



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to The Link as we reach the end of the half term.

This milestone brings us to the half term holiday, which is a welcome opportunity for all to rest, enjoy some time with friends and family and prepare for the final 7 weeks of the school year. Of course, for year 11, on return to school after the break their examinations continue for another two and a half weeks. They can then look forward to celebrating together at the Prom, marking the end of their time at Church Stretton School!

The examination tables will not be put away just yet though as year 7 and 8 pupils will soon be completing their core subject exams and 10 pupils undertake their end of year 'mock' exams. Pupils in these year groups should therefore be preparing for these assessments by ensuring revision is under way.

For pupils in year 9, Ms Chapman, Careers Coordinator has sent a letter to parents and carers about a trip to Ludlow College for a Post-16 experience. I am sure that the pupils will enjoy their visit and finding out about the possible courses on offer beyond 11 - 16 schooling.

Finally, we are looking forward to welcoming a new member of staff to our school after half term. Mrs Neale is a highly experienced teacher of mathematics who will bring her enthusiasm and expertise to the already strong maths department, led by Mrs Williams, Head of Department. Welcome aboard Mrs Neale!

We hope that you all enjoy a relaxing, safe and enjoyable half term break.

John Parr
Headteacher

When we return after half term it will be **week A**

Tutor Time Take-away

This weeks' focus was on 'Rewards & updates'. Please do ask your child about the topic and get them to explain to you what was discussed.



Tutor time take-away



Today's take-away is....

Rewards & updates

Ready, Respectful and Safe

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.

Thank you.

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.

Pupil Absence Procedure

If you need to report a student absence you can leave a message on our answerphone (option 1) alternatively you can send an email to: attendance.officer@csschool.co.uk

Please click [here](#) for further information regarding reporting a pupil absence.

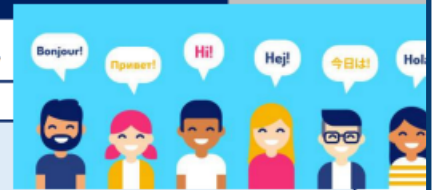
Thank you.

MFL: KS3 Summer Term



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What are we learning, why are we learning it and how you can support.



Dear Parents,

¡Hola! / Bonjour! We are delighted to share a breakdown of what each year group has been up to over the Summer Term and our plans as we approach the final half term of the academic year 2023-2024. Please also find some useful tips that will help you to support your son / daughter in his / her study of French / Spanish.

Year 7 & 8 Spanish

Why are we studying this?



Year 7 and Year 8 have spent the Summer term, consolidating their knowledge of the present tense and high-frequency vocabulary through the topic of "Mi Familia y Mis Amigos". Students have learnt how to describe families, describing members of the family physically and giving their names and ages. The film Encanto was used to consolidate this learning and students particularly enjoyed describing la familia Madrigal.

As Enrichment Week approaches, we are becoming more excited about our visit to Malaga and experiencing all that Andalucia has to offer.

[Spanish Knowledge Organisers](#)

How can you support your child?

- Check Go4S and Seneca regularly to find out what tasks have been set for homework.
- Support the completion of homework.
- Talk to your child about what they have been studying in lessons.
- Encourage them to read through class notes on a regular basis.
- Test your son/daughter on key vocabulary (found at the back of their work booklets).
- Encourage your son/daughter to use the KS3 Spanish and French Bitesize website.
- Encourage your son/daughter to use Seneca to practise their language.
- Encourage your son / daughter to download and use the Duolingo language-learning APP.
- Encourage your son / daughter to listen to French / Spanish music or radio stations.

Year 9 French

Why are we studying this?



At the start of the Summer term, Year 9 French students continued to consolidate their knowledge of all tenses covered in KS3 through the topic of "Le Monde est petit" (The the topic "Le monde est petit" world is small).

Students have discussed and considered global environmental issues such as the life cycle of a plastic water bottle and the simple acts we can all perform to protect the Earth. We have also enjoyed a detailed and lovely debate on the topic of veganism.

[Yr 9 French KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER](#)

Year 8 French

Why are we studying this?



