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Dates for your diary

Dear Parent / Carer,

As we move towards the end of the term I want to bring the following dates to your attention:

- Thursday, 9 December is a 'non-uniform day'. Students are asked to bring in £1.00 to support this event, all proceeds will go to charities chosen by our Student Affairs Committee.
- Friday, 10 December is a staff training day and the school is closed for all students.
- Tuesday, 21 December is the last day of term, students will be dismissed from school at 12.30pm and the school buses will be available at this earlier time. There will be an extended canteen service available at break time for all students. Those entitled to a Free School Meal will be able to access their entitlement at break time.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support for our school.

Yours faithfully

Ann Webster
Headteacher

[Click here to view the original letter as a PDF.](#)

COVID-19 Testing - Parental Consent

Upon returning to school in January, secondary schools across England are required to test pupils for Covid-19. So that your child can take part in the testing, we need parental consent.

Please visit the 'Parental Consent' section on 'MyChildAtSchool' (MCAS) to review the information





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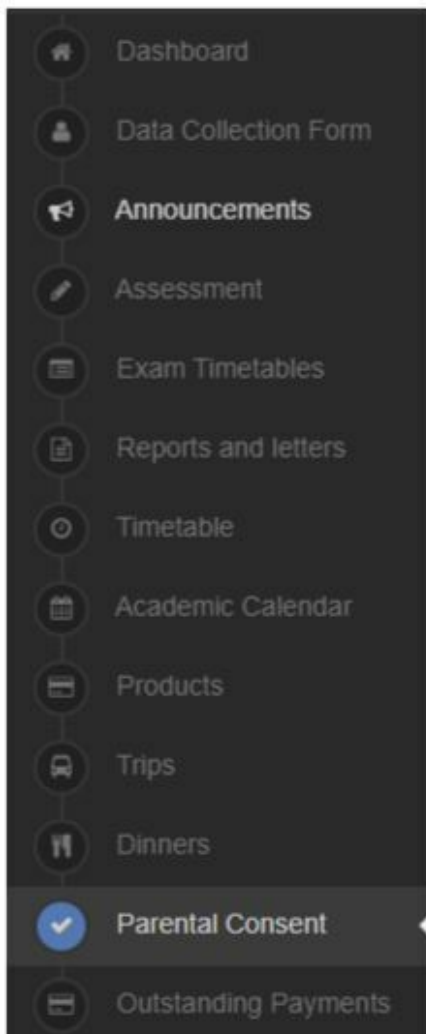
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provided and confirm whether you wish for your child to take part in the lateral flow testing.

If you are not sure how to access the 'Parental Consent' section on MCAS, please see the information below:

The Parental Consent is available from the Menu Bar only.



It displays parental consent statements and you are required to state 'YES, I give consent' or 'No, I do not give consent'.

✓ Parental Consent YOU ARE HERE: # Dashboard > Parental Consent

Save

Parental Consent

Covid-19 Lateral Flow Test
I give consent to my child having Covid-19 lateral flow tests at Sharples School.

YES, I give consent **NO, I do not give consent**

*Please call the school or visit reception to revoke any parental consent.



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Once you have selected the consent option, you should click on the green 'Save' button.

