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The WBSpotlight

SHINING A LIGHT ON OUR AMAZING SCHOOL

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Dear WBS families

This week has been truly exceptional, filled with external visitors delivering practical lessons in the Design and Technology (DT) department. We had the pleasure of welcoming Wenlock Primary School to cook pasta and sauce, and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Paul Colburn, Senior Curriculum Leader at ICAT, and Vicky Ray, DT Food Specialist, who have both done a fantastic job bringing their subjects to life for our students. This truly embodies the essence of education.

A massive thank you also goes to Kelly Harrison, our School Librarian, who organised a brilliant week dedicated to reading. As you will see, our staff embraced the challenge of dressing up as their favourite book characters, making it a delightful and entertaining experience. The competition winners will be announced in due course, but we have already received some truly beautiful short stories.

Within this WBSpotlight, you will find various letters, including information about the upcoming Parents' Consultation Evening for Year 10. Please be sure to mark the date in your diaries.

I had a lovely afternoon with the Year 7 students, crafting for our Year 5/6 Transition Easter event on 5th April. These students were instrumental in organizing the Christmas Market, and I am in the process of assembling quite a committed committee! If your son or daughter would like to sign up to help on the morning of 5th April, you will find the details within this WBSpotlight.

Have a wonderful weekend, everyone, and let's hope this gorgeous sunshine continues!

Mrs Mincher, Deputy Headteacher

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The Edge

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Harriet Dyer Sean Percival Raymond & Mr. Timpkin

Tony Vino as MC!

Saturday 29th March

Saturday 29 March 2025

Doors 18.30 Show 19.30



Saturday 5 April 2025


Doors 18.30 Show 19.30

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Extra-curricular



Dance Clubs

2025



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 7 Dance Club Studio 3 <i>Kieran Howorth</i>	Year 11 GCSE Dance Rehearsal Space Available <i>Mrs Leason</i>	Year 8 Dance Club Studio 2 <i>Kieran Howorth</i>	Elite Dance Studio 2 <i>Mrs Leason</i>
Year 9-11 Dance Club Studio 2 <i>Sixth Form Dance Leads</i>		Year 11 GCSE Dance Rehearsal/Revision <i>Mrs Leason</i>	

All Dance clubs run from 3:20-4:20pm.

Plea



Music Clubs



July

	<u>Lunchtime</u>	<u>After-School</u>
Monday	Rehearsal/Practice time	
Tuesday	Rehearsal/Practice time	Modulo Band
Wednesday	Year 7 Band	Year 8 Band
Thursday	Choir	Choir
Friday	Rehearsal/Practice time	

All years welcome.

See Ms Adams in advance if you would like to sign up for an activity.



William Brookes School PE Department

After School Clubs (15:20-16:30) *unless stated



Starting Mon 9th 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				Miss Bagnall
Tuesday	Y7-11 Netball	Y7-9 Boys Rugby	Y7-11 Basketball	Improvers Swimming Club
STAFF	Mrs Jardine	Miss Johnson	Mr Wilson	Miss Bagnall & Ms Colvine
Wednesday	Y7&8 Football	Girls Rugby	Badminton *Y7&8 3.20 - 4.10pm *Y9-11 4.10 – 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 & Ms Colvine
Friday	Y9-11 Football	Y7-11 Hockey	Wenlock Lightning Netball Club *Y7-9 5.00 – 6pm *Y10-13 6.00 – 7pm	
STAFF	Mr Parkes	Mr Wilson & Mrs Hennessy	Mrs Jardine	



Parental Trust Survey

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to introduce The 3 - 18 Education Trust annual parental survey. This survey is an important tool for the team to gather your valuable feedback and insights about all the schools in the trust and the education we provide.

We are conducting this survey to better understand your experiences and perspectives of WBS. Your input is particularly crucial during this period of change for the school, in helping us identify areas where we are doing well and areas where we can improve. By participating in the survey, you are contributing to the continuous improvement of our schools and ensuring that we provide the best possible education for your children.

The results of the survey will be carefully analysed and used to inform our decision-making processes. Your responses will remain confidential, and we will share the overall school findings with you once the analysis is complete. If you have a query or comment which requires a response, please contact the school directly at [insert email address].

