



Dear Parents & Carers,

I will begin with a message of good luck to our year 11 pupils who commence their hall-based GCSE / Btec examinations after this weekend. Revision continues in class as well as our menu of 'Revision@Lunch' sessions that have been running all week and will continue into next week too.

Well done to all our KS3 students who have behaved impeccably during school examinations over recent weeks, invigilators have been impressed by the behaviour, good manners and calm sensible approach to exams.

Today Year 9 had an assembly on careers and an introduction to work experience from Mr Lowe. This will set them up to think about the possibilities for this time next year when they will embark on work experience at the end of the summer term.

With best wishes for a good weekend

Mr J. Parr
Headteacher

Tutor time take-away

This week we launched our "Tutor time take-away", students will receive one each week looking at a different topic during tutor time. This weeks' focus was on our Ready, Respectful and Safe culture at school. Please do ask you child about the topic and get them to explain to you what was discussed.



Year 11 Examinations Info

Summer exams are starting on 15th May for year 11 students. Please click [here](#) for information regarding what students should bring and timetables. You can also find revision advice [here](#). A letter has also been sent out this week to parents with key dates which can be found [here](#).

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.

Next Week will be
Week A

Upcoming Events

13th - 14th May - DofE Bronze Practice

15th May - Year 11 Exams Start

15th May - Year 8 X1/Y2 Geography Trip Borth

22nd May - Year 8 X2/Y1 Geography Trip Borth

29th May - 2nd June - Half Term -

Return to school Monday 5th June

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.

Whole School Attendance

From 1st - 5th May

Caradoc 93.1% Hazler 93.9%

Ragleth 94.8% Lawley 93.8%

Maths Non Calculator Revision Sessions

I have a couple of spaces left in my group revision sessions tomorrow.

Please email me at hello@mathswithmrsmack.co.uk for more information.

Mrs
Mackechnie



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

Crown Competition

Well done to Oscar Russell in year 8 for winning the crown competition. He has received an Amazon voucher and some chocolates. What a brilliant detailed replica.



A message from Church Stretton Town Council

Church Stretton Town Council have asked us share this with you:

Please be aware that work to start the removal of the old play equipment on Brooksbury Recreation Ground has started today. All the old equipment, the concrete footings, and most of the sensory garden will be removed and the area will be left in a safe condition. The contractors will be placing some fencing around the site to keep everyone safe.

For your own safety please avoid the area if possible. However if you are in the vicinity, please be wary of the equipment that is working on the site, and that the contractors may not be aware of your presence.

Work should all be completed by the end of tomorrow and it will be a couple of weeks before the installation of the new equipment starts.



Congratulations to Eleanor Merrill

Eleanor has secured her copy of 'Rude Science' to keep. She has written a review of this book for others so they know what to expect (see left). There is a copy of the book back in the library and is available for others to now take out and read.

Ask the librarian to view the book reviews, they are all available in the library, with more being added to all the time. The extraordinary Life of Greta Thunberg by Devika Jina is currently being reviewed.

We have the new instalment of books in the library which are ready and waiting to be read and reviewed by you.

- Lessons in chemistry by Bonnie Garmus
- The kid who came from space by Ross Welford
- The fourteenth goldfish by Jennifer L. Holm
- Kay's marvellous medicine by Adam Kay
- In the key of code by Aimee Lucido

Please see Mrs Carr to sign up or for further details.

We look forward to you joining the club.

Rude Science by Stefan Gates
Review written by Eleanor Merrill ★★★★★

I really enjoyed this book! Stefan Gates uses humorous comments to make each page hilarious which really made me laugh out loud. Behind all the comedy though, this book teaches you not to be embarrassed about the completely normal functions of the human body. It taught me lots of interesting (and gross) facts that I didn't know. I would recommend this book to anyone who is eager to learn more about the human body and likes to have a laugh. This book is also perfect for fans of Adam Kay.





