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SOUTH SHROPSHIRE ACADEMY TRUST

THE LINK

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We welcomed students back this week from what, we hope, has been an enjoyable half term break, with Year 11 immediately immersed in GCSE exams. Well done to Year 11 who continue to work extremely hard towards each examination.

By the time you receive this edition of The Link, we will have received the outcome of the General Election. Accordingly, this week, Mr Clarkson delivered an assembly to Key Stage 3 students about the election to give pupils some background about why we vote and how they can vote in the school election. This was followed by all students exercising their democratic right by casting their own vote in our own version of the Election. Thank you to Mr Clarkson for coordinating this event.

The final weeks of the Summer term are always filled with memorable events. Soon, we look forward to the Year 6 'New Intake Day', where we welcome all of the students who will be joining us in September. Once examinations are finished, Year 11 can enjoy their Leavers Prom and, of course, the remainder of the school have Sports Day and Enrichment week to look forward to.

Finally, thank you to all parents and carers for ensuring that students are here each day, on time and ready for their learning. Your support is very much appreciated!

With best wishes for the weekend.

Mr. J. Parr, Head of School

CONFIDE TELEPHONE COUNSELLING SERVICE

Confide is a Shropshire based registered charity, currently operating in Shrewsbury and Telford. It was established over 30 years ago by a group of counsellors who believed in the importance of counselling and that it should be more widely available.

They have received funding from the BIG lottery to develop a new telephone service which may be of value to Church Stretton School students if they have caring responsibilities, have mental distress or live in a rural area.

For the duration of the funding the telephone counselling service will be offered free of charge.

More details available on their website
<https://www.confide.org.uk> or phone 01743 351319

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE SCHOOL TARGET = 96%

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE TO DATE = 96.3%

22nd—26th May 2017

Ragleth 94.2% Lawley 95.8%

Hazler 96.3% Caradoc 96.5%

EVENTS - JUNE

9th Edgbaston Cricket Trip

28th Royal Opera House: Otello with a Meal

20th New Intake Day for Year 6's

20th Year 6 Admission Interviews

22nd Year 6 Admission Interviews

24th Mynd Rover

29th Year 11 Leavers Prom

**NEXT WEEK IS
WEEK B**

SPORTING FIXTURES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Wednesday 14th June:

County Cup Athletics @ Oakengates, Telford. Leave school: 2.20. Expected return: 7.45-8pm

Thursday 15th June:

Year 10 Rounders @ Lacon Childe. Leave school: 3.10pm. Expected Return: 6.45pm

GO 4 PARENTS AND GUARDIANS



We are delighted that so many parents and carers are using Go4Schools to keep up to date with their child's progress in school. So far we have provided the following reports:

- Year 9 interim update (17th February and 9th May)
- Year 10 written reports (30th March)
- Year 11 final grade update (28th April)
- Year 8 written reports (18th May)

A Year 7 written report (including teacher comments) is currently in progress. You will be informed when this is available to view. You can now see details of any behaviour events associated with your child.

Please log in to www.go4schools.com and click on the Parents icon on the top right of the page. You will need to use the same email address which you have provided to the school, and request a password from the web page if you have not logged in before.

If we don't currently have an email address on file for you, please contact us and within 24 hours you will be able to use Go4Schools to view reports, targets, attendance, homework, and much more.

Any log in problems, please contact Kim Mortiboy: kim.mortiboy@csschool.co.uk or telephone 01694 722209.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

I am delighted to say that there was a great response to my recent call for Parent Governors, resulting in four nominations for two vacancies. By the end of this week you should receive further information about the four nominees, and how to vote for your preferred candidate(s).

The deadline for votes is 12.00noon on Friday 23rd June. Votes received after this time will not be counted. After the closing time votes will be counted by myself in the presence of two independent witnesses. Successful candidates will be contacted and appropriate safeguarding checks will be undertaken prior to final appointment, after which you will be informed of the results.

Kind regards,

Kim Mortiboy, Company Secretary.

THE FARADAY CHALLENGE

As an update to the recent news that our Y8 team won the South Shropshire Faraday Challenge event we can confirm that, of the 400 teams entered, the final standings saw Church Stretton School inside the national top ten. This isn't enough for the final but does show the quality of their performance. As well as a lovely glass trophy for school, each team member received a £10 Amazon voucher. Here is an article about the day from one of the team.

Mr Clarkson



OUR FARADAY CHALLENGE DAY

On Thursday 11th May, Lacon Childe School hosted the Faraday Challenge for 6 Shropshire teams. In this event, hundreds of schools take part in competitive invention tasks across the country. We didn't find out the brief until we arrived. Me and 5 other pupils from year 8, were set the project of designing something for a team of boat racers to either help their safety, the environment or the performance.

When the time began, we started to jot down every idea we thought of and eventually decided on our two favourite ideas. We had to make sure that we had enough money to buy the resources we needed and how realistic the idea was.

The two main ideas we came up with were, a buzzer that goes off every time the boat tips too far to the side, that also tells you the temperature of the water and how long you can be in it before getting hypothermia! The second idea was a buzzer to help prevent dehydration, so it would sound when you needed a drink based on how much you had drunk that day and how much you had lost in sweat.

All of the teams had good ideas but not all of them worked during their demonstrations. Luckily ours worked perfectly and we were judged on the demonstration, how we had worded our script and how much detail went into our plans. We later found out that we had won!

