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# The WBSpotlight

SHINING A LIGHT ON OUR AMAZING SCHOOL

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Dear WBS families

This week, we conducted our tutor five-minute check-in appointments, which we hope parents found beneficial for connecting with their child's tutor. In a busy secondary school, parents sometimes feel they lack sufficient information about school activities. To address this, we ensured a designated time for you to meet with the tutor, who serves as the first point of contact.

We have had a busy week finalizing arrangements for the Christmas market, which will be prominently featured next week. The students have been delightful to work with on this project. Year 13 students have worked incredibly hard during their mock exams this week.

Next week, we will return to our normal 2/2/1 split schedule. In the Spotlight, you will find information about the upcoming biathlon, an event we are incredibly proud to host again this year.

Also, a reminder regarding the presentation to update the William Brookes School community on plans for the improvement of the school buildings, which will take place on **5<sup>th</sup> December from 5:30pm - 6:00pm** at William Brookes School. There will be an opportunity to ask questions, see the site as it is and to understand the journey up to this point and into the future.

Notes will be taken on the evening and will be available on request after the event.

We look forward to seeing you at the Christmas market—don't forget to wear your Christmas jumper!

Mrs Mincher, Acting Deputy Headteacher

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The Edge

BOOK ONLINE:

[WWW.TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/EDGEARTSCENTRE](http://WWW.TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/EDGEARTSCENTRE)

## THE EDGE ARTS CENTRE

MUCH WENLOCK 

What's On

Comedy



### THE EDGE COMEDY CLUB

**The Edge Comedy Club**

Sat 30 Nov | 19:30 | £15

Shazia Mirza/ Mitch Benn/ Sachin Kumarendran

Cinema



**Thelma (2024) (12a)**

Mon 2 Dec | 19:30 | £6 (5)

Cinema Live



**Cinema Live: Girl from the North Country (15)**

Thu 5 Dec | 19:00 | £12 (10)

Music



**Broad Band**

Fri 6 Dec | 19:30 | £12

Music



**Make Much Wenlock Weird**

Sat 7 Dec | 20:00 | £15

AJA, ecolagbohrsac2021 & Infernal Machines

Cinema



**A Street Cat Named Bob (12a)**

Mon 9 Dec | 19:30 | £6 (5)

**Book Online:**

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/edgeartscentre](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/edgeartscentre)  
[edgeartscentre.com](http://edgeartscentre.com)





# Extra-curricular



William Brookes School PE Department  
After School Clubs (15:20-16:30) \*unless stated



Starting Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024 until Easter 2025

For more live information please subscribe & download the squad in touch app <https://app.squadintouch.com/#register>

	Outdoor Space MUGA, Grass, AstroTurf		Sports Hall	Swimming Pool
Monday				Performance Swimming Club (Lane Swimming)
STAFF				Mrs Bagnall
Tuesday	Y7-11 Netball	Y7-9 Boys Rugby	Y7-11 Basketball	Improvers Swimming Club
STAFF	Mrs Jardine	Miss Johnson	Mr Wilson	Miss Bagnall & Mr Colong
Wednesday	Y7/8 Football	Girls Rugby	Badminton *Y7&8 3.20 - 4.10pm *Y9-11 4.20 - 5pm	
STAFF	Mr Boak	Miss Johnson	Mr Bourton	
Thursday	Y7-11 Girls Football	Y10-11 Rugby		Beginners Swimming Club
STAFF	Mr Boak	Miss Johnson		Miss Bagnall & Mr Colong
Friday	Y9-11 Football	Y7-11 Hockey	Wenlock Lightning Netball Club *Y7-9 5.00 - 6pm *Y10-11 6.00 - 7pm	
STAFF	Mr Parkes	Mr Wilson & Mrs Hennessey	Mrs Jardine	



## Dance Clubs

2024/2025



Day of the Week	Year Group	Where	Time
Monday	Year 9-11 Dance Club	Studio 2	3:20-4:20
Tuesday	Year 11 GCSE Dance Rehearsal/Revision	Studio 2	3:20-4:20
Wednesday	Year 7-8 Dance Club	Studio 2	3:20-4:20
Thursday	Elite Dance: Y7-13	Studio 2	3:20-4:20

Please come and join us at one of the WBS Dance Clubs this year.

Primary Dance and Summer Dance 2025 are coming up! Come along and be a part of our shows!

# Success outside the Classroom interview

Leo, Year 9 has high ambitions:

Ever wanted to be a professional footballer? Leo tells us about life as a player in an academy:

## **Diet**

Every morning and evening, Leo takes supplements to support muscle growth, gut health and bone strength

- Breakfast – 4 eggs for protein
- Snacks are protein bars – cooked meats (protein rich)
- Evening meal will be balanced protein and a mixture of vegetables
- Protein shake

Protein shakes might include: chia seeds, frozen berries, banana, oats, milk, honey, peanut butter, Greek yoghurt blend and eat. Like junk food? Only in moderation. Too much processed food gives Leo headaches and affects his performance – better to have pasta with a multi veg sauce (sometimes with a fried egg on top). Protein is the name of the game.

## **Fitness**

Leo trains three days a week and has a match on another. Three or four times a week Leo trains in the gym with a focus on leg strength. Pre match gym often moves to upper body strength to avoid injury.

Leo has dislocated his knee twice. This put him out of action for 4 months and 2 months consecutively. In this time, Leo had to stick rigidly to his recovery plan and attend all club physio sessions – no excuses.

## **Psychologically**

In an academy the pressure is intense. Contracts and scholarships only happen with good performance AND a good mentality. Bad games lead to self-doubt and fear that you're not good enough. What Leo has to do is rise above this – when he has football, he can't let anything else interfere. He can't let self-doubt affect him.

Leo sometimes deals with the pressure by imagining he is playing on a Sunday for fun and always remembering that he is there for the love of the game.

## **School**

School is the only place that Leo can be himself. Every other aspect of his life revolves around being a sportsman – because he can't train in school, he can be just Leo. This makes school really important to him as a place to socialise and be the 14-year-old boy that he is.

# Amazing Us!



## **Biathlon is coming to William Brookes School again!**

William Brookes School are proud to continue to honour their Olympic heritage by hosting a national Biathlon qualifier event on behalf of



The event will take place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December, with competitors travelling across the country to take part in the event. Our WBS students also have the chance to pit themselves against some of the best in the country during the event.

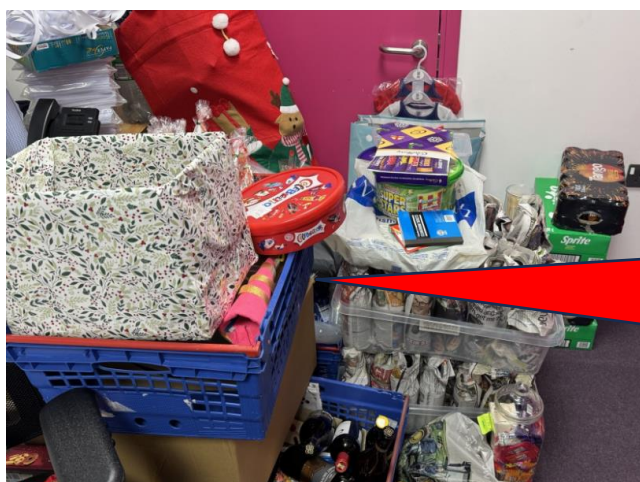
We cannot wait to host this prestigious event!

# Amazing Us!



## Christmas Market Ready!

It's been a busy week prepping for the Christmas Market!



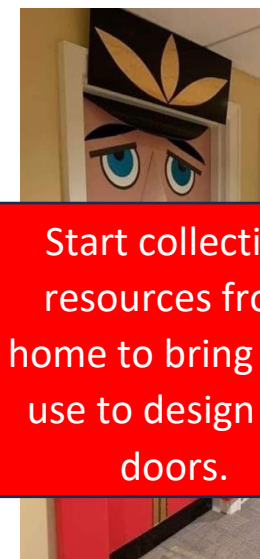
Look at Mrs Mincher office - jam packed of goodies!



# Amazing Us!



**We have launched the doors challenge! During tutor period in December... we are looking forward to seeing all the creative ideas coming through! It will get us all in the festive spirit!**



Start collecting resources from home to bring in to use to design the doors.

## Christmas Door Competition is back for 2024!

Last year WBS tutor groups created some amazing Christmas themed doors for our school competition.

This year, the corridors of WBS are going to come to life once again! You will work together in your tutor groups as a team to create your Christmas door.

Heads of Year, Hubs and SLT will be competing too and will select their team to help them decorate their office door!



## Tutor Planning

### W/C 25<sup>th</sup> Nov tutor planning

Share this PowerPoint in tutor and discuss possible ideas about what your tutor group theme is going to be. These can be drawn if you wish. Plan the resources you may need/want to bring in from home.

### W/C 16<sup>th</sup> Dec tutor plan

Door preparations can begin. Doors will be judged by Heads of Year and Mrs Shaw on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. The winners will be announced in the end of term assembly!

We are getting a head start this year to ensure you have plenty of planning time!

# Amazing Us!



**Memory Tree at William Brookes School**  
Christmas is a time of great joy. The giving and receiving of gifts and the coming together of families. But it can also be a time when the absence of those we have lost is more keenly felt.

Whether it be a grandparent, parent, sibling, friend or pet, loss is something that we will all experience in our lives, yet it is something about which we seldom talk.

This year we would like to offer everyone in our community the opportunity to remember a loved one or cherished pet by adding a simple bauble to our memory tree.

Baubles will be available from tutors next week and also from reception. You are invited to add the name of the person or pet you want to remember to the front of the bauble. Feel free to add decorations or a photograph if you would like.

Baubles can be returned to school via tutors or reception.

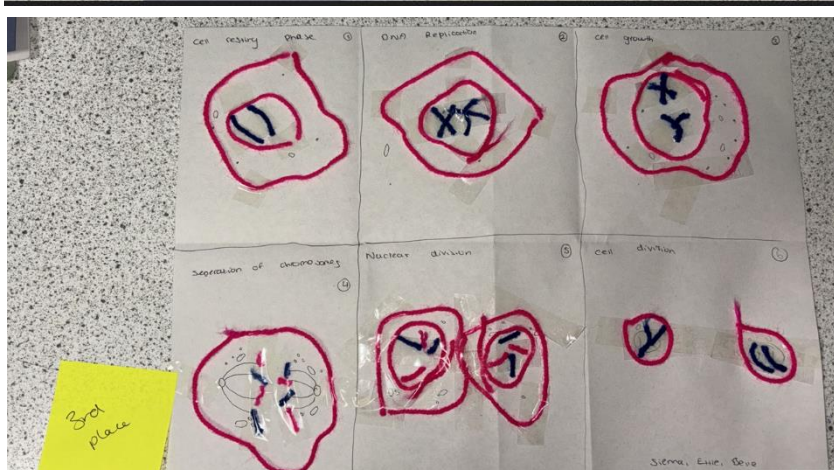
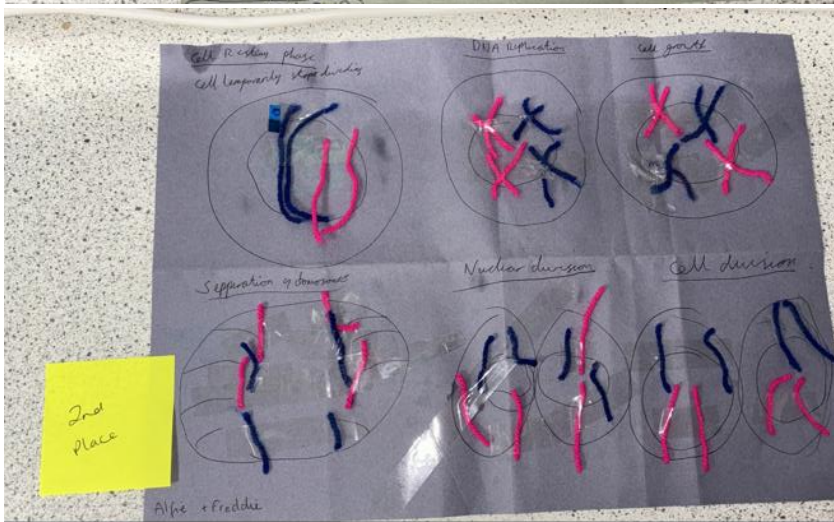
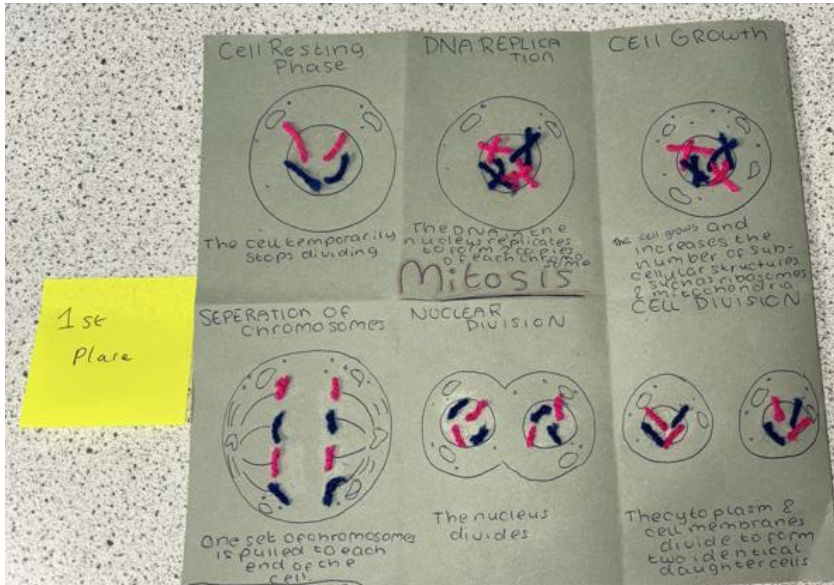
Please write your initials and tutor group on the back of the bauble if you would like it returning to you in the New Year.



