

NEWPORT NEWS

A weekly update from NGHS

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Head's Lines



ne of the highlights in any Headteacher's calendar is the appointment of students to the Student Leadership Teams. This year I have changed some of the positions to ensure a reflection between our Senior Head Girl

Team in the Sixth Form and the Lower School Head Girl Team. The positions now have almost the same briefs in a hope to bond and unite the upper and lower school more effectively going forwards. Yesterday and today have been spent interviewing students for these roles. As always, there will be disappointment when announcements are made next week, but our leadership roles are not confined to these positions alone. In the sixth form we have Ambassadors for different subjects and of course Duty Prefects. In lower school, there are lots of clubs to join and our vibrant house system to show participation and prowess. I would urge each and every student to consider how the school can help them and how they can help their school by giving their time and knowledge to help others.

This week's newsletter details our recent Rewards assembly with Years 7-8. Ms Capaldi commented to me yesterday on her pride in seeing so many students receiving awards for house points, attendance and citizenship. Our school rewards programme has been massively enhanced this year, largely by Miss Clarke's appointment as Assistant Headteacher and whilst we rightly have high expectations and demand high attendance, it is nice for all of us to be appreciated and receive recognition at times.

Next week will not see a Newport News. I am leading our new German exchange; the first ever at NGHS and we look forward to visiting Bonn, Cologne and spending time with host families to find out about the cultural lives of our European neighbours....I wonder how long it will be until a certain B word is mentioned?! A report on the trip will follow in due course and we look forward to welcoming our German friends to Newport in June.

With best wishes for the weekend,

Mr M J Scott

NEW BALLS GIFTED

Over the past two weeks our Year 8 students have enjoyed learning about Handball sessions lead by coach Ilona. This is part o f the Shropshire Girls Tour and we even received smart new handballs from Sport England- thank you!



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Y7-8 REWARDS ASSEMBLIES

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On Tuesday Ms Capaldi (Head of Years 7 and 8) led the Year 7 and 8 Rewards Assembly, it was such a good chance to share our students successes over the last half term with the other students and form tutors.

The first award was presented to students who have received 50 House Points so far this year, these winners were awarded a certificate, pen and sticker for their planner.

Congratulations to the following Year 7's: A. Jones, A. Lutzeier, A. Aston, A. Fairhead, A. Parepalli, B. Gill-Ballard, C. Knight, C. Preece, C. Toogood, C. Simms, D. Davies, E. O'Byrne, E. Jenkins, H. Parker, I. Bates, I. Link, I. Miles, I. Mowlem, I. Francis, I. Russell, I. Hogan, I. Royce, J. Hothi, K. Markworth, L. Rawson, L. Smith, L. Jiji, L. Livingston, L. Cooper, L. Lenton-Smith, M. Turner, M. Kandula, M. Hamdy, M. Carroll, N. Sagili, N. Viswanathan, P. Fowler, R. Premadasa, R. Briggs, T. Lee, U. Haskell, V. Cass

Congratulations to the following Year 8's: A. Birchall, A. Lynas, A. Wu, A. Hawkins, A. Barnes, B. McCloy, C. Tunnicliffe, C. Wang, C. Hegarty, C. Cui, G. Steele, H. Harrison, H. Makwana, I. Vickers, J. Hill, K. Partridge, K. Hossack, L. Toor, L. Holmes, L. Chilcott, L. Upton, L. Patrick, M. Smith, N. Toms, N. Parker, P. Joyce, S. Thakur, V. Jayasuriya

We then celebrate the achievements of students who have received 100 House Points so far this year, these winners were awarded a certificate, badge and sticker for their planner.

For every 10 House Points that students have achieved they have been put into a half termly draw, we awarded three winners a prize from the lucky dip box.

These winners were: **T. Adeniyi, N. Toms and A. Skeate** Well done and congratulations to all of our winners.

Congratulations to the following Year 7's: A. Mangham, L. Male, R. Al-Sirat, S. Reddington

We also celebrated the achievements of the forms who had collected the most house points over Spring Term I, please see the two results table on the right.

Congratulations	to	our	win	ning
forms who were	pre	sente	d wi	th a
form house poin	t cı	ıp wh	ich 1	they
will keep in thei	r fo	rm r	oom	for
this half term.				

