



William Brookes School
and Sixth Form

NEWSLETTER



SPORTING SUCCESS

Congratulations to the U14 Netballers on winning the South Shropshire Netball tournament! They were Sophie B, Maddie, Libby, Sophie P, Lola, Fliss, Sophie H and Mollie.

And also congratulations to the U13 girls football team on winning the Shrewsbury School Football Festival. They were Ffion, Amelie, Lexi-Lou, Lacey, Poppy, Lisbon, Aliya, Isabelle and Sophie.



WBS ART CLUB

Art Club will begin again on Wednesday 18th October. It is open to Years 10/11/12/13 initially. Year 9 students who attended Art club last year are also welcome. Art Club will be open it to Years 7 and 8 at a later date.

MUCH WENLOCK DENTAL INITIATIVE

At Twickel Dental in Much Wenlock, we provide NHS checkups for under 18 year old, and we are currently running dedicated Saturday clinics for their check-ups.



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SCHOOL**

Awards achieved

Well done to all the participants who have been working hard to complete their DofE Awards over the summer holidays. If you have put evidence on eDofE it will be reviewed by Miss McCombie before your Award can be sent for verification. Once verified we will then print and distribute certificates. If you haven't heard anything about your Award please check your emails, as if we find any issues you will be emailed telling you how to rectify the problem.

Registration

Miss McCombie is busy processing all the Bronze registrations and participants will soon receive an email with their eDofE log in details. There will also be a meeting after school on Thursday 28th September to help get new participants started.

Registration for Year 10 students to start their Silver Award is now open, the deadline is at the start of October. Information has been emailed to students and parents.

Year 12 students will receive an email soon with details about how to register.

Completing DofE Awards

Last term, lots of participants completed their Expedition section. However, the expedition section is only one quarter of a DofE Award. In order to complete their Award, participants must also complete volunteering, physical activity and learning a skill. Each section must have a report written by an assessor at the end of timescale, which must then be uploaded to the participants eDofE account. If participants are having any problems with completing their Award, please contact Miss McCombie.

If a participant is struggling to find suitable activities for their programme, many ideas can be found at www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference/activities

Please remember that program plans need to be entered into eDofE for approval before starting the activity. Once the required time has passed, assessors need to write an assessor report which needs to be uploaded as evidence to eDofE. This can be done at www.dofe.org/assessor

eDofE App

Participants can access their eDofE account via the DofE App. Participants can now set their activities, record evidence and submit programmes for approval at any time, no matter where they are. The DofE App is currently available for participants to download on Android and iOS. You can download the App by going to the Google Play Store or Apple App Store and searching 'The Duke of Edinburgh's Award'.

Open expeditions

If your child is unable to attend the school organised expeditions, then they can join an open expedition run by an Approved Activity Provider (AAP). School uses Chase Training Solutions as their AAP, and the dates of their open expeditions can be found on their website here

<https://chasetrainingsolutions.co.uk/dofe-expeditions/>

Other opportunities can be found by searching <https://www.dofe.org/opportunity-finder/>

6 WAYS SINGING CAN IMPROVE YOUR MENTAL HEALTH



Singing makes you happier

Studies have shown that singing increases the levels of 'happy hormones' oxytocin and serotonin in the body.



Singing boosts confidence

Singing is a way to get out of your comfort zone and learn a new skill, which can help boost self-esteem and self-confidence.

Singing gives you a physical workout

Singing can give your lungs a workout, you might not realise that it works your heart and muscles too.



Singing reduces stress

Singing decreases the level of stress hormone cortisol, which helps to reduce feelings of worry and sadness.

Singing makes your brain healthier

Music can help to slow down cognitive function decline as you age, as well as helping improve your memory.



Singing forms bonds

Singing together has a variety of physical and emotional benefits. People's heartbeats synchronise when singing together, which can create a feeling of calm.