Our Year 8 French class has been using three tenses this term to talk about leisure activities, television, shopping and cinema .. Time has also been usefully spent recognising synonyms in French in order to broaden the range of vocabulary students can use.

As the summer term progresses students will begin to study the topic of "**Le Monde est petit**" where we will be looking at where we live and the routines of daily life. This will strengthen our students understanding of reflexive and modal verbs.

[Yr 8 French KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER](#)



What are we learning, why are we learning it and how you can support.



Year 10 French

Why are we studying this?

Year 10 have further consolidated the three main tenses of past, present and future through the topic of Home Town and Region. We have explored some of the beautiful regions of France, describing them in detail using comparatives and superlatives and we have also debated the pros and cons of living in the town and the countryside.

We are now preparing for the Y10 EOY Exams which will give the students their first authentic experience of a full set of GCSE French examinations.

We shall be exploring the most effective revision strategies and supporting the students as they complete these key assessments.

[GCSE FRENCH KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER](#)

How can you support your child?

- Check Go4S and Seneca regularly to find out what tasks have been set for homework.
- Support the completion of homework.
- Talk to your child about what they have been studying in lessons.
- Encourage them to read through class notes on a regular basis.
- Test your son/daughter on key vocabulary (found on their knowledge organisers).
- Encourage your son/daughter to use the AQA GCSE French Bitesize website.
- Encourage your son/daughter to use Seneca to practise their language.
- Encourage your son/daughter to download and use the Duolingo language-learning APP.
- Encourage your son/daughter to listen to French music or radio stations.
- Encourage your son/daughter to read the headlines in French 'lemonde.fr'

Year 11 French

Why are we studying this?

Our Year 11 GCSE French students completed their GCSE French Speaking Examinations between 29 April – 1st May 2024 and I am very proud of the effort the students made and the exemplary way in which they tackled this part of the GCSE.

Our GCSE French students have also shown resilience and dedication in following the revision schedule that was prepared for them and I look forward to celebrating their achievements in the Summer.

[GCSE FRENCH KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER](#)

How can you support your child?

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- Talk to your child about what they have been studying in lessons.
- Encourage them to read through class notes on a regular basis.
- Test your son/daughter on key vocabulary (found on their knowledge organisers).
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- Encourage your son/daughter to listen to French music or radio stations.
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- Encourage your son/daughter to revise in small chunks of 20-30mins and use their AQA purple revision guide and workbook.

Sporting News

Sports Leadership

On Thursday, we went to Shrewsbury sports village to umpire the county finals of netball. There was 6 teams in total participating from different areas in Shropshire. We really enjoyed the day and had lots of fun. We improved our umpiring and learnt new skills for the future. We umpired district tournaments to prepare ourselves for this final and also to find out who would represent south Shropshire, who were Wistanstow Primary school, we were also pleased that Wistanstow won the county competition. We would like to thank all the children for being so polite and all the team at energize. Also a big thanks to Mrs Dillon for taking her time to take us there and back and training us and all the leaders.



Year 8 Athletics

This Tuesday, our year 8 athletes took to Oakengates Athletics Stadium to compete and represent Church Stretton School in the Shropshire Pentathlon competition. This meant all girls has to competes in 75m Hurdles, Shot, Long Jump, High Jump, 800m. We had some superb individual performances with Elin White getting a PB in High Jump Sasha Davies putting a sterling performance in hurdles, Ivy Pike displaying her strength in long jump and Megan Buckingham placing a close third in 800m. Overall, our girls came **2nd Place** as a team to Adcote School. What an achievement!

More athletics coming after half term- stay tuned!



