



Birchfield
School

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

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Understanding: the power to understand or think; sympathy or tolerance.

Latin: Intelligentia

‘Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding.’

(Albert Einstein)

CAPTAINS OF SPORT

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been appointed Captains of the following sports:

Cricket : Arthur Squire

Rounders: Lauren Chambers

Tennis: George James and Edward Pass

THEMED BOARDING EVENING

On Wednesday evening we arrived back from our match ready for a fun evening of tennis and boarding. We settled down to a delicious chicken bap and pizza supper before heading out to start our activity with Mr Wicks. We began with some warm up drills and games, before competitive rallying cross court with each other, whilst one of us received some additional advice and coaching. We finished with a game of Champions at the end of the evening before going inside and getting ready for bed. After a good sleep we woke for a hearty breakfast before getting ready for school.

Thank you to Suzanne for the lovely food, Mr Wicks for the activity and Mr Denver for looking after us.

William Jones 6AA

YEAR 5 ORIENTEERING TRIP TO CARDING MILL VALLEY

Last Friday the Years 5s spent their day navigating the Shropshire Hills. Equipped with a map and compass they ran around the valley looking for posts that had letters written on them. It was a timed task and Angelina and Jocelyn arrived first at the finish line. After a spot of lunch we moved onto the next, more challenging event, orienteering in the Upper Valley. We covered a larger distance, climbed higher elevations and took in some wonderful views. All in all it was a splendid day and the weather was kind to us.

YEAR 7 SHAKESPEARE WORKSHOP AT SHREWSBURY SCHOOL

Last Friday Year 7 went to Shrewsbury School for a Shakespeare drama workshop. It was a wonderful occasion and the children enjoyed it immensely. A fine time was had by all!

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GRIFFIN AWARDS

Gold Griffins:

Watson: Jack Tomlinson, Fynn Gautier, George James

TOP HOUSE POINT EARNERS:

Seniors: Lauren Chambers

Juniors: Maximiliano Parkhouse

PIN BADGES:

Jaya Dosanjh

HEADMASTER'S SEND-UPS

Freya Collinge – Science
Oliver Colton - Science
Robyn Duke - Science
Imogen Newbery – Science
Ranvir Singh - Science

WHOLE SCHOOL AND CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS THURSDAY, 17 MAY 2018

All children need to come to School wearing blazers. Please make sure their uniform is neat and tidy, their shoes polished and hair is brushed; girls' hair should be tied back.

LIFE SKILLS

Parents of Life Skills pupils, please note that there is no planned session this Saturday, as per the published schedule.

PRE-PREP PRIVATE TENNIS COACHING FOR ONE OR TWO PUPILS

Sam Wicks, our qualified tennis coach has available a 25 minute slot for a private tennis lesson at 3:25pm to 3:55pm every Monday afternoon, costing £10. Lessons will be taken at school in the Hall using foam balls, mini rackets and a mini net and the parents are welcome to observe.

This is a great way to embed early racket skills and it is available on a first come, first served basis. Sam will accept a single pupil or a pair for these sessions. Please contact the school office if you are interested for this term.

AMENDMENT TO THE CALENDAR

Thursday, 17 May - Years 1 and 2 Music Concert – **RE-ARRANGED FOR** Tuesday, 5 June (2:45pm – 3:15pm)

ROYAL WEDDING

Birchfield School will be marking the occasion of the Royal Wedding on Friday, 18 May. Children are invited to dress up in red, white and blue.

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SPORTS RESULTS

U13 Cricket v Shrewsbury High Prep

WON by 70 runs

U12 Mixed Cricket v the Old Vicarage

LOST by 25 runs

U11A Cricket v Shrewsbury High Prep

LOST by 2 runs

U11B Cricket v Shrewsbury High Prep

WON by 80 runs

U9 Cricket v the Old Vicarage

WON by 35 runs

U9 Rounders v the Old Vicarage

WON by 1 rounder

MORETON HALL TENNIS TOURNAMENT SUNDAY, 13 MAY

Good luck to our tennis teams captained by George James and Edward Pass who start the tennis season this Sunday at Moreton Hall.

SHROPSHIRE GIRLS DEVELOPEMENT CRICKET

Good luck to the Birchfield Girls representing Shropshire in their first match next Tuesday at Prestfelde.

SPORTS KIT REMINDER

ALL CRICKET AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT MUST be taken home on a Friday and **NOT** left in school over the weekend.

Iain Anderson (Director of Sport)

BIRCHFIELD PARENTS AND STAFF NETBALL CLUB

Don't forget to come along to the Birchfield Parents and Staff netball every Tuesday at 6:00pm on the Tiger Turf. It's a great way to keep fit!

Sign up at the School Office.

LEARN TO PLAY TENNIS – FRIDAY MORNINGS AT 8:45am

Sam has extended the Friday morning offering to players who are intermediate level or have rusty racket skills too. A great time was had by all last week and all Birchfield parents are welcome for fun and fitness on the Tiger Turf through this Summer Term. Please advise the School Office if you wish to sign up for this session.

RAISING MONEY FOR 'SURVIVORS OF BEREAVEMENT BY SUICIDE (SOBS)' AND FRIENDS OF BIRCHFIELD

Mr Anderson will be doing a sky dive on Friday, 1 June to raise money for SOBS and the Friends of Birchfield. If you wish to donate please complete the form at the School Office.

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WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK		
Date	Time	Event
14/05/2018	08:30-13:30	BBC Tour Years 7 and 8
15/05/2018	All day	LAMDA Exams
	18:30	Year 4 Parents' Evening (Hall)
16/05/2018	14:30	U13 Cricket v Prestfelde (h)
	14:30	U11 Cricket v Prestfelde (a)
	14:30	U12/11 Girls Cricket v Prestfelde (h)
	14:30	U9 Rounders v Prestfelde (h)
	14:30	U9 A and B Cricket v Prestfelde (a)
17/05/2018	09:00-11:00	Whole School and Class Photographs
	15:30-16:30	Years 1 and 2 Music Concert - POSTPONED
18/05/2018	All day	Royal Wedding Celebration Day - non-uniform red, white and blue
	14:45	Grandparents' Assembly and Afternoon Tea
	16:45-17:45	Study Skills

Letters sent out this week:

Audiology letter – all pupils
 Summer Fete letter from the Friends – all pupils
 Visit to Tutbury Castle letter – Year 3
 Visit to Chester letter – Year 5
 History Trip letter to Warwick Castle – Year 7
 BBC Trip letter from the Friends – Years 7 & 8
 Play letter – Years 3 and 4

Floreat Birchfield!
 Paul Reynolds

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