9	Form	Points	Rank
9	ΑI	486	4th
מ)	A2	403	6th
	RI	584	2nd
5	R2	479	5th
a /	SI	585	lst
r	S2	560	3rd

Finally, we celebrated the individual students in each year group who have received the highest number of house points during Spring Term 1, these winners received a certificate and a sweet treat. Congratulations to our winners this term.

Name	Award	H Points
L Male	GOLD	51
S Reddington	SILVER	45
A Mangham		
R Al-Sirat	BRONZE	41

Name	Award	H Points	Y 8
B McCloy	GOLD	32	
K Hossack			
C Cui	SILVER	31	
N Toms	BRONZE	25	



A 'Marvel'lous interview!

On Friday Marvel's first female-lead film, 'Captain Marvel', was released to celebrate International Women's day. I was lucky enough to represent Girlguiding at the première, and interview the lead actress, Brie Larson, alongside two fellow Guides, for Stylist Magazine. Arriving in London, we made our way to Mayfair, where the Premier was being held. Unfortunately, we missed the cast arrive, but we were able walk the carpet and talk with Jonathan Ross! Before the film, the main actors entered the stage to congratulate the female representatives from organisations such as the Met. Police for their contributions to peace and progress, which was met with huge applause.

The next day, we travelled to the cast's hotel for the interview. We met and stroked the cats who played Goose, before travelling through a maze of corridors to the small interview room. Brie arrived bare footed on a kid's scooter, which immediately put us at ease! She was extremely modest and had a great sense of humour, which made the interview feel like an informal conversation. The experience is certainly not one I will easily forget!"

Elenkins (Year 12)



DOUBLE SWIMMING SUCCESS

On Wednesday, we took at our Junior and Intermediate swim teams to compete at the Telford schools Swimming Gala hosted by Wrekin College.

Both teams swam fantastically and our Intermediate team (C Blanks, K Hughes, C Mahy & B Williams) even came away with first place and a trophy to prove it!

Well done to the Junior and Intermediate Teams pictured left.

Mrs Goodall

U15 SCORING HIGHLY

On Monday our U15 netball competed in the County Tournament hosted by HLC.

The team won all their games in their pool, putting them in top of the group and down to play the runner up of the other pool, Shrewsbury High. The semi-final was a fantastic game but unfortunately they lost to SHS by I goal (8-9)! They then played Ellesemere College again to decide 3rd and 4th place and beat them 16-4; a strong win.

The team finished in third place overall and we are very proud of the team.