Summer Term 2 PE Timetable can be found [Here](#)

Summer Term 2 PE Extra Curricular

PE EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

	<u>LUNCH –12.30-1.10PM</u>	<u>AFTER SCHOOL 3.20-4.30</u>
MONDAY	KS3 Netball (HH) Touch Rugby (GK)	Athletics (HH/GK)
TUESDAY	Fitness Club/Gym (HH) Leadership Club (LD)	Cricket – All years (GK) Tennis (HH)
WEDNESDAY	Basketball (GK) Rounders (HH)	Netball training – All years (HH) (AB) Gym Club – Fitness Suite (TW)
THURSDAY	Badminton KS3 (HH) KS3 Football (JS)	Boys Basketball all years (GK) Girls Basketball all years (HH)
FRIDAY	Badminton KS4 (GK)	

Joining a club can help you: Improve skills, fitness & social skills. If you have any questions, please see Mrs Hodnett or Mr Kirkby

Extra-curricular activities Summer term 2023-24

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	KS4 Drama Workshops / Revision KS3 Netball- HH KS3 Boys Rugby- GK KS3 DT lego club G3 Y7&8 Oasis Y4 Guitar Group - B9	Year 10 and 11 Drop-in / Rehearsal Art Club KS3 Table Tennis - JS Volleyball- GK Fitness- HH Leadership Club- LD Year 7 Book Club R5 DSE Band Rehearsals - B9	Stretton Singers – B9 – AJC Basketball – GK Year 7 STEM club in B3-DF & KC Horrible Histories W5	Year 7 Drama Club KS3 Football – JS KS3 Badminton- HH Sport Studies Catch Up- G4- GK Creative writing R3 Handwriting G5 Big String Project – B9 The Debate Society, W5	KS3 film club W6 LS KS4 Badminton - GK Sport Studies Catch up- G4- HH Year 11 Coursework - B9
After school 3.30 start	Hockey – MW Rugby Club KS3 - GK Sport Studies Catch Up- G4- HH Monday Night Noise – B9	Cricket – all years – GK	Netball all Years – HH Gym Club – TW Dungeons & Dragons Club Accordion Group - B9	Boys Basketball – GK Girls Basketball - HH Chess Club Portfolio Workshop (KS4)	Year 11 Drama

This week in photos





Student of the Week



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

This week's winners

KS3 Winner

Toby Westall nominated by Mr Seager for his attitude to learning which is outstanding. The work he has shared in class this week has been fantastic. Well done Toby!

KS4 Winner

Leila Jones nominated by Mr Balmer for working so hard this week preparing for assessment and then giving it everything in her final piece!



This week's nominations:

KS3 Nominations

Student Name	Nominated by	Reason for Nomination
Lottie Asbury	Mr Balmer	Lottie is a wonderful student who is always polite and hard-working!
Zach Davis	Miss Fisher	Fantastic contributions in History
Niamh Prosser	Mrs Quye	Beautifully presented artist study
Eve Davies	Mrs Fletcher-Tyrie	Beautiful Impressionist blending.
Toby Cleaton	Mrs Fletcher-Tyrie	Beautiful Impressionist blending.
Ella Griffiths	Mr Seager	Ella's attitude to learning is outstanding. The ideas she has shared in class this week have been fantastic. Well done Ella!
Eve Davies	Mr Seager	Eve's attitude to learning is outstanding. The organisation of her ideas is fantastic and her work is so well presented. Well done Eve!
Morgan Thomas	Mr Seager	Morgan's attitude to learning is excellent. Her work is really well presented and shows a good understanding of the texts we have been studying in class. Well done Morgan!
Demie-Leigh Waterfield	Mr Hughes	Amazing effort in revision lessons. Top of the class in two revision quizzes, Well done!
Mia Copeland	Miss Chapman	An amazing performance at this weeks 'Stretton Live Lounge'! Well Done Mia!
Darcey Blackwell	Miss Chapman	A fantastic performance at this weeks 'Stretton Live Lounge'. Well Done Darcey!
Lily Beel	Mrs Quye	Wonderful artist study
Jacob Cleaton	Mrs Quye	Fabulous persuasive writing
Imogen Dale	Miss Evans	For her enthusiasm and eagerness to contribute to discussions around our study of 'Animal Farm'. Well done Imogen!
Lola Lewis-Williams	Miss Evans	For her maturity and focus in lessons. It has been lovely to see Lola's confidence increase as she has been willing to offer insights into our study of the poem 'Ozymandias'. Well done Lola!
Grace Shaw	Mrs Walker	For showing great ambition and dedication in her DT (Tex) work.
Charlie Cronshey	Mr Wise	Outstanding focus and independent learning in drama.
George Dunn	Miss Chapman	For restringing guitars!

