

Dear Families,

Community

At the start of the half term, the local community came together for a Food and Drink Festival on Jubilee Park. The SJT Senior band, Ultraviolet Harmony, had the opportunity to perform a set of songs to a wide audience. They played a mix of upbeat pop tunes and classic rock hits, and even a few sing-along numbers which kept the crowds entertained. Applause and cheers filled the park after each song, showing just how much everyone appreciated the talent and effort of the young musicians. It was a joyful day of music, laughter, and community spirit that left everyone smiling.



Thank you to Whitchurch Hockey Club who gave up their time during our half term week to remove the current kickboards on the Astro and replace them with brand new ones.

Parent Voice – Teenage phone use

Back in the autumn as a Trust we consulted with our families about uniform and have made changes to the uniform code from September. **We would now like to ask for your thoughts on another topic - Teenage phone use.** This is in the news with more understanding about the use of smartphones on developing brains. If you could help us by completing our survey which takes approximately 5 minutes, **please click on one of the links in the flyer here by 16th June:** [Parent Voice - Phone Survey - June 2025.pdf](#). If your child is in Year 6 at one of our Trust primary schools we apologise that you have received this survey twice and ask where possible that you complete

The Great SJT Bake Off – House Competition

Our House competitions continue next week with a bake off! Students are encouraged to create a cake or selection of small cakes based on the theme 'Summer.' Categories for this competition are 'Best presentation/ design' and 'Best taste/texture/flavour' both relating to the theme. If your child would like to partake in this competition, they should take their creations to the Food Room (DT7) by 9am on Friday 13th June, clearly labelled with their name and form group.

Collaboration Day – Friday 20th June 2025

As advertised on our term dates, students are calendared to study from home on Friday 20th June 2025 as part of our Trust Collaboration Day. This day enables us to bring together key thinkers and leaders from across our schools to develop Trust strategy together. This work benefits all children and young people and moves our Trust toward our shared goals. Information on student study will follow next week.

Catering Balances

I am delighted to advise that our catering till systems are now back up and running again. Thank you for your patience whilst essential upgrades have taken place. We are now working with our till providers to ensure that the outstanding balances appear on your ParentPay accounts shortly. In the meantime, we kindly ask that you ensure your child's account has sufficient funds to cover their meals during the period of 19th March – 6th June 2025.



Mr Tim Stonall
Headteacher

Timetable w/c Monday 9th June 2025 – Week A

The Shore and Sixth Form – Mr Davies

Despite the wet weather, we were thrilled to welcome so many families to our Year 7 Keeping in Touch evening last night. As we work diligently in preparation for our new Year 7s in September, it was wonderful to reflect on the fantastic progress our current cohort have made this year and celebrate their successes along the way. Their enthusiasm for school and learning shines through on a daily basis, and it was a great opportunity to recognise the strengths of our school community. We are grateful for your support, time and commitment and look forward to continuing to see the students grow and succeed during their time with us.

Mrs Lewis, Progress and Transition Lead Year 7, has been busy visiting Year 6 pupils in preparation for their transition to Sir John Talbot. On her visits she talked about the Shore and how valuable this had been in allowing our Year 7's the space to feel confident and comfortable in their new surroundings. She also shared how proud we are of our current Year 7's and how successful and smooth their transition had been. Year 6 pupils are excited and ready for the new challenge ahead and we cannot wait for them to join us for our 3-day transition event at the end of this month ready to show them the SJT way.

Sixth Form

On Friday 23rd May we held our leavers celebration for our wonderful Year 13 students. Students celebrated with a BBQ and had their last ever SJT assembly to reminisce on their memories throughout their time at school. Students had a lovely afternoon and were wished all the best for their exams which they have worked incredibly hard for. We look forward to celebrating their achievements with them on results day, Thursday 14th August.



The Harbour – Mr Hawke

This week, Year 9 Bronze students had their first taste of navigating for real when they completed their training walk along the Sandstone trail in Cheshire. It was a beautiful day and the views across the Cheshire Plain were amazing. All the groups did really well, and if they did go the wrong way when navigating they soon self-corrected self-corrected and got back on the right track!

It has been a pleasure to welcome back all Harbour students for the final half term of the academic year. This week, we have shared updates to our uniform policy with students with a positive response to the changes. Year 8 have continued their form group assemblies, with 8GC giving an inspiring presentation on "resilience" about the racing driver and aspiring paralympic athlete Billy Monger. Year 9 students have received their GCSE Options offer. Please use the electronic form sent to all parents and carers to accept or request any changes. Finally, I would like to remind families that new planners (£4) and pencil cases with all required equipment (£1.65) are available to purchase at main reception. Individual stationary items can also be purchased from reception.



The Quay – Mrs Elms

It was wonderful to see our Year 10 students getting active this week in their House Rounders competition. There was some great participation with excellent teamwork in supporting their Houses. Well done to the winning House Blakemere! Year 10 were introduced to the revision curriculum during their afternoon mentoring session this week to build excellent revision skills in preparation for their mock exams which commence on Monday 23 June. This will be followed with all Year 10 being on work experience placements the following week (30th June). Students will then return on Monday 7th July where they will graduate into Year 11 (black jumpers).

Year 11 have returned from a well-earned break and continue with their GCSEs. They have a busy full week of exams ahead. On Friday morning students will sit their Chemistry exam which will be followed with a Physics preparation session ready for their exam on the following Monday. The leaver's assembly will take place on Friday afternoon followed by shirt-signing and distribution of leaver's hoodies. All students will be permitted to leave school at 2pm.

Student Success

Well done to Beth in Year 11 who completed the Pretty Mudder run at Weston Park in May. Beth and her team have managed to raise a staggering £3,000 for Cancer Research whilst having fun in the mud.



Student Support Week 32 Focus: Racism and Racial Bullying

It's illegal to treat people differently because of their race or culture. If it happens to you, remember - no one has the right to make you feel bad or abuse you for who you are.

The following [ChildLine](#) website provides further information and support on how to cope with and report racism and/or racial bullying.

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 9th June 2025 – Week 1

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:

- 2nd to 19th June – Year 11 GCSE Exam continue
- 12th June – BBC Good Food Show
- 13th June – Year 11 Leaver's Assembly
- 19th June – Year 11 Prom

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



NEWS

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