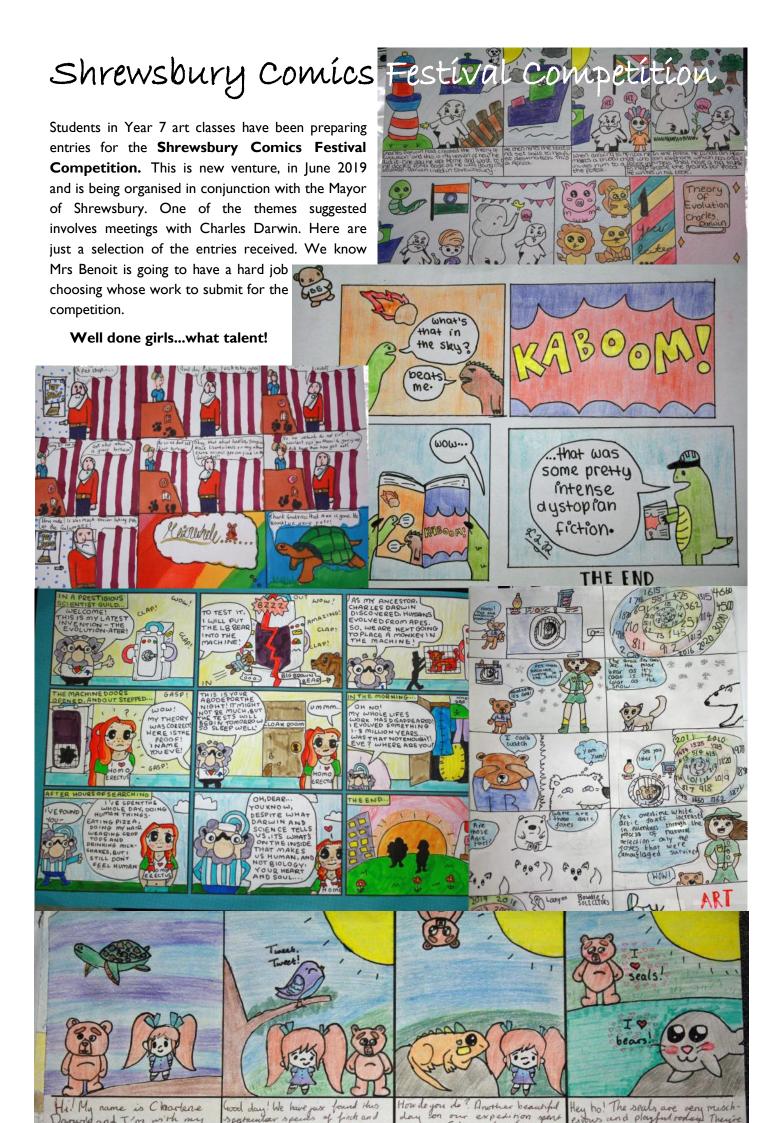




Did someone order a fun GCSE German Grammar lesson?

German word order lessons with flair and colour this week in year 9 were the 'order of the day' as girls put themselves into the place of conjunctions and verbs, working out where they needed to be and producing some high quality language – with a smile.

Mrs Fujii





It has been lovely to hear that some forms are actively promoting the Random Acts of Kindness idea around school. Well done to S5 on their Thank You card distribution last week, I know it was very well received. I will continue to share examples of where students and staff are sharing positivity through our school community. If you would like to get involved next week, students in Years 7 - 10 will be trying to:

Friday 15th March Make plans with that person you've been putting off seeing

Saturday 16th March Write for fun: whether it's for a story, poem or your journal – put your pen to paper

Sunday 17th March Donate some small change to a local charity

Monday 18th March Slip a note of gratitude under a sibling, parent or roommates door

Tuesday 19th March Ask and remember the names of people you see consistently on a daily basis

Wednesday 20th March Do five things that make you happy

Thursday 21st March Praise a co-worker or classmate on a recent project they worked hard on

For anyone in Year II or over why not try to:

Friday 15th March Say hello to someone you pass today and SMILE!

Saturday 16th March Share a positive review of a company you have used this week

Sunday 17th March Buy a coffee for someone in line behind you

Monday 18th March Remind yourself why your job / education are important and why you are at NGHS

Tuesday 19th March Spend 10 minutes journaling what your life will look like two years from now Wednesday 20th March Go for a walk with a friend / co-worker. Get to know them a little better

Thursday 21st March Say "hello" to three new people today

NGHS is (almost) 100 years old

As Mr Scott mentioned a few weeks ago, we are planning our celebrations ready for the big Centenary day on Saturday 29 June 2019, when the school will be opened up to the local community, to share in our very special day.

Ahead of that, we are holding two 'Remembering NGHS' events on the afternoons of Thursday 28 March (1.30-5.00pm) and Friday 29 March 2019 (1.30pm-3.30pm) when we are inviting former staff, students and friends of the school to come in and share their memories, photographs or memorabilia with current students. We would like to collate the stories to make an exhibition which we would share with everyone in June on the Open Day.

Students will be on hand to record these stories and find out more about their school! Should you wish to

be a part of one of these special afternoons or have any artefacts, history, photographs, uniform items from the last one hundred years or can help us with the Centenary celebrations (balloons,



Forthcoming Dates...

Date	Event	Year(s)
Tue 19 Mar	German exchange departs (Mr Scott & Mrs Goodall)	Y10
Wed 20 Mar	House Photographic/Art deadline	All
Tue 26 Mar	Chemistry Lecture, Birmingham	Y12-13
Thu 28 Mar	Remembering NGHS Centenary	Visitors
20	New York Parents Meeting 6pm	Y9-13

Congratulations!

Emily Jenkins (Y12) and Hannah Shakespeare (Y13) took GOLD and BRONZE respectively in the U18 Girls Sabre Fencing Match at Stratford. Both proceed to BYC National Finals.



Health & Wellbeing Top Tip

"Look for something positive in each day, even if some days you have to look a little harder 'S4

NGHS PERFORMING ARTS SOCIETY PRESENTS...

CENTENARY
REVUE
SCHOOL THROUGH THE
AGES

THURSDAY 11TH APRIL 2019
7PM IN THE SCHOOL HALL
£3 ADULTS
£1 CONCESSIONS
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION