



The Word

THE BEST FROM EVERYONE, ALL OF THE TIME

21ST OCTOBER 2022

Headteacher's Roundup

I can't believe it is half term already. This past 7 weeks have flown by with so many highlights, our students make me proud to be their Headteacher every single day.

This week year 11 have focussed on their futures. Visitors into school gave them a special look at apprenticeships and flavour of what they could expect if this was a path they chose. This was closely followed by fantastic careers fair. This is an annual event which is held jointly between ourselves and Langley school.

Our year 7 and 10 both had PSHEC days this week. Topics covered by year 7 included influences on identity and "My online identity". They also discussed rules, fairness, rights and responsibilities. Year 10 had very informative sessions on their rights online and offline, risks and online etiquette. They held discussions on the roles and powers of the police and the judiciary.

Our sports stars were showing their prowess on the netball court this week

against Arch Bishop Ilsley. Year 7 won 8-1 and year 9 won by a resounding 16-0! The participation for our house competitions was phenomenal. Thank you so much for encouraging your children to get involved.

I have had the pleasure of meeting Adnan S, Jacob L, Aamani K, Reemal M, Rashi S, Husayn D, Anna W, Esha S, Gabriel W, Poppy M, Sam F, Louis O, Aiden D, Hanbi K, Ruby L, Natalie A, Mohammed T and Hasan A. This week they have all been commended to me for their excellent work and effort and have now signed the Golden Book.

Don't forget the clocks go back an hour on 30th October. With the darker nights approaching, can we please ask that students wear visible coats or bags, and that they take extra care when walking home with their phones on show.

Wishing you a restful half term.

Best wishes

Annette Kambin

Word of the Week

CONDUCT

Verb: To plan and do (something, such as an activity)


The class **conducted** an experiment in their science class.

Noun: The way that a person behaves in a particular place or situation.

Their **conduct** at the awards ceremony was excellent.

House Points Totals

The running totals for number of house points so far are:

			
12303	11427	12360	11422

Diary Reminders

All Years:

Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October – Half Term
Friday 25th November – School Closed – INSET DAY

Year 7:

Wednesday 2nd November – Year 7 Football vs St Peters (A)
Friday 4th November – Year 7 Workshop – Severn Trent
Wednesday 16th November – Year 7 Football vs Heart of England (A) – return 5.30pm
Thursday 17th November – Year 7 Netball vs John Henry Newman (H)

Year 8:

Monday 7th November – Year 8 Football vs Tudor Grange (A) – moulded boots needed

Year 9:

Year 10:

Wednesday 9th November – Year 10 Football vs Lode Heath (A) – 5.30pm – 6.00pm return
Tuesday 22nd November – Year 10 H Band Geography Trip to Brindley Place
Thursday 24th November – Year 10 L Band Geography Trip to Brindley Place

Year 11:

Thursday 3rd November – Year 11 Parents' Information Evening – Virtual
Thursday 10th November – Year 11 Football vs Lode Heath – Venue TBC

Thought of the week

International Stress Awareness Day 6th November 2022

International Stress Awareness Week was created in 2018 to raise awareness about stress prevention, following the establishment of Stress Awareness Day in 1998.

International Stress Awareness Week has developed as a major annual event focusing on stress management. Subjects this year's event will address is "Working Together to Build Resilience and Reduce Stress", and ISMA members in the UK and internationally will be engaging in dialogue

with businesses and individuals in their local areas, as well as delivering online or offline workshops and presentations, so that our key messages about raising awareness and reducing the stigma around stress and mental health can be heard locally, regionally and globally.



Literacy for Learning at Light Hall

Here at Light Hall, we recognise the importance of literacy and reading and place it firmly at the heart of what we do. Literacy is the ability to **read, write, speak and listen** in a way that lets us communicate effectively and make sense of the world. As such, language and literacy are important for our **personal, social, cultural and economic development**. Not only that, literacy is fundamental to all areas of learning, as it **unlocks access to the wider curriculum**.

Recently, we had our first Sharing Stories activity where we joined the National Literacy Trust's **Take 10 at 10** campaign and all Key Stage 3 children read along with a member of staff for ten minutes. Our year 7 and 8 forms have also been taking part in weekly **'Wondrous Words'** competitions every week as part of their form time Literacy activities. Mr Brookes has been very pleased and impressed by the entries and would like to thank everyone for taking part, in particular the following forms for their winning entries!

For the longest palindrome (wc 20 Sep):
racecar (7DHSN, 8EMDU, 8DDSC and 8AMRO), rotator (7ASHA)

For the longest alphabetised word (wc 26 Sep):
accept (8EMDU), access (7DHSN) and bellow (7EJBA)

For the longest refractory rhyme (word with no perfect rhyme - wc 03 Oct):
cinnamon (7CGWE)

For the longest one syllable word being (wc 10 Oct):
Strained (8AMRO), Squelched (8AJHO), Scrunched (7DHSN)

For the best pangram (sentence which uses all the letters of the alphabet - wc 17 Oct):
The fox jumps over the lazy dog and he is quick and brown (8EMDu – a special mention to O Pennant in 8EMDU for this!)

