



Dear Parents and Carers,

## Secondary Schools' Successes

The recently published Department for Education Secondary School performance tables are now published. Church Stretton school celebrated the news of their excellent sixth place ranking when results were published last week. Church Stretton's score for Progress 8 score is a fantastic +0.24! Progress eight is the main measure for secondary performance across eight subjects. Parents and carers will know that Church Stretton School joined with Bridgnorth Area Schools's Trust in September, therefore our relationship with our partner schools is becoming embedded. We were, therefore, extremely pleased to see that the progress 8 score for Oldbury Wells School was also very healthy.

"We are thrilled to read the league tables this morning," said Executive Headteacher Sarah Godden. "I was tremendously pleased to see that Church Stretton School, a new school in our Trust, are ranked next to us in the tables and also have an excellent set of results. On behalf of the Trust can I congratulate pupils and staff in both schools." Great news I am sure you will agree!

## Sponsored Walk

Last Friday we took advantage of the 'weather window' as we enjoyed the superb Sponsored Walk. It is not every school that has the confidence and wealth of support to enable all students and staff to participate in an event such as this. So I must thank students for their sensible approach to the near 8 mile walk, dressed in house colours and fancy dress!

Thanks also go to all staff, for ensuring students completed the walk safely, to parents and carers for sending students in prepared and of course, providing sponsorship monies. A final note of gratitude must go to Mr Longhurst, who coordinated the whole event.

## Fire drill

I am always proud of our students and this week is no exception. Yesterday morning we put into practice our fire

drill procedure following a science lesson practical experiment that triggered a smoke sensor. Students were impeccable in their approach to this, exiting the building in a calm and mature manner.

## Workshops

Also yesterday, students in Year 9 participated in a 'Super Study Skills' workshop and Year 11 students participated in an 'Exams Buster' session, run by Positively MAD one of the country's leading providers of student workshops.

I am sure you will agree that the first half term has gone very quickly! For parents of Year 7 students, we hope that routines and adaptations to a new school are becoming embedded. For Year 11 students, time is now of increased significance, as we get closer to the start of the Year 11 Mock Examinations.

With half term break ahead of us, we hope that you have a restful and enjoyable week and we look forward to welcoming students back to school on Monday 4th November.

With best wishes

Mr. J. Parr  
Headteacher

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE SCHOOL TARGET = 96%**

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

**SINCE SEPTEMBER 96.2%**

**14th October - 18th October 2019**

**Caradoc 96.8% Hazler 95.9%**

**Lawley 93.8% Ragleth 95.8%**

**10 School Days until Yr11  
Mock Exams**

# Progress Evenings 2019-20

Year Group	Date
<b>7</b>	<b>7X1 &amp; 7X2</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2020, <b>7Y1 &amp; 7Y2</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
<b>8</b>	<b>8Y1 &amp; 8Y2</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2019, <b>8X1 &amp; 8X2</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
<b>9</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> March 2020
<b>10</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
<b>11</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2020

Prior to the date of the progress evening (usually 2 weeks beforehand) an email will be sent to parents and carers with instructions on how to book appointments. All Progress Evenings will start at 15:30.



## ACCELERATED READER



### LOOK HOW WELL OUR PUPILS ARE DOING

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

#### Year 7

Alexandre Santiago  
Rayan Baig  
Charlie Becker  
Lincoln Hasted  
Bonnie Innes  
Lewis Kershaw  
Edward Key  
Lexie Lewis  
Beth Perry  
Aisha Raza  
Sadie Singleton  
Eleni Ward  
Amy Young

#### Year 8

Farrah Butler  
Bethany Dodd  
Bonnie Kinsey  
James Orme  
Merve Ozsevegce  
Aaron Skitt

#### Year 9

Akira Lampe  
Grace Martin  
Elena Morton

Congratulations to the newest members of our Millionaires Club Aisha Raza (1,069,819) and Alexandre Santiago (1,024,783).



