Severndale Star

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello parents and carers

I trust you are all well and once again we have had another busy week at Severndale. Although we finish on July 20th we have still got an action packed schedule of activities and events. It appears that other local organisations are also very busy too as along with sports days next week I am also attending the PACC AGM on Tuesday morning and then a local authority event developing a response to the government green paper for SEND on Wednesday. I have specifically highlighted these two events as parents and carers are welcome to attend both.

Sports week

Next week is Sports Week and parents and carers should have been contacted by class teachers regarding the sports days and events that parents can attend. I am expecting pupils to be tired next week due to the amount of physical activities happening during the week. Our sports week is also happening to celebrate the launch of the Commonwealth Games that are being hosted in Birmingham and we are delighted to say that a number of pupils have been working hard to practice as they are involved in the opening ceremony.

Reports and preparation for September

We will now be sending reports out to all pupils early next week. You will receive a letter from myself, an attendance sheet detailing absences for the year and also the report itself. In addition, later in the week you will receive a letter which will inform you of the name of your child's class teacher from September. This letter will also provide you with a Microsoft Teams link to our 'introduce the teacher' event which will be happening from 4 pm on Tuesday the 12th July. This is purely a chance for the teacher to say hello and introduce themselves to parents and carers in the class. This will also allow you to put a face to the class teachers name ready for September.

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE (CONTINUED)

I am aware that there are some parents who may wish to chat in more detail about your child and if you would like to take up this option please could you inform your current class teacher by Friday of next week of your request for a telephone call with the new teacher (We will share the names of the new class teachers before then). This will allow us to set up an appropriate time to arrange a call. There are some classes where a teacher new to the school will be starting in September and therfore they may not be able to attend the transition event. If this does impact on your child we will make sure that you are aware.

Calendar changes for 2022/23

Please be aware that we have amended our school calendar for next academic year. It has no impact on pupils except that two of the published training days have been removed as they are now not training days. From a parent and carer perspective this means that your child will have an additional two days in school on the dates of March 31st and July 21st 2023. The calendar on the website will be amended to demonstrate this.

Beat the Streets

You may well have seen in the local media a project called 'Beat the Streets.' This is a Shrewsbury wide event that will be running across the summer holidays. The aim of the activity is to visit a number of locations and 'flash' your Beat the Streets card near to a 'Beat Box' sensor so that you can log that you have visited the spot. We have one of these sensors on a lampost near to Severndale. We have put more information in the newsletter and every pupil will receive their 'Beat the Streets' card and further information.

It now only leaves me to wish you a pleasant weekend

Brian

CEO LCT: Dr Gill Eatough
Chair of the Trust: Mr Mike Briscoe
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01.07.2022 LCT Update to Parents and Carers

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well, I am struggling to believe we have only three weeks left before we break up for the Summer holidays.

I apologise for not writing sooner but this is the first week we have not had an Ofsted inspection! So far, we have had five inspections since March but they have come thick and fast in the last few weeks. HLC Secondary report was published yesterday to staff, parents, Governors and Trustees. It is a fabulous report recognising the strengths and progress of the school.

Queensway and HLC Primary reports are now in draft, and these will be published before the end of term. Again, these reports are glowing, and we are delighted they also recognise the strengths and progress of both schools. We have worked with some good teams and HMI during our inspections, and they have recognised that LCT is supporting and challenging our academies – the reports provide really good evidence to the Department of Education that LCT is a strong Trust which wants to provide the very best education and opportunities for its young people. Thank you to all of you who have supported the inspections completing the parent survey or chatting with inspectors. I am hopeful that we will not have any further inspections until the Autumn term.

The end of the academic year is always busy, we have just completed the GCSE's and are saying goodbye to our lovely Y11 students. They have been brilliant through a long exam period and are now enjoying leavers events and proms, we wish them every success in the future and look forward to their results in August. I believe all our Y11 have secured places for September which is so important.

This week I was invited to give the annual awards at Telford College, it was lovely to see so many of our ex-students and parents at that event. I then quickly drove to The Place at Oakengates to watch DanceFest, which we have not been able to enjoy for three years. It was a brilliant night with students from HLC, Charlton, TPS, ex-students and local dance companies – it ended with "Grease" performed by the whole company as well as many talented LCT staff! An inspiring performance!