Finally, we have also recently held our inaugural Literacy Information Evening for the parents of all those students who are receiving some literacy and reading support during form times. Again, a massive thank you and well done from Mr Brookes, Mrs Tolley, Mrs Starkey and Miss Klejdysz for the students' hard work this past half term.



Bedrock/Lexia too and practising your vocabulary and reading – every little bit helps! Have a great half term!

For all the parents of those students who are working hard with our Literacy and Reading programmes, Lexia and Bedrock, you will also find that there is an announcement sent out via ClassCharts, along with the latest literacy activity pack from Bedrock which contains targeted activities for Autumn and half term, covering holidays such as Halloween, Diwali, Bonfire Night and the Day of the Dead. These packs provide a fantastic opportunity to introduce and explore new vocabulary and increase cultural capital. Don't forget to keep logging into



Open Events Sixth Forms and Colleges

Local Sixth Forms		
Sixth Form	Days/times	Location
Solihull Sixth Form College 0121 704 2581 http://www.solihullsfsc.ac.uk	Open Evening – Wednesday 23 November 2022 and Monday 23rd January (5.00pm – 8.00pm) Prospective students must attend with a parent or other adult and should pre-register in advance. Pre-registration opens on the 20 th September.	The Sixth Form College Widney Manor Road Solihull B91 3WR
Alderbrook Sixth Form 0121 704 2146 http://www.alderbrooksixthform.org/	Thursday 24 th November 2022 6:00pm onwards	Alderbrook School Blossomfield Road Solihull B91 1SN
Arden Academy Sixth Form 01564 773348 http://www.ardenschool.org.uk	Thursday 17 th November Booking required Online tour is available now http://www.arden.solihull.sch.uk/sixth-form/day-saturday-16th-october-2021/	Arden Academy Sixth Form Station Rd Knowle Solihull B93 0PT
Tudor Grange Academy Sixth Form 0121 705 5100 http://www.solihull.tgacademy.org.uk/	November 22 nd 5pm – 9pm Please see website for further details https://www.solihull.tgacademy.org.uk/sixth-form/sixth-form-open-evening/	Tudor Grange Academy Solihull Dingle Lane Solihull B91 3PD
Bishop Challoner Catholic 0121 444 4161 https://www.bishopchalloner.org.uk/sixth-form	Tuesday 22 nd November 4.30pm https://www.bishopchalloner.org.uk/sixth-form	Bishop Challoner Catholic College Kings Heath Birmingham B14 7EG
St Peter's Catholic School Sixth Form 0121 705 3988	Thursday 17 th November 6pm – 8 pm https://www.st-peters.solihull.sch.uk/sixth-form-home/	St Peter's Whitefields Road Solihull B91 3NZ
Colleges		
College		Location
Solihull College 0121 678 7000 http://www.solihull.ac.uk	Blossomfield Campus Saturday 26 th November 2022 10am-2:00pm	Blossomfield Campus Solihull College, Blossomfield Road Solihull

	Woodlands Campus Saturday 26 th November 2022 10am-2:00pm	B91 1SB Woodlands Campus Solihull College Auckland Drive Smith's Wood B36 0NF
South & City College Birmingham 0800 1116311 www.sccb.ac.uk	Thursday 23 rd November 2022 4:30pm – 7:30pm. Pre-registration needed for this event at https://www.sccb.ac.uk/news-events/events-open-days/event/36-november-open-day-2022	The college has eight campuses and centres spread across Birmingham: Digbeth Campus Bournville College Campus Bordesley Green Campus Hall Green Campus Golden Hillock Women's Centre Handsworth Campus Fusion Centre Bournville College Construction & Building Services Centre
Stratford upon Avon College 01789 266 245 http://www.stratford.ac.uk	Friday 12 th November 2022 10am – 2pm Pre-booking available via https://www.stratford.ac.uk/events/school-leaver-open-event-202211/	Stratford College The Willows North Stratford-upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 9QR
Access Creative College 0800 28 18 42 https://www.accesscreative.ac.uk/	24 th October 2022 from 6pm 26 th November 2022 from 11am https://www.accesscreative.ac.uk/open-events/	68 Heath Mill Ln, Deritend, Birmingham B9 4AR
Warwickshire College Group 0300 456 0047 https://wcg.ac.uk/	Please see the website to book a space https://wcg.ac.uk/openevents Royal Leamington Spa College 9th November 2021 5.30pm - 8pm Warwick Trident College 10th November 2021 5.30pm - 8pm Moreton Morrell College 12th November 2021 10am - 2pm Rugby College Tuesday 15 th November 2021	The college has 7 campuses spread across the west midlands: Royal Leamington Spa Rugby Moreton Morrell Persore Warwick Trident Evesham Malvern Hills

	5.30pm - 8pm Evesham College Thursday 17 th November 2021 5.30pm - 8pm	
University College Birmingham 0121 604 1000 https://www.ucb.ac.uk/	Saturday 19 November 2022. College open day. 10:00AM - 2:00PM. Register your interest here https://www.ucb.ac.uk/open-days/college-open-days/	Summer Row Birmingham B3 1JB

Brindley Place Year 10 Geography Trip

As part of the GCSE Geography course, fieldwork is a compulsory requirement and data collected through fieldwork, will form the basis of the Unit 3 paper. The paper is worth 30% of their final grade. A consent form has been emailed to all Year 10 students, which must be completed by Monday 14th November 2022.

