# Sharples ${ }_{5 C H O}$ Newsletter 

## End of Term Headlines

## Dear Parent/Carer

As usual, the spring term has been very busy and a look at our school calendar reveals that everyday offers a varied diet of enrichment opportunities for our students, including a wide-range of in-school clubs. This is coupled with a multitude of activities and visits, ranging from theatre trips and university visits to a stimulating series of Good to Great Lectures. This term we have sought to embed our International School Status. Erasmus+ funding has also enabled us to host a group of Spanish students and their teachers at Sharples; a group of our students are currently in Valencia to experience the second phase of the exchange visit.

One of my recent highlights was Year 6 offer day on 1 March when the Senior Leadership Team made 240 "welcome" phone calls to our new families. Their positive and, at times, emotional feedback underlined how significant the move from primary to secondary school is within the educational journey of our students. Over the coming months, we will put our highly effective transition programme into action to ensure that these new students and their families are warmly welcomed into the Sharples family.

As always, the spring term heralds the final "run-in" towards the GCSE exams for our Year 11 students. This month we have had our final Pre-Public Exams (PPEs) and we have scheduled our Easter School and an extensive series of weekend sessions to provide a multi-layered support programme for our senior year group. We have also taken the time to ensure that the hard work of our Year 11s is balanced by more light-hearted events and, last month, almost 100 staff and students enjoyed a fabulous Indian banquet at the Royal Nawaab restaurant in Manchester.

On a final note, we have high standards in relation to appearance at Sharples and the full uniform policy can be accessed on the school website. To maintain our high standards, I would like to draw your attention to our policy on jewellery. No jewellery should be worn but, if ears are pierced, only one small, plain gold or silver-coloured stud (no jewels) may be worn in each earlobe. For further details, please refer to our website - https://www.sharplesschool.co.uk/policies/

I hope that you all enjoy a well-earned Easter break and I look forward to welcoming our students back to school no later than 8.45am on Tuesday, 23 April 2019.

Yours sincerely

Ms A Webster
Headteacher

# Sharples $\mathrm{SCHOL}^{\mathrm{C}}$ Newsletter 

## Be ACE and Be Rewarded!

This term we launched our new reward scheme named The Sharples Excellence System. Inside and outside of the classroom, students have been collecting reward points for:

Academic Achievement
Community Involvement and Citizenship
Excellence and Going Above and Beyond
We have used the acronym ACE as we hope to inspire all students to be ACE in all of their educational endeavours.
Many students have already been rewarded weekly with early lunch passes; snacks, chocolates and drinks; and praise text messages home.
This week 400 students have enjoyed reward activities including: swimming, football, dodgeball, a film and a pamper party.

## This term's highest points achievers are:

Year 7 - Ayesha Policewala<br>Year 8 - Meghna Nathoo<br>Year 9 - Falhado Ahmad Ibrahim and May Babikir<br>Year 10 - Amoni Ndabarishe<br>Year 11 - Elsie Akowuah

## Engineers Energy Quest

On Thursday, Year 7 and 8 G2G pupils took part in an Energy Quest workshop delivered by Tomorrow's Engineers. Pupils learnt about what it means to be an engineer, the problems that will face the next generation regarding energy production and about the vast benefits of moving towards renewable sources of energy. The pupils also competed in the "Electric Car Challenge" where pupils had to design and build a model electric car from the ground up. The pupils enjoyed themselves immensely and were very thankful to Lewis (from Tomorrow's Engineers) for delivering such an interesting and exciting workshop.


Spanish Exchange to Javea


This week Miss Southern and Mr Stanier have spent a week in Spain with ten Year 10 students. They have been practising their language skills, trekking in the mountains and even met the Mayor of Javea. We look forward to hearing more stories of their experiences when they return to school.

## New Recruits visit Sharples for the first time

On Wednesday this week, we welcomed over 150 families to our first transition event of 2019. Families used a map of Sharples to find clues around the school to solve the Murder or Mrs Mopp!

Fingerprints, footprints and blood from the crime scene were all around the school for students to find!

A great time was had by everyone and we look forward to seeing everyone again in May for the Pathway to Success evening.


Sharples School, Hill Cot House, Hill Cot Rd. Bolton, BL1 8SN

Year 10 Performing Arts Success


Congratulations to Year 10 Performing Arts students for completing their Component 3 practical exam this week. Students responded well to the brief and created four original pieces of devised work - well done!

## Easter Bingo

A huge thanks to all parents, staff and pupils who attended the Easter Bingo on Wednesday this week. With the help of our guest callers (Mr and Mrs Molyneux) we raised $£ 300$.

The proceeds will go towards our Summer School for the new intake of pupils this summer.

Thanks to the Sharples PTA for organising the event.


