

THE LINK

Edition 23, 11th March 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

Well done to year 8 pupils who have continued to work hard during their year group examinations. These continue next week, so further revision and preparation will be required to ensure that the result is a good reflection of what pupils know and can do. Year 11s are now starting to feel the gear change as we approach the GCSE exam series in the summer. Along with preparation for these, many have also participated in a mock interview with members of the local Rotary Club, organised by Mr Overton. Pupils have taken these seriously and the feedback from the Rotary members has been overwhelmingly positive. Well done year 11 and thank you to Mr Overton for making the arrangements.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Pathways Evening yesterday. It was lovely to host an on-site event in support of our Year 9 pupils who are now seriously considering their subjects for Key Stage 4. Dr Wood, Deputy Headteacher and Mr Bird, Assistant Headteacher wrote to parents & carers to explain the process and have provided a detailed information booklet that was issued to parents/carers who attended. A copy of this along with video presentations about each subject can be found on the school website here.

Finally, you will have received a letter from Mr Longhurst, Assistant Headteacher regarding Red Nose Day on Friday, 18th March to raise money for Comic Relief and the Ukraine Crisis Appeal. In addition, pupils have been informed about items that they might like to donate, to be collected on Monday 14th March by a local drop-off point, to help Ukrainians fleeing the Russian invasion. Items suggested include: clean bedding (pillows, sleeping bags etc); medical supplies/first aid kits; hygiene products (including feminine hygiene, nappies and wipes); torches, batteries and candles; warm clothing (gloves & hats, especially thermal and shoes and colouring books, crayons and toys). Any donations would I am sure be welcomed.

With best wishes for a good weekend

John Parr

Headteacher



Accelerated Reader



Well done for reaching your Accelerated
Reading Targets

Year 7

Year 8

Nia Carter

Emily Kirkwood

Anthony Cheadle

Sky Milner

Zack Hilditch

Harrison Starkie

Assisi Malvone

Skyla Stovold

Erin Skelly

Upcoming Girls fixtures this term:

Students taking part will be given a team sheet a week prior to the fixture taking place.

Monday 14th March Yr 7 & 8 Netball @ Bishops Castle

Monday 21st March Yr 9 Basketball @ Mary Webb

Monday 28th March Yr 9 Basketball @ Belvidere

Tuesday 5th April Yr 7 & 8 Netball @ Church Stretton

All fixtures are subject to weather being playable, any cancellations due to weather will be made on the day of the fixture. Students and parents/carers will be made aware of any cancellations as soon as possible.



We would like to support Red Nose Day on Friday, 18th March to raise money for Comic Relief and the Ukraine Crisis Appeal.

The students will be able to wear **non uniform** clothing. They may wish to follow the suggested theme of blue and yellow,

however this is optional. Fancy dress will also be allowed. We ask that students donate a minimum of £1 each, however, at some students request and if affordable a donation of £2 would allow us to donate £1 per student to each of the chosen charities.

Primary events at Church Stretton:

Mr Barham and Mr Jew (Trusted Sports' Partnership Lead Officer) have been organising and running sports festivals and competitions for local schools since November last year.

So far pupils in key stage 2 have had an opportunity to take part in a netball and dodgeball festival, indoor athletics, a multi-sports festival, tag rugby and football! Over 20 Y7 sports leaders from CSS have also supported events as coaches and officials. Y7 pupils receive training from Mr Jew every other Monday before they work with primary pupils and have been learning how to lead, organise and communicate with younger pupils through coaching and officiating in different



Still to come this term is KS2 cross country at Cardingmill Valley and Y3/4 New Age Kurling and Archery at CSS!!











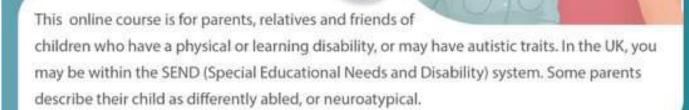






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A new online course for parents.



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This course is in two sections:



Lays the foundation for understanding your child.



Looks at some particular aspects of parenting: sleeping and anger management.

Once you've finished level 1 you can progress onto level 2 if you'd like.

A total of:





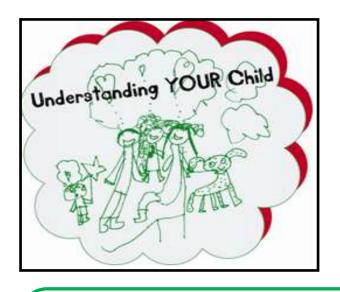
5-20 mins each.

Some of what this course covers:

- How your child develops
- Understanding how your child is feeling
- Tuning into what your child needs
- Different styles of parenting
- Why is sleep important

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Why not call our Parenting Helpline where one of our trained

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If you have concerns about a child's safety or well-being please call

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