

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Freedom: the right to say, behave or move about as you please.

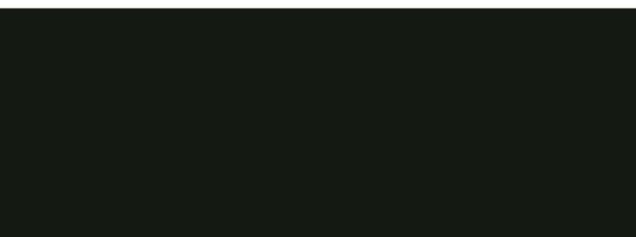
Latin: libertas

‘Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom.’

(George Washington Carver)

PRE-PREP CADBURY’S WORLD TRIP

Prior to half term the children in Pre-Prep had a wonderful experience at Cadbury World in Birmingham. We could smell the chocolate in the air as we arrived which filled us all with excitement. Before the trip, children learnt about where cocoa beans grow and the process for making chocolate. The cross-curricular links were so beneficial to the children’s learning, including Geography and History. Once we had completed our Bean to Bar workshop we headed around the factory for a tour. Of course we felt we had to sample the chocolate while we were there, and even managed to bring some home! A super day out had by all!



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YEAR 7 TRIP TO THE DARWIN SCIENCE COMPETITION

On Thursday four Year 7 pupils were lucky enough to attend the Darwin Science Competition at Shrewsbury School.

The morning began with a Science quiz which covered all aspects of the sciences: Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

In the afternoon the pupils were invited to compete in the Physics, Biology and Chemistry Laboratories. In the Biology Laboratory they had to identify animal skulls, including a lion and a crocodile.

In Physics they were tasked to make the strongest electromagnet they could and in Chemistry they had to successfully silver mirror the inside of a conical flask.

A really interesting and informative day, as well as a delicious lunch!



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HEADMASTER'S SEND-UPS

Freddie Madeley-Roe – Reading

GRIFFIN AWARDS

Silver Griffins:

Brelades: Thomas Corbett

Brown: Jack Sheldon

Gold Griffins:

Brelades: Tristan Garratt

TOP HOUSE POINT EARNERS

Senior: Frankie Gautier

Junior: Freya Collinge

PIN BADGES

Jay Barcha, Ellen Cambridge, Freya Collinge

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Exemplary manners and conduct around the School:

Oliver Colton, George James, Will Western, Alex Hartland, Hermione Heath, Arthur Squire, Jack Sheldon, Cameron Smith, Lauren Chambers, Ed Pass, Luke Bahia, Erin Mathieson, Ollie Thompson, Ferrari Catalano, Tom Ross

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club is well underway and enjoyed by those who attend. It runs from 7:30am to 8:00am, with final orders taken at 7:50am. £2.50 per session.

LIFE SKILLS AND STUDY SKILLS SIGN UP

Thank you to all those in Years 5,6,7 & 8 who have already signed up for Life Skills and those in Years 6,7 & 8 for the Study Skills modules. Both courses are proving to be very popular. If there are any further pupils in these year groups wishing to attend some or all of the modules, please sign up on the sheets provided outside the school office. We would be grateful for at least one week's notice as this will allow any course materials to be prepared in the correct quantities prior to the event.

BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK

Next week is British Science week and the theme for this year is Exploration and Discovery. To celebrate this, throughout the week, different year groups will be undergoing activities tailored around this theme.

RECORD BREAKING MOTHER'S DAY SHOP

Our hardworking Enterprisers have not disappointed for 2018, delivering a record breaking £320 profit after this year's pop-up shop. The money has been passed to Friends of Birchfield, and with the £500 already in the bank from their previous projects, our young team are excited to be delivering a whole suite of smart new boardroom and reading chairs for the library. Each chair will have an engraved plaque on the back to show the name or names of the children who have provided it. A massive thank you to our parents who donated so many wonderful items to the children, and we hope the mums enjoy their gifts on Sunday! For the rest of this term Enterprise Club members will be honing their teamwork and communication skills with a variety of competitive challenges around school.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO HAND IN YOUR HOLIDAY CLUB FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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SHREWSBURY SCHOOL ART COMPETITION

Congratulations to the following pupils who took part in the Shrewsbury School Art and Design/Technology Competition. The pupils have been invited to attend a special Winners Workshop at Shrewsbury.

