



Dear Parents & Carers,

With only three weeks remaining until we reach the May half term break, time certainly seems to be flying by. Next week Year 11 students begin their 'summer series' of assessments which will contribute toward the teacher assessed grade when the time comes. We are immensely proud of Year 11 who have continued to work with focus and determination - well done!

We are keeping a close eye on the Government announcements regarding further restrictions being lifted which may impact on school life, so we will keep you informed of any changes accordingly.

Enjoy the weekend

John Parr

Headteacher

LATERAL FLOW TEST REPORTING

If you should report an incorrect lateral flow test result, it is possible to void the result by rescanning the barcode. You will then need to take another test. If you no longer have the barcode then it is possible to report the error by calling 119.



Bluthner 6' grand piano for sale £500
Sold as seen

Buyer to arrange collection and transport.

Please contact Marilyn Gibbs at the school if interested by Friday 14th May 2021.

School Uniform

With the re-opening of non-essential shops we will be tightening up our expectations for school uniform. Please refer to our [school website](#) for further clarification.

Please can we remind you of the following:

- Students are only permitted to wear a single pair of stud earrings and a watch.
- Energy drinks are not permitted
- All mobile phones should be off and kept in bags.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Accelerated Reader

Once again well done to the following students for reaching their targets.

Year 7

Tilly Carter
Emily Kirkwood
Sky Milner
Lowri Morris
Abdullah Ozsevec
Olivia Whiting
Toby Williams

Year 8

Tate Crippin
Euan France
Sadie Singleton
Jack Smout
Maisie White

Year 9

Elizabeth Creffield
Isobel Devey
Finn Feeney
Evie Jackson
Amelie Northwood
Jack Parr
Brooke Stovold



Key Stage 3 Student of the Week



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

Siobhan Morris Nominated by Miss Whitcombe for excellent fielding skills during rounders and good tactical awareness

Jess Wilding Nominated by Mrs Mackechnie for excellent work on sequencing

Will Pearson Nominated by Mrs Hough for William's resilience in French and he is producing some excellent pieces of work as a result.

Charlie Hatton Nominated Mrs Walker for excellent Art work and high achievement.

This week's nominations:

Mrs Scott	Rosie Carr	Outstanding effort in Maths
Mrs Scott	Jodie Shelton	Outstanding effort in Maths
Mrs Scott	Annabelle Kirkwood	Outstanding effort in Maths
Mrs Scott	Evie Jackson	Excellent effort in Maths
Mrs Scott	Daisy Swain	Excellent effort in Maths
Mrs Mackechnie	Kardo Al-Alimi	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Janea Andrews	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Lily Atkin	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Ollie Cummins	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Jake Edwards	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Rosanna Price	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Jordy Simpson	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Jess Whilding	Excellent work on sequences
Mrs Mackechnie	Owen Thomas	Effort with trigonometry
Mrs Mackechnie	Sophie Mansell	Consistent hard work on trigonometry
Mrs Mackechnie	Wiola Sewry	Consistent hard work on trigonometry
Mrs Mackechnie	Daisy Deards	Consistent hard work on trigonometry
Mrs Mackechnie	Beth Hunter	Consistent hard work on trigonometry
Mrs Mackechnie	Morgan Gray	Consistent hard work on trigonometry
Mrs Mackechnie	Merve Ozseveg	Consistent hard work on trigonometry
Mrs Walker	Dexter Crippin	For excellent Art work and high achievement.
Mrs Walker	Charlie Hatton	For excellent Art work and high achievement.
Mrs Walker	Ruby Jammaz	For excellent Art work and high achievement.
Mrs Walker	Chloe Selley	For excellent Art work and high achievement.
Mrs Walker	Jordy Simpson	For excellent Art work and high achievement.
Mrs Walker	Chloe Walder	For excellent Art work and high achievement.
Mr Roberts	Amelie Beavis	Excellent work in English
Mrs Hough	Ella Roberts	Excellent effort in geography assessment. This led to her gaining a good mark too 😊
Mrs Hough	Gregory Walker	Excellent geography assessment piece. Well done! 😊
Mrs Hough	Melissa Karakulah	Excellent geography assessment piece. Well done! 😊
Mrs Hough	Max Hallum	Excellent geography assessment piece. Well done! 😊
Mrs Hough	Harley Davis	Harley is really trying in French and this has had a real impact on his studies. Well done! 😊
Mrs Hough	William Pearson	I am very impressed with William's resilience in French and he is producing some excellent pieces of work as a result.
Mrs Hough	Annabelle Kirkwood	Excellent work ethic in French. Well done! 😊
Mrs Mackechnie	Isobel Devey	Excellent work on trigonometry
Miss Whitcombe	Erin Robinson	For a well developed tennis drill and excellent delivery during the lesson
Miss Whitcombe	Siobhan Morris	Excellent fielding skills during rounders and good tactical awareness

Lucy Poole is one of our Journalists for Focus. She is a budding writer who has also just had an article about lockdown published in the "My Shrewsbury" magazine.

