

Shoreham Academy **NEWS**



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APRIL • APRIL • APRIL

Monday 11

- First day of Summer Term
- INSET day

Tuesday 12

- GCSE Art exam (+ Weds 13)

Wednesday 13

- Arts Award Dance Show,
6.30pm-8.30pm

Thursday 14

- Year 7 Parents' Evening:
3.30pm-7.30pm

Monday 18

- GCSE Photography exam
(+ Tues 19)

Wednesday 20

- A Level Art exam (until Fri
22)

Thursday 21

- FoSA Meeting, 6pm-7pm

MAY • MAY • MAY • MAY

Monday 2

- BANK HOLIDAY

Thursday 5

- Year 10 Geography trip to
River Tillingbourne (+ Fri 6)

Tuesday 10

- GCSE Dance Practical exam
(+ Thurs 12)
- Year 9 'Making Choices'
Graduation Ceremony at
Sussex University

Wednesday 11

- Year 8 Parents' Evening:
3.30pm-7.30pm

Friday 13

- Year 10 Geography trip to
River Tillingbourne

Thursday 26

- Year 7 Parents: Blackland
Farm meeting, 6pm-6.30pm

TRY, TRY AGAIN!



Shoreham Academy under 14s are now officially the best state school rugby team in Sussex after winning the state schools County Cup, beating Warden Park 10-8. It was a closely fought contest, held at Brighton RFC on a rain soaked pitch with Warden Park in navy blue. Warden Park took the impetus, which resulted in a penalty that was dually converted by Warden Park's fly-half, Luke Minett. Shoreham Academy, in green and gold, responded with some aggressive running in the midfield by both George Clarke and Darren Locke. The pressure eventually told and Shoreham Academy's George Clarke crossed the white wash for the game's opening try. With the extras not been taken from the tee, the game lay poised as both teams strove to forge an opening in a two point game. Warden Park started the second half the brighter and exerted some early pressure which resulted in a cultured number 8 pick-up from Ben Wright from a five metre scrum. This galvanised Shoreham, who took up almost permanent residence in the opposing half and continued to attack with wave after wave of confrontational and abrasive running. The attack included some deft kicking and mature game management from the mercurial Shoreham fly-half Ben Gale, whose distribution and steady nerve fed the three quarter line and heaped on relentless pressure. The breakthrough came from George Thomas who managed to rip the ball from a rolling maul and head to the line for glory and a deserved lead, capitalising on the unseen and dogged work of the forward pack including the outstanding tight-head Sonny Pullen and imperious number 8, Jake Butler. Shoreham withstood the last anxious few minutes of heavy attack before driving the ball in to touch to claim a truly historic victory. Sussex RFU President Dewi Vaughan was impressed with Shoreham Academy's skill level and heralded the strong link with Shoreham Rugby Club as a major contributor to Shoreham Academy rugby success. Mr Coupe, Shoreham Academy Principal, said "I am delighted that Shoreham Academy are now winning county wide trophies in addition to district titles. We are widely known for our football success and now making major marks with Rugby is great to see". Shoreham Academy now go on to represent Sussex in the South East Regions competition, playing Kent, Surrey, and Hampshire. We are currently seeking sponsorship for a new rugby strip. Please contact info@shoreham-academy.org if you wish to support our aspiring representatives of Sussex.

Mr Felton, P.E. Department

Principal's Message

It has been just five weeks since our last SAN and with Easter coming early this year, there has been so much to pack into a very short period of time. It was fabulous to see so many parents and children at the recent Options Evening. I am pleased to report that almost all of our children are likely to be offered their first choice preferences. Details will be shared after Easter.

At this time of the year, focus really begins to build for our older students, as they begin the countdown to their summer exams. The range of additional study and revision sessions offered during this period is exceptional and I very much hope that parents will encourage their children to attend with consistency and application. I am pleased to report that our Year 11 students worked incredibly hard in preparation for their GCSE in English Literature, sat back in January. Their results came in two weeks ago, with 64% of the year group achieving A*-C and 16% gaining A/A* grades. Such outcomes bode really well for the summer.

We have seen more sporting success in the last few weeks, with two matches deserving of particular mention. Our under 15 football team reached the National Quarter finals, a game that we hosted at the Academy. Whilst the team were valiant in defeat, it was, without doubt, the best supported fixture in memory with the whole touchline three deep with students, parents and staff. A few days later our under 14 rugby team won the County Cup in some style against Warden Park. This particularly stands out because, whilst our footballing pedigree is well established, we are very much the emerging contenders on the rugby scene!

