

# THE LINK

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Thank you once again for your ongoing support as we work hard to keep school fully open to all year groups. The situation regarding staff and pupil absence does fluctuate rapidly, but at the time of writing, we have not had to make any significant changes to the structure of the day for our pupils which is very pleasing.

We are trying to keep things as normal as possible for our pupils, so it was lovely to welcome the National Citizen Service who visited today to talk to year 11 pupils, providing them with information about the opportunities available to them later in the year. Thank you to Mr Overton for making the arrangements for this to happen. The National Citizen Service is a voluntary personal and social development programme for 16–17 year olds in England and Northern Ireland, funded largely by money from the UK Government.

Finally, please see the following information from the Department for Education regarding the most recent changes to the number of days of isolation in cases of confirmed Covid-19:

### Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.

If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.

Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.

Have a good weekend

John Parr Headteacher

# Accelerated Reader

Well done for reaching your Accelerated Reading Targets

### Year 7

William Brown

**Edward Dunn** 

**Thomas Field** 

Lexie Holdcroft

**Scarlett Marais** 

Alfie Matthews

Neve O'Leary

Oscar Russell

### **Lunch Money**

Please can you ensure that you top up your ParentPay account for school lunches.

There is also an option to top up credit using a machine in the lunch hall, children can use coins or notes which will top up instantly. If your child/ren has any issues they can pop to Reception where there will be someone to help them.

Thank you.

## **Extra-Curricular Activities**

From Monday 17th January your child/ren will be able to participate in the activities set out in the timetable below. Please encourage your child/ren to take part during lunch times or afterschool.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	K54 Drama Rebearash K53 Nethall Y11 Quiet Revision Room (G6) Music Practice Rooms (week B) Lunch Club (R3 Invite only)	K3384 Technical Theatre club K53 Art club K53 Fitness club Y78.8 STEM (B7) Y11 Quiet Revision Room (G6) DT Club (Y5) K53 Table-tennix Lunch Club (R3 Invite only)	KS4 Netbell KS3 Coding (B8) Y11 Quiet Revision Room (G6) Music Practice Rooms Lunch Club (R3 Invite only)	Year 7 Drama club KS3/4 Badminton Board games/cheas (Y1) Stretton Singers (all years) Music Practice Rooms Y11 Quiet Revision Room (G6) Literacy with Lucy the dog (R3) Lunch Club (R3 Invite only)	Year & Drama Cub  K54 Boys Football  Y11 Quiet Revision Room (G6) Film Club W5 Church Stretton Schoo Band (all years) Lunch Club (R3 Invite only)
After school 3.20 start	Walk & Talk KS4 Boys Football KS3 Boys Rugby	KS4 Drama rebeesals KS3 Backetball (Mond) KS3 Girls Rugby KS3 Boys Football	KS3 Cheerleading Girls Football	KS4 Portfolio workshop	ES4 Drama rehearsals Music Rehearsals/ GCSE extra time

PE Activities

Druma Activities (Studio

Art Activities (B10

Music Activities (B9

Other Activitie

# **Christmas Raffle**

A massive well done to the small team of year 7 pupils organised by Issy Taylor in R1 who helped run the Christmas Raffle.

Overseen by Rhyanna Good in Year11 C3 they raised £410 and shared it between Macmillan (£250) and the 4 School House Charities(£40 to each charity).

Thank you to everyone at home who contributed prizes and to the staff and pupils who bought tickets.

A big thank you to Andy Tretton at Shrewsbury Town Football Team for his generous contributions to prizes.



# Music lessons

In school we are pleased to be working with Shropshire Music Service. Shropshire Music Service are a non-profit council organisation dedicated to providing high quality music education for the county's young people. The lessons are not free, but substantial reductions in the cost are available for those in challenging financial circumstances. SMS also offer affordable instrument hire for most instruments, along with opportunities to perform in musical groups. You can enrol your children using this link, or search Shropshire Music Service to find out more.

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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.

#### Chat with the team

Chat to our helpful team about anything that's on your mind. Message us or have a live chat.

## Discussion boards

Start or join a conversation with our friendly Kooth community. Lots of topics to choose from!

## Daily journal and goal setting

Write in your own daily journal to track your feelings or emotions and reflect on how you're doing.

### Mini activity

Select from a growing menu of fun, therapeutic and useful activities.



## How to sign up

- 1 Head to Kooth.com
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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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