H band students and Option Group: 22nd November 2022

L band students: 24th November 2022

There is no cost as the trip is funded by the school

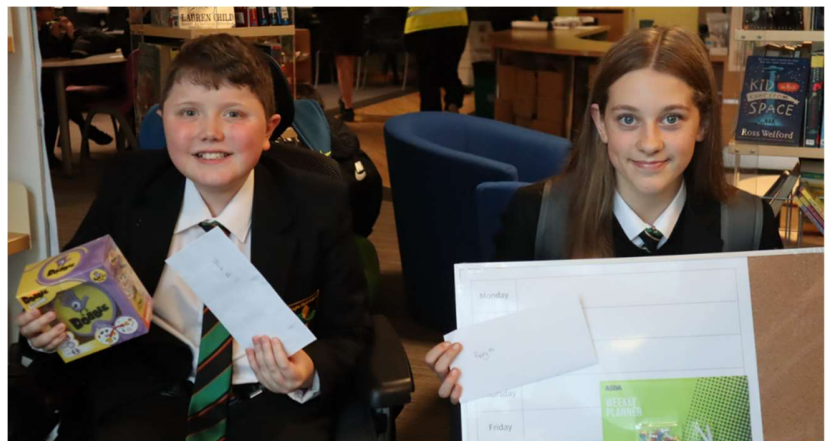
On the day:

- School uniform is required.
- A waterproof/rain coat/umbrella in-case of bad weather.
- Please bring a packed lunch with plenty of drinks for the whole day.
- A note pad, pencils, pens etc.
- A camera if possible (disposable ones are easy to use and of little value if lost/damaged).



Year 7 Update

What a good start year 7 have had. They have shown their singing power thanks to Mr Hackett on a Wednesday morning. In addition, they have achieved nearly 10,000 house points as a year group and on Friday Mrs Lawrence awarded the winners of the Summer Subject Challenge. There were a lot of entries and students had worked really hard on them. The Winners were Jack G and Poppy M. Well done!





WE ARE MOVING LOCATION!

*Our store at 407-411 Stratford Road, Shirley, B90 4AA is closing on **Sunday 16th October**.*

*But not to worry, our new store at 1 Mell Square, Solihull, B91 3AZ will be opening on **Monday 24th October!***



*During this time of closure, you can browse and purchase anything you need from our website at **www.monkhouse.com***

**We look forward to welcoming
you at our new branch soon!**

Light Hall Extra Curricular Autumn 2022

Monday

Lunch time

Jazz Band
Mr Homer*MR2
1:25pm
Students will be invited to attend this club

After school

Dodgeball Y7-11
Mr Nicholls*Gym

Squad Netball Y8-9
Mrs Van Der Bijl
Netball Court/Sports Hall

OCR Sports Science Catch Up Y10-11
Mr Churchill*E3

Art Open Studio Y10-11
Miss Munn
Art rooms
Students must book places with their class teacher

Music Production Y7-11
Mr Homer
MR2

Tuesday

Lunch time

Drama Club Y7-8
Mrs Scattergood
Drama Studio
1:25pm

Wednesday

After school

Football Y7
Mr Williams
Field

Netball Y7
Mrs White
Gym

Squad Basketball Y8-9
Mr Nicholls
Sports Hall

Football Y10
Mr Churchill
Field

Art Open Studio Y10-11
Miss Munn
Art rooms
Students must book places with their class teacher

Orchestra Y7-11
Mr Hackett*MR2

Guitar Club Y7-11
Mr Homer*MR1

Thursday

After school

Basketball Y7
Mr Churchill
Gym

Netball Y10-11
Mrs White
Sports Hall

Football Y8-9
Mr Nicholls/Mr Homer
Field

Football Y11
Mr Williams
Field

Art Open Studio Y10-11
Miss Munn
Art rooms
Students must book places with their class teacher

Rock and Pop Y7-11
Mr Sansom*MR2
Please see Mr Hackett if you are interested

Choir Y7-8
Mr Hackett*MR1

Science Club Y7-8
Science Staff*D2
Commences 22nd September

Friday

After school

Squad Basketball Y10-11
Mr Churchill
Sports Hall

Multi Sports Y7-11
Mr Nicholls
Gym

Key

PE

Music

Science

Art

Drama

After after school clubs are 3pm – 4pm. Please inform parents/carers that you will be attending.

PE Clubs – Students must ensure they bring the correct kit for their activity.

Students for PE clubs to meet outside Gym changing rooms for all clubs

Squad nights are for students who are representing the school teams