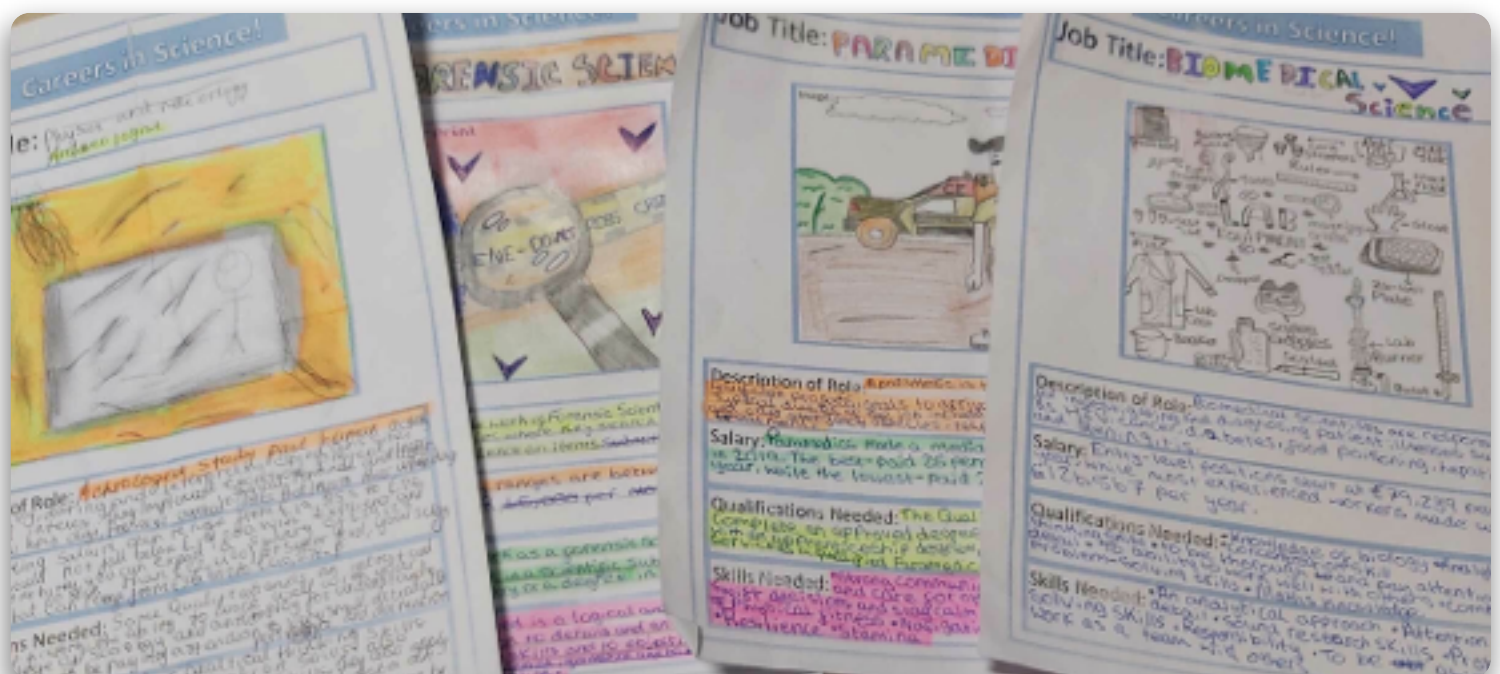


If you do not have access to MCAS, you can request help by completing this electronic form - <https://forms.gle/bkQMUYbye2ZTWD9mh6>

Finally, you can find more information about MCAS on our website - <https://www.sharplesschool.co.uk/mcas/>

Science Enrichment - Careers in Science Competition

The Year 8 Careers in Science Competition has already seen some amazing entries (pictured below). Students are challenged to create a science career profile, with the best profiles being displayed around the science department to raise awareness of the many job opportunities available to our students following a science education. Pick up a template from your science teacher now and get designing! The deadline for submissions to Miss Fairhurst is next Thursday (9th December) and there are prizes up for grabs for the best ones...



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Maths is Everywhere!



On Friday, Year 10 maths classes took part in a virtual 'Maths is Everywhere' event relating to careers and maths beyond GCSE delivered by the AMSP. Students worked on activities that linked maths with business, economics, psychology and biology, and found out about the maths involved in different A-level and BTEC courses. The session was great and the students found it very informative and interesting.

