



Dear Families,

Remembrance Day

On Monday, students and staff at Sir John Talbot's School showed their respect for Remembrance Day by reflecting together in their classrooms to remember those who gave their lives with a two minute's silence. Students from community groups attended school in their respective uniform and took part in the laying of a wreath in the School Hall. The children were a credit to both you and the school and I commend them.



Mock exams continue

Our mock exams continue next week for both Year 11 and Year 10. On the whole, student's behaviour and application has been excellent this week. It is imperative that students remain silent before, during and after the examination and this will be the key focus for next week. It is also important that students use the mocks to prepare themselves for the real thing. Exams can be stressful, so learning to manage workload and expectations is another key learning from mocks. Students will be receiving feedback from class teachers, but the official 'mock result day' will be on the same day as our Year 11 Keeping in Touch' Evening which takes place on Thursday 12th December.

Christmas Bingo Night at Sir John Talbot's School!

Get ready for some festive fun at our Christmas Bingo Night on Friday, 29th November! Doors open at 6:30pm, with eyes down at 7:00pm for a night of bingo, great prizes, and lots of laughs. What's on offer:

- Bingo with fabulous prizes
- A great raffle with more chances to win
- Tasty refreshments to enjoy during the evening

All generously sponsored by Taylor Shaw, we are looking forward to a fun-filled evening for all ages! Mark your calendars and bring your family and friends along for an evening full of festive cheer and winning chances! We cannot wait to see you there!



Mr Tim Stonall
Headteacher

Road Closure Extended – 7th to 18th November 2024

We have been informed that the Prees Road closure has now been extended to 18th November between 9.30am to 4pm. Please allow sufficient time for your journey.

Timetable w/c Monday 18th November 2024 – Week B

Cake Sale

This Tuesday, 19th November, our Anti-Discrimination Club will be holding a cake sale to raise money for a chosen men's health charity. Throughout the day, students will be learning about the importance of raising awareness of charities that support the wellbeing of men and boys. Please donate any cakes to Humanities and remember to bring in some money for this really important cause.

The Shore – Mr Davies

It has been a week of performance in Year 7 with lots of our students involved in the full cast rehearsal for the school's production of Oliver. Seeing so many of our Year 7 throw themselves into life at SJT is wonderful to see and links brilliantly to the exciting trip we have coming up in the next few weeks. On Friday 29th November, we will be visiting the Festival Drayton Centre to see the pantomime 'Mother Goose', getting us into the holiday spirit! Letters have been communicated home this week and we are starting to collect payments for this trip. Please contact the school if you have not received the letter.

Sixth Form

Students in our Sixth Form have had a brilliant opportunity to attend an inspirational talk from a former RAF Tornado Pilot, Mandy Hickson. Speaking about her experiences as one of the first female fighter pilots, Mandy delivered a fascinating session on the importance of staying calm under pressure and making her way in the elite world. Students who attended the session benefitted from her insights on the key themes of hard work, determination, and self-belief.

The Harbour – Mr Hawke

This week, I would like to celebrate more sporting success for our students in the Harbour.

Well done to our Year 8 Boys Rugby team, who became joint North Shropshire 10 aside Rugby Champions last Tuesday. I am told there were some fantastic performances from Dean H, Archie J and Epeli N in particular.

A huge well done to our Year 8 boys, who were declared **champions** in the North Shropshire Cross Country event last week (Mason D, Jack B, Epeli N and Archie J who lost a shoe in the process)!

A big well done to our Year 9 boys who came runners up in the North Shropshire Cross Country, we'll get them next time!

Finally, well done to our Year 8 and Year 9 girls, both teams finished in the top 3 for the North Shropshire Cross Country!



The Quay – Mrs Elms

Students in Year 10 and 11 have successfully completed week 1 of these mock examinations period. Overall, their conduct has been excellent and their focus around revision has been great to see. The end of term recognition trip was launched at the end of last week. Further to student voice, the majority of both year groups chose a trip to the Trafford Centre, Manchester. The trip is now live on ParentPay. We look forward to recognising many of Year 10 and 11 students for their hard work this term.

A huge well done to our champions who participated in the North Shropshire Cross Country event:

Y10/ 11 Boys: Champions
(George D, Bryn L, Finlay M, Joe N)



Y10/ 11 Girls: Champions
(Ava H, Sophie B, Maisie B, Ellie C)



Student Support Week 9 Focus: Talking to children about Racism.

Racial discrimination or racism is when someone is treated differently because of their race, ethnicity, nationality or colour. Any type of racism or racial discrimination is abusive and distressing for children and young people who experience or witness it.

The following NSPCC advice is to support parents and carers in understanding how to talk to children about race and racism, and how to support a child who's experiencing racial bullying. [Talking to children about racism](#)

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.

Road Safety

It is important that students are reminded of the need to keep safe and be aware of their surroundings when travelling to and from school or being out socially in their communities. With the dark night's drawing in, please ensure that students cycling to school are wearing clothing that ensures they are seen to other road users. They must wear a helmet, and bikes should have lights. For more information on road safety and bikeability training, please click on the link here: [Road safety | Shropshire Council](#)

Taylor Shaw Catering Menu w/c 18th November 2024

Our Autumn Menu and Tariff can be found on our school website in the Family Information section which is located under School Life. Or you can click on the direct link here: [Menu-Autumn-Winter-2024.pdf](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- W/c 18th November – Mock Exams Wk 2of2 Y11 (Y10 English Literature 19th Nov)
- 29th November – Year 7 Rewards trip Mother Goose Pantomime
- 29th November – Christmas Bingo
- 5th December – Sixth Form cultural trip to York

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