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## Year 6 Classification Lessons

This week we were visited by St Matthews
Primary School who came along to learn about how we group organisms by their characteristics. Mr Stapley taught the students about the life
 cycle of frogs using plasticine modelling. The visitors were then treated to an animal handling session with Mrs Heaton to learn about the classification of our animals including rabbits, guinea pigs and snakes.

## New Build Progress

Our new state of the art building is now in the next stage of development. This week members of the leadership team visited the site to see the area where our Superclassroom will be placed. This will allow masterclasses for up to 70 students
 from September 2019. The Student Affairs Committee are planning the contents of a time capsule that will be placed in a case in the floor in the atrium of the building. Ideas include interviews with current staff and pupils saved onto a hard drive and a current Sharples tie!

| Attendance |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| 1st April - |  |
| 5th April |  |
| Best Year |  |
| Group |  |
| Year 7 | $96.7 \%$ |
| Year 8 | $94.8 \%$ |
| Year 9 | $93.3 \%$ |
| Year 10 | $94.6 \%$ |
| Year 11 | $92.7 \%$ |
|  |  |
| Best Forms: |  |
| 7P1 | $99.3 \%$ |
| 8E | $99.1 \%$ |
| 9S1 | $96.4 \%$ |
| 10A | $99.3 \%$ |
| 11S1 | $98.0 \%$ |

218 pupils have 100\% for current academic year.

Dates For Your Diary

Ongoing - Pre Public Exams

Monday 8th to Monday 22nd April - Easter Holiday

Thursday 25th
April - Year 8 Visit to Manchester Buddhist Centre



| MAIN DISHES |
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| CHEESE AND ONION PASTRY - $£ 1.10$ |
| CHEESE AND LEEK TURNOVER $-£ 1.35$ |
| MEAT AND POTATO PIE $-£ 1.55$ |
| PIZZA $-£ 1.35$ |
| DAHL $-£ 1.55$ |
| MEAT PIE $-£ 1.55$ |
| POTATO SKINS $-£ 1.55$ |
| FISH - $£ 1.55$ |
| CHICKEN/FISH WRAP $£ 1.75$ |
| SAUSAGE $-£ 1.35$ |
| VEG/BEEF BURGER $-£ 1.55$ |
| LASAGNE $-£ 1.55$ |
| CHICKEN CURRY - $£ 1.55$ |
| ENCHILADAS $-£ 1.55$ |
| MEATBALLS $-£ 1.55$ |
| PASTA BAKE $-£ 1.35$ |
| BIRYANI $-£ 1.55$ |
| MAC CHEESE $-£ 1.10$ |
| VEG MOUSSAKA $-£ 1.55$ |
| CHEESE FLAN $-£ 1.35$ |
| MEAL DEALS |
| AVAILABLE DAILY $£ 2.35$ INCLUDING |
| DRINK AND BISCUIT OR SMALL |
| GRAPES |

FRUIT AND TRAY BAKES

LARGE GRAPES - 70p SMALL GRAPES - 55p GRANOLA POT - 80p WHOLE FRUIT - 40p FRUIT POT - £1.10 STRAWBERRIES £1.00
TRAY BAKE - 61p BISCUIT - 41p
HOT PUDDING - 61p YOGHURTS - 50p CRACKERS -75p SOREEN-61p POPCORN -60P JELLY - 61p

## SIDE DISHES

JACKET POTATO - 80p POTATO SIDE - 80p VEGATABLES - 30p SIDE SALAD - 40p CHEESE PORTION 55p BEANS - 42 p SOUP - 60p BREAD PORTION - 40p CHIPS - £1.07

GRAB AND GO ITEMS
CURRY POTS - £1.8 PASTA KING - $£ 1.85$ PASTA POTS - $£ 1.35$ PANINI- $£ 1.75$ SALAD -£1.58 BAGUETTES - $£ 1.75$ WRAPS - $£ 1.75$ SANDWICHES - $£ 1.27$ SANDWICHES - $£ 1.55$ SANDWICHES - $£ 1.75$

BREAKFAST AND MORNING BREAK (ONLY)

SAUSAGE BARM - £1.35 OMELETTE BACON - £1.25 BREAKFAST WRAP - $£ 1.20$

BACON BARM - $£ 1.10$
TEACAKE - 41p
PANNINI-72p
TOAST - 32 p
PANCAKE -45p CHEESE TOAST - 65p POTATO CAKE - 41p

CRUMPET - 41p
CEREAL -80p

## DRINKS

CUPLET-32p AOUA JUICE - 42p MILK CARTON - 45 p MILKSHAKE - 60p SMALL WATER - 50p PURE JUICE - 65p AQUA SPLASH - 65p OMJ-70p HOT DRINKS - 80p