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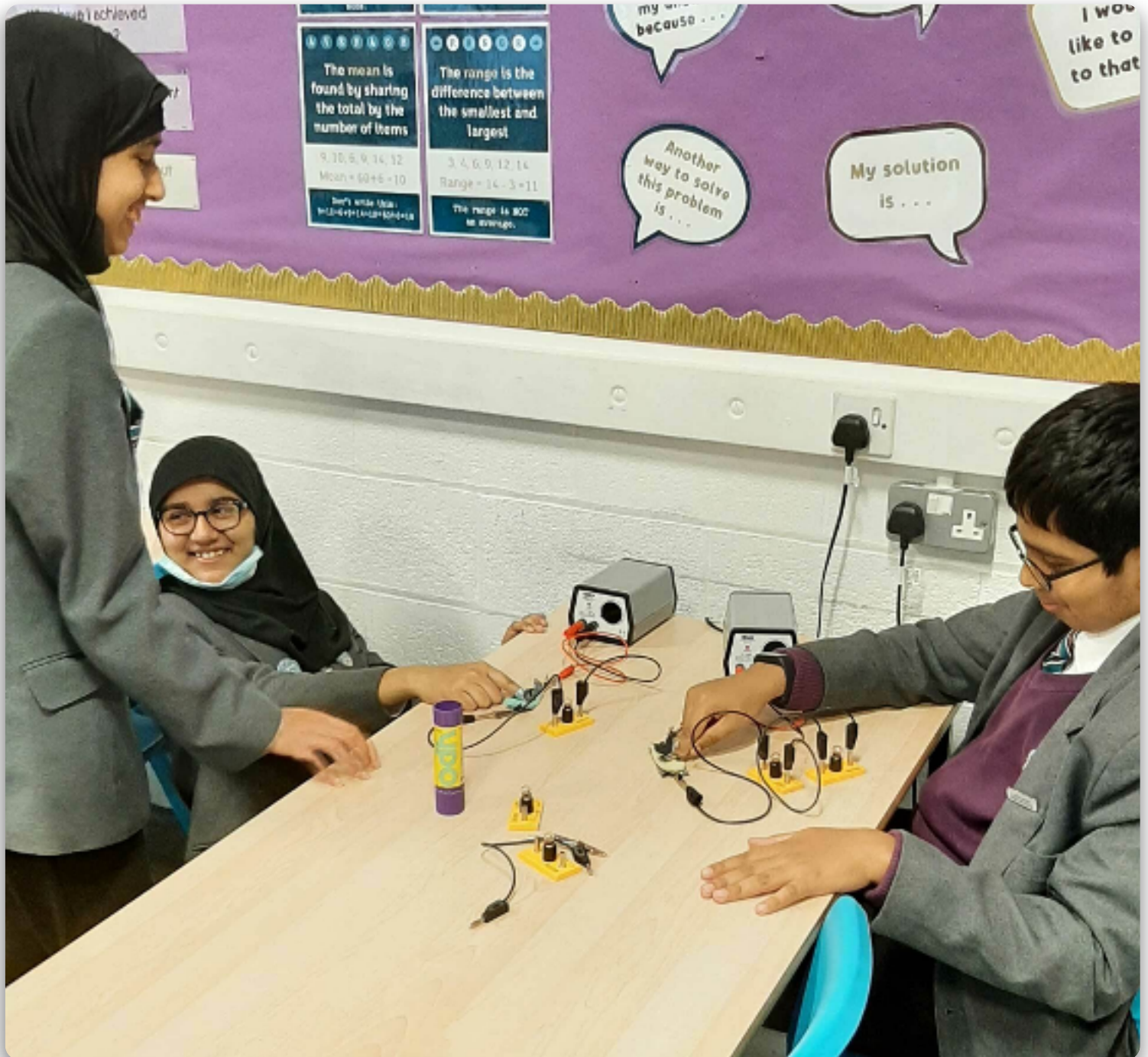


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Electric Maths STEM Club



At this week's Maths STEM club, pupils were investigating electronic gadgets that can be integrated into clothing. They incorporated a tiny piece of 'Quantum tunnelling composite' within a textile, which responded to finger pressure by varying the amount of electrical current reaching a light bulb. In addition to lighting and heating, pupils considered what other uses the technology might have - one interesting idea being clothing that massages!



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English Department's Work of the Week

Year 7

Zainab Patel has made a brilliant start to her narrative writing. [Click here to view page one](#) and [here for page two](#).

Year 8

Ameena Patel has written a detailed response on the poem Beowulf. [Click here to view it](#).

Year 9

Madiha Patel has written a great lively article. [Click here to view page one](#) and [here for page two](#).

Year 10

Ibrahim Essa has written a fantastic evaluative style response to Scrooge's character. [Click here to view page one](#) and [here for page two](#).

Year 11

Maria Price has written a wonderful evaluative style response to Tom Buchanan's character in the Great Gatsby. [Click here to view page one](#) and [here for page two](#).

100% win record continues for the Year 8 netball team

A huge well done to our Year 8 netball team who faced their toughest fixture to date against a strong King's side on Wednesday. Lots of excellent netball was on display from both sides with the game being decided in the final quarter. In the last few moments, the girls developed a 2 goal cushion which allowed them to come away with the win at the final whistle. The whole team played fantastically well and demonstrated great resilience to see the game out. Special mention must go to Saffiya Abdul and Agnes Mariam who came away with girls of the game. Brilliant effort, girls!