Please click on the following link to access the survey:

[The 3-18 Education Trust Parent Survey](#)

We greatly appreciate your time and effort in completing the survey. We are committed to using your feedback to enhance the educational experience for all our pupils.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Ruth Shaw

David O'Toole

William Brookes School/ The 318 Education Trust



Year 10 Parental Consultation Evening – 27th March

Dear Parent/Guardian

*We are writing to you to advise that our face to face Year 10 Parents Evening is taking place on the **27th March in school from 3.30pm to 6.00pm**. The booking system will be live to book appointments from 9am on 17th March and will close on 25th March at midday to allow time to print appointment schedules.*

To access the booking system please use your Arbor Parent Portal or Arbor App. Please ignore appointments for previous school years on the booking area and only book appointments with your child's current teachers for the academic year 2024/5. Please be aware that no time slot will show to be selected when a teacher is fully booked.

We very much value your attendance, so that you can be kept up to date with the progress your son/daughter is making and how further improvement can be achieved. Our intention is to try and ensure that all parents can attend the evening, but we understand that there may be work commitments and exceptional circumstances that sometimes prevent this. If this is the case, please contact wbs-reception@wbs.318education.co.uk and we will ensure you are able to communicate with your child's teacher.

If you have any problems logging in to your Arbor Parent Portal or Arbor App – please click here for assistance - [Troubleshooting login issues - why can't I log in to my school's Parent Portal or Arbor App? – Arbor Help Centre \(arbor-education.com\)](#)

*The system allows you to book appointments with your child's subject teachers at times to suit you. May we please ask that, if possible, you **leave 5 minutes between your appointments** to ensure you have enough time to get to your next appointment on time as staff will be situated on all 3 floors of the building.*

On arrival, please head to your child's house table to sign in and collect your appointment schedule.

Should you need any further assistance with making your appointments, please don't hesitate to contact our Student Services Department via email on wbs-info@wbs.318education.co.uk or alternatively please call reception.

Kind regards

Student Services Department



Year 7 & 8 Parental Letter

Dear Parents/Carers

I am seeking a group of enthusiastic Year 7 and Year 8 students to assist Mrs. Leason and me in running an upcoming transition event. This event will welcome Year 5 and Year 6 families to participate in a range of activities, including Easter crafts, refreshments, and an Easter egg scavenger hunt!

The event will take place on Saturday, 5th April, from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Students who wish to help will need to be dropped off at 10:15 am.

The purpose of this event is to provide prospective students with an opportunity to meet some of our exceptional current students. We hope this interaction will help alleviate the nerves often associated with transitioning to "big school."

If your son or daughter is able to assist, please complete the following form: <https://forms.office.com/e/uUtM72Y45X> to provide your consent.



Thank you for your support.

Mrs Mincher and Mrs Leason



Reminder of the Year 11 After School Master Classes available for students

DAY	Lunch session	After-school session
Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Science: 221 	STAFF MEETING
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Café with Mrs Hards (215) 13:45-14:00 Health & Social Care: 101 French & Spanish: invite only or students request to attend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maths: Higher GCSE in 007/8 Further Maths: 004 English: 109 Chemistry revision online Tuesday 19:30-20.30. All students have had Teams invite. Suitable for all from Feb. Topic timetable posted on window of 214.
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Café with Mrs Hards (215) 13:45-14:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Art: 111 / 113 History: 110 or 114 or 115 Food: food room Geography: 207 Drama: studio
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Café with Mrs Hards (215) 13:45-14:00 French & Spanish: invite only or students request to attend 	<p>OCCASIONAL PARENTS EVENINGS WHICH WILL MEAN SESSIONS CANCELLED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maths: Foundation/higher GCSE crossover - invite only 007 Product Design: Mr Colburn's room Computer Science: Code Club (Mr Jeffries' room) Geography: 206 Biology with Mrs Thomas: Week B only (210)
Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Science: 221 Physics: Week B only (213) 14:00-14:25 French & Spanish: invite only or students request to attend 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English: 109 Maths: Foundation GCSE - 009 Product Design: Mr Colburn's room Business: 106 Computer Science: Mr Jeffries' room



Safer Schools/

In 2014, our school was accredited a *Safer School*. This is a school security initiative created by West Mercia Police and supported by Shropshire Council. It includes the following.