Do you enjoy singing? Would you like to be involved in concerts and events in school? Ms Adams is starting a school choir which will rehearse on Thursdays after school 3.20-4.20pm in room 222

*The choir will sing a varied repertoire of popular music and music from shows, with an element of choice for you to choose what songs you want to sing. There will be an initial meeting **this Thursday** for all students that are interested, in which we will explore different song options and performance opportunities.*

	<p>Open days</p> <p>Always Check Prior to attending. Most now require you to book online prior to event.</p>
<p>College /6th form</p>  <p>William Brookes 6th Form 01952 728900 www.williambrookes.com</p>	<p>15 November 2023 6-8pm</p>
<p>Post 16 Options Road Show</p> 	<p>Impartial information event for all year 11s for local 6th forms, Colleges and apprenticeships.</p> <p>Virtual Roadshow 21 September 2023 – 30 June 2024 See Shrewsbury College website for more details.</p> <p>Post 16 Options Roadshow Shrewsbury Football Ground 2 October 2023 4pm – 7.30pm</p> <p>Post 16 Options Roadshow: Telford (Holiday Inn) 7 October 2023 9.30am-12.30pm</p> <p>Book your place at www.futurestudy.co.uk</p>
<p>Shrewsbury Colleges Group 01743 342342 www.scg.ac.uk</p> 	<p>Open Evenings</p> <p>Virtual Open evening, online 10 October 2023 from 4.30pm</p> <p>A level and Vocational Art Courses 19 October 2023 from 4.30pm Welsh and English Bridge Campus</p> <p>Vocational and Technical Courses 26 October 2023 -from 4.30pm London Road Campus</p> <p>Further Open Evenings in Spring</p> <p>Year 11 Subject Tasters</p> <p>A levels and Arts Tasters (English and Welsh Bridge) Saturday 18 November 2023 from 9.30am</p> <p>Vocational and Technical Tasters (London Road Campus) Saturday 25 November 2023 from 9.30am</p>

Telford College
 01952 642200
 01952 642237 (Student Services team)
www.telfordcollege.ac.uk



Open Events

Book online

11 October	2023	5pm-7.30pm
15 November	2023	5pm-7.30pm
31 January	2024	5pm- 7.30pm
20 March	2024	5pm- 7.30pm
19 June	2024	5pm- 7.30pm

VIP personalised tours can be booked online at a time to suit you.

Shrewsbury Town College & University



<https://www.stfccollegeanduniversity.co.uk>

01743 289177 EXT 8
 Recruitment@foundationstfc.co.uk

Shrewsbury Town Football Club (Media Suite), Oteley Road, Shrewsbury, SY2 6ST

Practical Taster session and Open Events

9 October 2023 from 7.15pm

6 November 2023 from 7.15pm

27 November 2023 from 7.15pm

11 December 2023 from 7.15pm

Further Education
 Level 2 & 3 Courses in Sport, Physical Activity and Business

Higher Education
 Degree in Sports Development, Coaching and Business

South Staffordshire College (Rodbaston Campus)
 01785 712209
www.southstaffs.ac.uk



Land based courses

Saturday Open Events

Saturday 25 November 2023
 Saturday 20 January 2024
 Saturday 9 March 2024
 Saturday 18 May 2024
 Saturday 22 June 2024

All open events are from 10am to 1pm on all sites – please book your attendance on the website!

Hands on taster days during February 2024 half term – see details on website nearer the time.

Herefordshire, Ludlow and North Shropshire College - WALFORD COLLEGE



www.nsc.ac.uk

Walford Campus (Near Baschurch, Shrewsbury)
0800 032 1986

Land based Courses

Access Sport (Formerly Coaching Connexions) (Telford ADC)



01952 640064
Contact:
sam.simmonds@accesssport.ac.uk
Mobile: 07879770950

<https://accesssport.ac.uk/>

Saturday Open Events

- Saturday 14 October– 10.00am – 12.30pm
- Saturday 3 February - 10am -12.30pm
- Saturday 15 June – 10am-12.30pm

Taster Days

These have to be booked by your current place of education.

1 December 2023

For enquiries please contact :

info@nsc.ac.uk

For aspiring young people with a desire to work in the sport and active leisure industry. BTEC L2 and L3 courses in Sport based at AFC Telford United Football Ground.

Apply here for place and/or open day invite (same form)

<https://accesssport.ac.uk/applying-for-a-course/>

- 25 October 2023 5-7pm interview evening
- 30 October 2023 1-3pm practical event (Half term)
- 7 February 2024 5-7pm interview evening
- 12 February 2024 1-3pm practical event (Half Term)
- 20 March 2024 5-7pm interview evening
- 25 March 2024 1-3pm practical event (Half Term)
- 22 May 2024 5-7pm interview evening
- 27 May 2024 1-3pm practical event (Half Term)

The interview Evenings will be at the Telford ADC football club and the practical events at the 4G pitch in Madeley, by the ski slope.