Year 5

Suliaman Ahmad (1st)
Barnaby Rhodes (2nd)

Year 6

Jenson Bridges (2nd)
Catherine Clews (3rd)

Year 7

Harry Spear (1st)

WASPS NETBALL MASTER CLASS

On Monday afternoon we were delighted to welcome Renee Stoltz from WASPS Netball. Renee is a professional netball coach, having worked for the South African National Squad and our girls thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon and the opportunity to learn new skills.

RECEPTION 2018 & 2019 OPEN EVENING

On Monday evening we hosted an Open Evening for potential parents looking to join the School in 2018 and 2019. It was extremely successful and we hope to repeat the same format in the future. Thank you to both current and prospective parents who attended.

WORKING OPEN MORNING- THURSDAY, 8 MARCH

On Thursday we hosted a very busy Working Open Morning and we welcomed both current and prospective parents. We are looking forward to Open Day tomorrow; Mr Reynolds will be giving a short address at 10:30am which you are more than welcome to attend.

SPORTS RESULTS

U12 PACKWOOD NETBALL TOURNAMENT
WON 1 DREW 1 LOST 1

U9A RUGBY v PACKWOOD
WON 16 - 11

U9B RUGBY v PACKWOOD
LOST 13 - 12

U10 Hi-5 NETBALL v SHREWSBURY HIGH PREP

U10A LOST 8 - 5; U10B WON 8 - 4

U9 NETBALL v ROYAL WOLVERHAMPTON
WON

U8 NETBALL v ROYAL WOLVERHAMPTON
DRAW

COLTS RUGBY v ST BEDE'S
LOST

FENCING CLUB

Please note there is no fencing on Tuesday, 13 March for the Seniors.

There is no fencing for Juniors and Seniors on Tuesday, 27 March.

SHROPSHIRE ARROWS FESTIVAL YEARS 5 & 6 AT IDSALL SCHOOL

On Monday afternoon pupils in Years 5 and 6 travelled to Idsall for the annual Shropshire Arrows Archery Festival. Their first challenge was target and distance accuracy based. This enabled everyone an opportunity to improve and learn as the afternoon went on. By the end Birchfield did very well in all challenges; out of the twelve teams entered our three teams finished in 1st, 4th and 6th place to win this year's festival. Well done to all participants for representing the School so superbly well.

Iain Anderson

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WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK		
Date	Time	Event
12/03/2018	16:15	U13 Netball v Stafford Prep (a)
	18:30	Year 6 Parents' evening
	17:30	Condoover information meeting for parents. AA Geography Room
13/03/2018	09:00-14:00	Year 2 - Space Centre Trip - Leicester
	15:15	Senior Schools' afternoon
14/03/2018	12:15	U13 and U11 Shrewsbury High Prep Cross Country (a)
	13:00	U10 Packwood Netball Tournament (a)
	14:15	Birchfield U9 Rugby and Netball Sports Festival
	16:45	Themed boarding evening - Years 6-8 Boys - Orienteering
15/03/2018	08:40	5MD Class Assembly - parents welcome
	15:30	1st XII Rugby v Tettenhall College (h)
	15:30	Colts A Rugby v Tettenhall College (a)
16/03/2018	All day	Non-Uniform day for Sport Relief
	14:30	Leaders' Experience - Kingswood

Letters sent out this week:

Vision Screening – Reception to Year 3
 Kidzania letter (Friends of Birchfield) – Years 3 to 6
 The School Cookbook (Friends of Birchfield) reminder – all pupils
 Tennis/Football Holiday Camps leaflet (Richard Wheeler) – all pupils
 Pre-Prep Easter Assembly letter – Pre-Prep
 Play Letter – Years 5 & 6
 Kingswood Leadership letter – Years 7 & 8
 GL Assessment Data letter – Years 2 to 7
 Invitation to Senior Schools Presentation letter – all pupils
 Ski Trip letter – Years 4 to 7
 Year 8 Parents' Evening letter – Year 8

U9 SPORTS FESTIVAL

Next week we will welcome schools from all over the West Midlands to our U9 Sports Festival on Wednesday. This is always a very special event and we would be delighted to welcome parents to come along and support.

ADDITION TO THE CALENDAR

Monday, 19 March 6:30pm (Hall) – Mock Examination Review Evening for Year 8 parents

Don't forget to come along to the Senior Schools' afternoon on Tuesday, 13 March 3:15pm to 5:30pm.

Floreat Birchfield!
 Paul Reynolds

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