



8 January 2016



The Stourport High School & VIth Form College

An Academy and National Teaching & Support School

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Forthcoming Events:

**Thursday 14 January
2016**

Years 7 & 8 Praise Trip
Bowling at Worcester

Friday 15 January 2016

Deadline for Year 11
applications to VIth Form

**Week Commencing
18 January 2016**

Year 10 MFL Oral
Examinations



I would like to wish everyone a happy New Year as we look forward to another fantastic year. Thank you to all parents and carers for ensuring our students have returned to us this week smart, punctual and well equipped for the term ahead.

A priority for Year 11 students at the moment is making a decision about their future plans for next year. A series of events and activities have taken place over the past year aimed at preparing students for when they complete their GCSE studies including taster lessons, meetings, careers guidance, assemblies, workshops and our Open Evening in October. The deadline for applying to our outstanding sixth form is now upon us and applications need to be submitted by Friday 15 January 2016 to tutors, Student Reception or any of the sixth form team. Interviews will be taking place on Tuesday 26 and Wednesday 27 January 2016. Appointment times will be communicated in the week beginning Monday 18 January 2016. All students are fully aware of the impending deadline and are encouraged to get their application in as soon as possible.

We are delighted to report that a vast majority of our current Year 13 students have been busy completing their personal statements in readiness for applying to universities through UCAS. Two students, Sophie Turbutt and Alex Mapp, have applied to Oxford and Cambridge respectively having attended interviews just before Christmas. Alex is awaiting news from Cambridge to study Chemical Engineering and I am pleased to announce that Sophie has been made a conditional offer of 3 'A' grades to study history at the University of Oxford. A further 17 students have applied to Russell Group universities, the most prestigious universities around the country. We eagerly await confirmation of their applications this term and offer all students our very best wishes. The UCAS deadline is Friday 15 January 2016 and students will start to receive offers after this date. On Thursday 3 March 2016, parents/carers of university applicants are encouraged to attend a UCAS Finance presentation in the sixth form hall at 6pm.

All information about our sixth form including the prospectus and application form can be found on our website www.shs.worcs.sch.uk. Alternatively, please contact Chris Parry, Director of Learning - Post 16 on 01299 872950.

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Looking for a gift for the hard working VIth former and Year 11 student?

Why not buy them a book suggested on the VIth Form Wider Reading List? All titles offer an alternative perspective on the subjects students are studying from how viral contagion spreads in zombie thrillers for our biologists to iconic novels in French for our linguists. Fiction not their thing? Try 'The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat' if they are interested in strange but true psychological case studies or 'Surely You're Joking, Mr



Feynman' for a series of anecdotes and true stories about the famous physicist who helped create the atomic bomb during World War II. There is something for every subject and reading these books will not only help broaden horizons,

deepen subject knowledge and help with UCAS and job applications but might actually be enjoyable too! The wider reading list can be found on the school website here: <http://www.shs.worcs.sch.uk/Sixth-Form-News-and-Events>.

Fantastic news for Alex Cook

in Year 13. Alex has won the Young Sportsman of the Year Award for Worcestershire. He is a dedicated hockey player, keeping goal for the England under-18s and the Stourport First Team. Alex gives up a huge amount of time to coach and mentor younger players at the Stourport Hockey Club.



Accelerated Reading Programme

Year 7 have done it again!!! Year 7 students are at the top of the school in the Accelerated Reading Programme. - Well done Year 7 for your fantastic reading habits.



Top tip for developing your reading skills with friends...

Read something together, borrow two copies of the same book from ALF or give each other your favourite books. This way you can discuss what you have been reading and compare your favourite part of the book.

Individual High Scorers

Randle

Year 7 Jess Shaw
Year 8 Meg Mason
Year 9 Kiava Brookes
Year 10 Megan Butcher
Year 11 Xiola Johnson

Bridgford

Year 7 Khyati Bhardwaj
Year 8 Bethany Savage
Year 9 Angel Childe
Year 10 Maria Marcou
Year 11 Anjani Bhardwaj

Glover

Year 7 Emilio Bianco
Year 8 Josh Stokes
Year 9 Bethan Griffiths
Year 10 Hollie Bedford
Year 11 Despina Panteli

York

Year 7 Alexis Warren-Ruff
Year 8 Bethany Roberts
Year 9 Harry Chambers
Year 10 Libby Connolly
Year 11 Kyra Bates

COLLEGE POINTS UPDATE



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