1. Forming a *Safer School* group representing the school.
2. Implementing basic security measures applicable at all schools i.e. property marking, and visitor passes.
3. A proportional pro-active approach to the security/safety/safeguarding of students, staff, visitors, premises, property and assets.
4. Establishing a procedure for surveying perceived issues i.e. an unauthorised thoroughfare or, recording incidents i.e. trespass, anti-social behaviour, vandalism. Any recorded information is then analysed, and appropriate measures implemented.
5. If there are any projects to be undertaken, they are prioritised. Following the implementation of a project, its success is monitored.
6. PSHE or education of pupils through the Police Engagement Team.

To maintain the accreditation, we have planned a *Safer School* meeting for later next term. Part of the *Safer School* process is gathering the views/concerns of parents/carers. If you have views/concerns, including any positive observations, please could you forward in writing to Reception, FAO Mrs Donna Picken, by 28/3/25 so they may be considered at a *Safer School* meeting.

Thank you.

Letter about SEND Year 6 Transition Event



03 March 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

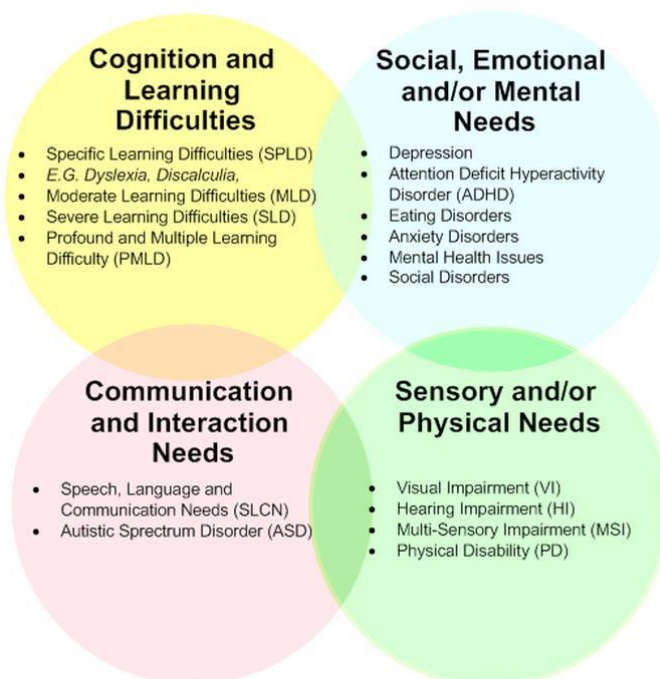
Letter Re: Year 6 SEND Transition Open Evening at William Brookes School.

We are writing to invite you and your child to attend our **Year 6 SEND Transition Open Evening**. This will be taking place on **Wednesday 2nd April at 17:30-18:30**. During this event you will have an opportunity to listen to a talk from our SENDCo Mrs Bennett, meet some of the SEND team and explore our SEND provision and wellbeing hubs. This will give you and your child and insight to the SEND support we offer here at WBS ahead of joining us in September. Please note this is an additional evening to our usual Open Evening in July and an opportunity to meet with our SENDCo and SEND team individually will come later in the academic year for those students on the SEND register at Primary school.

This event is aimed at students are on the SEND register at Primary school or who parents feel may have an additional SEND need or need support. If you feel this is relevant to you, please come along to this event and register your attendance by completing out online form by midnight on Sunday 30th March.

[Link to Form](#)

Areas of Need



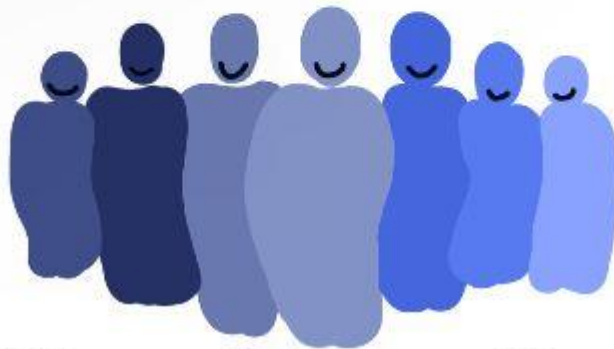
Any queries, please get in touch by emailing: info@wbs.318education.co.uk

Many Thanks

Lucy Leason
Head of Year 7

Ruth Bennett
SENDCo

Amazing Us!



Stand together™



We are delighted to announce that Hallie (7ML) has won the logo design competition for our Stand Together events. These events encompass various projects, lessons, and workshops that we organize at school, focusing on our core values of respect, excellence, and friendship.

