

26 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:

29 May - 2 June 2017

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

2 - 5 June 2017

Year 9 Football Tour to
Villeneuve Le Roi, Paris

8 June 2017

Years 9 & 10 RS students trip
to Birmingham Mosque &
Islamic Exhibition Centre
8:45am - 3pm in The Hub

8 June 2017

Year 9 Targeted Parents'
Evening
5pm - 7pm
Note: School closes at normal
time 3:30pm

Quote of the Week

**"Don't anger your parents in
order to please other people.
Those other people did not
spend
their lives building yours."**

Anonymous

This week, we are very pleased to announce that our longest standing member of staff has been nominated for the 'Worcestershire Education Awards' organised by the University of Worcester. Mr Dennis Simpson has worked at SHS for 28 years now and is a valued and respected mentor to students and staff and his dedication and service to the school will be recognised at the awards ceremony next month.

We have more fantastic sports news from last Friday when SHS Track and Field Athletes competed in the District Trials at Stourport Sports Club. 26 of our athletes successfully qualified in their specialisms to compete at County level at Nunnery Wood School next month.

Students from our VIth Form opened Hartlebury CofE Primary School's PTA Spring Fayre on Saturday 20 May with acoustic performances ranging from a jazz version of 'Love fool' to the latest Take That pop songs. They performed incredibly well and brightened up the rainy afternoon.

Students in our new Gardening Club were excited to meet Giles Kibblewhite from Kidderminster Horticultural Society who came in to school this week to share his expertise on growing our own food. In the next few weeks, the raised beds will be treated to a makeover thanks to a very generous donation of £500 from local businesses Lens Online and IGS (the two Kidderminster based manufacturing divisions of Specsavers). This money will be used to buy railway sleepers to replace the rotting timber frames currently in situ.

Finally this week, we have said goodbye to our Year 13 students with a very fitting and entertaining Leavers' Assembly and special lunch. A number of awards were presented including 'Student of The Year' which is voted for by all SHS staff. These students will continue to attend revision sessions until their examinations in each subject are completed, as the A Level examination season continues until the end of June. All students have clear plans for life beyond the VIth Form including 47 students who have applied to a wide range of universities. I wish all students the very best of luck in their quest to secure the grades they need to go to their first choice universities. Thank you to the VIth Form team who continue to provide outstanding support and guidance; each year around 90% of students are accepted into their first choice universities and the same is expected this year too. Indeed, 7 students already hold unconditional offers.

From everyone here at SHS, we hope you all have a wonderful half term break.

Mr C King

Gardening Expert Visits School

Local gardening expert Giles Kibblewhite, visited the school this week to show students how to grow their own vegetables. Giles is a member of Kidderminster Horticultural Society and Chairperson of the Kidderminster Allotments and is keen to share his expertise with our students. Students were presented with a variety of young plants donated by other allotment owners and the group have begun to plant them into our raised beds and the school greenhouse. We hope that Giles will continue to support us with this project and invite other students in Years 7, 8 and 9 to join us on Wednesdays after school.

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Recognition for our Unsung Hero

Mr Dennis Simpson began working at Stourport High School in 1988 as a Workshop and School Technician. 28 years later and 80 years young, Mr Simpson's maroon overall and toolbox are still a familiar site in the school corridors. Having served in the Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineer, he has an ex-serviceman's sense of duty, deportment and honour. People are addressed using their correct title. He gives respect to all members of the school community and it is returned without question. If there is a door that won't open, keys to be cut, locker doors that need straightening, a notice board to hang, minibuses to be serviced and maintained, Mr Simpson is always on hand to fix it. If his hours of work are up, Mr Simpson will take the job home referring to it as his 'homework'! He does far more hours than he has actually been paid for and thus over the course of his 28 years of service has saved the taxpayers many thousands of pounds.

Mr Simpson has become a respected mentor to students and staff and will be remembered for becoming the guardian of the school's history having restored the memorial board for our fallen soldiers in The Great War as well as the plaque to mark the location of the former Stourport National Boys School which was destroyed during a bombing raid in 1940. Congratulations to Mr Simpson and a huge thank you for your years of dedicated service here at SHS.



Triumph at Athletics Trials

Our congratulations goes to all SHS students who participated in the District Track and Field Athletics Trials on Friday 19 May at Stourport Sports Club. We now have 26 students going through to compete at County level on 19 June at Nunnery Wood School which is a fantastic achievement. SHS athletes out shone those from the other schools and we are extremely proud of them all:

Junior Girls:

Ella Dew 8TB - 200mm & Shot
Issey Tolley, Ellie Biggs and Millie Allen - Javelin

Intermediate Girls:

Alannah Moore - 1500m & Javelin
Charlie Kirk - High Jump
Hannah Jones - Long Jump
Hannah Wilson - Discus

Junior Boys:

Adam Barham - 100m & 200m
Josh Hill & Dan Houghton - 800m
Aston Aimes - 1500m
Fin Prendergast - High Jump
Cian Prendergast - Long Jump
Billy Smith - Triple Jump
Ben Roberts - Shot
Josh Moore - Javelin
Will Chater - Discus

Intermediate Boys:

Alex Jones - 100m
Ben Voyce - 800m
Joe Lewis & Tom Southam - High Jump
Joe Moule - Long Jump
Jake Whitman - Shot

Senior Boys:

Ed Ingram - Hammer

Young Referee of the Year

Tom Riley 13NB has been awarded the Dave Herbert Memorial Cup for Young Referee of the Year 2017. Tom received his award from the Worcestershire Referees Association at Kidderminster Harriers Sport and Social Club at the weekend and was chosen over xx fellow referees aged between 14 and 18 years old.

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Students of the Week

Winnie O'Connor 7SW

nominated by Miss J Lewis

Lily Rogers 8GB

nominated by Mr B Humphreys

Adam Flight 9IG

nominated by Miss R Jones

Reece Morgan 10ND

nominated by Miss R Ward



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