

# THE LINK

**SOUTH SHROPSHIRE** ACADEMY

Edition 5 11th October 2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

Unfortunately we have still not managed to find a suitable date for our Sponsored Walk. However, we are hopeful that a break in the poor weather soon might enable us to set a new date. Fingers crossed!

You will see in this week's edition of The Link fantastic news about our school being officially recognised as a 'Music Mark' School Member. I would like to thank Mr Mould for his continued hard work in promoting music through activities in and out of lessons and also Mr Wise, Head of Performing Arts Faculty for his support.

This week students in Year 9 enjoyed a visit from the Royal Marines, putting students through their paces and answering some challenging questions from our students about their work. Meanwhile, Year 10 students have had a Faith, Philosophy and Ethics workshop. My thanks to Miss Sollars and her team for coordinating this. Year 11 students have been benefiting from careers interviews as they begin the process of planning future pathways and considering college applications. I would like to thank Mr Overton for making arrangements for these events, which are fantastic examples of the wider enrichment our students benefit from.

For Year 11, Mock Exams are on the horizon and therefore revision ought to be under way. Students in Year 11 have been reviewing revision techniques in PSHE recently to help them and soon Dr Wood will be sharing the Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable with students, parents and carers. The result of these exams is an indicator of your son / daughter's knowledge, skills and understanding, allowing us to identify and address any gaps. Thank you therefore, for your support at home to ensure your son/daughter is engaged in revision.

Next week we look forward to welcoming parents and carers of Year 10 students to their Progress Evening. This will provide an opportunity to discuss progress to date in each of their GCSE/Level 2 courses after the first 7 weeks of study.

Finally this week, a reminder that the fantastic PTA Craft Fayre will take place shortly after the half term break, on Saturday 16th November, with superb stalls offering something for everyone and an enjoyable day out. Please make a note in your calendar as your support for such events really makes a difference to the important fundraising driven by the PTA.

Have a good weekend

J. Parr Headteacher

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE SCHOOL TARGET = 96%
WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
SINCE SEPTEMBER 96.2%
30th September - 4th October 2019

Caradoc 97% Hazler 95.6% Lawley 95.7% Ragleth 96.1%

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School Days until Yr11

Mock Exams



# ACCELERATED READER LOOK HOW WELL OUR PUPILS ARE DOING



# Congratulations to all the students listed below for meeting or beating their target

Year 7

Tia Adams
Emily Alger
Oliver Friswell
Aisha Green
Finley Healey
Daisy Jones

Aris Kokkinos
Griffin Lewis
Beth Perry
Aisha Raza
Jack Smout
Freddie Westall
Connie Woodhouse
Martha Wynne

**Oscar Zlotowitz** 

Year 8

Lilly Brown Joe Burke Daisy Deards Ayatt Green

Alexander Macdonald William Pearson Erin Robinson William Smout Daisy Swain Ben Willis

Year 9

Morgan Emeny Ria Marland Congratulations to the newest members of our Millionaires Club:- Wilfred Turner (1,449,479) and Daisy Jones (1,166,890).





#### **FIRE DRILL**

This morning we held our first fire drill procedure to emulate the processes which would be undertaken in the event of a fire or other similar emergency. As always, we were so proud of our students who responded in a mature and prompt manner, allowing staff to ensure they were accounted for and therefore safe. Well done!

#### **Spare PE Kit**

The PE department would be grateful if any unused kit could be donated to the school to be used as spare sports kit. Thank you.

#### Music Mark 2019/20

The school is proud to have been awarded Music
Mark status for it's contribution to music
education. A big thank you to Mr Mould, the peripatetic
teachers and all of our student musicians.



THE DUKE
OF EDINBURGH'S
AWARD

## Year 11

## Assessed expedition

As the date of the Year 11 Assessed expedition gets closer we would like to prompt students to upload their evidence in the Physical, Volunteering and Skill sections of the DofE website.

Mr Cox and I will be checking that this information is complete over the weekend. The evidence in each of these sections is essential before the student can be awarded with the Bronze award and participation in the expedition alone will not enable you to fulfil the requirements of the Award. We will therefore be assessing the suitability of each student to take part in the Assessed expedition after this weekend.

### SO PLEASE UPLOAD YOUR EVIDENCE

Mrs Davis/Mr Cox

# Have you grown out of your ski clothes??

# Are they too good to throw away??

We would welcome donations of any jackets, salopettes, thermals, gloves, socks, hats etc that no longer fit. The collection of ski items will be kept in school and made available for the students going on the school ski trips to borrow for the duration of their trip.

If you are donating, please could you ensure that any items are in good condition and are washed ready for wear.