# Amazing Us!



Celebrating  
excellent work in  
Biology. Year 10  
Modelling Mitosis.



# Amazing Us!



**Stunning work in MFL this week.**



## Attitude to Learning Points

Attitude to learning points are awarded every lesson for our student's engagement in lessons. Extra house points might be given for our school values: Respect, Excellence and Friendship.

The AtLs are awarded for the following:

- 4 is the highest - student's AtL is above and beyond what is expected in the lesson.
- 3 is the minimum expected- student's AtL shows student is on side and working as expected.
- 2 is not good - student's AtL is not at the minimum expectation in a lesson.
- 1 is poor - student's AtL is poor and preventing learning for themselves and others.

This week **63910** AtLs have been awarded to our student compared with **47460** last week which is fantastic to see.

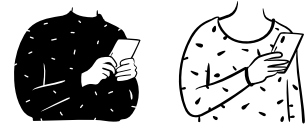
### Our top 5 students so far this year:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 13
Evelyn Macdonald	Thea Wagstaff	Freya Prytherch	Sam Dean-Smith	Darcey Phillips	James Insley
Arthur Northridge	Joel Jaimon	Milly Emery	Harry Collier	Ruby Hinds	Ray Hems
Poppy Toon	Sophie Evason	Amelia Duell	Thomas Broome	Megan Macdonald	Andreas Mitsopoulos
Tyler Griffiths	Ruby Brown	Isabella Smith	Claude Shields	Elizabeth Hill	Charlotte Ball
Illia Kozlenko	Isla Sylvester	Kitty Clark	Evelyn Dudley	Orla McCreddin	James Evans

### Top subjects

Hemmings Freya <small>Art</small>	Clark Beatrice <small>Business</small>
Bouhey Isabel <small>Dance</small>	Blackband Kate <small>Drama</small>
Oldham Hannah <small>Health &amp; Social</small>	Causer Isabel <small>History</small>
Darler Ruben <small>Music</small>	Perry Joshua <small>PE</small>
	Dudley Evelyn <small>RE</small>

# Mobile phones



- No mobile phones seen from 8.45am to 3.20pm.
- In bags and not in pockets.
- Any mobiles seen in pockets or being used will be confiscated until the end of the day.
- Repeat offenders will need to hand in to reception at the beginning of the day.
- If you need to use your phone to contact home then you need to go to your Tutor, Head of Year or Mrs Caldwell.
- Please ask your parents not to contact you in the day, if it is an important message ring reception.

**Can parents support us with reinforcing this message at home. When learning, mobile phones are a distraction – hence why we do not allow them at school.**

# Calling all residents of Much Wenlock and surrounding areas!



## Have your say!

Help us and our partners understand what community, health and wellbeing means for you.

Tell us the good and not so good where you live.

We'll use what you tell us to help make things better in your area.



You know you and your community needs best, so let us know!  
Scan this QR code with your smartphone/tablet or go to:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ShropLocalCommunitiesSummer2024>



Shropshire  
together



# Calling all residents of **Broseley** and surrounding areas!



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Recent user numbers for the messaging app Snapchat currently sit at approximately 800 million  and figures from data gathering company Statista indicate that roughly 20% of those users are under 18  That's a lot of young people participating in this sprawling social media platform, many of whom are potentially unaware of the associated risks.

### [What You Need to Know about Snapchat | Free E-Safety guide](#)

That's why we're releasing this week's guide – also available in podcast format for those who want to listen on the go. It can be tricky to know how to safeguard younger users on Snapchat  but we aim to show you how, while also giving you in-depth knowledge of the online safety risks posed by this platform.



**Winter Holiday Fun and Food in Shropshire**  
***Book Now!***

Over the Winter holidays, HAF eligible children and young people aged 4 (reception class) to 16, are invited to attend free clubs happening across the county.

Food and drink will be provided at all the clubs.

A unique code and information about how to book a free place at a holiday club/s will be provided from school.

**"Safe, enjoyable, fun and great to have somewhere for children to be." Parent.**

Many holiday clubs have paid spaces available for those not eligible for HAF. Find out more:

Web: [www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/haf)  
Email: [HAF.programme@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:HAF.programme@shropshire.gov.uk)