KS4 Nominations

Student Name	Nominated by	Reason for Nomination
Dean Harvey	Miss Sollars	For consistent hard work and support of other students
Alfie Rowley	Mr Evans	Unbelievable effort put in, both before and during his Inspector Calls assessment.
Hashim Raza	Miss Fisher	Noticeable improvement in attitude and effort in Geography. Well done Hashim
Summer Jones	Mrs Fletcher-Tyrie	Outstanding portraiture work.
Charlotte Hale	Mr Seager	Charlotte's attitude to learning is outstanding. The ideas she shares in class each week are fantastic and reveal an excellent knowledge and understanding of the texts we have been studying in class. Well done Charlotte!
Misha Kononov	Mr Seager	Misha's attitude to learning is outstanding. He is working really well in class and displaying a good understanding of key skills. Well done Misha!
Jimmy Nicholson	Miss Evans	Jimmy really is a model student- he works exceptionally hard, focuses in lessons, completes homework and is always so polite. Jimmy also obtained an impressive grade 7 in his recent essay on 'An Inspector Calls'.
Chloe Stafford	Miss Evans	Chloe has completed some excellent independent (and voluntary) revision of 'An Inspector Calls' which she has taken pride in. Chloe has also offered to complete an essay over half term that I can mark and grade for her. Well done Chloe!
Owen Rushton	Miss Evans	Completing some fabulous Macbeth revision during form time. Well done Owen!



LOST PROPERTY

There are an increasing number of coats and PE kits in lost property (W1) If your child/ren are missing any items please could you ask them to check. Any lost property left at the end of term will be donated.

Thank you.



Water Bottles

Students are asking reception quite frequently for cups to get a drink. Please can we remind students to bring in a water bottle from home which can be topped up before school, at break and lunch times from 'Bob' our freshly filtered water machine.

Thank you



Nut Free School

We aim to be a nut free school. If your child brings packed lunches or snacks in from home please ensure (even if your child is not allergic) that they do not contain nuts or nut-products, in order to protect those in school with severe allergies. Our kitchen doesn't knowingly use nuts, however nut traces can be found in many products especially when manufactured in a factory alongside nut products.

Many thanks.



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SUNDAY 26 MAY, 2PM

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Shakespeare's profound story of love and loss, artfully adapted into a contemporary ballet.

Sunday Lunch available to book before show.

ADULTS: £15, UNDER 18S: £10

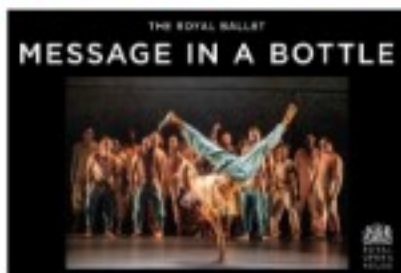


THURSDAY 30 MAY, 1.30PM

FAMILY FILM: TROLLS BAND TOGETHER

After two films of true friendship, Poppy and Branch are now officially a couple (#broppy)! As they grow closer, Poppy discovers that Branch has a secret past.

ADULTS: £3, UNDER 18S: £2



THURSDAY 30 MAY, 7.20PM

ROYAL BALLET & SADLERS WELLS SCREENING: MESSAGE IN A BOTTLE

The iconic songs of Sting. The electrifying choreography of Kate Prince. This is a tale of hope.

ADULTS: £15, UNDER 18S: £10



SUNDAY 16 JUNE, 2PM

ROYAL OPERA SCREENING: ANDREA CHÉNIER

David McVicar's spectacular stage of Giordano's epic historical drama.

Sunday Lunch available to book before show.

ADULTS: £15, UNDER 18S: £10



THURSDAY 25TH JULY, 1.30PM

FAMILY FILM: MIGRATION

A family of ducks try to convince their overprotective father to go on the vacation of a lifetime. Things quickly go awry when they get lost and wind up in New York City.

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