WHAT A FEELING!

How do you keep students dancing through a pandemic when social distancing has become the norm? Lucy Poole gives a personal thank you to her teacher Lindsay Kelly for supporting her students through the crisis.

The Viv Kelly School of Dance and Theatre has given students like me a lifeline and sense of connection through the uncertainty.

The school was founded 38 years ago by Viv Kelly, a professional dancer, who began holding evening dance classes in Shropshire's village halls.

Viv's classes became the in-house dance company at Shrewsbury Music Hall, putting on large scale musicals and performances.

When the new Theatre Severn was completed 13 years ago, the school moved in and Viv's daughter Lindsay took over the reins, bringing her own extensive dance and theatre experience.

For the past eight years, I've been fortunate to be one of her students. For us, it's not just a school, it's a family - generations of children have flourished under Lindsay's watchful eye.

Every school year follows a pattern of lessons of rehearsals and performances at Theatre Severn, which are the culmination of weeks of hard work and dedication.

Last year, that pattern was thrown out of the window when, following the Youth Theatre Group's performance of *Me And My Girl* in February, the threat of lockdown loomed large. Any hope of performing on stage in 2020 quickly vanished.

Lindsay launched Facebook Live dance classes to keep the Viv Kelly Dance and Theatre family connected and dancing together, but it wasn't all plain sailing: Shropshire countryside bandwidth struggles to support 15+ people tap dancing on a Zoom call!

Lindsay's summer programme was packed with workshops and talks by theatre and performing arts professionals.

We heard from professional pantomime dame Brad Pitt, Theatre Manager Adam Burgan, cast members from *Jersey Boys* and former Viv Kelly student Priscilla Birnensley, who has worked professionally in Theatre, TV and Cruise Ships.

I was lucky enough to be given the chance to take part in the first face-to-face classes



After six months of static silence, the first simultaneous tap of shoes on the floor was a sound that will resonate in my ears forever!

post-lockdown. For over six months, I hadn't danced with anyone but my own reflection in the living room mirror.

The dance school atmosphere, which is always filled with noise and fun, was something we had all missed terribly.

It's hard to explain just how the burst of sound from 15 tap shoes hitting the floor in chorus can make you feel such joy.

Tap is a beautiful genre of dance which, unlike other dance forms, allows you to make rhythms with the dancers around you, something which, after being isolated and apart from everyone for such a long time, was incredibly special.

The pandemic has made us all appreciate things we previously took for granted. During the past eight years, dance has become a huge part of my identity, it gives me a chance to express myself in a way I can't with words and I really do have the Viv Kelly School to thank for that.

I greatly admire Lindsay's drive and positivity. By reshaping her business model entirely in just a couple of days, she overcame the seemingly impossible task of keeping her students dancing, providing them with a vital lifeline and an escape from the crazy world outside.

"Lucy dog" returns to Church Stretton School for mental health awareness week



As part of mental health awareness week (last week of term) we will be having a dog in school on some days.

For some of you this is exciting or calming but some of you may have concerns or fears.

If you don't like dogs or have allergies, please don't worry – the dog will be kept locked away so you won't accidentally bump into the dog in corridors or classrooms.

A lot of careful planning and risk assessments have taken place and any contact with the dog will only take place with parental consent and via booked sessions.

Some of you may already know Lucy the Labrador as she was in school with students during Lockdown.

Lucy is not a therapy or assistance dog but Mrs Quye's pet who is in good health, fully vaccinated and has always shown a good temperament.

You may also have seen Lucy in the holidays or weekends when she volunteers with the National Trust at Carding Mill Valley and the Long Mynd.



