, the Stretton Detachment meets on Tuesday evenings throughout the year but also offers weekend training opportunities, as well as an Annual Camp at major military training bases across the UK in the summer. This gives a wonderful chance to put all those skills trained to the test, as an individual as well as in a team too.

The ACF's motto is "To Inspire To Achieve" & one of the things that make us different is how we encourage Cadets ever to "Go Further" & explore their own limits.

If you are interested in learning more, then they can be contacted on 01743 231779 & press for "Admin" to speak to the County Headquarters in Shrewsbury. Or you can look at the website at: <a href="https://www.shropshireacf.org.uk">www.shropshireacf.org.uk</a> "



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