The Stand Together events address important issues of equality and collaboration, promoting an inclusive and supportive school environment.

Congratulations to Hallie on this outstanding achievement – excellent work!

Amazing Us!



Year 10 GCSE Product Design students did exceptionally well in the Incomm apprenticeship workshop arranged by Mr Colburn this week.

All the students below showed excellent effort and respect during the workshop. The presenter was very impressed by their enthusiasm and innovation.

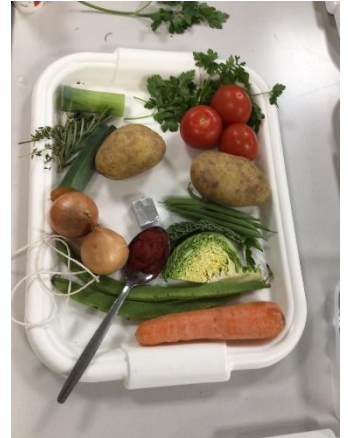
Leanne from the In-comm apprenticeship centre stayed all day and ran a workshop with classes in Year 9, 8 & 7 also, each a huge success!



Amazing Us!



Photos of our Year 10, Building links for students to GCSE Year 10 DT Food building links in order to the possibility to progress into level 3 Hospitality and Catering Telford college/Harper Adams University – staying local. A local Chef has come in and ran a workshop. As you can see by the students faces – they absolutely loved it!



Amazing Us!



Last week, we had the absolute pleasure of inviting Year 6 students from Much Wenlock Primary School to utilise our outstanding Design and Technology (DT) food facilities. This experience was designed to support their Year 6 cooking unit, particularly focusing on the use of fresh ingredients.

The students had the opportunity to make tomato pasta, which was a fantastic use of facilities that are not readily available at Much Wenlock Primary School. The children were excited and enthusiastic about using our facilities, which has inspired them to want to cook more.



#collaboration

Amazing Us!



Students at AP at Shropshire Adventure Academy!



Rowing success for Phoebe in Year 9, new to the sport came third in her race!



Amazing Us!



World Book Day 2025!



More details on the competition winners
next week ... however here are some photos to
enjoy! Its been a fantastic week focussed on reading!





These lovely students were waiting to hand in their murder mystery entries, 'Guess who' forms and/or short stories in.

[illegible]

The collage features several items related to the Sherlock Holmes franchise:

- Newspaper Clipping 1:** Titled "THE GREAT DETECTIVE Holmes does it again". It reports that three more cases solved last week, with Holmes being the key to the mystery. The article mentions a "mystery" and "three more cases solved last week".
- Newspaper Clipping 2:** Titled "A Date with Death". It reports that Holmes was killed in a car accident while on duty. The article mentions "Holmes was killed in a car accident while on duty".
- Calendar:** A small calendar showing the date 12/13/1911.
- Notepad:** A notepad with the text "ABC 123" written on it.
- Photo Album:** A photo album with three photos of Sherlock Holmes. The first photo is of Holmes in a suit, the second is of Holmes in a suit, and the third is of Holmes in a suit.

