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Maths Assessments Year 9 and Year 10

Maths assessments are coming up for Year 9 and Year 10.

Year 10 assessments take place on Friday 15th December (non-calculator) and Tuesday 19th December (calculator) - these assessments are important as they form the first piece of evidence used to inform GCSE tier decisions.

Year 9 assessments take place on Friday 19th January (non-calculator) and Tuesday 23rd January (calculator) - these assessments are important as they provide information to support options choices.

Students have been provided with revision lists.

Preparing for your maths assessment...

The best way to revise maths is to practise maths.

You can find practice questions and revision video clips on Mathswatch. Please let your maths teacher know if you have forgotten your Mathswatch login details.

Start revising early, and try to revise little and often. Revising a little bit every day will help you to remember more than if you do a very long revision session the day before.

If you need help, make sure you ask your teacher. We are here to help you to get the best assessment score you can.

Make sure you bring the equipment you need to your exam. You will need a pen, pencil and ruler. You will also need a calculator.

Having a good scientific calculator that you know how to use can make a huge difference to your assessment score. The school recommended calculator is the Casio Classwiz FX-83GT. (For students in KS4 who are working towards the higher tier GCSE, we recommend the Casio Classwiz FX-991CW)

Literature Society: Year 7 Fair

As this term's Literature Society comes to a close, the English Department invites all pupils and teachers to come and celebrate Year 7's finished Greek Myths projects in N1 at lunchtime on Tuesday 19th December.

Come and show your support!

Next term is Year 9's turn - details to follow soon.

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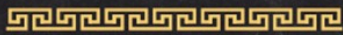
Welcome to

THE LITERATURE SOCIETY 2023

Fair and Project Presentations
in N1 - lunchtime - Tuesday 19th December



YEAR 7 GREEK MYTHS



Calling all Year 11 amazing mathematicians...

UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge

Wednesday 31st January 2024

If you would like to take part please let your maths teacher
know or send an email to Mrs Hart.

Optional lunchtime support session
every Monday in G21



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English Department's Stars of the Week

Work of the Week

Year 7

Nafisa S has shown excellent creativity in her descriptive writing. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 8

Khadijah D has produced a great review on the most powerful person she knows. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 9

Zayba J has shown excellent analytical skills in her poetry studies. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 10

Zain-ul-abideen N has written a fantastic analysis on the poem Hawk Roosting. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 11

Ammarah P has written a great letter, using the success criteria and has improved her work. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Readers of the Week

Year 7

Ibrahim M for reading the parts of Patrick Maloney and Hagrid with fluency and enthusiasm.

Year 8

Eboni M for being 1st within our school leaderboard for her work on Readingwise and 8th nationally.

Year 9

Huzaifa A for fantastic reading and enthusiasm to read aloud.

Year 10

Ahmad T for reading a great Tiny Tim in A Christmas Carol.

Year 11

Ahmed K for reading an example answer and poem.



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Netball - Sharples vs Kearsley



A big well done to our Year 7 and Year 8 netball teams (pictured) who faced Kearsley Academy on Monday night in a friendly fixture before the tournaments start after Christmas. The Year 8 team were up against strong opposition and they struggled to keep the Goal Attack out of the game who was their best player. After the first half, they settled and started to put some points on the board but the slow start in the first half meant the girls were not able to secure the victory. However, the Year 7 team came out flying and displayed some of their best netball all year. Grace B had a fantastic game at Goal Shooter and helped her team secure the win! Well done, girls!

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KS3 Football vs Harper Green



Our Year 7 and Year 8 football teams (pictured) faced Harper Green on Wednesday evening in once again, very cold conditions! The Year 7 team got off to a flying start with Scarlett R scoring a hat-trick in the first half. Harper Green pulled one back but this did not impact our confidence with Scarlett going on to score another two and Millie B also putting a couple past the keeper. The end score finished 7-1 to Sharples! Our Year 8 team also got off to a good start with Talia D scoring a great goal following a solo run down half of the pitch. Harper Green soon pulled one back and it remained even going into half time. Harper scored two quick goals before Sharples netted another. However, this wasn't enough and the game ended 4-2 in their favour but it was a brilliant, end to end game of football to watch! The girls will face St Joseph's next week in the penultimate league fixture of the year!

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Attendance Information

Reporting an absence:

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school before 9.30am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. The attendance email is the easiest way to contact school as the phone line can get very busy.

The school attendance email is: attendance@sharplesschool.co.uk

If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Attendance Data

Year Groups attendance this week:

Year 7 = 96.86%
Year 8 = 95.58%
Year 9 = 94.55%
Year 10 = 96.23%
Year 11 = 95.31%

Best forms this week:

7Shar5 = 98.20%
8Shar4 = 98.62%
9P = 96.97%
10S1 = 97.24%
11P = 98.45%

427 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 8th
December: Teacher
Training Day
(School closed to
all students)

Monday 11th
December: Year 10
Health and Social
Care Careers Event
at Edge Hill (13:35
– 15:15)

Wednesday 13th
December: Student
Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 13th
and Thursday 14th
December: Year 11
Art Exam PPE

Career of the Week: Quantity Surveyor

Quantity surveyors oversee construction projects, managing risks and controlling costs.

Average Salary: £ £25,000 (Starter) to £80,000 (Experienced)

Typical hours: 37 to 40 a week

You could work: evenings / weekends occasionally



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

Qualifications:

- You can get into this job through a university course, an apprenticeship, working towards this role or a graduate training scheme.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A* to C), or equivalent.
- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree.