I wish you all a very Happy Easter.

Mr Coupe, *Principal*



PARKING NOTICE



Can I please remind all parents and guardians of the importance of parking appropriately around the campus and the surrounding streets when you are dropping off or picking up your children. On the Stoney Lane side, it's a very narrow street with a bus route, and waiting in the layby or on the double yellow lines near and opposite the gate can quickly cause congestion and increase the risk of one of our students being hurt. Please move a little further from the gate and arrange a safer pick up point with your children. For the Kingston Lane main entrance, please be aware not to park or stop on any of the areas that are marked. Again, this increases the risk to our students and to those from Glebe Primary. Finally, if you are dropping off or picking up children from the car park at any point in the day or evening, please remember we operate a 5 mph limit. Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated. As the weather improves over the Spring and into the Summer, we would also encourage students to walk or cycle to school where appropriate as part of promoting a healthy lifestyle.

Mr Harkins, *Business Director*

UNIFORM UPDATE

Looking ahead to September, we would like to make you aware of some changes to the uniform policy that will take effect when we return in September. Over the course of this year we have been reviewing the current policy and after wide consultation involving both the parent forum and student voice, we will be making the following changes:

- ◆ Shoes must be plain black leather/leather look and be able to be polished. There will be no plimsoll alternative and no trainers will be permitted
- ◆ Skirts must be worn at knee length or longer
- ◆ Make up and nail varnish need to be kept natural and to a minimum
- ◆ No piercings are permitted other than plain ear studs, and stretcher plugs if needed must be of a natural colour and no bigger than a five pence piece.



We must advise you that any student not wearing the regulation uniform will either be sent home to change or will be placed in isolation. We are really proud of the appearance of our students and they should wear their uniform with pride. Not only is uniform an important part of creating an identity for a school, it is an important social equaliser at a time that people are increasingly judged on the basis of their appearance.

Ms Thompson, *Assistant Principal*



Moving Towards a Cashless Academy

We ask all parents to **only** use our e-payment system to pay for dinner money, trips and all other school activities. We no longer accept cash or

cheques. The majority of our parents now successfully use this system on a regular basis. With ParentPay, you are able to pay online using your credit or debit card.

What are the benefits to parents and pupils?

- ParentPay is easy-to-use and will offer you the freedom to make online payments whenever and wherever you like, 24/7
- The technology used is of the highest internet security available ensuring that your money will reach school safely – offering you peace of mind
- Payments can be made by credit/debit card or also through PayPoint
- Full payment histories and statements are available to you, securely online at anytime
- Parents can choose to be alerted when their balances are low via email and/or SMS text

What support is available?

The Finance team are available to support parents with the transition to using the new site. A terminal is available in the Academy reception area if you do not have access to the Internet and we can help you through this process. If you require details of how PayPoint works with ParentPay and details of outlets in the locality that you can use, again, please contact us so that we can make the change as seamless as possible. More information is available on our website. Email Finance@shoreham-academy.org or call the Academy switchboard and ask for the finance team.



We have seen some fantastic individual achievements from various different pupils since January. Examples of this include various sporting achievements, drama performances and subject specific rewards. We have also had some great English Literature results amongst our Year 11s, and we are extremely proud of those that achieved above and beyond their target grade as well as the many A* grades, a huge well done!

Wells School would like to congratulate the following students for receiving the Most Individual Achievement points from the beginning of this academic year. **WELLS DONE!**

Raymond Carter (8W16), Jasmine Gillespie (8W8), William Hamilton-Pearson (7W8), Angelle Jervis (8W1), Megan Longley (8W17), Archie Baitup (10W10), Samuel Coomber (7W17), Becky Reed (10W5), Daniel Abbott (11W2), Daniel Gerry (11W7), Erin Garratt (11W5), Jessica Jeffrey (7W6).

And in Mentor Groups, W17 achieved the most points overall, followed by W10 then W4 - keep up the good work everyone!

We wish all Wells pupils a lovely Easter holiday. Stay safe, be good and enjoy the break ready for a fresh term in April!

The Wells Team: Ms Hill, Miss Joyce, Ms Molli and Mrs Lee

Lois's Story

Last weekend I went to Birmingham for the cross-country nationals. I came 52nd out of 302. I was the 3rd Sussex participant to cross the finish line. Our team came 5th out of 41 teams. I ran 3k in a time of 13:27. I was really tired and I thought that I worked my hardest. The course had so many hills.