There is a Faraday Challenge league table that scores all of the winning teams from around the country. Some of the best teams will get invited to the finals in London. We are patiently waiting for these results... By Izzy Pezzaoli

FINLAY SCOTT

Finlay Scott, Caradoc year 10, has started the new outdoor Archery season in style. He competed at Bromyard Bowmen's annual World Archery 900 round on Sunday 28th May, taking Gold in the Junior Gentlemen under sixteen category for the third year in a row. Scoring an impressive 813, he set a new Shropshire county record, which had stood since 2001.

On Sunday 4th June he competed in his first round of the Shropshire Archery Society Architectural Heritage Competition. The Heritage shoot is a round robin shoot between 9 clubs affiliated to Shropshire Archery Society. Shropshire is believed to be the last county in England to continue the 'Architectural Heritage' series of shoots, which are held where possible in the grounds of stately homes or similar grand surroundings. Each club takes a turn to organise a Heritage shoot throughout the outdoor season, with the results from each being combined to establish an overall winner in each category.

The shoot consists of various National rounds, and the distances shot are dependent on age and ability. Finlay shoots in the under 16's classification, shooting 4 dozen arrows at 50 yards and 2 dozen at 40 yards. The most recent round was Sunday 4th June at Long Mynd Archers home ground, with the Caradoc in the back ground, in which Finlay won the Junior Gents Gold with a personal best score of 586, a new club record, which included 45 golds out of the 72 arrows. The highest single arrow score is 9 points for a gold, this has been likened, at 50 yards, to hitting a 9 inch pizza that is about five bus lengths away !
By Jamie Scott



If students would like GCSE/BTEC results posted home please bring in an **stamped and addressed** envelope before the end of term with your name in the top right hand corner (just a normal envelope suitable for a couple of sheets of folded A4 paper. Results will **NOT** be available by phone or email. Results day is **Thursday 24th August**.

Church Stretton Walking Festival presents

The Mynd Drover Challenge Walk

24th June 2017
26, 18 and 13 mile options

Find us on **facebook**

www.churchstrettonwalkingfestival.co.uk

CALLING ALL PARENTS!

We are currently compiling a presentation folder for all of our parents.

Inside the folder there will be space to include

**ADVERTISEMENTS
FOR LOCAL COMPANIES
AND BUSINESSES**

3,000 folders will be produced

and distributed to the parents of all our pupils, teachers and any others who request information about the school.

Advertising revenue will generate income to
BOOST SCHOOL FUNDS

Please, take this opportunity to support the school and promote your business

Space is limited - act now to reserve your spot

Log your interest with FSE
on **01933 303520**

ACCELERATED READING UPDATE

LOOK HOW WELL OUR PUPILS ARE DOING!



Number of books read since September:

4,712



Number of words read:

227,189,287

Congratulations to our latest members of the millionaire word club!

A special mention to Holly Salisbury (1,102,716) and Ryan Evans (1,025,276) for becoming the newest members of our millionaire's club!

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

Year 7

Francis Davies
Dom Horsfield
Lewis Key
Olly Milner
Harry Dryden
Lucy Orme
Grace Wood
Katie Bea Helm
Luca Justice
Harriet Lloyd
Ellie Longman
Nancy Beavis
Aidann Dales
Cerys Jones
Aaminah Green
Caleb Richards
Freya Townsend
Daniel Terrill
Georgis Davies
Imogen Ingle
Will Farr
Ben Harris
Eva Spurling
Matthew Blakeway
Aiman Soussi-Dahdouh
Lily Pritchard
Lily Carney-Bradshaw
Jake Foulger
Ashley Bowen
Luke Matthews
Sean Robertson
Beth Rawlinson
Callum Salisbury

Nicole Powell
Kwaku Sasu

Year 8

Phillippa Bennett
Alex Brian
Selina Capewell-Hughes
Jessica Eades
Tyan Evans
Zeph Oduor
Theo Panter
Amber Reeve
Holly Simcock
Philip Watney
Jessica Walton
Chris Warburton
Tara Jarvis
Olivia Flack
Dylan Hadwen
Carys Faulkner
Megan James
Izzy Pezzaioli
Elise Spencer
Yousef Aokal
Freya Portman
Bluebell Ward
Joe Dean
Eloisa Lowbridge-Knights
Isabelle Davies
Francesca Williams
Poppy Evans
Tom Ireland
Libby Manuel
Oscar Fowler

Thanashcka Ithayathas
Felicity Somerville

Year 9

Caitlin Bennett
Molly Kinsey
Eleanor Neath
Iszak Brown
Freya Morgan-Jones
Jessica Terrill
Thomas Earnshaw
Eva Jones
Jack Khan
Grace Keeling
Frederick Norval
Sally Watney
Ava Durnall
Emily Flack
Emma Payne
Katy Mason
Betty Streatfield
Lucas Gouldbourn
Cleo Morris



National
Theatre
Live



Captured live at the National Theatre, a recorded performance of JM Barrie's much-loved tale.

'Spellbindingly imaginative. A dazzling production.' *Radio Times*

'Unforgettable. Delightful. Magic.' *Guardian* 'It's must see family entertainment.' *Mumsnet*



Church Stretton School Theatre

Saturday 10th June @ 2.00pm

All children, except one, grow up...

When Peter Pan, leader of the Lost Boys, loses his shadow, headstrong Wendy helps him to reattach it. In return, she is invited to Neverland, where Tinker Bell the fairy, Tiger Lily and the vengeful Captain Hook await.

A riot of magic, music and make-believe ensues.

A delight for children and adults alike, Sally Cookson (*NT Live: Jane Eyre*) directs this wondrously inventive production, a co-production with Bristol Old Vic theatre.



Theatre £11 and £5 (under 18) pay on the door

Enquiries and bookings 01694 722209

online sales at www.artsalive.co.uk

