

Dear Parents and Carers

Mobile phones and Social Media

These two topics are frequently in the news and recently the Government Chief Medical Officer issued recommendations for parents/carers regarding keeping children safe and healthy. The recommendations include keeping phones out of the bedroom, not using phones when crossing the road, policing use of social media and restricting the amount of time spent on mobile devices and social media. Wi-Fi routers can be set allowing you to control the network. You can turn internet access off at certain times of the day and block specific URLs to deny access to certain websites. These actions can be a way of ensuring that your child is safe online. Parents should also know which photographs their children are sharing online and with whom.

Assemblies

Assemblies this week focused on public health and were delivered by Faye Middle, School Nurse. Faye informed students of the services that can be accessed which include the following: promoting healthy lifestyles, health screening, supporting with long term health conditions or disabilities such as asthma, diabetes or epilepsy. Smoking, alcohol and drugs can also be addressed. Confidential Health and Advice for Teens (CHAT) is a drop-in for students in secondary and primary schools. Students can also access services through the Single Point of Access (SPOA) by text: 07507 330346.

Resources shop

Sixth Form students will be running a stationery shop in the Social Dining area every Tuesday and Thursday during break time. Items will be sold at cost so students can pick up items such as packs of revision cards for 15p and pens for 2p. If you would like your child to purchase items, please can you send them in with small change rather than notes.

Mrs Apperley, Associate Assistant Headteacher

Young Enterprise Shropshire

SJT Sixth Form students attended the Young Enterprise March Fair in Telford Shopping Centre on Saturday. The group named 'iCan', upcycled tin cans which they showcased to shoppers alongside 13 other teams of young entrepreneurs. They were judged throughout the day by business experts who asked them about their experience on the programme, their ability to work as a team and how they came up with their idea. They managed to sell a number of products and made a significant amount of profit. Students will now attend a presentation day at the University of Wolverhampton Telford Campus where they will present their journey and be interviewed by some industry experts. Results will be announced in May as part of the Shropshire stage of the event. Products can be purchased from school reception.



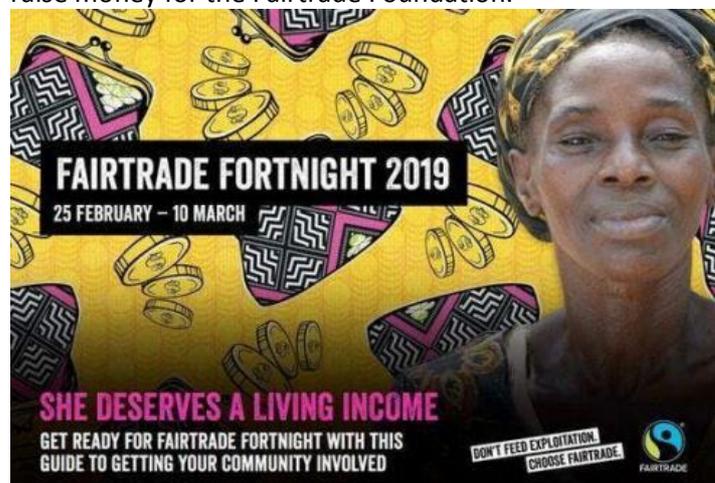
North Shropshire Hockey

Year 9 girls took part in a Hockey tournament at Ellesmere College and were placed 3rd in the North Shropshire competition which is an outstanding result. The tournament was heavily represented by strong hockey schools including Adcote, Moreton Hall and Ellesmere who were overall winners. The girls played some excellent hockey in very poor weather conditions. Congratulations to all.



Fairtrade Fortnight

Students have been taking part in Fairtrade fortnight. A celebration of the people who grow our food, who often live in some of the poorest countries in the world and are frequently exploited and paid badly. This year the cause focuses on women who grow cocoa for the chocolate we love so much. Last Friday the eco council gave away free samples of hot chocolate, fudge, banana smoothies, cookies and chocolate, which have been made using at least one fair trade ingredient. Today students sold items to raise money for the Fairtrade Foundation.



Big Assembly 2019

Brought to us during National Apprenticeship Week, Year 10 students can be seen watching the 'Big Assembly 2019'. A live video stream to thousands of students across the UK wanting to find out what an apprenticeship could mean for them with information on how to apply for an apprenticeship.



Equine Learning Sessions

Students can be seen enjoying this unique learning experience that uses interactions with horses as a means for the student to gain personal awareness. The sessions work on building confidence, improving communication, exploring emotions, healing and much more.



Whitchurch 10K

Whitchurch 10K 2019 is less than four weeks away and with hundreds of entries already confirmed, it is set to be the biggest and the best 10K we have hosted yet. The race is for all abilities, from those who are running their first 10K or those wanting to post a PB as well as for elite runners.

To register for the race, please click here:

<http://whitchurch10k.niftyentries.com/Whitchurch-10K-2019>.



Overall Winners



GCSEPod is a revision resource that Sir John Talbot's School subscribe to and is available for all year groups. It was announced this week that SJT were the winners of The Pod Games 2019; beating 77 other schools in the region and we are absolutely delighted! Students set up their own accounts on GCSEPod but if there are any issues please ask them to speak to Mrs Brown or email brown.p@mmat.co.uk.

Upcoming Events

Year 11 Photographs – 13 March 2019 1.55pm | Year 11 Parents' Evening – 28 March 2019 5.30pm

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