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Talking Heads 🕡

Dear Families,

Year 11 Prom

It was a genuine privilege to attend the Year 11 Prom last night at Hawkstone Park Hotel. Our students were such a credit to the school. They all looked fantastic. Despite the hot weather, they danced until late and really made the most of their last formal event together as members of our school. In the Leaver's Assembly, Mrs Elms, Assistant Headteacher, shared the video from their first day of school after lockdown when they made national news on the BBC. So many of our students have been on a journey from Year 7. We are so proud of our students and to see them talking and sharing stories with staff last night was a credit to 'Achievement Through Caring.' I shared with them the Kurt Hahn quote:

"There is more to us than we know. If we can be made to see it, perhaps for the rest of our lives we will be unwilling to settle for less."

In this spirit, we hope we have played our part in helping them go on to great things in their future. Good luck Year 11 – class of 2025!

Weather/ uniform

This week we shared that staff have been asked to ensure students are comfortable in school with the warmer weather. Students are required to arrive in uniform and if it is excessively warm the removal of ties will be managed in school. Students are not required to wear their jumpers in the summer term, tailored shorts and short sleeved shirts can be worn. Students should bring a full refillable water bottle and wear sunscreen.

Details of our uniform code can be found on the school website here: Summer Uniform

Morning Drop Off

Please could we remind families not to wait on the entrance to the main car park during the morning drop off (indicated by an inward arrow). This is blocking up the access needed for the buses and causes tailbacks on the road. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Headteacher

Friday 20th June 2025

Timetable w/c Monday 23rd June 2025 – Week A

The Great SJT Bake Off

Thank you to all the students who participated in our Great SJT Bake Off! Your creativity, hard work and delicious treats truly made the event a sweet success. It was great to see so much enthusiasm and talent on display, and we appreciate the effort each of you put into the categories given. Well done to our winners: **Design:**

Oscar, Year 7 (Whixall Moss), Poppy, Year 8 (Alderford), Flynn, Year 9 (Ossmere) Taste:

Lyla, Year 7 (Alderford), Alicia, Year 8 (Redbrook), Alison, Year 10 (Blakemere)



The Shore and Sixth Form – Mr Davies

Our Year 7s have spent some of this week writing postcards to students in Year 6 as part of our transition process. It has been wonderful to see and hear their reflections on what to do to settle into life at SJT and how confident they feel in the environment. The wisdom they have been able to pass onto students has been really inspiring and is an important part of the journey in reflecting on the progress they have made and also supporting our next cohort in following in their footsteps. As the end of year assessments for Year 7 draw to a close, they have also coped exceptionally with those, showing maturity and calmness across the board.

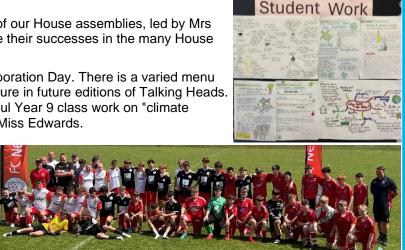
Sixth Form

This Friday marks our very last A Level exams with our Y13s working diligently right to the very end. Their conduct and attitude have been nothing short of exemplary throughout the whole process. We are already looking forward to their results day in August, where we know they will be rewarded with success and in a fantastic position to kick on to their next destination. In a similar spirit of next steps, an invite to our Y11s has gone out this week for their Sixth Form transition days on 7th and 8th July. This is a great opportunity to get familiar with the Sixth Form set-up from September and get a taste of what the Year 12 lessons will be like.

The Harbour – Mr Hawke

This week in The Harbour we have seen the welcome return of our House assemblies, led by Mrs Southern. This has given students the opportunity to celebrate their successes in the many House competitions we have run throughout the academic year.

I look forward to receiving examples of student work on Collaboration Day. There is a varied menu of activities for students to pick from, with opportunities to feature in future editions of Talking Heads. To get the ball rolling, I have included a photo of some beautiful Year 9 class work on "climate change", kindly shared by our Deputy Director of Humanities Miss Edwards.



Student Success

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Our Year 9 students in the Whitchurch Alport U14's recently travelled to Neufchâtel to compete in a football competition. The U13's and U14's played in two tournaments, composing of 15 games in total and although Neufchâtel FC retained their trophy, Whitchurch Alport had a fantastic weekend and were a credit to the team, club and their families. Well done!

The Quay – Mrs Elms

Year 11 have completed their final exams this week. It has been a very busy seven weeks of exams and our students have shown dedication, hard work and a huge amount of resilience. They deserve the longest Summer break they will ever have. Thank you to the families of Year 11 for their support over the last five years, it has been



very much appreciated. Students were able to celebrate in our Year 11 prom last night and we look forward to sharing more details and photos in next week's bulletin.

The Year 10 Food and PE students visited the BBC Good Food show last week. They experienced many different types of food from different cultures. There were experienced and celebrity chefs demonstrating cooking delicious different dishes from scratch. A great experience to support our students with their GCSE courses.

A reminder Year 10 students will be completing their mock exams next week followed by a week on a work experience placement.

Congratulations to Dennis, Katie, Isaac, Callum, and Ashdon in Year 10 on completing their first year at Reaseheath College and successfully achieving their assessments.

Student Support Week 34 Focus: Drugs and Alcohol

You probably can't stop your child from coming into some contact with drugs and alcohol, but by staying as informed as possible, you can help them make the right choices when they do. The following <u>FRANK advice</u> is designed to help parents and carers understand how they can best support their child with concerns and issues linked to drug and alcohol misuse.

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: <u>Our Curriculum - Sir John Talbot's</u>

Taylor Shaw Catering Menu – W/C Monday 23rd June 2025 – Week 3

Our Spring Summer 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: <u>Menu-Spring-Summer-2024-25.pdf</u>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Click here to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:

- 19th 21st June DofE Silver Qualifying Expedition
- 20th Collaboration Day School closed to students
- 26th 28th June DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition
- 30th June 4th July Year 10/12 Work Experience

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