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#### Year 8 Colomendy Trip



On Friday afternoon, over 90 Year 8 students set off to take part in an outdoor activity weekend in Colomendy, North Wales. As soon as we arrived, bags were dropped off in rooms and pupils were straight out taking part in their first activity. Students got to take part in a carousel of activities including: Jacob's ladder (pictured), leap of faith, nightline and buggy building to name a few! Year 8 are the first year group to have taken part in the Baccalaureate programme for 2 years and this trip was a celebration that brought together all of the skills they have learnt from being involved in extra-curricular activities over the past couple of years. Students were able to develop key skills such as communication, leadership and teamwork whilst on the trip and it was brilliant to see these in action. Staff at the centre commented on the behaviour of the students and remarked that they were a credit to the school. A great weekend! Well done to all students involved!

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#### Executive Head Chef Gives Demonstration and Careers Talk at Sharples



Year 10 were very lucky to have a Live Chef demonstration and careers talk from The Marriott Hotel, Worsley.

They had Executive Head Chef Joe cooking a fillet steak in peppercorn sauce, which they really enjoyed eating as you can see above!

They also had a careers talk about possible careers and routes into the world of Hospitality and Catering.

Year 10 were captivated by the skills and thoroughly enjoyed this opportunity.

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#### G2G Maths Challenge



Over February half term pupils from years 7-10 were given the chance to complete a challenge set by the University of Liverpool. The challenge consisted of a series of difficult problem solving questions that took a significant amount of time to work through. With over 2000 entries in total we are proud to announce that Safiyyah P received Best in School for Challenge '24 and Jasmine K received Best in School for Senior Challenge '24. A special mention must go to Jasmine who also received an award last year however this year her entry was highlighted as exceptional. Jasmine has been given the chance to attend the Challenge prize giving evening at the University in May to accept her Highly Commended prize.

Congratulations Safiyyah and Jasmine. Keep up the good work!



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#### English Department's Stars of the Week

##### Work of the Week

Year 7

Lolita L has written a great diary entry based on Animal Farm. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 8

Ashiya P for a great report about charity. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 9

Anson L has shown excellent effort in his annotations of the poem Hair. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 10

Khadijah N has written an excellent report. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 11

Ifra R has produced a lovely response to an unseen poem. [Click here to view the work.](#)

##### Readers of the Week

Year 7

Reem S for excellent reading of the end of Animal Farm.

Year 8

Mariam P for reading the letters in 'Boy'.

Year 9

Huzaifa A for always being enthusiastic in his reading.

Year 10

Leon K for a confident reading of Romeo.

Year 11

Yusuf A for always volunteering to read.





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#### English Career of the Month

#### Paralegal

Paralegals carry out research, prepare legal documents and give legal advice to clients.

#### Qualifications:

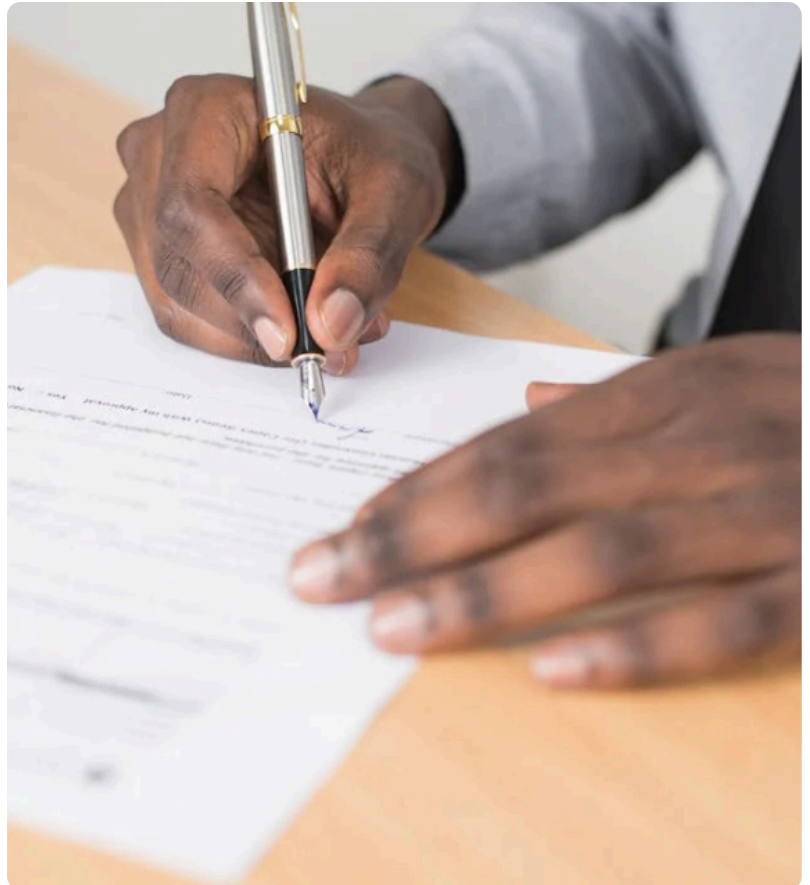
- You can get into this job through a university course, college course, an apprenticeship or working towards this role.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A\* to C), or equivalent, for a level 3 course.
- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree.