Student of the Week



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

This weeks winners

KS3 Winner

Rose Lovelock nominated by Mrs Walker for outstanding achievement in her DT exam.

KS4 Winner

Kayla Hunt nominated by Dr Wood for resilience and desire to succeed.



This week's nominations:

KS3 Nominations

Student Name	Nominated by	Reason for Nomination
Holly Collett	Mr Williams	Excellent averages poster and fantastic effort in maths!
Ashley Holdsworth	Mrs Gajny	Excellent focus in class and really pleasing assessment result.
Ryleigh-Mae Young	Mrs Scott	Superb problem solving with averages
Tia Winter	Mrs Scott	Superb problem solving with averages
Millie Pearson	Mrs Scott	Superb problem solving with averages
Eddy Beadles	Miss Sollars	Superb work on Year 7 history exam and contributions to class discussion
Rose Lovelock	Mrs Carr	Her enthusiasm and dedication to reading Science books and writing reviews
Eleanor Merrill	Mrs Carr	Writing a fantastic book review on Rude Science
Phoebe Potes	Mrs Carr	Writing a great book review on The extraordinary Life of Greta Thunberg
Esther Johnson	Mrs Carr	Writing an excellent book review for The Many Worlds of Albie Bright
Isabelle Page	Mrs Carr	Her fab book review of Blood, Bullets and Bones

KS4 Nominations

Student Name	Nominated by	Reason for Nomination
Poppy Cumberlidge	Mr Williams	Excellent work and effort in maths!
Kayla Hunt	Dr Wood	Resilience and desire to succeed
Lulu Jones	Mrs Scott	Outstanding work on trigonometry
Evie Jackson	Mrs Davis	For submitting 2 fantastic pieces of coursework for her food preparation and nutrition GCSE.
Aisha Raza	Mrs Scott	Outstanding work on trigonometry



Sporting News

This terms PE timetable can be found [here](#)

Please can students collect lunch passes for their PE lunch time clubs from the PE office at the start of the week. Students can then show this pass to enter the queue on first calling.

A reminder that students who cannot take part in PE should always bring a note and their PE kit to take part in other roles.



Women's Softball Team Church Stretton Cricket Club

About

Church Stretton Cricket Club has been about since 1921. The women and girls' softball team is looking for new players to take up the game.

We are based at the Pavilion, 9A Lutwyche Rd, Church Stretton SY6 6AT.



What to expect

- The aim is to have fun, in a friendly and welcoming environment. It's a game for absolutely everybody, no matter your skill level, fitness or age (13yrs +).
- We meet and practice on a Thursday evening 7pm to 8pm throughout the season (May to end of August) and play in softball festivals. We keep in touch by WhatsApp group and the occasional email.
- Come and have a go – the first practice session is free and you will meet like-minded people. We have fundraisers and social events to get involved in too.
- Don't worry there will be someone to meet and greet you at the car park on your first visit!

Interested?



Contact Ali Davies – 07807193716

We welcome your involvement as participants, volunteers, funders, parents or as organisers and supporters of events.

Next Generation Fair & Sustainable Living Expo 2023



Saturday 20th May 11am - 4pm

FREE ENTRY

For all the family for the whole day

At Craven Arms Community Centre

Craven Arms, SY7 9PS

Car Park off B4368

Entrance opposite EURO
QUALITY LAMB

Electric vehicles expo

Personal cars.

Electric bikes

Dog Show

many categories.

Entries £3.00 on the day

Registration 10am Starts at 11am

Sustainable Family Life Expo

*Games, fun and information from
Shropshire's top charities and
groups.*

Free Family Fun and Stage Show

*Bouncy Castle, Climbing Tower, chil-
dren's activities, music, dance, food
and drink.*

Clothes , Children's toy & book swap

*'bring something pre-loved, leave with something new to
you'*

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**Children's Toy, Book & Clothes
Swap**

as part of the Next Generation Fair,

Craven Arms Community Centre,

Craven Arms, SY7 9PS

on Saturday 20th May 11am - 4 pm



Bring pre-loved items along on the day to swap for free & take home something new to you or take for a pay-as-you-can donation

Reuse, Share & Recycle

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Next Generation Fair

DOG SHOW



Saturday 20th May
Registration at 10am
Starts at 11am

Pedigree classes 1 - 5
with the Best in Show being class 5.

