

Dear Families,

I hope you had a lovely Easter break and managed to re-energise for the Summer Term. The school was buzzing with energy and hosted a number of events for the community including intervention/ revision sessions, Holiday Activity & Food (HAF) as well as the sixth annual SJT Whitchurch 10K.

Sir John Talbot's School Whitchurch 10K

The Sir John Talbot's School Whitchurch 10K took place on Sunday, 7th April and despite the wet and windy start to the day, the sun emerged to shine on the hundreds of runners who had signed up for the event. The Friends of Sir John Talbot's School, alongside school staff and students were supported by a small army of volunteers who helped deliver a fantastic morning of events. The hard work and dedication of the organising team, marshals, community groups and onsite volunteers contributed significantly to the success of the 2024 10K. Special thanks are extended to all of our sponsors which included: Americold, Blackhursts Garages, Barratt Homes, David Wilson Homes, and MODE Sports - who managed to secure a video message of support for all runners from Sir Mo Farah himself!

Special praise is reserved for the students who generously gave up their time to support the 10K. From the musicians and bands that graced the stage to entertain runners, to the photography students who captured key moments throughout the day and to those who supported other activities such as the Fun Run, barbecue, or registration, and for applauding and cheering the runners through the finish line.

Check out the Sir John Talbot's School Whitchurch 10K Facebook page for more information and photographs of the day.

Y9 Core Exams

Year 9 students are sitting their core exams next week in English, Maths, Science and RE. All Year 9s have been given revision guidance by their classroom teachers and have had an assembly focusing on the importance of being prepared.

Standards in school - Uniform

At the end of term, we shared our behaviour focus for our return to school after Easter:

1. Uniform (with a specific focus on footwear)
2. Students in lesson learning

A number of students have returned to school wearing trainers which is not part of our uniform unless worn in PE. Please familiarise yourselves with our uniform policy which has clearly defined guidelines with examples of acceptable and non-acceptable items.

Mr Tim Stouall
Headteacher



Timetable w/c Monday 15th April 2024 – Week B



Market Drayton Networking Event

The Zone Community Hub
Linden Way, Fairfields Estate,
Market Drayton TF9 1QT
Thursday 18th April 2024
12.30pm–2pm

Do you work with the community in the North East Shropshire area?

Join us for this market place style event and:

- Find out about other local services
- Network with other professionals
- Get information, advice and support to assist with the families you work with and lots more!

For more info contact:
SupportingFamiliesTeam@shropshire.gov.uk

 

Careers Day

Students aged 14-18 interested in the below careers can visit www.careerdays.co.uk to join an online session where they will learn about applications to job prospects and gain some online work experience to use in their university applications. At the end of the day, they will receive a certificate confirming their work experience.

- Psychology Career Day - Saturday 20th April 2024
- Business Career Day - Saturday 27th April 2024
- Architect Career Day - Saturday 4th May 2024
- Vet Career Day - Saturday 11th May 2024
- Law Career Day - Saturday 18th May 2024
- Performing Arts Career Day - Sunday 19th May 2024
- Computer Science Career Day - Saturday 25th May 2024
- Teaching Career Day - Saturday 1st June 2024
- Medicine Career Day - Saturday 22nd June 2024
- Midwifery Career Day - Saturday 21st September 2024
- Dentistry Career Day - Sunday 6th October 2024

Click [here](#) to view our Vacancies

Student Support Week 24 Focus: Self-esteem

Self-esteem means the way we think and feel about ourselves. When we have good or high self-esteem, we:

- feel good about who we are most of the time.
- believe in ourselves, and our qualities and strengths.
- believe we are worthy and deserving of all the good things in life, including love, kind friends and fun experiences.

Having good self-esteem is not about being happy all the time, or always feeling confident. We all have bad days and negative thoughts sometimes. But when we have good self-esteem, we're more able to move on from these feelings by being kind to ourselves and asking for support.

There are many pressures and obstacles that can affect your child's self-esteem. Read the following [Young Minds](#) guide for information and advice on how you can provide support.

Our Pastoral and Safeguarding team are situated in Student Services. If a child has any concerns, they MUST report it to a member of staff who will ensure that it is directed to the correct person to deal with it.

Career of the Week – Upholsterer

Upholsterers pad, cover and recover furniture with materials like leather, suede or cotton. It is a highly skilled and creative career.

Preparing our students to be #realworldready

To find out more information about careers as an Upholsterer or alternative pathways click on the link below: [Upholsterer](#)

Events

- Work experience Y10 & 12 – w/c 1st July 2024

Post 16 and 18 Apprenticeship + Vacancies

- [Clinical Engineering Apprenticeship](#) at the Royal Wolverhampton Trust September 2024
- Apprenticeship Opportunities at [Barlows](#). For more information contact Pauline Elsley: pauline.elsley@barlowsuk.co.uk
- L3 Apprenticeship in Childcare. Contact: blossomchildminding@gmail.com
- [Apprenticeships with Airbus](#)
- [Apprenticeship in the army](#)
- [Apprenticeship in the RAF](#)
- [Apprenticeship in the NHS](#)

To find out more information about local and national apprenticeships visit: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship>

Taylor Shaw Catering Menu – w/c 15th April 2024

Green Earth Monday

- Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Garlic Bread Slices (V)
- Delicately spiced Veggie Chilli with Rice (Ve)
- Panini Selection / Veggie Cheeseburger (V)

Tuesday

- Pork Sausage with Homemade Mashed Potatoes
- Macaroni Cheese (V)
- Panini Selection / Pepperoni, Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- Baguettes

Wednesday

- Roast of the Day with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
- Savoury Vegemince with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy (V)
- Panini Selection / Hot Chicken Salad Wrap

Thursday

- Sticky BBQ Chicken with Noodles
- Home baked Vegetarian Lasagne (V)
- Panini Selection / Pork Sausage Hot Dog

Friday

- Sustainably sourced Battered Fish Fillet with Chips
- Quorn Sausage with Chips (V)
- Panini Selection / Southern Fried Chicken with Fries

UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:

- 17th & 18th April – Year 11 Photography Exam
- 18th – 20th April – DofE Silver Training
- 24th & 25th April – Year 11 Art Exam
- 1st May – Year 8 HPV Vaccination Clinic
- 9th May – Year 11 External Exams Start
- 9th May – Year 7 Keeping in Touch Evening

Click [here](#) to view our Term Dates.

NEWS

Click [here](#) to view our latest news articles.

Why not also follow us on Facebook [@SirJohnTalbotsSchool](#) for a wealth of content, from student, staff, and school celebrations to competitions. We encourage you to get interactive with our posts!

To hear about news from across the Trust, why not also follow [@MarchesAcademyTrust](#).

