



19 November 2025 (Week A)

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy start to the term, we have had Mrs Pople from Ludlow College in to talk to our Year 11 Geography students about opportunities at A-level in Environmental Science, Geography and Geology. We also had a doctor in to talk to our Year 7 and 8 girls and Camps international to talk to our Year 9 and 10 about a possible trip to Cambodia. Please see attached poster.

This week we have our Year 12 presentation evening where our Year 11 students from last year return to celebrate their successes in their GCSE examinations. At the end of last week, we took part in Children in Need with a non-school uniform day. We will update you in the next Heads letter with the amount raised. Although this made it an unusual day with students leaving the school at different times due to the weather conditions, the students behaved excellently and were extremely sensible. Thank you all for your support and patience.

### **Year 11 Mock Examinations**

Mock examinations for our Year 11 students begin this Friday, lasting until Friday 05 December 2025. Students are currently preparing carefully in their lessons for these important examinations. These examinations will take place in our school hall and will be completed under formal examination conditions. The mock examination timetable is available for Year 11 Parents/Carers to view on Arbor in the examination section. Please make sure your child refers to this examination information as it will help them enormously in terms of their revision plans and organisation during this exam period. We wish all our Year 11 students well at this important time in their educational journey.

### **SEND Interim Reviews**

Sharing the support and successes of our SEND pupils with parents is a crucial part of our work. You will have received an email invitation to book a meeting with Mr Stiles or Mrs Taylor on the following dates: November 27 and 28 for students in Years 9 and 10 and December 11 and 12 for students in Years 8 and 11. Meetings can take place face to face, via Microsoft Teams or by telephone call. As always, if you have any queries or concerns about your child's progress please contact the SEND team.

### **Parenting groups – Message from Shropshire parenting team**

The Parenting Team will be delivering free Understanding Your Child and Understanding Your Child SEND – from toddler to teens - groups from January 2026 (poster attached).

These 10-week groups aim to:

- Promote understanding of children's behaviour within the context of developmental issues
- Promote the development of parent/child relationship
- Increase confidence and self-esteem in both parents and children
- Give parents a strategy for repair when things go wrong
- Promote reflective, sensitive and effective parenting

We are also offering free SLEEP TIGHT and Sleep Tight with SEND groups from January and February 2026 (poster attached).

These 5-week workshops cover:

- Recognising the role of sleep hygiene to improve sleep
- Identifying causes of sleep issues and appropriate practical strategies to try
- Completing sleep diaries and identifying potential sleep issues

I have also included our new poster to promote our **Parenting Help and Support Line** which reflects the inclusive offer to all families. Please contact us directly if you have any questions or need the posters in a different format  
[parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:parenting.team@shropshire.gov.uk) or give us a call on 01743 250950.

### **Easyfundraising – A message from the PTA**

There is a great way to raise significant funds for our school, without you spending a penny more. If you sign up for Easyfundraising, when you are doing your Christmas shopping, or any shopping online, a percentage of your spend will go into the Lacon Childe PTA bank account for our fundraising.

Hundreds of retailers are signed up to Easyfundraising – all you need to do is set it up, which takes just a couple of minutes and then make sure you set the reminder option so that each time you go to make a purchase, it automatically ensures that Easyfundraising is activated. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

### **Lunch and afterschool activities**

Please see attached lunch and afterschool activities poster. We do offer a L@fter transport for students who wish to stay for clubs/revision sessions after school and leave at approx. 4.20pm. Students need to book on to the L@fter bus at the office by the end of breaktime at the latest on the day they wish to use it (The buses do not run on a Friday). Please use the transport section on Arbor to add money to your child's transport account. The cost of L@fter is £2.50.

### **Attachments**

[Lunch and Afterschool Activities Poster](#)

[Easyfundraising flyer](#)

[Camp International poster](#)

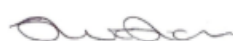
[Understanding your child](#)

[Sleep Tight](#)

[Parenting help support line](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Stuart Weston  
**Headteacher**

### **Dates to remember**

Thursday 20 November

Y12 Presentation Evening

Monday 21 November

Y11 Mock Exams – 2 weeks

Thursday 11 December

Y10 Parents Evening

Item	Information	Payment Due
Year 7 Pantomime Deposit	£10.00	14/11/2025
Year 10 and 11 Drama Students Theatre Trip	£28.50	05/12/2025
Poland Installment	£110.00	01/12/2025