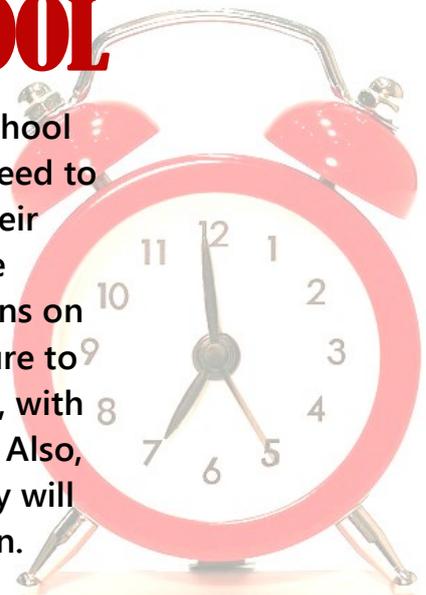
This weekend I ran for Sussex in the southern area. I came 4th and I think there were about 100 people running in that race. The course was very flat and a little hilly. My Brighton & Hove Team had also previously won a Silver medal for running 3k and a Gold medal for a cross country race.

Lois Dooley, 8W6



BEING ON TIME FOR SCHOOL

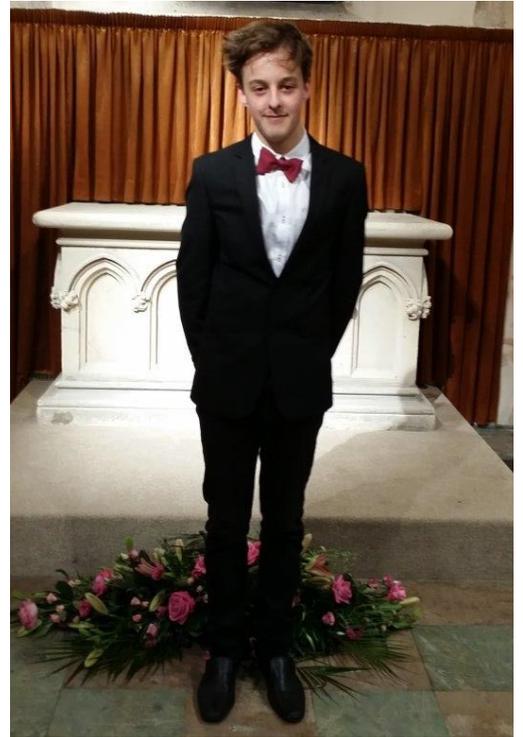
Students are encouraged to be on time, if not early, to school every day. Lessons begin at 8.30am, therefore students need to be in school before this. This is an important aspect of their development and will help their chances of success in the future. Therefore, failure to arrive to school or their lessons on time will result in a 10 minute break time detention. Failure to attend this will result in a 20 minute lunchtime detention, with a 60 minute after school detention on a Friday after that. Also, if a student is late 3 or more times in the same week, they will automatically be issued with a 60 minute Friday detention.



The Attendance Team

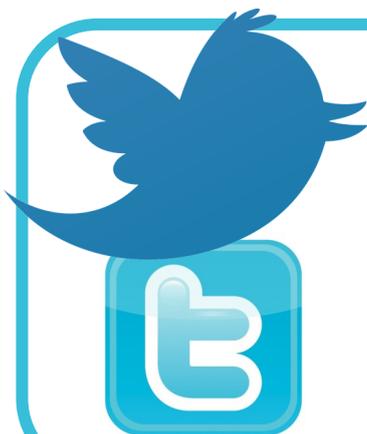
Calm & Composed

My name is Joshua Urben and I am a student at Shoreham Academy Sixth Form College in Year 13. I am a keen music student and I am going to discuss a recent project I have taken part in involving my huge passion of musical composition. I have recently taken part in a very exciting project outside the school with the Shoreham Oratorio Choir. This involved the premiering of a new work written for SOC and orchestra in January. I am a tenor in the SOC and last October I asked the conductor, Tony Allen if I could write a piece that would represent Tony's last concert, as he was soon to be retiring as a conductor. I worked very hard with the soloist, the orchestra and Tony himself to pull this huge work together. However, as this piece was for choir as well, I needed text to put the music to. So, Tony and I came up with the idea of hosting a competition for original poems and works to be judged by Tony and myself. This was a very successful idea with many entrants and in the end I chose a beautiful piece of text entitled 'Journey'. This was also the name of my final composition which was used in the concert in January. So as the time approached, more rehearsals and final adjustments to my composition were made as the evening of the concert approached. The final rehearsal went very well and I knew it would be an amazing concert. When my time came after the interval in the second half, my piece very programmatically finished the concert and it received many great praises. Unexpectedly, the press were there and even wanted an interview and photos of me with the mayor, conductor and soloist. As the work was based on the sea scape and imagery of Shoreham itself, the locals very much enjoyed the performance, with one member of the audience commenting that it was "the best piece of new music I have heard in a long time". Overall, I learnt so much with this experience and I am so glad that I had the opportunity.



