



Dear Parents and Carers,

For Year 11 students, Thursday's Progress Evening was a crucial point in their final year. Thank you, therefore, to parents and carers for your attendance, to discuss the final stages of GCSE courses. With so little time remaining, preparations for final exams should be fully under way now. May I remind Parents and Carers, that attendance at sessions being offered by subject teachers at lunch times, or after school, for students invited, is highly important. Our evidence is that it truly does make a difference, therefore please encourage your son or daughter to turn up to these sessions. For the list of available additional support, please see a proposed timetable in this edition of The Link.

As Year 11 near the end of their Key Stage 4 courses, Year 9 students are actively involved in thinking about the start of theirs! The year group met this afternoon to participate in the 'clash analysis' which helps us to determine the subject offer and block arrangements. We will use this information to determine how best to arrange subjects in the 'pathways blocks' to try to avoid any major clashes when students are choosing their preferred subjects.

Have a good weekend

**Mr. J. Parr**

**Headteacher**

### FIXTURES NEXT WEEK

#### TUESDAY 23RD JANUARY

- Yr7/8 football at home to Lacon, finish at 5.30pm

#### WEDNESDAY 24TH JANUARY

- Yr 9 girls hockey at Lacon. Leave at 3.10pm, return at 6pm

#### THURSDAY 25TH JANUARY

- Yr 9 indoor athletics at Stretton, finish at 5.15pm

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCE SCHOOL TARGET = 96%

#### WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

SINCE SEPTEMBER 96.2%

8th January - 12th January 2018

**Ragleth 95.3%** **Lawley 95.5%**

**Hazler 95.8%** **Caradoc 94.5%**

### COUNTDOWN TO GCSE EXAMS

**119 DAYS TO GO**

## EVENTS - January

Friday 12th January - Yr 8/9 HPV Vaccine

Tuesday 16th January - National Theatre - Rigoletto

Thursday 18th January - Yr 11 Progress Evening

Wednesday 31st January - Principal's Afternoon Tea

**NEXT WEEK IS**

**WEEK B**

UPDATE

- Year 9 written reports and Year 7 interim grade updates were issued during the final week of the Autumn term
- Year 11s have now been issued with their mock exam results and full functionality in Go4Schools has now been restored. An interim grade update, reflecting the mock result and progress towards GCSEs, will be issued in advance of the Year 11 Progress Evening which will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Your continued support in encouraging your son/daughter to study hard towards their final exams is appreciated. We wish them all good luck in the forthcoming few weeks and are confident they will do themselves proud
- A Year 10 interim grade update was published earlier this week and is available to view in Go4Schools
- Year 11 students who are attending college interviews can print a copy of their latest grade update from Go4Schools by clicking on "Progress & Reports" from the list at the top of the home page, then "View Report", followed by "View Report as a PDF". Parents also have this facility
- Go4Schools reads contact information from the school's Management Information System, so it is important that if you change your email address or contact details you inform school as soon as possible in order for your access to Go 4 Schools to continue

Can you help??

We need a few invigilators for exams at Church Stretton School on a casual basis. The work involves supporting the existing invigilators and Exams Officer in ensuring that we run exams strictly according to the regulations.

Work mainly involves being watchful and ensuring correct behaviour, with no heavy lifting, but you would be expected to be standing for much of the time.

The hours would fit well around school times and the pay is currently £8.09 per hour.

A DBS check would be undertaken and training given.

An application form can be found on our website

[www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk](http://www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk)

or for more details please contact Mrs Hilary Merrett via

[hilary.merrett@csschool.co.uk](mailto:hilary.merrett@csschool.co.uk) or phone 01694 722209

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*Shropshire Country Brides, A49, Leebotwood, Nr. Church Stretton, SY6 6LU*



## FOOD COLLECTION POINT - CHURCH STRETTON SCHOOL RECEPTION

This year sees Church Stretton School working with Mayfair in a number of ways to support our local community. Mayfair collect food items for the Strettons Food Bank (SFB). To support this there will be a collection point set up in Church Stretton School's reception area to collect food donations from staff, students, parents, carers and others. At the end of each week the food items will be transported to Mayfair and onto the SFB.

Please help us support this scheme, it is a way you can provide real support to people in your immediate area. Just one donation a week from most students and staff in school would, collectively, make a HUGE difference.

This is obviously an ongoing scheme so please do send items in regularly. I aim to send out regular reminders but please keep donations coming in all year round whatever. Thank you!