Armed Forces Careers Offices

01743 232678 (Shrewsbury Army Careers Office, RAF and Navy initial contact point)

01902 423892 (Wolverhampton Army Careers Office only)

Both open 9am - 5.30pm Monday to Friday and open in school holidays - make an appointment first.

<p>Wolverhampton College 01902 836000 www.wolvcoll.ac.uk</p> 	<p>Open days</p> <p>11 October 2023 4-7pm 13 January 2024 10-2pm 24 April 2024 4-7pm 15 June 2024 10-2pm</p> <p>For taster sessions please book/organise through Danielle Jones. JonesD@wolvcoll.ac.uk</p>
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<p><u>Incomm Engineering Apprenticeships (formerly MCMT)</u></p>  <p>Jayne Guest Recruitment Manager M: +44(0)7391015415 E: jayneq@in-comm.co.uk W: in-comm.co.uk</p>	<p>Engineering Apprenticeship Training Centre</p> <p>Open day dates.</p> <p>1 November 2023 10-2 14 February 2024 10-2</p>
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 <p><u>Telford Apprenticeship Show</u></p> 	<p>What University? & What Career? Live</p> <p>Birmingham NEC</p> <p>Saturday 2 March 11-3pm</p> <p>https://www.whatcareerlive.co.uk/events/birmingham/directions/</p> <p><u>The Telford Apprenticeship show should be in March 2024 – awaiting dates.</u></p>
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Training Providers (Apprenticeship support and study programmes to improve confidence, self esteem, employability skills, Maths and English retakes)

Further apprenticeship support is also available at Enable (once left School) 01743 276900 and all the local Colleges. Others Below.

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> - The National Apprenticeship Website.

<p>SBC Training</p> <p>01743 454810 (Shrewsbury)</p>  <p>info@sbc-training.co.uk Amanda.carpenter@sbc-training.co.uk</p> <p>Apprenticeships, in Construction, Engineering, accountancy, Digital Marketing, ICT and Business at Level 2 and 3 and Careers Support.</p> <p>www.sbc-training.co.uk/vacancies</p>	<p>Apprenticeship Support</p> <p>Contact SBC for further information and support. Workshop dates throughout the year – dates to be <u>announced</u>.</p>
<p>Juniper Training</p>  <p>01952 <u>299016</u> (Telford)</p> <p>Enquiries@junipertraining.co.uk kayley.pinches@junipertraining.co.uk Adam.Richardson@junipertraining.co.uk</p> <p>16-18 study Programme and vocational pathways, traineeships and apprenticeship support.</p>	<p>Open Day</p> <p>Wednesday 1 November 2023 3.30pm- 6pm Wednesday 17 January 2024 3.30pm – 6pm Tuesday 13 February 2024 3.30-6pm Wednesday 27 March 2024 3.30-6pm Wednesday 29 May <u>2024</u> 3.30-6pm</p> <p>Contact Juniper for further information and support and individual visits can be arranged.</p>
<p>Nova Training</p> <p>01952 243380 07951744289</p>  <p>www.novatraininq.co.uk SharonHumpheries@novatraininq.co.uk</p>	<p>Visits can easily be arranged by phoning Sharon <u>Humpheries</u> 07951744289</p> <p>Study programme, Apprenticeship support, Construction Motor Vehicle workshops</p>

<p>Landau</p>  <p>01952 245 015 (Wellington, Telford)</p> <p>https://www.landau.co.uk/ gail.smallman@landau.co.uk hayley.foley@landau.co.uk</p> <p>Study programmes/work tasters</p>	<p>Contact Landau for further information and support</p>
<p>County Training</p>  <p>0345 6789023 j.hackett@hlnc.ac.uk apprenticeships@hlnc.ac.uk enquiries@countytraining.ac.uk</p> <p>Website https://hlnc.ac.uk/apprenticeships/county-training/</p>	<p>Contact County Training for further information and support (September starts only)</p> <p>Delivering apprenticeships and work-based training across Shropshire and Telford & Wrekin (September start only)</p>
<p>JTL Electrical Apprenticeships</p>  <p>Joseph Lo 07760554035 0808 5990856</p> <p>https://jtltraining.com/about-us/location-centres/telford/</p>	<p>Electrical Apprenticeships</p> <p>At JTL Telford most courses run from September until July, on some occasions, there is the opportunity to join a group during the year.</p>

Careers Information updates



What is coming up?