Skills required:

- Maths knowledge.
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- Analytical thinking skills.
- Knowledge of engineering science and technology.
- Persistence and determination.
- Knowledge of building and construction.
- The ability to use your initiative.
- Thinking and reasoning skills.
- To be able to use a computer and the main software packages competently.

Relevant Subjects:

- Maths, Geography, Engineering.



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PE Lunch Time Clubs - This Half Term

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y8 Football (Big Astro) - PGR	Y9 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y7 Football - (Big Astro) - AHM	Y8 Football (Big astro) AHM
Netball Yr 7/8 (SH) - SCU & LAL	Y7 Dodgeball (SH) - LAL	Just Dance- all years (SH) - SCU	KS3 Dodgeball (SH) - LAL	Y11 Football (Small Astro) - JBA
Y8 Football (Small Astro) - JBA	Y11 Football (Small Astro) - JBA	Y7/Y8 Basketball (Gym) - LAL	Y9 Football (Small Astro) - JBA	Y10 Football (SH) - LAL
Boccia (Gym) - SCU & LAL	Sports Studies catch up (G32)- AHM	KS4 Boys Fitness Suite - PGR		
		Y10 Football (Small Astro) - JBA		

WEEK COMMENCING - 11th December



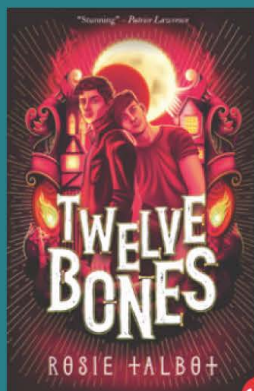
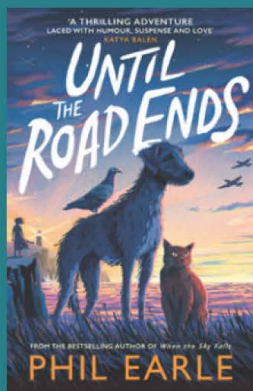
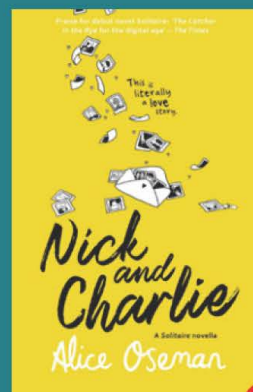
PE After School Clubs - This Half Term

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Y7 Netball v ESSA (h) Other clubs cancelled due to staff meetings	KS4 boys fitness Yr 7/8 football practice KS3 Netball Running Club	Yr 7/8 Swimming Club Basketball practice Y11 Parents Evening	KS3 & KS4 Girls football v St Joseph's (a) KS4 boys fitness Badminton practice	Y7 Football v Thornleigh (a)

● Football & badminton fixtures will be arranged throughout the term!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

4TH - 11TH DECEMBER



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KOOTH VIRTUAL MEETING



Kooth.com is a free, safe and easy to access mental health service from the NHS for children and young people.

On Kooth.com, your child can access 1-1 support from a trained professional seven days a week. There is no waiting list.



Come and join us on December 11th at 6.00 pm - 6.30 pm to find out how Kooth can support your child.

The meeting will be virtual so you can access it from the comfort of your own home.

A Greater Manchester engagement lead for Kooth.com will be talking us through issues that young people in Bolton typically face and how Kooth can support your child's mental health.

Questions will be taken at the end.



Join Zoom Meeting

<https://kooth.zoom.us/j/81389874038?pwd=6sqnbUrb0Oa9FAedrGik-LRyXRJmbbs.1>

Meeting ID: 813 8987 4038

Passcode: cC@9Um



Raise **£400** per tonne for your school.

Sharples School is participating in the Rag Bag textile recycling scheme which provides regular fundraising for the Eco/Gardening Club, other charities and raises awareness about recycling.

Please bring any of the below unwanted items in a securely tied plastic bag by for collection between Monday 8th January-Monday 22nd January 2024, to Meeting Room 1 in Hill Cot House.

Rag Bag can accept good quality clean Men's, Ladies and Children's clothing, belts, bags and paired shoes (tied together).

The bags will be collected and transported to the Rag Bag factory where they will be sorted and graded for reuse or recycling.





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**SEE THIS TEACHER FOR MORE INFORMATION AND STORY
STARTERS TO INSPIRE YOU:**

Miss Hartley (U8)

HAND IN BY:

Friday 22nd December

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Early Help Parenting Drop-in

For all families with children under 18

We know that being a parent is not always easy and that families need extra support at some stage as children grow up.

Targeted Early Help Workers will be on hand to offer advice and support.

We can offer signposting to helpful services, organisations and community groups.

Poor school attendance?

Are they being excluded from school?

Are they anxious or struggling with self-esteem?

Are you struggling with your child's behaviour?

Not sure what services there are available that can help to support you?

Come and join us for a cup of tea and a chat if you want any advice or information about parenting.

Drop-in sessions, 9.30am - 3.30pm

Farnworth King St Centre 20 Jan 10 Feb 2 Mar 23 Mar 20 Apr

Oxford Grove Children Centre 6 Jan 27 Jan 17 Feb 9 Mar 6 Apr 27 Apr

Tonge Children Centre 13 Jan 3 Feb 24 Feb 16 Mar 13 Apr



For more information please contact:
 Targeted Early Help Tel: 01204 337390
 Email: earlyhelp@bolton.gov.uk



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