Donations should include any tinned, dried, long life products packed in suitable packaging. Examples are: canned beans, dry beans, peanut butter, or other nut butters, rolled oats, canned, fruit in juice (preferable to in light or heavy syrup), canned vegetables, soups, canned tuna, canned chicken, rice, quinoa, pasta, cous cous, nuts, seeds, UHT milk and milk substitutes, pasta sauce, popcorn, canned stews, apple sauce, cereals, olive oil, canned tomatoes, dried fruits, honey, jam, chicken, beef and vegetable broths and stock, savoury rice, fruit juice/squash, ready-made custard, coffee, drinking chocolate, peanut butter, baked beans or spaghetti with meat, meat pies (in tins) etc etc.....

## PTA MEETING REMINDER

*The next P.T.A meeting will be held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 5.30 pm, in the school restaurant. Why not come along and get involved?*



Well done to our Yr 7's who came 2nd place by 5 points in the Indoor Athletics.





**MAYFAIR BRIC A BRAC COLLECTION  
– DONATIONS TO SCHOOL PLEASE**

As a charity, Mayfair needs to raise its own funds to keep many of its key activities within our community going. It also needs to be a place the community can visit with things to see, do and buy useful items. One such way to achieve both of these objectives is through sales in their Bric a Brac Shop.

Please may I ask you to sort through your home and look out for any good quality items that you no longer want that could be donated to the Bric a Brac Shop. Perhaps you have a stash of Christmas presents you are not sure what to do with?! They can be brought to school over the next two weeks (Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan until Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2018) and left at the collection point in the Reception area. If any items are not suitable for the shop than they will be taken to local charity shops. Please give good quality items generously!



# GRAND MASTERS

A huge well done to these students who have achieved Ninja Grand Master Status for last half term.

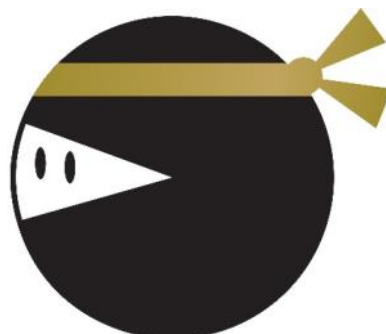
Will Morgan

Jessica Jervis

Aiman Soussi-Dahdouh

Jay Purcell

Jay Durant



# ACCELERATED READER

## LOOK HOW WELL OUR PUPILS ARE DOING!



Congratulations to the newest member of our millionaires club

Libby Matthews (1,019,296)



Congratulations to all the students listed below for meeting or beating their target:

**Year 7**

Lily Childs

Alys Harrison

**Year 8**

Grace Wood

**Year 9**

Elise Spencer

## Year 11 the Journey to Success...

Below is the outline of revision opportunities available in school during this term. This can also be found on the school website under Students/Revision along with further information about revising and coping with exam stress.

Day	Lunchtime drop-in 12:25-1:10		After School 3:20 – 4:20
Monday	Science DT Music Drama	General Revision with Mr Overton in B8	DT
Tuesday		Coping with Exam Stress (in B8) week B	English
Wednesday		History	History
Thursday		English	French, Spanish
Friday		Geography	PE during 'Leisure Time' week A
Lunchtime sessions in maths available by arrangement with your teacher			
R3 is available every lunchtime as a quiet space to work and revise			



## *'Burns Night' Supper*

*Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 6pm*

*Traditional Scottish Night with Poetry Readings,  
Scottish Music and Dancing at 'The Place  
Restaurant' Church Stretton School*