Family thoughts and wishes...

Having attended the concert at the church for the retirement of Tony Allen, we as a family were not only proud of Josh's contribution, but the performance was excellent and very much appreciated by the congregation and he got a very well deserved standing ovation. We wish him well as he goes on to study composition at the Royal Northern College of Music in September and look forward to hearing many more good things to come.



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E-safety tips for Parents of Teenagers

42%

of 9-16 year-olds
accept 'friend'
requests from people
they don't know

Checklist

✓ Adjust controls

Adjust the parental controls on your broadband and internet-enabled devices, depending on your child's age. Your broadband provider can tell you how.

Find out how to setup safe search in Google by going to google.co.uk/safetycentre.

Net Children Go Mobile: The UK Report – EU Kids Online (July 2014)

✓ Keep talking

Stay interested in what they're doing online and discuss what they might have come across. Don't be afraid to tackle difficult subjects like cyberbullying and sexting.

✓ Manage their online reputation

Let them know that anything they upload, email or message could stay online forever. Remind them that they should only post things online that they wouldn't mind you, their teacher or a future employer seeing.

✓ Privacy matters

Make sure they set high privacy settings on social networks. Encourage them to regularly change their passwords and never to share or put online any of their personal details like phone number, address or their school.

✓ Stay safe on the move

Make sure safety and privacy settings are activated on their mobile devices and they aren't sharing private information. Be aware that using public WiFi might not filter inappropriate content, so look for friendly WiFi symbols when you're out and about.

Know this stuff matters,
but don't know where to turn?

Internet Matters is a free online resource for every parent in the UK. We'll show you the best ways to protect your children online - with information, advice and support on all the big e-safety issues.

**internet
matters.org**

SWAP SHOP!



FREE
STUFF!

Shoreham Academy is proud to present...the 'SA Swap Shop!' Everything is free – free to donate and free to take! What you don't want, another person might love! Please round up all the items you no longer use/want and bring them to D19. It can be anything from clothes, shoes, DVDs, jewellery, bags etc. Ask your parents, friends, family if they have anything they no longer want! On Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th April we will be giving everything away at lunch in the atrium. Come and grab yourself a nice 'new' item for free! Any unwanted items at the end of the two day fair, will be donated to Cancer Research, in memory of Charlie Hilton and Mr Pound.

Many thanks from The Swap Shop Team

Can you help our Sixth Formers?

We are looking for local community businesses who may be able to offer work experience or 'business challenge work-shops' for Shoreham Academy Sixth Form students, as part of their Study Programme. We are keen to build on our established database of businesses and organisations and increase our involvement with you and your businesses as part of our community of Shoreham and Southwick.

The 'Work Experience' week will be 4th - 8th July 2016. If you work for or own a business, or can recommend any other businesses who would like to be involved with Shoreham Academy, this year or in the future, please contact me with the details: msweetman@shoreham-academy.org

Ms Sweetman, *Work Experience Coordinator*

'Returning Teachers Programme' at The South Downs SCITT

Are you a teacher who has left the profession for a while and has decided to return?
We want to support you on your route back to work.

Our programme is designed to provide you with subject knowledge and pedagogy training whilst supporting you with school experience and ongoing support in your first year employed as a teacher.

For more information contact Lianne Allison on **01903 778310**
Angmering School working in Partnership with Shoreham Academy



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Term Dates 2016/2017

Spring Term 2016

Monday 4th January - Thursday 24th March

Half Term: Monday 15th - Friday 19th February

Inset day:

- Monday 22nd February

Summer Term 2016

Monday 11th April - Friday 22nd July

Half Term: Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

Inset days:

- Monday 11th April
- Friday 1st July

Autumn Term 2016

Monday 5th September - Wednesday 14th December

Half term: Monday 24th - Friday 28th October

Inset days:

- Monday 5th + Tuesday 6th September
- Friday 11th November

Spring Term 2017

Tuesday 3rd January - Friday 7th April

Half Term: Monday 20th - Friday 24th February

Inset days:

- Tuesday 3rd January
- Monday 27th February

The Academy is also closed on Monday 2nd May 2016 (Bank Holiday)