



SHS musicians 'Seize the Day' at the Stourport Civic Hall Concert

19 May 2017



SHS Life

The Stourport High School & VIth Form College

An Academy and National Teaching & Support School

Mr C King MSc PGCE NPQH - Executive Principal

Forthcoming Events:

23 May 2017

Year 10 MARS Students
Wildgoose Cultural
Enrichment Day at Top Barn
9am - 3:30pm

25 May 2017

Years 7 & 8 Enjoy, Engage &
Achieve Evening
(invitation only)
6pm - 7pm in The Hub

26 May 2017

Year 9 MARS Students
Wildgoose Cultural
Enrichment Day at Top Barn
9am - 3:30pm

27 - 28 May 2017

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh
Expedition

29 May - 2 June 2017

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

Quote of the Week

**"Replace excuses with effort.
Replace laziness with
determination and everything else
will fall into place."**

Anonymous

As the start of the examination season begins here at SHS, I am very impressed with the focus of our students. An example of this focus and the subsequent quality of work can be seen in the exhibition of A Level Art work produced by our Year 13 students, which is simply stunning!

Students in Years 12 and 13 began their first examinations this week for GCE A and AS Level subjects in business, geography and mathematics. The final assembly for Year 13 students is on Friday 26 May 2017 and they will continue their lessons until their subject examinations are completed. As a reminder, flexible study arrangements are now in place for Year 11, 12 and 13 students. Revision and subject resources, including examination papers, are available for all students on Google Drive and the shared area with a detailed revision and crammer timetable in place.

Last weekend a group of 28 Year 10 students returned from their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh practise expedition in the Wyre Forest and surrounding area, where they developed their map and compass skills on a route taking in the Worcestershire Way. Students camped overnight and enjoyed cooking their own food on a Trangia, erecting their tents and planning the route for the second day's walk. The next group are due out next weekend and we wish them well for their trip.

Our Year 11 Leavers' Assembly took place last Friday. This was an emotional occasion for some, yet a hugely enjoyable one as they reflected on their years spent as students at SHS. There were many warm wishes from their teachers and a number of old photographs to remind them of how much they have changed during their time with us!

Finally, next week we are hosting the 'Enjoy, Engage and Achieve Evening' for some of our Year 7 and 8 students, where parents/carers will have receive information on how they can help to support their son/daughter as they prepare to move onto the next year group within school.

From everyone here at SHS, we wish you all a lovely weekend.

Mr C King
Executive Principal

SHS Musicians Perform at Stourport Concert

SHS musicians represented the school this weekend at the Stourport Brass Band Concert 'Seize the Day' at the Civic Hall. It was a relaxed, fun evening with just over 100 people enjoying both the brass band and our fantastic students performing as SHS Ukcs, SHS VIth Form Band and SHS Strings with an entertaining variety of music. The band kicked the evening off with a piece named after our school motto, followed by some fantastic traditional brass band music. There were more familiar pieces on the programme including music from the film 'The Incredibles', 'Don't Stop Me Now' by Queen and '500 Miles' by The Proclaimers which included some energetic audience participation. The SHS Ukcs appeared from amongst the cabaret style seated audience to move onto the main stage while performing 'I Want To Be Like You' from 'The Jungle Book'. SHS Strings led by Harvey Goulding and the VIth Form Band started the second half with two excellent vocal performances from Will Gray and Hayley Condon. We hope to strengthen our partnership with the Stourport Brass Band in the future and thank them for their invitation to be part of this wonderful event and to perform for the local community.

SHS Ukcs: Jake Robins, Harriet Ferris, Aimee Hartin, Khyati Bhardwaj, Hayley Condon, Beth Whinder-Cartwright, Laura Winstone and Ellis Brogan.

SHS Strings: Borostyan Nagy, Harvey Goulding, Lily Rogers, Ellis Brogan and James Lampitt.

SHS VIth Form Band: Beth Whinder-Cartwright, Dylan Moreton, Hayley Condon, Will Gray, Laura Winstone, and Paul Kohl.