### *Menu*

#### *Starters*

*Chunky Haddock, Sweetcorn, and Potato Soup*

*Or*

*Barley Broth*

#### *Main Course*

*Haggis, Neeps and Tatties with Whisky Sauce*

*(Vegan Haggis as Vegetarian Option)*

#### *Desserts*

*Cranachan (Toasted Oats, Raspberries, Whisky & Cream)*

*Or*

*Dundee Cake*

*Followed by Tea or Coffee with Shortbread Biscuits*

*£10 per person to include a soft drink*

*Wine, Beer and Whisky available £2.50 per glass*

*Book your table now to avoid disappointment!*

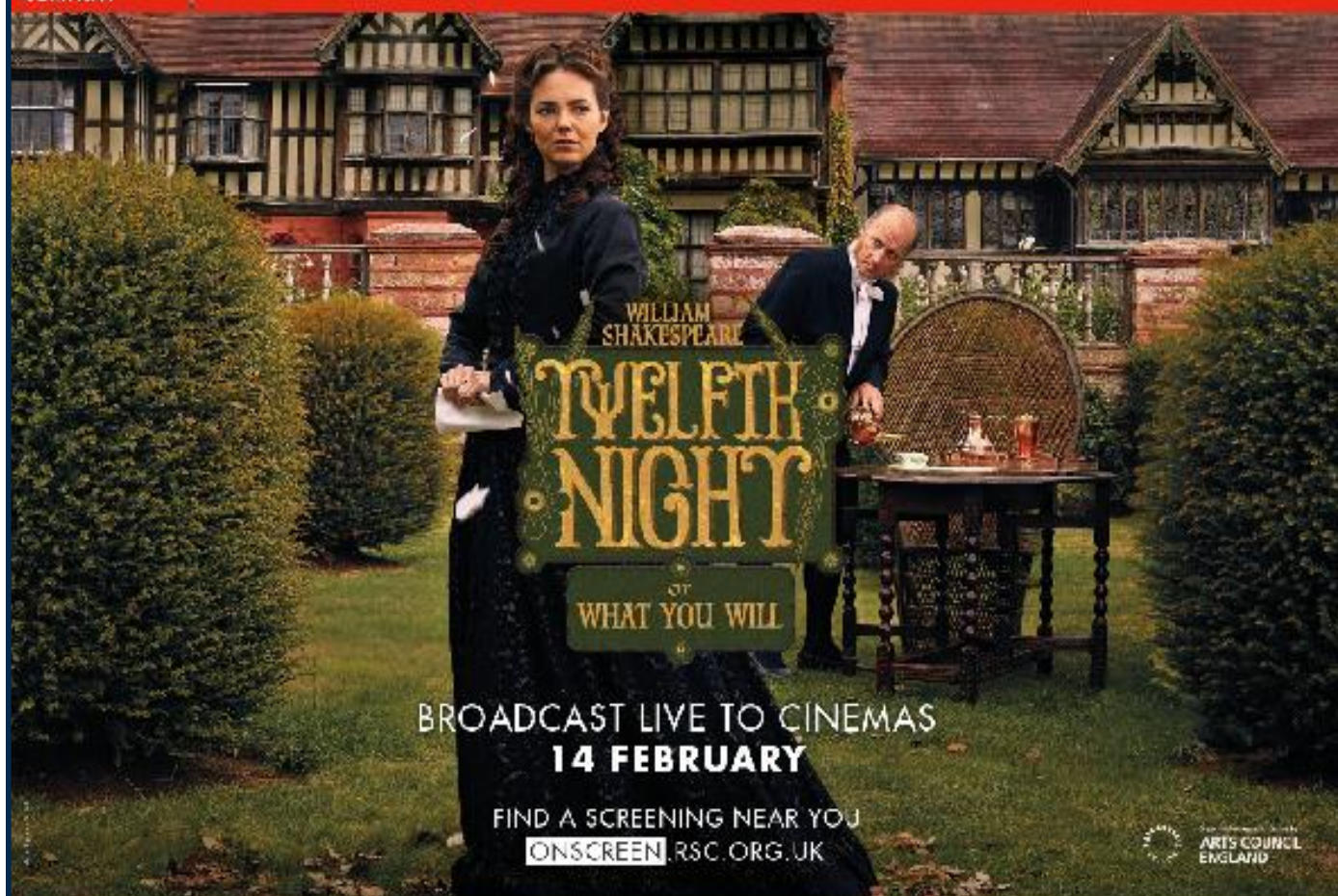
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**Wednesday 14th February @ 7.00pm**

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See also [www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk](http://www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk)





## January 2018 Tasters

Not sure **which subject to carry on after school?**

Don't know **where your skills lie?**

**Undecided between a couple of courses?**

Why not book on to one of our **course tasters...**

### Monday 22 January

London Road Campus, SY2 6PR

Electrical 4.30pm - 6pm

Hair & Beauty 4pm - 6pm

Hospitality & Catering 4pm - 6pm

Plumbing 4.30pm - 6pm

Music Technology 4.15pm - 5.45pm

### Tuesday 23 January

London Road Campus, SY2 6PR

Business 4pm - 6pm

Carpentry & Joinery 4.30pm - 6pm

Computing & IT 4.30pm - 5.45pm

Construction 4.30pm - 6pm

Motor Vehicle 4pm - 6pm

Health & Social Care and  
Childcare 4.30pm - 6pm

Public Services 4pm - 5.30pm

### Wednesday 24 January

English Bridge Campus, SY2 6AA

Vocational Art & Design 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Vocational Fashion 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Vocational Photography 4.30pm - 5.30pm

### Wednesday 24 January

London Road Campus, SY2 6PR

Engineering 4pm - 6pm

Performing Arts 4pm - 5.30pm

Sport 4pm - 5.30pm

Rugby 4pm - 6pm

Travel & Tourism 4pm - 5.30pm



**Tasters  
are open to  
Years 9, 10  
and 11**

Next  
**Advice Event**  
for all Shrewsbury  
Colleges Group courses

**11 January, 5-7pm**

London Road Campus,  
SY2 6PR



**Places are limited  
so book early!**

[www.shrewsbury.ac.uk/taster-courses](http://www.shrewsbury.ac.uk/taster-courses)