

Dear Families

We feel very proud of our school and the momentum that we have. Our GCSE results have seen a huge positive shift, our attendance figures are really positive, and the behaviour and learning that our students are experiencing daily is superb. Uniform plays a large part in this. It shows our students belong to us and we want our students to wear the uniform with pride.

Research shows that the best schools have the best uniform, and there are many links to show that school standards are supported by good uniform.

As part of this I would like to remind families as the cold and damp weather approaches that coats are a really important item for our students. There are guidelines on the website around these, but we do not want students wearing hoodies in place of coats in school. They do not keep students dry and we have school jumpers to keep them warm. The heating will be on high as the cold weather approaches!



Mr Jim Taylor
Headteacher

Shrewsbury Academy House System

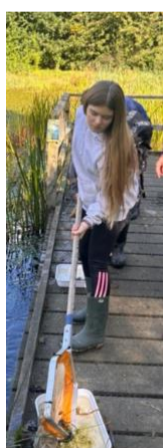
In the coming week, all students will receive their house membership badges. Students have named, chosen and designed their own house names and logos. The houses have been named Mazan, Attenborough, and Watson. Students will be able to wear their badges in school earning house points for various events and positive behaviours.

The house system will also underpin competitions, such as sports days and encourage participation and belonging. We are really proud of the work that students have put in to developing this. House captains will be chosen and appointed, and more exciting news will follow. Further down the bulletin there are details of one of the first interhouse football competitions that all students can get involved with. Thank you so much to both Miss Verrelli and Miss Weaver for their work on this and the rewards systems in school. Look out for the many competitions and events this year to earn house points.



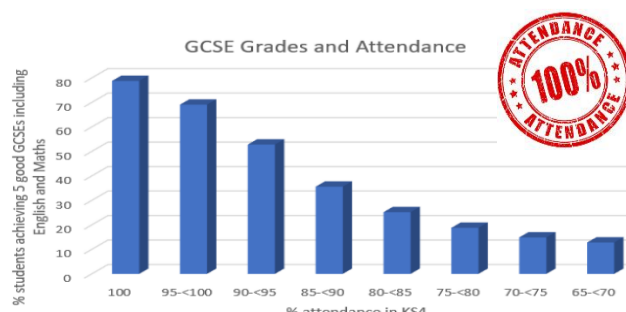
Student Inclusion

Shrewsbury Academy is working with our other Trust schools to ensure that all students have opportunities to engage in learning, both in and outside of the classroom. The Trust have created MATi, our new inclusion strand. MATi organises weekly offsite learning opportunities that some of our students are now taking advantage of. This week our students investigated invertebrates including a water scorpion at Preston Montford. This innovative curriculum is designed to help students engage and thrive in a less formal environment.

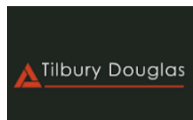


Pupil Attendance

This week 8A, Mr Dobson's form won the highest attendance award at 98%. They were rewarded with pizza and form time was mini celebration of their achievements. Research shows there is a massive link between pupil attendance and GCSE success. We push hard to ensure that students are in school all of the time. We are now duty bound to decline holiday requests in term time by government and local authority guidelines. The impact of this is positive in the long run for our students, with significantly improved GCSE grades. We want to ensure that every door and every option remains open for our students when they leave us and access the next stage of their education. Well done 8A!



Dawn of New Horizons. Sunrise over Shrewsbury Academy.



As pupils continue to take advantage of our new facilities, work continues on the extension. This week our builders, Tilbury Douglas, took this photo of the sunrise over Shrewsbury Academy. It's a stark reminder that in just a matter of weeks this significant investment will be available to our students. We have been without a library for a number of years and the reinvestment in this space, enabling us to rightly focus on pupil literacy is huge. Reading underpins any student's ability to engage with their learning. We already focus on this extensively, however the new Pupil Resource centre will reinforce this significantly and benefit our students hugely. There are not too many weeks writing this bulletin, that I don't include the fantastic photos of STEAM club. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). The extension invests in this area of the school significantly with nine new Science laboratories a suite of Technology and Maths classrooms. All of these will be state of the art and delivered with brand new technology.

Interhouse Competitions at Shrewsbury Academy



Autumn 1: PE interhouse competition: FOOTBALL. If students would like to sign up, they need to come down to the PE department to put their name down on the team sheet for their year group.

The competitions will run afterschool from 15.10-16.10pm.

YEAR GROUP	DATE/S	ACTIVITY	WHERE	WHEN
Year 7	Monday 7th Oct	Girls Football	Prima Play	Afterschool
	Tuesday 15th Oct	Boys Football		Afterschool
Year 8	Friday 11th Oct	Girls Football	Prima Play	Afterschool
	Friday 11th Oct	Boys Football		Afterschool
Year 9	Tuesday 15th Oct	Girls Football	Prima Play	Afterschool
	Wednesday 16th Oct	Boys Football		Afterschool
Year 10	Tuesday 15th Oct	Girls Football	Prima Play	Afterschool
	Wednesday 16th Oct	Boys Football		Afterschool
Year 11	Monday 11th Oct	Boys Football	Prima Play	Afterschool
	Tuesday 15th Oct	Girls Football		Afterschool



Student Support Queries



If you have concerns regarding a student's learning needs, would like to request additional support/advice please complete the internal SEND referral form and send it to the following email address: sendadmin@shr.mmat.co.uk. Our Student Support Department are now based in the Hub area of the Haughmond Building, taking advantage of their new amazing facilities, life skills cooking area, and outdoor learning spaces. The entrance is off **East Crescent** on the South side of the campus.

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Information

shrewsburyacademy.co.uk

Family Drop-ins

How can we help you?



Scan to see locations and dates all across Shropshire!

Free information, advice and support around:

- Family Life
- Domestic Abuse support
- Housing and Finance support
- Special Educational Needs and/ or Disabilities (SEND) support
- Parenting support
- Little Stars - Baby Bank/ school uniforms
- Training and Employment support and much more

Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities). We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.



Some of our students have **severe allergies**. Please respect our drive to be a 'nut free school.' Always leave snacks and foods containing nuts at home.



Protect our children!

Parents and guardians: Our kids are now most commonly abused online, via their mobile phones and games consoles. Do you know how to keep your kids safe?

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can keep them safe. Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Scan the QR code to find out more about our awareness training and to sign up to one of our free sessions or go to www.westmercia.police.uk/exploitworkshops



NEWS

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