#### Skills required:

- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- The ability to read English.
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Administration skills.
- The ability to work well with others.
- Legal knowledge including court procedures and government regulations.
- The ability to accept criticism and work well under pressure.

#### Relevant Subjects:

- English, History and RS



#### More Information:

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/paralegal>





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#### Sport Studies Windermere Trip



It was an exciting couple of days for our Year 10 Sport Studies students as they travelled up to Windermere to complete part of their coursework in the Outdoor Adventure Activity unit of the course. Nearly 60 students completed a hill walk up Gummer's How and took part in a kayaking session on Lake Windermere in the glorious sunshine! The hill was a real challenge but all students completed the trek and showed great resilience to reach the summit where they were met with some breathtaking views - as you can see in the picture! During the kayaking session, it was fantastic to see students developing new skills and working together to complete different activities on the water. The instructors ensured nobody was allowed to stay dry with a celebratory jump in at the end to finish what was an action packed couple of days for all involved!

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#### Sports Leaders Support North West Primary Schools



A huge well done to some of our sports leaders who supported the multisport Panathlon event for schools who had made it to the North West finals on Thursday. Pupils travelled to Bolton Arena to help support children with special educational needs take part in different activities. They rotated around different sport stations and helped the younger children complete all of the events. Once again, the organisers of the competition and teachers from the primary schools commented on how well the students interacted with the pupils and supported them throughout the day. A brilliant experience for everyone involved, well done all!

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#### Cheerleading Taster Session!



A few of our Year 8 girls were extremely lucky to have coaches from Alchemy Cheerleading come into school on Friday to give a taster session. The students loved learning how to spot each other and some even made it into the air! Students finished the session with some gymnastics and stunts which topped off a great lesson for all involved. For anyone interested in joining their club, see the posters in PE!

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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](mailto: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

Monday 15th April to Friday 19th April

Year Groups attendance this week:

Year 7 = 97.09%  
Year 8 = 95.27%  
Year 9 = 94.63%  
Year 10 = 95.01%  
Year 11 = 95.39%

Best forms this week:

7Shar2 = 100%  
8Shar3 = 100%  
9P1 = 100%  
10E = 99.15%  
11R = 100%

162 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year.

#### Dates for your Diary

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> and  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April:  
Shrek the musical  
(Doors open at  
18:30. Show starts  
at 19:00)

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April:  
School performance  
of 'Macbeth' with  
Year 8. (09:00 –  
12:30)

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May:  
Year 7 Parents  
evening (16:00 –  
19:00)

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May:  
Bank holiday  
(School closed)

#### Career of the Week: Archivist

*Archivists look after and preserve collections of historical records and documents.*

Average Salary: £ £21,000 (Starter) to £60,000 (Experienced)

Typical hours: 38 to 40 a week

You could work: between 8am and 6pm



#### Qualifications:

- You can apply for this job through a university course or an apprenticeship.
- 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:

- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- An interest and knowledge of history.
- Analytical thinking skills.
- Administration skills.
- The ability to use your initiative.
- Customer service skills.
- The ability to work well with others.
- Concentration skills.
- To be able to use a computer and the main software packages confidently.

#### Relevant Subjects:

- History, Geography and RS.

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



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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
Y8 Football (Small Astro) - JBA	Y11 Football (Small Astro) - JBA	Y7/Y8 Basketball (SH) - LAL	Rounders/Cricket (Field) - LAL	Y11 Football (Small Astro) - JBA
Boccia (Gym) - SCU & LAL	Sports Studies/Ever Learner catch up (G32) - AHM	Rounders/Cricket (Field) - PGR	Y9 Football (Small Astro) - JBA	Rounders/Cricket (Field) - LAL
Rounders/Cricket (Field) - SCU & LAL		Y11 Football (Small Astro) - JBA		

**WEEK COMMENCING -**  
**25th April**



#### PE After School Clubs - This Half Term

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Yr 7/8 Swimming Club	Yr 8 futsal league	KS3 swimming club	Yr 7 Parents Evening	
Cricket practice - All years	Rounders - all years	Basketball practice		
Yr 7 futsal league		Running Club		
Girls Fitness		Yr 9 futsal league		
		Yr 8/9 cricket v Turton (a)		

- Cricket, Rounder and Futsal fixtures will be arranged throughout the term!



SHARPLES  
PERFORMING ARTS  
PRESENTS

 DREAMWORKS  
THEATRICALS

# SHREK

THE MUSICAL JR.

29TH - 30TH APRIL

DOORS OPEN AT 6.30PM

7PM START



<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sharples-school/e-eevdpq>



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Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions  
Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford, "I'm a Believer" by Neil Diamond

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with  
Music Theatre International

All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI  
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