

Dear Families,

Secondary Uniform consultation outcomes

Back in the Autumn, as a Trust, we asked families for their views on some aspects of our uniform code and you responded. We have been working through a process of change, refining and sense checking a new uniform code and can now share this with you to support any purchasing over the summer - **ready for a launch in September**. Please see changes in the link here: [Uniform code changes for Autumn Term 2025-26.pdf](#)

Our current and summer uniform which should be worn for the remainder of the summer term can be located on our website [here](#). Updates to our uniform pages on the website ready for the September launch will be made in Summer 2 which commences 2nd June 2025.

Year 8 Keeping in Touch (KiT) Evening – Thursday 15th May 2025

Our Year 8 Keeping in Touch Evening takes place on Thursday 15th May 2025, details on how to book appointments have now been shared. If you have not received the communication regarding this, please contact our Data Manager, Mrs Elkin: Bryony.Elkin@sjt.mmat.co.uk

Year 7 Keeping in Touch (KiT) Evening – Thursday 5th June 2025

Our Year 7 Keeping in Touch Evening takes place on Thursday 5th Junel 2025. Details will be sent out in the next couple of weeks, but for now, if you could save the date, please.

Catering balances

Our tills in the dining room are unfortunately still unavailable, but the Trust IT staff are working hard to reconnect them. Paper records have been kept, and we will shortly be in a position to update ParentPay with historical charges for meals. We expect tills to be back up and running over the next few weeks, until then, please ensure your child's account is topped up. Thank you for your patience.

Mr Tim Stonall
Headteacher



Timetable w/c Monday 12th May 2025 – Week B

One Voice – Bradbury Day Centre

The One Voice team visited the residents of Bradbury Care Centre again this week as part of the Trust One Voice project on improving community involvement. This week's activity was keeping the centre active with some of Jo Wicks' workouts. After the workout, students then chatted with residents about their families involvement in the Second World War and the VD celebrations.



Eco Council

The Eco Council have got their work cut out in their newest project of clearing the weeds out from the old vegetable garden!! A very enthusiastic group of KS3 students made a start this week.

Our Eco Council are currently on the lookout for gardening equipment, to help with their project. If you have any unwanted gardening tools, items or vegetable seeds, they would be gratefully received by our Eco Council.

If you would like to donate any items, please kindly drop them off at the main reception, thank you.



The Shore and Sixth Form – Mr Davies

Over Easter, our Year 7s completed a mini-project in Science linked to their work on Eco-Systems. Following close advice from the Royal Horticultural Society, they were encouraged to collect wild flowers to see the variations within an eco-system. It's been wonderful this week to see their work come back, particularly the beautiful flower pressings that can be celebrated and exhibited in the Science department. The work is a great example of students thinking about their learning outside of the classroom and applying it to the real world. A big thanks to Mr Stanyard and the Science team for bringing it together.

Sixth Form

Our Year 12 students have been working diligently for several weeks to prepare high-quality CVs in advance of their mock interviews which took place this week. Their commitment and effort have been evident, and we're pleased to share that the interviewers were highly impressed with both the professionalism of the CVs and the confidence and maturity students demonstrated during their interviews. It's been a valuable experience that has helped them develop essential skills for their future careers.



The Harbour – Mr Hawke

This week in The Harbour we are once again celebrating student sporting success! Anwen (Year 8) recently played for the U15 Loughborough Lightning curtain Raiser matches. She was asked to play in two matches, where both the Loughborough Lightning and Manchester Thunder senior squads and coaches were watching. Well done to Anwen on her continued sporting success!



Harry, Ryley, Joe (Year 9) and Mason (Year 8) represented Prees in their victory over Oswestry in the cup final last weekend. Harry was awarded Player of the Final - a fantastic effort and well done to all SJT players!

Please keep your good news stories coming - it is always one of my favourite parts of the week finding out what our talented students have been achieving outside of school.



The Quay – Mrs Elms

Year 11 Art students sat their exams over two days this week. They worked tremendously and created some fantastic artworks. I am sure they are delighted with their efforts and relieved it is completed. The theory exams commenced this week for Drama, Latin and Business. It was great to see all students focused during their preparation sessions. The first exams are always the hardest as nerves can be in abundance, our students just need to remember, they have worked hard and will be rewarded.

A huge thank you to Sainsburys in Whitchurch for donating some breakfast items for our Year 11 students who will be attending breakfast revision clubs over the next 7 weeks in preparation for their GCSE exams! A great boost for students to start the day. A reminder existing after-school sessions have now ended and the final after-school revision sessions will be as per the student preparation plan communicated by email on 7th April with paper copies also provided to every student.



This weekend will be the final opportunity for our Year 10 students to complete any last minute revision prior to their Paper 1 English Literature exam on Monday. The English team will be available on Monday from 8.15am in the English classrooms with breakfast items.

Student Support Week 29 Focus: Physical Abuse

If someone deliberately hurts or injures you or another person, it's physical abuse. You might be told that it's your fault, or that they're punishing you. But nothing makes it okay for someone to hurt you. Abuse is never your fault. The following [ChildLine](#) website provides further information and support for anyone that may have suffered from physical abuse.

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.

Our Curriculum

At SJT, our curriculum is at the heart of our school vision and built upon the foundations of our values: excellence, integrity, empathy, creativity, and equality. We encourage our students to have awareness of their journey of learning in each subject with learning journeys so they can navigate through the curriculum alongside their teachers. For more information, please click on the link here: [Our Curriculum - Sir John Talbot's](#)

Taylor Shaw Catering Menu – W/C Monday 12th May 2025 – Week 3

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- 8th May – 19th June – Year 11 GCSE Exams
- 15th May – Year 8 Keeping in Touch (KiT) Evening
- 19th May – DofE Bronze Sandstone Trail Walk
- 19th – 20th May – Year 8 HPV Vaccination Clinic
- 23rd May – Sixth Form Leavers BBQ

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

NEWS

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