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**BOOK
DAY**

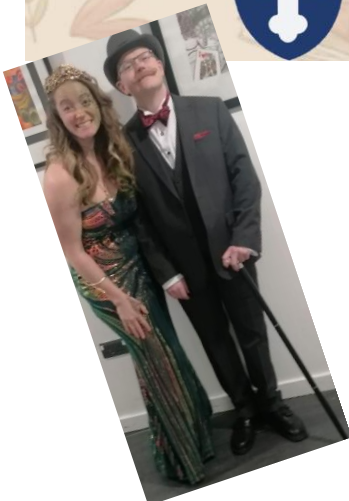
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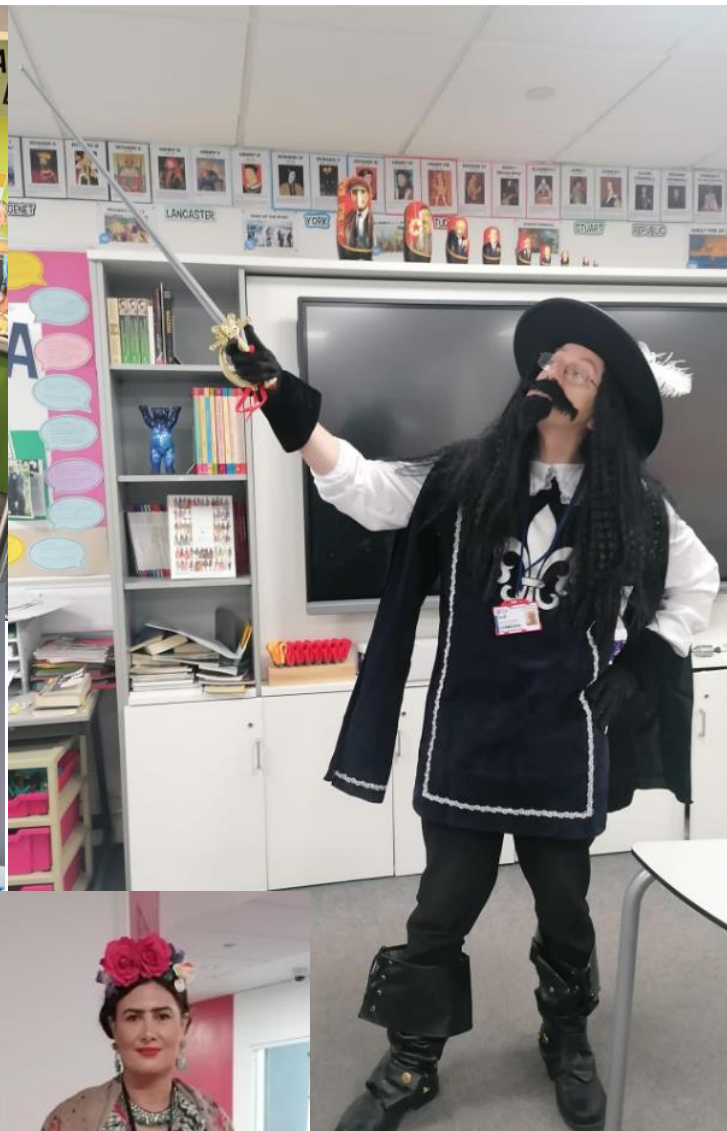
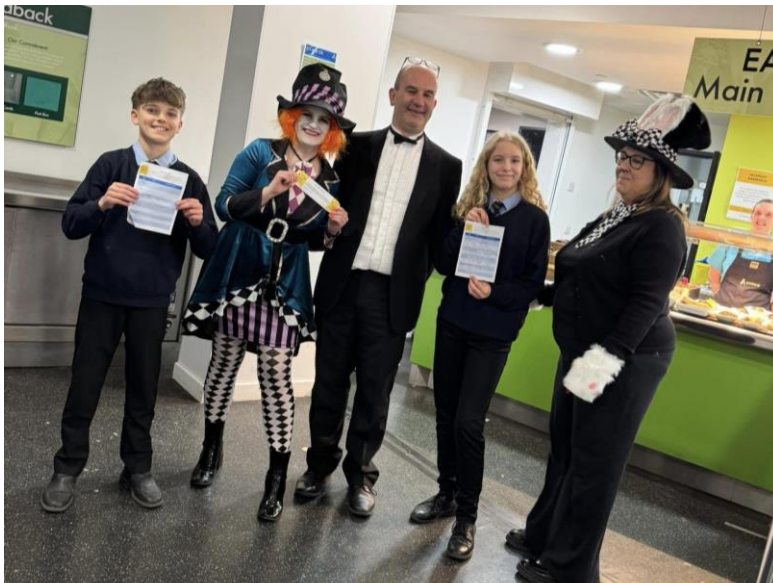
**The AMAZING team
Embracing
World Book Day**