The first careers event of this academic year will be taking place on Thursday 26th October at William Brookes School.

Year 9 students will be involved throughout the day working with various employers who will be delivering workshops full of information, advice, and guidance on a range of career paths. Students will also attend the Careers Fair where they will be able to talk to staff from Colleges, Universities and a plethora of employers. Years 10, 11, 12 & 13 will also visit the Careers Fair on a timed rota basis. From 3.30 p.m to 5.30 p.m we are opening up the fair for parents to attend with the students. All are welcome although there is a specific focus on parents of students in Year 10 or 11. Mel Lawrence our Careers Advisor will also be available throughout the day for students to speak to.

What has happened?

Year 11 started this academic year on Work Experience placements, a great opportunity to discover what the world of work is like, and gain new skills to support their transition to life after school. They will be completing a debrief this week.

Year 10 will be starting to think about organising their work experience placements in the coming term. More details to follow!

Additional Opportunities for Students

See the link below for some exciting career experience opportunities for students aged 12- 18.

https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url?a=https%3a%2f%2finvestin.us6.list-manage.com%2ftack%2fclick%3fu%3d42ef3d3a89e86b8375cadb9aa%26id%3d8dc877a72a%26e%3d572294416d&c=E,1,fWxzizr8KEj3m06jZpRhqkcmMUvrHa6wkLkKotB0mLzXzEjBI_NbFTN1aWVZe0KWAugB83xwHGRvN70bQxRIply_emOmkEqdcqlc-7CWAEzSorJ_WHSfBg,,&typo=1

Bike maintenance club,
Open for those whom want to learn how to fix and maintain their bikes.
In DT, on Wednesday 1515-1600
Any questions, ask Mr Thursz 😊



Monday Night Cinema at The Edge Arts Centre



- ~~11 September~~ ~~The Duke (12a)~~
18 September The Phantom of the Open (12)
25 September Fisherman's Friends - One and All (12a)
2 October The Banshees of Inisherin (15)
9 October The Lost King (12a)
16 October Top Gun - Maverick (12)
- 6 November The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry (12a)
13 November Mr Jones (15)
20 November The Fabelmans (12a)
27 November The Little Mermaid (2023) (PG)
4 December Mrs Harris Goes to Paris (PG)
11 December A Christmas Carol (1984) (U)

Tickets, priced £5 for adults and £4 concessions, are on sale at www.ticketsource.co.uk/edgeartscentre, or you can pay on the door. The bar will open at 6.30pm, with the movie starting at 7.30pm.

Visit the new [Edge Arts Centre website](#)

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Post 16 Options Roadshow

If you're unsure of your next step after leaving school next summer, don't worry: these events are perfect for you. And if you've already got a good idea of your future, these are fantastic opportunities to meet with the colleges and organisations that you are looking to join.

As well as presentations spotlighting the different routes open to you - A Levels, BTECs, T Levels and apprenticeships - we will have all the main providers of post-16 education in the region. Whether you are looking to go to university or employment, come and speak to the experts including... Hereford Sixth Form | NHS | Haberdashier's Adams | Telford College | Shropshire Youth Support Trust | Madeley Academy Sixth Form | William Brookes School | Royal Navy

Virtual Expo, online

21 September 2023, 6.30pm

Shrewsbury Town Football Club

2 October 2023, from 4.00pm

Telford Holiday Inn

7 October 2023, from 9.30am



Open Evenings

Open Evenings at SCG give you the opportunity to visit our campuses, see our facilities, and talk to teachers and current students about what our courses involve and what student life is like. College support staff will be on hand to talk to you about careers, transport and finance. You will be able to visit other areas including our learning resources centres, social spaces and cafés.

Virtual Open Evening, online

10 October 2023, from 4.30pm

A Level and Vocational Art Courses, English Bridge & Welsh Bridge campuses

19 October 2023, from 4.30pm

Vocational and Technical Courses, London Road Campus

26 October 2023, from 4.30pm

A Level and Vocational Art Courses, English Bridge & Welsh Bridge campuses

7 November 2023, from 4.30pm

Further Open Evenings in spring

Year 11 Subject Tasters

It can be hard to choose three or four different A Levels or to decide on one vocational subject, which is why we run Subject Tasters where you can try out our courses to see if you want to apply for them. These on-site events also provide you with an idea of what college life is like.

