



5 May 2017



**SHS Life**

**The Stourport High School  
& VI<sup>th</sup> Form College**

An Academy and National Teaching & Support School

**Mr C King** MSc PGCE NPQH - Executive Principal

### **Forthcoming Events:**

**8 - 10 May 2017**

GCE & GCSE Art Examinations

**9 May 2017**

VI<sup>th</sup> Form Spring Ball  
at Spring Grove House

**11 May 2017**

Celebration Evening  
for Years 7, 8 & 9  
6pm - 8pm in School Hall

**11 - 12 May 2017**

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh  
Expedition to Malvern

**12 May 2017**

Year 8 & 9 Girls  
HPV Injections  
9am - 12:30pm

**15 May 2017**

Summer examinations  
season starts

**29 May - 2 June 2017**

Whitsun Holidays  
School will finish at 3:30pm  
on Friday 26 May 2017

Quote of the Week

**"Being honest may not get you  
a lot of friends but it'll always  
get you the right ones."**

John Lennon

**As we move into the summer term both students and teachers are working hard to prepare for examinations.** This week Year 10 have embarked on their examinations and the first GCE and GCSE examinations are scheduled to start next Monday in Art. All students and parents/carers in Years 10 and 11 have received their examination and crammer timetables for the summer examinations, whilst in Years 12 and 13 flexible study arrangements are in place to ensure students are taught right up to their final examinations.

Our Year 11 Celebrating Success Campaign is going from strength to strength with the Team Challenge and individual rewards being presented each week to recognise the students' hard work in their studies and attendance.

Staff and students from the Performing Arts Faculty have been busy preparing for the Dance Evening and performances at the 'Youth Makes Music' Concert at Kidderminster Town Hall this week. As you can see from the pictures the students performed brilliantly and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Finally, we would like to draw parents/carers' attention to our latest feature on e-Safety and managing devices under 'Notices to Parents' on the school's website. The feature offers hints and tips on how to approach some of the potential issues that arise from the use of social media and applications on your son/daughters' devices. In addition there are suggestions on how to monitor and limit online usage, whilst encouraging your son/daughter to stay safe and respect their peers in the digital world.

From everyone here at SHS we wish you a relaxing weekend.

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Executive Principal

### **Bugsy Performance at 'Youth Makes Music' Show**

Committed members of the cast of our highly successful production of 'Bugsy Malone' reprised their roles at this year's 'Youth Makes Music' Concert at Kidderminster Town Hall. The cast opened with 'Fat Sam's Grand Slam', followed by Drew Pagett as 'Cagey Joe' taking the lead with 'So you wanna be a boxer?'. Anna Rose completed the set with Blousey's tearful song, 'Ordinary Fool'. The cast were accompanied by our fabulous band which included both students and our amazing peripatetic staff. We are very proud of them all for putting on such a wonderful show.





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## SHS Student Garden Appeal

Over recent years the school's vegetable garden at the rear of the science pods has become wild and overgrown. Mrs O'Malley has devised a plan to regenerate the raised beds and greenhouse to use the area to teach students in Years 7, 8 and 9 about growing their own fruit and vegetables. This will take place between now and the end of the summer term and if it proves successful it will continue into the autumn term. Next week, the students will begin to clear away the weeds and tidy the beds, clean the greenhouse and prepare the soil with soil conditioner ready for the new plants. We are very excited to have the support of local garden centre owner, Mr Paul Cook, who has kindly donated £100 of seeds and plants to get the project up and running. If you have any surplus or unused seeds and plants to spare at home and would like to donate them to this project, please hand them in to the Student Reception for Mrs O'Malley.



## Black Belt for Ellis

Ellis Homer 8GB is continuing to reap the rewards of his hard work and commitment to his favourite sport of Karate. Having recently completed his 1st Kyu Adv in Karate, Ellis is currently competing in a number of national and international competitions. He will be a full black belt by November which will be a fantastic achievement! Well done Ellis.



## Students of the Week

**Hannah Lowe 7LP**  
nominated by Mrs N Connelly  
**Sophie Down 8TB**  
nominated by Mr J Dunn  
**Lucy Probert 9NT**  
nominated by Miss L Page  
**Chloe Jones 10ND**  
nominated by Mrs N Dowling  
**Ben Voyce 11EK**  
nominated by Mr B Humphreys

## Dodgeball Festival

For the final assignment in their two year BTEC Sports course, eight Year 13 students led a Dodgeball Festival.

Planning began at the beginning of March and every student took a role in both the planning and the delivery of the event. Over 60 pupils from Burlish Park Primary School attended the festival in the Netball Dome at SHS with the aim of taking part in the competition and having fun. Certificates were given to all those that participated and to the winning team which was the Green Team.

The sports students will now evaluate the festival

to see how they could improve as a sports leader in the future. *Student organisers for this event were:*



*Luke Maggs, Brandon Patterson, Kyle Bannister, Laurence Neill, Jessica Garland, Anaya Hagan, Holly Elliott and Georgina Harwood.*

## Colleges Competition

This week's Colleges Competition was a real success. Students were invited to knock as many skittles (plastic bottles) off the table wearing a pair of stockings, containing two tennis balls, on their head. They were given two swings to knock as many down as possible. As you can see from the picture of Mr Brazier having a practise, it was great fun.



**42% of 9 to 16 year olds accept 'friend' requests from people they do not know.**

Keep their information private. Your son/daughter can set privacy settings on most social networking sites in order that only close friends can search for them, tag them in a photograph or share what they have posted.



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