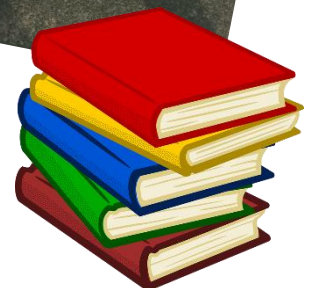
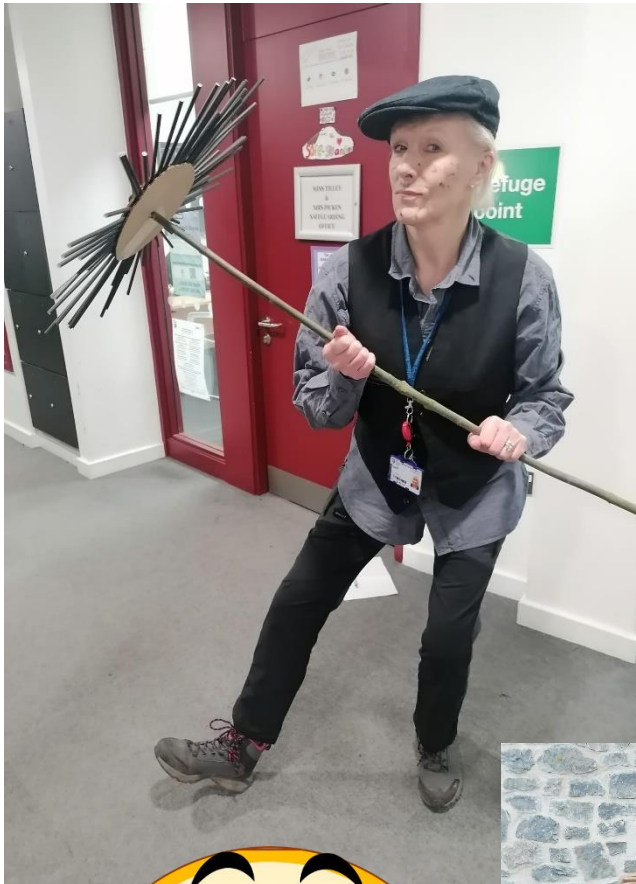


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Thank you to Miss Harrison – Librarian who has coordinated the whole week for us she has done an incredible job!





Careers & Destinations

Monday 3rd March – 8th March 2025

National Careers Week

NCW

National Careers Week takes place annually during the first week of March. It is a week filled with events and workshops, all designed to shed light on the world of work and potential career pathways. Click on the link below to find out more information.

[Welcome - National Careers Week](#)



This is what we have been doing this week.

A group of Year 11 students were asked to go to Broseley Primary School by the Mrs Killick to support and inspire students in Year 3-6 to see what life is like at senior school and what aspirations they had for their future careers.



There were two sessions, primary students had been preparing questions the week before. Our students absolutely rose to the challenge, they had a lot of questions to answer, and all enjoyed chatting and listening to them.

Thank you to all the Year 11 students who did a fantastic job they are: Ella Burton, Aimee Coxill, Martha Fisher, Isla Gibb, Zac Gould, Evan Hadley, Gracie Lucas-Garner, Samuel McCreadie, Claudia Mitchell, Maisie Pardoe, Hollie Parfitt, Ebony Price, Miranda Toone and Bethan Whiteman.

For all events for 2025 – Please check on each website that the events are still going ahead.

Telford College



01952 642237 (Student Services team)

www.telfordcollege.ac.uk

All events are 5pm-7.30pm

Wednesday 12th March 2025

South Staffordshire College (Rodbaston Campus)



01785 712209

joanna.simms@southstaffs.ac.uk

karen.burley@southstaffs.ac.uk

www.southstaffs.ac.uk

Saturday 8th March 2025 - 10am - 1pm

Aspiring Doctors Day

Monday 7 July

Education and Development Centre,
St. George's Hospital,
Stafford

Closing date for applications: Monday 31 March

Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust is offering the opportunity for students in Years 10 to 13 to participate in a unique programme for students who are considering a career in medicine.

Successful applicants will be able to take part in interactive activities which aim highlight the exciting challenges of a career in medicine, and provide insight and information regarding mental health and physical care.

If you have any questions, please email us: careerdevelopment@mpft.nhs.uk



Scan and complete the application form
<https://forms.office.com/e/m06KPLHi4s>



Aspiring Pharmacists Day

Wednesday 9 July

The Redwoods Centre,
Bicton Heath,
Shrewsbury

Closing date for applications: Monday 31 March

Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust is offering the opportunity for students in Years 10 to 13 to participate in a unique event for those who are either considering a career in Pharmacy, or who are interested in general healthcare and would like to find out more information about a career in Pharmacy and the roles that interlink.

Successful applicants will be able to take part in interactive activities which aim to highlight the exciting challenges of a career in pharmacy, and give insight and information regarding mental health and physical care.

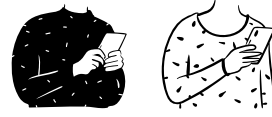
If you have any questions, please email us: careerdevelopment@mpft.nhs.uk



Scan and complete the application form
<https://forms.office.com/e/2dDLHXDAXt>



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.