



Newsletter

Friday 22nd October, 2021

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Important dates for the diary this term

Friday 22 nd October	Break up Half Term
Monday 1 st November	Return to school
Wednesday 10 th November	Parents Forum
Thursday 11 th November	Careers Fair
Thursday 18 th November	Year 7 Parents Information Evening
Thursday 25 th November	Year 10 Parents Consultation Evening
Thursday 9 th December	School Christmas Lunch & Showcase
Friday 17 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays



Junior STEAM club

4th, 11th, 18th November & 2nd, 9th December

(Y6 Pupils)



Word and number of the week
for week beginning
Monday 1st November, 2021

Momentarily

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Attendance email

We have now set up an email account which is dedicated to attendance.

If your child is absent from school please email attendance@marywebbschool.com or telephone the absence line on 792111 **by 8.30am on each day of their absence.**

The absence email is also to be used to report any appointments throughout the day. Your child will be marked as unauthorised if we do not have a reason for their absence.

Please **do not email** any absences to admin@marywebbschool.com. Thank you.



MEDICATION FOR STUDENTS



Please remember if you are sending medication into school for a student, it must be accompanied by an 'Administration of Medicine' consent form. This form is available to download from our website under 'Letters and Downloadable Forms', or can be collected from the School Office.

All medication must be in the original container and have the student's name on the prescription label. Medication must be handed into Reception where it will be stored safely.

Students are not permitted to carry medication.

The only exceptions are inhalers and epipens, for which we hold consent forms.

Dear Parents/ Carers

One of the many privileges of my job is to be able to walk around the school and see the wide range of activities on offer: from experiments in science to producing delicious dishes in food technology right through to writing extended pieces in history. I am able to step into classrooms and see our students in a number of different lessons and contexts, from exploring the fourth wall in drama through to refining their passing techniques (bounce pass, chest pass, shoulder pass) in PE. **Our aim of 'opening minds and widening horizons' has been clear to see.**

Our focus this half term has been a 'routine reset' to get our students back into those routines that we know support their learning. These range from having the correct equipment from a calculator to their PE kit. Thank you for your support with this. These also ensure students are engaged in their learning from the very start of the lesson- with their retrieval quiz questions.

Reading books are an important piece of student equipment at Mary Webb School and Science College and it has been a pleasure to see so many students immersed in a book. This has encouraged us to start to put together a list of **'50 books you should read before you are 16'**. This list – bespoke to Mary Webb will be created by staff, and students who will receive awards for making their way through this list. **If you have any 'must reads' for this list, or if you know of any good books you think might be a positive addition to our library please do let us know.**

This is also a reminder for students that our library is fully open, and they can go to the library to read, select a book and talk to our very knowledgeable librarian Mrs Bourne about any recommendations she may have. Mrs Bourne is starting up a blog for Mary Webb students to review the books they have read and leave recommendations for others.

At Mary Webb we use evidence to inform our teaching practice. This means that we keep up to date with the latest developments and review if they would be successful in our setting. This term has been busy with staff showcasing their expertise and supporting one-another. **One element staff have been focusing on is to develop our student's ability to know when their learning has been successful.** This of course will support their learning at home as they will develop strategies, methods and approaches to enable them to revise, complete a piece of work and review that **week's lessons.**

Another example of why Mary Webb school is a special place.

I wanted to draw your attention to some events that are on over half term that may be of interest to you and your child. At Shrewsbury Museum and Art Gallery they have an artefact on loan from the British Museum. It is a Bronze Age Bulla or sun pendant and it was discovered in the Shropshire Marches! Also, they have an international exhibition of Lego brick art. Unfortunately, you do not get to play with the pieces! Entry is free over half term, book online to ensure you have a ticket.

There is the opportunity on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th October to pick up a free pumpkin from the Darwin centre in Shrewsbury- an opportunity to get prepared for Halloween perhaps.

Finally, over half term if your child experiences any worries or they may need someone to talk to, can I remind you and them of the KOOOTH service that is available: <https://www.kooth.com/>

I hope you enjoy a restful half-term,

Miss E Weston

Success & Achievements

Oliver Hipkins Story.

Year 7S - Karting

I started Karting 2 years ago, and for the first year, we did a bit of local racing at Rednal where I ended up finishing 2nd in the club championship. This year we upgraded my kart and entered into several national championships where I race around the country. The UKC (Ultimate Karting Championship), the BKC (Bambino Kart Club), UK Micromax Championship and Hooton Park IKR. It has been a steep learning curve racing nationally against some of the best young karters in the country, but I have been doing very well for my first year. With coming 4th in UKC and 2nd in BKC, currently running 4th in the championship in UK Micromax (main championship) and winning Hooton Park IKR. As this year is ending, we have started planning for 2022, and have managed to secure several sponsors that will enable me to take the step up into the British Championships and European races that will see me racing some of the best young karters in the world.

I absolutely love karting and motorsport and compete most weekends. Through this, I hope to pursue a career as I get older. Whether that be in the driving seat or through engineering.





Last weekend, Oliver won his 1st championship title and then came 4th overall in the UKC Championship