Yesterday and today, we have had the first LCT Head2Head Sports competitions involving our three secondary schools – it will finish with one school winning the overall LCT trophy. This will now become an annual competition, thank you to all our PE staff for supporting students to enjoy competing together.

Our Y6 children are also getting ready for the next step in their education. Next week are the Y6 into Y7 Transition days, and each school has a full programme in place for children to get to know their new school ready for September. In Primary, new reception children and parents will be meeting their teachers and all the other classes will be meeting their new teachers. We have full transition programmes in place for young people joining our Special Schools.

We still have masses to do before we finish but a lot has been achieved in the last few weeks.

I will be in touch again before the summer.

Kind regards,

G. M. Eatough

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DANCING SUPERSTARS

Our fantastic Dance group, whom recently took part in a live, public performance were awarded their certificates and 5 Individual trophies by Brian. The certificates were awarded from Got To Dance Company.

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F3 - NETBALL SESSION

F3 Had a fantastic and thrilling Netball session taught by Shrewsbury school students. They took part in shooting practice and also focused on their marking skills.

F3 - NETBALL SESSION

Using blocking & passing skills

P12 - IN THE SEASIDE GARDEN

P12 enjoying the lovely weather in the seaside garden and sharing stories as part of our topic on the seaside.

EY3 - P.E

Physical activity is very beneficial for all pupils. Exercising is not only good for the pupil's health and well-being, but it also plays a key role in their development and learning. Thanks to physical activity, it can improve their self-esteem, develop social relationships and learn to overcome their limitations.

P8 - TICKWOOD

P8 enjoyed a lovely day at Tickwood, enjoying the benefits off being outdoors and enjoying the activities, which resulted in some happy faces.

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S8 - LIBRARY

S8 enjoyed their time in our library, using the computers to read, watch stories and interacting with games.

THE WELL BEING HUB

Pupils in the well being hub made some lovely banana milkshakes, sharing them kindly with their friends.

THE WELL BEING HUB

S7 - P.E

S7 enjoyed their P.E session balancing bean bags and working together. This was led by Shrewsbury Town In The Communities Mark Bull.

EY2 - GARDENING & PLANTING

EY2 had an most enjoyable day gardening and planting. Busy pupils dug the compost, filled plant pots and planted seeds.

EY2 - GARDENING & PLANTING

S12 - COMMONWEALTH GAMES ARTWORK

S12 had a relaxing afternoon creating artwork using different materials, texture and colour. The fantastic work was based on the British Commonwealth Games.

S12 - COMMONWEALTH GAMES ARTWORK

MARY WEBB USED SWEATSHIRTS

Mary Webb have sweatshirts which have been donated by parents and carers that their young people have grow out of, and as part of our ECO awareness and recycling we would like to offer these to parents and careres who can make use of them.

If you would like a sweatshirt/s, please email: Heather.Atherton@severndaleacademy.co.uk
with the size required and the name of your young person, and if we have that size available we will send the sweatshirts home with the young person.

UPDATED 2022/23 CALENDER

WE HAVE RECOGNISED THERE IS AN ERROR IN OUR 2022/23 CALENDAR WHICH HAS BEEN CORRECTED AND IS INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER THIS WEEK.

School Day
Bank Holiday
School Holiday
PD Day
Weekend

2022/2023
Pupil Calendar

Severndale
Specialist Academy

September 2022

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August 2023

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GARETHS LONDON MARATHON 2022 UPDATE:

As featured within last week's newsletter, Gareth will be running this years 2022 London Marathon on the 2nd October. Gareth is running 26 miles to help raise money for Mencap, which the charity relentlessly supports change for the equality for people with a learning disability.

Thank you so much for the generous donations that have started to role in to support Mencap. Last weekend, Gareth was in London so took the opportunity to combine his long-distance run with a 19km sightseeing tour of London Landmarks including the Houses of Parliament, St. Pauls and Tower Bridge. Good luck Gareth keep it up and keep the donations coming via www.tiny.cc/severndale

SEVERNDALE MARATHON

Supporting Gareth and the awesome Mencap Charity, Severndale is hosting as mentioned in last week's newsletter. Our very own Severndale Marathon between 4th - 8th July this year.

