

THE LINK

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Dear Parents & Carers,

It is hard to believe that we have only 2 weeks of term remaining!

Year 11 students, now halfway through the 'mock' fortnight are to be congratulated for their excellent attitude and focus. Well done!

Meanwhile, on Thursday a group of year 10 GCSE Food & Nutrition students enjoyed a morning of cooking demonstration and workshops, led by staff from the Royal Navy. Thank you to Mr Overton for making arrangements for this to take place.

Next week we look forward to the 'taste of Christmas' menu, provided by Shire Services, with the full Christmas dinner being offered on Wednesday. Please note that there will not be any other food offered on Wednesday at lunch time other than the Christmas dinner option.

Yesterday we shared information about Christmas Jumper Day on 17th December, the final day of term. We look forward to seeing students wearing a Christmas jumper (in addition to their normal uniform), with money raised going to Save The Children.

Finally, with regard to Lateral Flow Testing, the DfE have informed schools that:

We would like all secondary schools to prepare to test their pupils once on-site on return in January. We understand that this is a significant additional ask but testing continues to play a vital role in keeping COVID-19 out of schools. Testing all pupils in school boosts testing participation and will help reduce transmission after a period of social mixing over the school holidays. Secondary schools will have the option to stagger the return to school for the first week to accommodate on-site testing.

Whilst we hope not to have to stagger the return of students, it will depend on the number requiring a Lateral Flow Test. Therefore, we will confirm arrangements for testing and return to school date as soon as we can.

Have a good weekend

John Parr Headteacher

Accelerated Reader

Well done for reaching your Accelerated Reading Targets

<u>Year 7</u>	<u>Year 8</u>			
Norah Hall	Reuben Cowley			
Zack Hilditch	Poppy Flanagan			
Scarlett Marais Neve O'Leary	Dean Harvey Isabelle Hill			
		Jimmy Nicholson		

Congratulations to the newest member of our Millionaires Club:

Harrison Starkie (1,012,857)

Friday 17th December

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be having our Christmas Jumper

Day on Friday 17th

December in aid of

Save The Children.

We would like

students to

substitute their

school jumper with

a Christmas jumper.

For this privilege we would like a minimum donation of £1 please.



Autumn Term Mock Exams 2021 - Year 11 Timetable (F = Foundation, H = Higher, bracketed timings are for students with extra time in exams)

Week B

			Break 11.05 – 11.20	11.20 – 12.20			Period 5 14.10 – 15.10
Monday 6 th December	English Literature 1 hour 45 mins (2 hours 11 mins)		Break	Normal Lessons	Lunch	RE 1 hour (1 hour 15 mins)	
Tuesday 7 th December	Chemistry Combined – 1 hour 10 mins (1 hour 28 mins) Triple - 1 hour 45 mins (2 hours 11 mins)			Normal Les- sons	Lunch	Drama 1 hour 30 mins (1 hour 53 mins)	
Wednesday 8 th December	Geography Physical 1 hour (1 hour 15 mins)			Normal Les- sons	Lunch	Construction 1 hour (1 hour 15 mins)	
Thursday 9 th December	Physics Combined – 1 hour 10 mins (1 hour 28 mins) Triple - 1 hour 45 mins (2 hours 11 mins)			Normal Les- sons	Lunch	Sport 1 hour (1 hour 15 minutes)	
Friday 10 th December	Normal Lessons	Normal Lessons		Normal Les- sons	Lunch	1 hou	DT r 30 mins r 53 mins)

Tickets for the Big Raffle are still available.

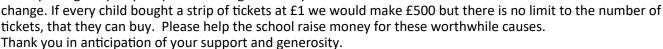
3 years ago....before Covid and its' restrictions C3 tutor group held a raffle raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support charity. It snowballed into a huge raffle raising approximately £500. This year we would like to share the money raised between the 4 House Charities in school and Macmillan. We want to do it again **AND WE NEED YOUR HELP** to do so.

Currently most students don't carry a lot of cash in school and to buy raffle tickets they will need change. As they say "you've got to be in it, to win it!"

An individual ticket will cost 30p but a strip will be £1. The prizes will be on display in the school entrance and tickets will be on sale at break and lunch times, every day, by a team of students from across the school. There are some lovely prizes to win too.

A huge thank you must go to parents who have generously donated a gift voucher prize from Ludlow Farm Shop. Thank you, Jack Jones and family! Thank you also to Andy Tretton at Shrewsbury Town Football club who has sent us vouchers for 4 sets of family tickets.. a signed ball, toy mascots and gift vouchers for the club shop in addition to the 3-course meal and tickets that we already knew about.

Hopefully, your child will want to buy tickets so please could you dig deep in your pockets and give them your



Mrs D. Head of Key Stage 4



Royal Navy Ready, Steady, Cook!







On Thursday, a group of Year 10 Food and Nutrition students had the opportunity to work with the Royal Navy Chefs as part of the wider careers programme at the school. Craig and Dru came to the school explain about the Navy, what they have done and where they have been. The group then moved onto the main part of the visit, the Ready, Steady, Cook challenge. The students were split into 5 different group and given a mystery box of ingredients. They had ten-minutes to plan, and then launched straight into making their creations. All the groups worked incredibly hard in their teams, under watchful eye of our guest from the Navy. We had a range of dishes created. Raman noodles, with seasoned chicken breast and boiled eggs, a vegetable pasta dish, cookies, and cheesecakes. Group One, who you can see with their prizes covering their faces, were victorious. Their winning dish was chicken breast wrapped in Parma ham, with roasted tarragon potatoes and seasonal vegetables, with homemade (very tasty) chocolate Brownie and cream.