Please bring into school and leave in the school office where Mrs Davis will collect and store.

Thank you



# A massive thanks to the PTA



We would like to express our thanks to the PTA for funding a selection of new equipment for the DofE group at Church Stretton School. As the numbers of students participating in the scheme increases, we have been aware that the need to replace old and tired equipment was essential to enable our students to be fully equipped for their expeditions. We are now in receipt of 7 new Vango expedition tents and emergency 6 day packs for the students to borrow.

Photos of the kit in use will be published in the Link after the expedition. Fingers crossed that the weather holds for them next weekend.

Mrs Davis/Mr Cox





Preparations for the P.T.A Craft Fayre on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November are well under way and we need your help. To find out more please come along to our next meeting at the school on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.

If you prefer not to attend meetings but can offer just an hour or two of help it will really make a difference.

We need:

Help to move chairs and tables on Friday 15th November between 4 and 6;

Assistants to help crafters set up their stalls on Saturday 16th November between 8am and 10 am;

Raffle ticket sellers on Saturday 16th November anytime between 10am and 3pm;

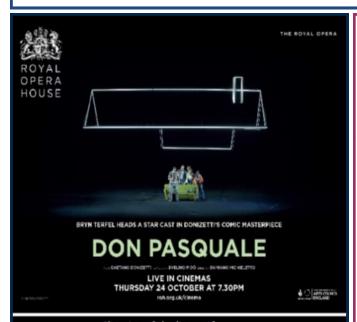
Helpers to tidy up from 3pm on Saturday 16th November.

Please email <a href="mailto:cschoolpta@gmail.com">cschoolpta@gmail.com</a> if you can help with any of the above.

If you have previously signed up to receive P.T.A news via the mailing list but have not heard from us recently we would be grateful if you could contact us again, thank you.







Showing of the live performance

#### **Church Stretton School Theatre**

Royal Opera favourite Bryn Terfel heads the cast for this new production of Donizetti's comedy of domestic drama across two generations. The witty story of a middle-aged man whose supposed young wife runs rings around him – with her own ulterior romantic purpose in mind – has long delighted and surprised audiences, not least as presented with the sparkle of its music and the virtuoso skill of its performers. Damiano Michieletto's exhilarating production shows how contemporary the characters still are and how immediate and touching the story remains.

Theatre only prices £12 and £8 (under 18) pay on the door or pre-book

Enquiries and pre-bookings 01694 722209



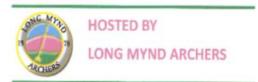
Online sales at <u>www.artsalive.co.uk</u> www.churchstretton.shropshire.sch.uk





Friday 8th November 7-10 pm

All Stretton Village Hall, SY6 6JR
Teams of 2 - 6 people
Suitable for all ages - Fun for all the family!
£3 per person



Proceeds from the event will contribute to the cost of the renovation of the Long Mynd Archers Club House.

## College Open Days 2019-20

## (Shrewsbury 6th Form and Shrewsbury College)

Need to book via website. No cost.

#### Shrewsbury 6th Form College

#### **English and Welsh Bridge Campuses**

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 5:00pm – 8:00pm Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 5:00pm– 8:00pm

#### Shrewsbury College

#### London Road Campus

Thursday 7th November 2019 5:00pm-8:00pm

#### Hereford 6th Form College

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Saturday 8th February 2020 9:30am - 12:30pm Thursday 30th April 2020 5:30pm -7:30pm

#### **Ludlow College**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 5:00pm - 8:00pm Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020 5:00pm- 8:00pm Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2020 10:00am - 12:00pm

#### North Shropshire College

#### Oswestry Campus

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2019 5pm – 7pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020 5pm -7pm Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2020 5:00pm – 7pm

#### Walford Campus (Animal Care)

Saturday 19th October 2020 10am- 12pm Saturday 8th February 2020 10am- 12pm Saturday 20th June 2020 10am - 12pm

#### Reaseheath College- Cheshire (Agriculture)

Saturday 19th October 2019 10:30am start

#### <u>Hartpury – Gloucestershire</u> (Agricultural)

Saturday 14th September 2019 Saturday 12th October 2019 Saturday 9th November 2019

#### Hereford School of Art

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 10:00am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019 6:00pm Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 6:00pm Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 6:00pm Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020 6:00pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 6:00pm

#### **Herefordshire College**

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Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 4:30pm -7:30pm Wednesday 22<sup>th</sup> January 2020 4:30pm -7:30pm

Thursday 12th March 2020 4:30pm -7:00pm

#### Holme Lacy Campus (Agricultural)

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2019 10am-12pm Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019 10am – 12pm