English Bridge & Welsh Bridge campuses

Saturday 18 November 2023, from 9.30am

London Road Campus

Saturday 25 November 2023, from 9.30am



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Find out more information or
book your place at
www.scg.ac.uk/events





Walford
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Taster Days & Events

Taster Days:

Taster Days will need to be booked via your current place of education.

 1st December 2023

Introduction Day:

 6th June 2024

Open Days:

 14th October 2023
10:00am - 12:30pm

 3rd February 2024
10:00am - 12:30pm

 15th June 2024
10:00am - 12:30pm



For More Information:

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LEAVING SCHOOL IN 2024? POST 16 ROADSHOW

Sponsored by
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Discover all your options for when you leave school next summer and **Find Your Future!**

ONLINE | Thursday 21 September | 6.30-7.30pm

SHREWSBURY | Monday 2 October | 4.00-7.30pm
Shrewsbury Town FC Stadium, SY2 6ST

TELFORD | Saturday 7 October | 9.30am-12.00noon
Holiday Inn, TF3 4EH

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The Thomas Adams School



Herefordshire, Ludlow & North Shropshire College



Newport Girls' High School SIXTH FORM



in October, meet the teams from...



Derwen College



County Training
part of Herefordshire, Ludlow & North Shropshire College



Please check individual event pages to see who is attending which dates

Book your place at
futurestudy.co.uk

VISIT OUR OPEN EVENTS

▶▶▶ YOUR CAREER STARTS HERE

With lots of full-time courses, part-time courses, apprenticeships and university courses on offer at South Staffordshire College, there are options for everyone. Come and meet the tutors and have a look around your local college in Cannock, Tamworth, Torc, Lichfield or Rodbaston in Penkridge.

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| ▶ SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER 2022 | 10AM – 1PM |
| ▶ SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2022 | 10AM – 1PM |
| ▶ SATURDAY 14 JANUARY 2023 | 10AM – 1PM |
| ▶ SATURDAY 11 MARCH 2023 | 10AM – 1PM |
| ▶ SATURDAY 20 MAY 2023 | 10AM – 1PM |
| ▶ SATURDAY 24 JUNE 2023 | 10AM – 1PM |

To find out more and book your place, scan the QR code or visit: southstaffs.ac.uk/open-days



0300 456 2424

enquiries@southstaffs.ac.uk

southstaffs.ac.uk





Your career starts here... Join us for an open event



5pm - 7.30pm

11th October 2023

15th November 2023

31st January 2024

20th March 2024

19th June 2024

or book a 1:1 tour

New bus routes starting September 2023

- Ironbridge - Bridgnorth - Broseley - Ironbridge - Madeley - Stirchley - Dawley - Horsehay - Lawley
- Shifnal - Priorslee - Wrockwardine Wood - Trench
- Newport - Muxton - Donnington - Hadley

info@telfordcollege.ac.uk
01952 642200






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AFTER SCHOOL

ART CLUB



AGES 8-12

WEDNESDAY 4-5:30PM


AGES 13-16

THURSDAY 4-5:30PM




COME AND ENJOY LEARNING AND IMPROVING YOUR ART SKILLS, THROUGH A VARIETY OF WEEKLY TERM TIME SESSIONS. LEARN ABOUT THE ELEMENTS OF ART SUCH AS LINE, TONE AND COLOUR, AS WELL AS A VARIETY OF TECHNIQUES LIKE DRAWING, PAINTING, PRINTING AND COLLAGE.

£8 PER CHILD PER WEEK - TERM TIME ONLY - ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 13TH & 14TH 2023



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- DAILY POTTERY PAINTING - BOOK OR WALK IN
- AFTER SCHOOL ART CLUB
- ART & CRAFT WORKSHOPS
- PRIVATE HIRE/EVENTS
- POTTERY PAINTING EVENINGS
- GALLERY SPACE
- COMMISSIONS TAKEN

OPENING HOURS:

MONDAY - CLOSED

TUESDAY - CLOSED

WEDNESDAY - 10:30-5:30

THURSDAY - 10:30-5:30

FRIDAY - 10:30-5:00

SATURDAY - 10:00-5:00

SUNDAY - 10:00-4:00



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