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Attendance Figures (29th November - 3rd December)

Year Groups attendance this week:

- Year 7 = 93.55%
- Year 8 = 94.91%
- Year 9 = 95.08%
- Year 10 = 91.70%
- Year 11 = 93.89%

Best forms this week:

- 7E = 98.35%
- 8R = 98.05%
- 9S = 98.15%
- 10P = 98.15%
- 11L = 100%

395 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year

Dates For Your Diary

Thursday 9th December -
Year 11 Parents' Evening
(4:00 – 7:00pm)

Friday 10th December -
Staff Training day
(School closed to
students)

Tuesday 21st December
- Last day of term
(students will be
dismissed from school
at 12.30pm)

Career of the Week: Electrician

Electricians fit, service and repair electrical machinery, equipment, circuits and wiring.

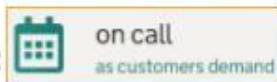
Average Salary:



Typical hours:
(per week)



You could work:



Qualifications:

- You can apply for this job through a college course, apprenticeship or applying directly.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent, including English and maths.
- College courses such as 'Level 2 Diploma in Access to Building Services Engineering (Electrical)'.

Skills required:

- The ability to use, repair and maintain machines and tools.
- Knowledge of building and construction.
- Maths knowledge for understanding technical plans.
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- Problem-solving skills.
- The ability to work well with your hands and use equipment safely.

Relevant Subjects:

- Science, Engineering and Maths.



Information sourced from: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/electrician>

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Lunch Time Clubs (Oct-Dec)

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM | Y11 Football (Big Astro) - PGR & AHM | Y9 Football (Big Astro) - JBA & AHM | Y10 Football (Big Astro) - CCH & AHM | Y7 & Y8 Football (Big Astro) - AHM |
| Y7 & Y8 Dodgeball (Sports Hall) - GBA & SCU | Y10 Football (New Astro) - CCH | Y8 Football (New Astro) - PGR | Y7 Football (New Astro) - JBA | Y10 Badminton (Sports Hall) - SCU |
| Table Tennis - (Upstairs Gym) - JBA | Y7 & Y8 Badminton (Sports Hall) - GBA & SCU | Y11 Football (Sports Hall) - CCH | Y9 Badminton (Sports Hall) - SCU & GBA | Girls Fitness Suite - GBA |
| | | KS3 Fitness Suite - SCU & GBA | | Y7 Fantasy Football Club - CCH |

Monday 6th Dec -
10th Dec



After School Clubs (Oct-Dec)

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| KS3 swimming club | Netball practice Yr 7-9 SCU | KS3 Swimming Club | Game on- Girl's football | No clubs |
| Thai Boxing Club- cancelled | Yr 7/8 Football practice | Basketball- all years in the sportshall | Boys Fitness suite | |
| Girls fitness suite | KS3 Fitness Suite | Dance session- Yr 7 | Yr 7 & 8 Rugby practice- cancelled | |
| Badminton | Yr 7 futsal tournament @ Smithills | Yr 9 Netball v Bolton School (a) | Running Club- cancelled | |
| Yr 7 Football v Eden (h) | Sports Studies ALS/detentions | Yr 10 Football v Thornleigh (a) | | |

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Work Experience 2022



Our Year 10 students are currently looking for Work Experience placements during the week of 7-11th March. If you, your employer or anyone you may know can source a placement for our students, please contact our Raising Aspirations Lead Mrs N Patel at n.patel1@sharplesschool.co.uk or contact our school on 01204 333253.

We aim to provide our students with the best opportunities in order to prepare them with the correct skills and knowledge needed for the world of work.



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FLEXING OUR MENUS IN challenging TIMES

Like many restaurants and caterers, Mellors local suppliers are experiencing shortages of certain food items from sausages and peas to margarine and cooking oils.

This is due to various pressures in the food chain. These include low numbers of crop pickers in the farms, staff shortages due to Covid, lorry driver shortages both to and from our suppliers and the impact of brexit (remember Brexit?)

WHERE THERE ARE SHORTAGES,
MELLORS WILL SUBSTITUTE WITH OTHER
INGREDIENTS TO ENSURE YOU ALWAYS
GET A FRESH AND HEALTHY LUNCH.

