

## Dear Parents and Carers

### Awards Evening

The highlight of the week and term has to be the Awards Evening on Thursday night attended by so many of you. This year the number of guests attending this event was fantastic, I'm sure Mr O'Toole would be happy to build an extension! He opened the evening talking about his vision for the school and its values: *'My goal is for all students to find their own pathway and to have a goal or aspiration.'*

### Futures Award

We have had the first presentations for Futures Award to Year 8 students. They have achieved Apprentice Level which is fantastic. To achieve this level they had to complete tasks demonstrating Leadership, Organisation, Resilience, Initiative and Communications (LORIC), 2 tasks from each. I expect many more students to reach this level in the new term and will be holding a separate Awards Evening to celebrate Futures.

### School Council

As we approach the end of term members of the council will be asked to consider summer uniform. We have held back in the past due to costs but we are happy to discuss suggestions. School Governor Mrs Peggy Mullock will attend this meeting to hear the discussions. If students can come up with a smart alternative at low cost, we will be happy to consider it. Parents input is welcome so please send your comments/suggestion to me via email: <mailto:gclackin.o@sjttc.org>.

### Year 7 and 8 Exams

Students have now completed end of term exams in all subjects and teachers will be giving out results shortly. This is a very important part of the process of students learning how to conduct themselves in a formal exam situation. You will be receiving the final Progress Check of the year for your child and this coupled with exam results will give you a very clear picture of the progress made. If you have any concerns please contact your child's tutor.

### Ms Glackin, Assistant Headteacher

### Year 7 Festival of Sport

This event took place last Thursday where 350 students from the Marches School joined 96 students from SJT in a Festival of Sport. Pictured below is one of the many fun activities students took part in. This was a fantastic event and hopefully one to be repeated.



### Year 9 Cake Sale

Year 9 students baked cakes in aid of Cancer Research, which is an excellent and worthy cause. SJT students are pictured with Mrs Phillips from the Marches School who is working closely with us sharing good practise across the Trust.

### Reminders

School letters may now be emailed out to relevant parents/carers via the 'In-Touch' system. If your child is absent for any reason, please let us know by 8.30am. Call the School on 01948 660600 and choose option 1. Please leave your child's name, tutor group and reason for absence. Please remember to inform us if you have changed any of your contact details, including email address.

### Recording of telephone calls:

We wish to advise you that calls to and from the school, may be recorded for training and monitoring purposes.

### Greenfields Care Home Visit

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June a selection of students from Year 7 and 9 went to Greenfields Care Home in Whitchurch to provide drama and music entertainment for the residents. Acts included "SJT Hasn't Got Talent!" a mini play called "Gallstones" featuring Jack Hammer, "The Wink Winkerman Show" featuring Big Foot as well as a beautiful flute and clarinet performance, with solo and duet singers. Our students, as always, were a pleasure to take out and both the residents and our students gained a lot from the experience.



### Fundraising

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June Latin students held a cake sale with Mrs Scott to raise money towards their trip to Vindolanda and Hadrian's Wall in September.



### Chicken Coop

Year 7 students Harri Heeley and Charlie Field and Year 9 students Charlie Smith, Sam Houghton, Matthew Jackson and Joe Pattenden have helped rejuvenate the chicken coop and we now have three hens and one rooster kept and cared for by the students. Below are the before and after pictures of the area.



### Sailing Club

After six weeks of training on land and on Whitemere Lake students successfully completed their six-week sailing training. All six students are now able to sail singlehandedly and do so with ease. The students gave an impressive display of their skills and talents to parents and staff. SJT is incredibly grateful for such an outstanding delivery of training from the club.



### GCSE Ready

Miss Webb prepares Year 9 students for GCSE Ready. This activity in assembly demonstrated leadership, organisation, resilience, initiative and communication. (LORIC). These students were very successful at the challenge set for them.



### Shrewsbury Taster Sessions

Year 10 students took part in a taster session at Shrewsbury College which included aspects of plumbing, engineering and welding.



### Cambridge Latin Course

A number of Year 8 girls have recently passed their graded test for the end of book 1 in the Cambridge Latin course. Pictured below with their certificates are Amelia Benbow, Lucy Craig, Emma Craig, Chloe Lloyd, Zara Leary, Betsy Holmes and Oliwia Michalowicz.