Class 12 will be Best in Show

Novelty Classes 6 - 11 for Most Handsome Dog, Bitch with the Prettiest Eyes, The 6 best Legs and more

Rosettes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all classes.

Entry Cost: £3 per dog.

At Craven Arms Community Centre
Craven Arms, SY7 9PS

Next Generation Fair

Art competition



Saturday 20th May 2023

At Craven Arms Community Centre
Craven Arms, SY7 9PS

THEMES:

NATURE
HEALTHY LIVING
OUR WORLD
LITTER
CONSERVING WATER
TRANSPORT
RECYCLING
BIODIVERSITY

Bring your own drawing/painting on the day on any of the listed themes

Entries closing at 14:00 for judging

Age categories:

Preschool 5-7 years old 8-11 years old 12-15 years old

The work presented must be the candidate's own work.



STRETTFEST 23
SATURDAY 27TH MAY

What's Going on?

You are called to Rectory Field by the sound of the Craven Arms Samba Drums around 10.30am

There will be a kaleidoscope of activities, some continuous, some in time-slots through the day.

You can have a go at playing a Samba Drum or a range of musical instruments brought by the Shropshire Music Service and play the piano with Longmynd Music

You can dance with the Belly Dancers and Shropshire Academy of Performing Arts

Make something for the big Parade in the afternoon with Scrappies or the Girl Guides. And the Cub Scouts are there too in their own tent

Join the Scottish Dancers for a jig

Sing along with Kimee Cleaton or the Stretton Strummers.

There will be short performances from the Stretton Boys Band and other Artists.

You can buy refreshments from the two stalls and ice cream and you can BYO for a picnic in the Field

Later in the afternoon you can watch or walk with the colourful Parade round the town

And end in the Rectory Field with a great Carnival Sing.

**COME FOR THE DAY
JOIN IN THE CELEBRATION OF
LONGMYND CREATIVITY**

Parent/carer workshops

Please see the flyer below and complete this Forms link if you are interested in any of the workshops.

<https://forms.office.com/e/AA18eUdxMj>


Dates and times have not yet been confirmed.


Please use the form to add any questions or comments for the attention of Mrs Su Quye.

2023 Workshops

PARENT CARER WORKSHOPS

- **Understanding the teenage brain**
- **Sleep, Eat, Learn, Repeat**
- **Reducing conflict**
- **Improving literacy**
- **Balancing relationships**
- **Anxiety**

 **ONLINE via TEAMS**

 Various dates and times including evenings

Register interest at:

<https://forms.office.com/e/AA18eUdxMj>

Come and join us!

ONLINE COURSES FOR PARENTS,
GRANDPARENTS, CARERS AND TEENS

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...pregnancy, labour,
birth and your baby

...your baby

...your child

...your child
with additional needs

...your teenager's brain

...your feelings
(for teenagers only!)

...your relationships

and much more!

optional voice-over
where available



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PREPAID

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS



How much school will you have missed in a year?

INCREDIBLE!

You have missed very little learning and stand the best possible change of success.

97-100%

Fewer than 5 days

GOOD!

You have met our school target – well done.

96%

6 days missed

NEARLY THERE

This is almost 2 weeks of school missed. That's 50 lessons!

95%

9 days missed

IMPROVEMENT NEEDED

55 lessons missed across the year.

94%

11 days missed

CONCERN

This is known as persistent absence and will involve school action. It is the same as missing half a day of school every week.

90%

20 days missed

SIGNIFICANT CONCERN

This is the same as missing a day of school a week. If you have 80% from years 7-11, you will have missed **ONE YEAR** of school.

80%

38 days missed