## Ski Trip 2020

### Calling all Y7 and Y8 pupils

**I am excited to be launching the ski trip after half term. This trip is now a bi annual trip which will only be offered to students in Y7 & Y8 who will be skiing in December of Y8 & Y9.**

**I am hopeful of keeping the cost of the trip well below £900 but this is very much dependent on numbers. The location of the trip is yet to be decided, Italy and France are currently the front runners.**

**Included in the trip cost will be travel to and from the resort, buffet breakfasts and 2 hot meals per day, evening entertainments, all ski related equipment (not clothing), lift passes, potentially 25-30 hours of ski tuition and most importantly fun!!!**

# 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



## Church Stretton School Annual Christmas

**CRAFT**  
**FAYRE** 10am to 3pm

**Sat 16 November**

*Freshly cooked food available*  
**ALL DAY!**

**Free entry**

Church Stretton School  
Shrewsbury Rd  
Church Stretton  
SY6 6EX

Organised by the PTA  
to raise funds for:







Last weekend saw 38 Year 11 students brave the weather and withstand the challenging cold conditions to complete their Bronze expedition. The students planned, mapped, and walked a 26km walk over two days, where they needed to navigate as a group, work as a team, set up camp and be self sufficient for 36 hours. There was a great camaraderie amongst the group and the students completed the expedition with ease.

Well done to the following students;



Ollie Barrett	Ruby Garner	Emily Payne
Ethan Beaver	Dylan Hadwen	Izzy Pezzaioli
Philippa Bennett	Jacob Helm	Freya Portman
Natashya Brander	Tom Ireland	Amber Reeve
Nisha Brander	Megan James	Kai Solomons
Alex Brian	Holly Jones	George Speake
Selina Capewell-Hughes	Annie Keath	Elise Spencer
Noah Christopher	Lewis Landmorris	Jessica Stevens
Max Clark	Beth Mackechnie	Max Thorpe-Walmsley
Mia Cole-Jones	Luke Mason	Herbie Trow
Isabelle Davies	Rosie Morton	Tristan Walden
Jessica Eades	Kaitlyn Orme	Chris Warburton
Ryan Evans	Theo Panter	

Once you have uploaded all your evidence for the other sections you will have secured the Bronze Award. Keep up the good work.

This weekend we walked the DofE expedition. We all did well during the walk, although there were a few challenges, we all got through them fairly easily. The expedition was 2 days and 1 night and everyone did really well.

It got very chilly at night so we put on more layers but other than that the whole experience was amazing. We had lots of fun making our video of 'what not to do on the DofE award' which was the project we assigned ourselves as part of the main expedition.

**Mia Cole-Jones**



The Duke of Edinburgh expedition that we participated in over the course of the weekend definitely exceeded my expectations. Obviously, the walk was tough, however receiving support from our assessors, teacher and teammates motivated us through the expedition. Despite challenging weather conditions, especially the bitter cold evening and following morning, we all ploughed through to pass this section of the DofE award. This was helped by thorough planning and preparation aided by huge encouragement from all members of the walk.

**Ollie Barrett**

# Can you support P.T.A fundraising at the annual Craft Fayre..?

Your help, for an hour or more will be appreciated:

on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November (from 3.30pm onwards)

OR

on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November (from 7.45am-10am & from 3pm)

Please email [csschoolpta@gmail.com](mailto:csschoolpta@gmail.com) to pledge your help.

To find out more about this event and other P.T.A activities please come along to the P.T.A meeting on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm at school.

It would also be great if you could sell the raffle tickets your child will be bringing home this week and return them to school before Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

If you are unable to help with the Craft Fayre, but shop online please consider signing up to Easyfundraising. This is a fundraising service that provides donations to the school each time you make an online purchase. Please see [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) for more details.



**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**



**HOSTED BY**

**LONG MYND ARCHERS**

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