

Dear Families,

It's been an exciting week here at SJT, where we have welcomed students and families from Years 5 and 6 into the school for our Open Evening. It was fantastic to see familiar faces returning to us and new families visiting for the first time to see what 'Achievement Through Caring' looks like on the ground. As with all school events, the students were the real stars of the show, helping as tour guides and volunteers across all our subjects. Particular thanks must be given to two of our Sixth Formers, Arthur, and Steph, who were exceptional advocates for the school and the community. We see the Open Evening as the start of the transition process and look forward to supporting our students and families through the journey in the coming months.

Enrichment

At Sir John Talbot's we offer a wide variety of extra-curricular activities. These are not compulsory; however, we do encourage all students to select at least one of the many activities on offer. Our Autumn Term enrichment has begun and has been shared with students in school, please find the link here: [Clubs & Enrichment - Sir John Talbot's \(sirjohntalbots.co.uk\)](https://www.sirjohntalbots.co.uk) Should students choose to participate in any of our after-school clubs, they need to ensure that they have communicated this with you so that you can account for their whereabouts and safety. Please ensure any pre-booked transport has also been informed.

Transport

Students travelling on buses or Local Authority provided transport MUST wear seatbelts on their journey to and from school and trips. Staff are reminding students of this daily if you could also remind your child(ren) of this. A reminder for any students who travel in Taxi's, that it is the family's responsibility to notify the provider/ Taxi company if there is a change to your travel requirements such as your child being unwell or attending an afterschool club. Your support in both above matters is appreciated, thank you.

Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 17th October 2024

Our Sixth Form Open Evening is open to all students currently in Year 10 and 11 from Sir John Talbot's School as well as students from our wider community. More information to follow.



Mr Tim Stonall
Headteacher

Timetable w/c Monday 23rd September 2024 – Week B

Student Support Week 3 Focus: Keeping Children Safe Online

The following **NSPCC** advice is for **parents and carers** to help keep children safe online.
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

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.

Sorrento and Pompeii Parent Information Evening

A reminder that we have a parent information evening in the School Hall on Monday 30th September for all Latin students who are booked on the Sorrento and Pompeii trip in October. The event will start at 5pm and all information regarding the trip will be shared at this meeting, including confirmation of flight times and times for families to drop off and pick up their child from school. If you are not able to attend this event, please email Admin@sjt.mmat.co.uk as soon as possible and we can forward the information to you via email following the meeting.

The Harbour – Mr A. Hawke

This week, students in Year 8 and 9 had an important assembly on "Ban the Banter" with Miss Webb, EDIB Ambassador. The theme of the assembly was ensuring that students know the impact of discriminatory language against protected characteristics, including race, sexual orientation, and disability. This week, I have also enjoyed reading students' suggestions for the rewards they would like to see in school. We will look to implement some of their ideas in the near future. Non-uniform days and food-based rewards seem particularly popular! Finally, I would like to thank all students who gave up their time to support our Open Evening on last night. They were a credit and helped showcase SJT at its best to our current and prospective families.

U15 Shropshire Cricket Tournament

Well done to our U15 Girls Cricket team who took part in the Shropshire Cricket Tournament last week and came runners up.



Taylor Shaw Catering Menu w/c 23rd September 2024

Green Earth Monday

Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Garlic Bread Slices (V)
Creamy Vegetable Pasta Carbonara (V)
Panini Selection / Hot Pasta Pot of the Day (V)

Tuesday

All Day Pork Sausage Breakfast, Tiny Tater Hash Browns
Sweet & Sour Veggies with Noodles (V)
Panini Selection / Hot Chicken Salad Wrap

Wednesday

Roast of the Day, Roast Potatoes & Gravy
Vegemince Pie with Mashed Potatoes (V)
Panini Selection / Pepperoni, Cheese & Tomato Pizza
Baguettes

Thursday

Creamy Chicken Korma Curry with Rice
Veggie Chilli & Rice (Ve)
Panini Selection / Buffalo Hot Dog

Friday

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

The Quay – Mrs A. Elms

Year 11 students engaged in their assembly this week about "Banning the Banter". They were mature, attentive, and understood the approach we are taking. It has been great to hear from many of our Year 11 students who have proactively started the term with a clear revision plan. This will prove invaluable as they complete their first set of mock examinations next half term.

Year 10 pupils have made a solid start as they embark on their GCSE journeys. Assemblies have focused around 'stepping up' and 'making the right choices' as we continue to work on providing the right environment for them all to thrive.

One Voice

On Thursday, twelve students from across the school attended the annual One Voice launch conference at Theatre Severn. They were joined by over one hundred students from schools across the Trust. Students listened to two keynote speakers about this year's themes – Community involvement and cultural identity. The team then brainstormed ideas of projects they could lead before feeding back to all attendees. Community involvement was decided on with lots of ideas... Watch this space!!



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- 21st September – DofE Silver Expedition Snowdon
- 23rd September – DofE Gold and Silver Expedition Evening Presentations
- 27th September – Year 12 Geography Fieldwork trip to Crewe
- 30th September – Latin trip Parent Information Evening
- 1st October – GCSE Drama trip to Theatre Severn

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

NEWS

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

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