STAFF SPOTLIGHT - LOUISE KELLY

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Name: Louise Kelly

Job title: Lead Teaching Assistant

What does this involve?

I really enjoy my current role at Futures, every day provides new challenges and opportunities supporting our young adults on the final stage of their education, and preparing them for the next stage of their adult life is very rewarding. I also deliver lessons when the teacher is absent, this can be in any class group across all subjects.

What do I enjoy outside of school?

I really enjoy visiting National Trust properties with my family, especially their coffee shops!

Please tell us something interesting about you?

I enjoyed being a Brownie Guider for 30 years and volunteering locally with other charities for many years.

What is something people don't know about you?

I have worked with students with SEN for 39 years, 34 of those being at Severndale.

Beat the Street Shrewsbury has been commissioned by Shropshire Council with support from the National Lottery via Sport England and Shrewsbury Big Town Plan. It is being delivered by Intelligent Health.

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My ASPIRATIONS
MY ASPIRATIONS OPEN DAY
VISIT US, EXPLORE THE OPPORTUNITIES WE CAN OFFER, HEAR ABOUT OUR NEW VENTURES AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS...
SATURDAY 9TH JULY 2022
10AM - 4PM
A DAYCENTRE FOR YOUNG ADULTS OF ANY AGE TO HELP THEM MAINTAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE, WHILST FEELING SAFE, SECURE, HAPPY AND ACHEIVING THEIR ASPIRATIONS
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WILLOW LODGE
COMING SOON!
Cherry Lodge - Our very own 'farm'
Grow plants, care for animals, get outdoors
LOTS OF NEW, EXCITING THINGS ON THE WAY...

FRIENDS OF SEVERNDALE

SUMMER FAIR

RAFFLE, TOMBOLA, GAMES, BOUNCY CASTLE, REFRESHMENTS INCLUDING BBQ, STALLS INCLUDING CAKES AND PLANTS.

SATURDAY 9 JULY @ 11:00 - 13:00
SEVERNDALE SPECIALIST ACADEMY

ENTRY TO FAIR THROUGH MAIN SCHOOL ENTRANCE

DONATIONS - DONATIONS OF RAFFLE AND TOMBOLA PRIZES, CAKES AND PLANTS FOR SALE WILL BE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED - PLEASE SEND THEM INTO SCHOOL FOR THE ATTENTION OF JAYNE PARRY (BRING CAKES AND PLANTS ON THE DAY).

VOLUNTEERS - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! PLEASE EMAIL FOSSOCIALEVENTS@GMAIL.COM IF YOU CAN SPARE A BIT OF TIME TO SET UP, MAN A STALL OR HELP TIDY UP. IT'S AN "ALL HANDS ON DECK" KIND OF EVENT AND IT'S A GREAT WAY TO MEET OTHER FOS MEMBERS.

STALL HOLDERS - PLEASE EMAIL JAYNE.PARRY@SEVERNDALEACADEMY.CO.UK FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A STALL.

SUMMER FAIR

DONATIONS WANTED

FOS would be grateful for any donations for the Raffle/Tombola or Stalls.

Could these be sent into school labelled FAO Jayne Parry S5, Thank You.

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unlocking doors together

Healthy Lives SEND Summer Programme

July & August 2022

Are you aged between 14 & 25 and Preparing for Adulthood?

Come & join us for a free action-packed summer programme, delivered by SEND Day Opportunity Providers across Shropshire. You will have the chance to meet others, participate in fun workshops, go swimming, take part in multi-sports, create art, singing, dancing, walks, and cycling.

The activities programme will start on Monday 25th July 2022 with lunch and refreshments included at Derwen College.

Register your interest by emailing Cathy at cathy@paccshropshire.org.uk by Friday 24th June 2022. You will then be contacted to discuss the activities being offered in more detail and be provided with support to book.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

OUR WEBSITE

Take a look at our website - www.severndaleacademy.co.uk

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