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Bronze Duke of Edinburgh

On Saturday 13 May 2017, we took 28 Year 10 students on their practise Bronze Duke of Edinburgh expedition. Students walked through the Wyre Forest and surrounding area to develop their navigational skills using a map and compass to identify and follow footpaths and bridleways. They then pitched up at the Frank Chapman Outdoor Education Centre in Bewdley for an overnight camp, where they practised cooking on a Trangia camp cooker, put up their tents and worked on their routes for the following day taking in the Worcestershire Way.

Luckily the weather stayed fine for the group and they gained some valuable experience which they can now use in their Qualifying Expedition in July in the Malvern Hills.

The expedition is only part of the overall Bronze programme which includes 3 months volunteering, 3 months learning a skill and 3 months participating in a physical activity such as a sport. If you are keen to find out more about joining our Duke of Edinburgh programme next year, speak to Mrs Hammond.



COME AND JOIN OUR

GARDENING

CLUB



EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL
3.45PM TO 4.45PM
FOR YEARS 7, 8 & 9

MEET IN THE SCHOOL GARDEN BEHIND HMF ROOM 90

TO SIGN UP & FOR MORE INFORMATION,

SPEAK TO MRS O'MALLEY IN STUDENT RECEPTION

Learn how to grow your own food

Year 11 Students Say Goodbye to SHS

On Friday 12 May we held a final assembly for our Year 11 students who are now embarking on their flexible study timetable during their examinations. It was a very emotional afternoon for staff and students saying farewell on their last official day in school before their GCSE examinations.

Mrs Owens, Director of Learning - Year 11: "It has been a privilege to be the Director of Learning for my lovely year group. I have watched them grow from small children to wonderful young adults and I am very proud of each and every one of them for so many different reasons. I will miss them more than they will ever know and will think of them often as they leave us and go on to achieve great things. Go and show the world what you are made of Year 11, if I think you are brilliant then everyone else will too!"

Students of the Week

Harvey Gable 7RU

nominated by Mr C Parry

Ryan Jaynes 8DC

nominated by Mrs M Harmer

Elina Rizos 9RJ

nominated by Mrs A Jäger-Jones

Simran Channa 10AJ

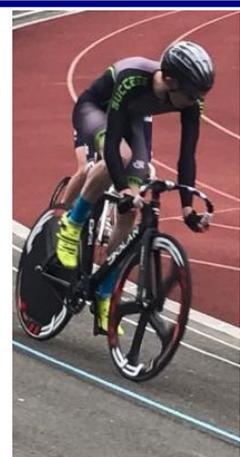
nominated by Mrs A Jäger-Jones

Jake Thomas 11SP

nominated by Mr B Humphreys

Combining Cycling Success with Revision

Year 11 student, Jamie Crump, has been combining examination revision with preparation for a national cycling final after securing a place in the National Youth Track Championship Finals at Herne Hill in July. Jamie, a rider with Success Cycling Team, only began track racing a year ago and has developed his skills in the omnium discipline quickly. This consists of five events: time trial, elimination, scratch, keirin and points race; Jamie had to compete in four Midlands events with an overall top 4 finish to make it to the national finals. The standard and quality of the top 10 track riders in the Midlands omnium series is so high that a top 6 position was a challenge and a position in the top 4 seemed impossible. After two 5th place finishes Jamie thought it was over, however a good result at Wolverhampton kept him in with a chance. In the deciding final event Jamie was 1st going into the final points race. He said: "I managed to bridge over to a breakaway of 3 riders and get a lap on most of the field. I was always confident, even up until the very last heat of the day when we were still level on points, I knew I had more to give. Although I need to prepare for the final, I start my examinations this week and need to focus on my revision and train when I can." We wish Jamie the very best of luck with his examinations and also in July with his cycling competition.



Keep talking. Stay interested in what your son/daughter is doing online and discuss what they might have come across. Do not be afraid to tackle difficult subjects like cyberbullying and sexting.



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