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

24-28th May 2021
@CSSchool

SEE BELOW FOR SOME OF THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES
SHARE ACTIVITY IDEAS WITH MRS QUYE OR MR LONGHURST

DAILY STATISTICS AND INFORMATION STAND UP - SPEAK UP

What is mental health?
Where can you go for help?
How can you help yourself and others?
Morning Meditation sessions



SANCTUARY SPACES



SAFE

Look out for the signs showing silent **sanctuary spaces** to meditate, read, draw or talk to the school dog (sessions with the dog must be pre-booked)

BARE FACED & BEAUTIFUL

Be confident being the real you
No make up - No mask
You are beautiful :)

Book a **"walk and talk"** session
in our beautiful local area

CELEBRATE BEING YOU



DOODLE & DRAW IN D4/5 @ LUNCH



Drop in sessions - meet at reception at the start of lunch - you can bring your lunch (no hot food - sorry)

FUNDRAISING NON UNIFORM DAY

Friday 29th May 2021

all funds go towards mental health resources in school



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CHURCH STRETTON SCHOOL

Shrewsbury Road Church Stretton Shropshire SY6 6EX

Teaching Assistant vacancies

Job details

Salary: Grade 4 £9.81 per hour

Contract Type: 25 hours per week Term time only

Contract Term: Fixed Term contracts (12 months in the first instance)

Closing date: 3pm, Thursday 20th May 2021 Interviews w/c 24th May 2021.

Start date: TBC June and September starts available

We are a fully inclusive, oversubscribed, vibrant and happy 11-16 secondary school where relationships are strong and outcomes for students are positive. Being a smaller rural school, we get to know our students and their families well and it is important to us that, where possible, students can access education within their community.

This post will be ideal for you if you have a strong interest in supporting young people to overcome barriers to success. Previous experience is not necessarily required but you should be keen to learn new skills and have good communication skills and a willingness to work flexibly as part of our friendly SEND team.

You will work under the direction of the SENCo.

The appointment is subject to satisfactory pre-employment clearances including references, medical clearance, and an enhanced DBS Disclosure under the "Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974". Further details regarding this check are available by visiting www.dbs.gov.uk. This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people/vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. "The ability to communicate at ease with stakeholders and provide advice in accurate spoken English is essential for the post."

An application form and further details are available on our website: www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk

Please email your completed application form to Admin@cssschool.co.uk, addressing your covering letter (2 sides of A4 maximum), to Mr John Parr, Headteacher.

If you would like to visit the school, please contact Mrs Chris Floyd, PA to the Headteacher. Telephone 01694 722209 or email admin@cssschool.co.uk. We will try to accommodate visits, however, please note that there will be some restrictions to the school tour due to Covid-19 safety measures.

The deadline for applications is 3pm on Thursday 20th May 2021.

Interviews will be held w/c 24th May 2021.

Virtual Careers Live!

Take part in an online event packed with career ideas and gain access to our series of Live Employer Talks.

Open to pupils and students aged 13 to 18, our virtual exhibition hall is now open for you to start exploring stands from local and national employers, universities and training providers. Visit our dedicated Advice & Guidance Zone for fun and interactive help on finding your way into a career.

Register just once to gain access to all of these fantastic events. Each event will specialise in specific sectors such as engineering, professional services and many more. And don't worry if you can't make any of the dates - all the talks will be available on-demand afterwards for you to watch whenever you're ready.



Wednesday 28 April, 6pm
Creative Industries
Digital, Art, Fashion, Music, Theatre & Marketing
Employer talk with TVideo and Culture Consortium Shropshire



Tuesday 4 May, 6pm
Land, Food & Agriculture
Farming, Livestock and Cultivation
Live talk with Harper Adams University



Wednesday 12 May, 6pm
Care & Education
Teaching and Childcare
Employer talk with Marches Care and Lawley Village Academy



Monday 17 May, 6pm
Science & Research
Science, Medicine, Analysis, Research
Employer Talk with UKRI Low Cost Nuclear Challenge

Available to watch now:



Professional Services
Finance, Law, Business & Admin, Leadership & Management, Prison Services, Uniformed Services, IT & Computing, HR
Employer Talk with Aaron & Partners
Available to watch now



Service Industries
Hospitality, Tourism/Events, Hair/Beauty, Leisure/Sports, Retail
Employer Talk with Salop Leisure, Shrewsbury Town in the Community, Toni & Guy and Docket No.33
Available to watch now



Engineering
Motor Vehicle, Engineering, Transport & Logistics
Employer Talk with Fabweld Steep Products
Available to watch now



Built Environment
Construction Trades, Civil Engineering, Architecture, Landscaping
Employer Talk with CITB and Shropshire Homes
Available to watch now

More coming soon...

Additional to the above is available On-Demand now: **Introduction to Careers Planning**

All dates are subject to change but once you have signed up, we will be sending you reminders to keep you up to date.

Book Online now at shrews.co/careerslive

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