All students were brilliant and gave up their break to finish the task. The Navy were very complimentary and were planning to come back soon.









FESTIVE WEEK LUNCH OFFER

W/C 06/12/21

JUMBO PIGS IN BLANKET BAGUETTE

TURKEY BURGER WITH CRANBERRY SAUCE

TURKEY BAP WITH STUFFING

BACON, BRIE & CRANBERRY PANINI

CAULIFLOWER CHEESE WITH CRISPY BACON

TOPPING

CARROT AND CORRIANDER SOUP WITH CRUSTY ROLL

CURRIED PARSNIP SOUP WITH CRUSTY ROLL

PIGS IN BLANKET LOADED TRAY

FESTIVE PIZZA

SELECTION OF FESTIVE COOKIES AND CAKES ON OFFER

On Wednesday 8th December, Christmas Lunch will be the only lunchtime option available.

Breaktime items will be available as normal.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH LOADED TRAY 8th DECEMBER MEAL DEAL £2-40 (LOADED TRAY, PUDDING & FRUIT JUICE)

TURKEY, STUFFING, PIGS IN BLANKET, ROAST POTATO, CARROTS, PEAS, BRUSSELSPROUTS, ROASTED PARSNIP & GRAVY, CRANBERRY SAUCE QUORN WELLINGTON, ROAST POTATO, CARROTS, PEAS, BRUSSELSPROUTS, ROASTED PARSNIP & GRAVY, CRANBERRY SAUCE V

SELECTION OF FESTIVE PUDDINGS





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Whether you are looking for advice or simply aren't feeling your best, Kooth offers a range of features and tools to support you.

Magazine

Helpful articles, personal experiences and tips from young people and our Kooth team.

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- 4 Select the year and month you were born.
- 5 Click on the gender, ethnicity and background that most closely describes you.
- 6 Create an anonymous username and secure password.
- 7 Let us know how you found out about Kooth from the drop down menu.
- 8 Select Next Step to complete your registration!

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What's on Kooth in December



December 3

Kooth Discussion Board

Not All Disabilities Are Visible: Come and celebrate international Day of the Disabled Person with us by sharing your thoughts stories and experiences about those disabilities that aren't always so easy to see.

History of the Holidays:

December 10

Kooth Podcast

December 10

Kooth Discussion Board

December 15

Kooth Live Forum

Locking After Your Wellbeing: Come share in all the ways we can look after ourselves and our wellbeing throughout writer. If you can't make this one join us earlier at the week on our discussion boards instead!

7.30pm to 9pm

December 20

December 24

Kooth Discussion Board

December 29

Kooth Live Forum

December 31

Discussion Board

Kooth Live Forum

Let's Talk About: LGBTQIA+ & Religion: our safe space to chat about mences of religion within the LGBTQIA+ community.

7.30pm to 9pm

Give Yourself a Cife

With so much focus on spendir and buying gifts for others at this time of year, let's share son stees on something special we can do just for ourselves.

Let's Party: Scop by our final live forum of the year for a fun, charty space to colebrate our whole community.

7.30pm to 9pm

New Year, Not New You: Do New Years' Resolutions stress you out? Join our conversation about setting positive intentions for the year shead that feel right for you.



Find all of this & much more on Kooth.com



Our team is still here to provide mental wellbeing support over the holiday period.



Chat Availability Dates and Times

Thursday 23/12/21

12pm - 10:00pm

Friday 24/12/21 12pm - 8:00pm

Saturday 25/12/21

4pm - 8:00pm

Sunday 26/12/21 6pm - 10:00pm

Monday 27/12/21

4pm - 8:00pm

Tuesday 28/12/21 4pm - 8:00pm

Wednesday 29/12/21

Thursday 30/12/21

12pm - 10:00pm

12pm - 10:00pm

Friday 31/12/21 12pm - 6:00pm

Saturday 1/01/22 4pm - 8:00pm

Sunday 2/01/22

6pm - 10:00pm

Monday 3/01/22

4pm - 8:00pm

Find support today by visiting kooth.com



Junior Gym

Every Monday & Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm £2.90 a session Age 13+

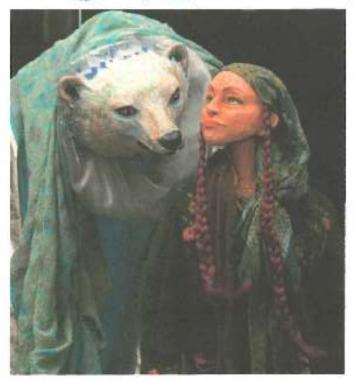
Sessions are supervised
& an induction would be included in the hour



The Fetch Theatre

presents

East of the Sun, West of the Moon



Based on a traditional Nordic story *East of the Sun, West of the Moon* is a spellbinding tale of adventure, mystery and romance featuring a magical white bear, a young girl and an anarchic troll!

Choreographed to an original soundtrack, this beautiful, mesmerizing show demonstrates the skill and style of Bunraku puppetry. A visual tale, told without words, the performance captivates audiences of all ages from 5-105 years!

Show Duration: 45 minutes approximately + chance to meet some of the puppets

Thursday 9th December 4pm Church Stretton Library

Tickets £1 reserve from the library 01694 722 535 (fully refundable on attendance)

There will be a retiring collection for Church Stretton First Responders

For more information about The Fetch Theatre check out the website; www.thefetch.co.uk