

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you! – for your support with remote learning for Years 10 and 7 this week. Moving a group online and out of school is never an easy decision and only taken when staffing levels are reduced significantly to unsafe levels, as they have been this week. We are very hopeful that we are through this now and will not need to repeat this measure.

Breakfast Club Relaunch!!

Next week, we are relaunching breakfast in the restaurant at 8am every day. All students are welcome to come in from the cold and enjoy a range of healthy foods. Payment is on the finger system, with all students in receipt of free school meals having an extra amount available on their account for breakfast only each day. Look out for a separate email for this group of students.

Covid Vaccinations – Round 2

Your child has been given a guidance letter and consent form relating to Covid vaccinations. If you wish to take up this offer through the school, please complete and return the form to Student Services no later than Friday 4th February.

The Build Update

The concrete footings are dry and the compound for the fitness suite and dance studio is nearly all in place. We are now excitedly waiting for the arrival of the steel frame for the new reception on Monday, so more photos next week.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Alison Pearson
Headteacher



REMINDERS & NOTICES

Eco Club Crocus Bulb Planting

Thank you to Jonjo Evans, Ecologist and tree expert from Whittington Castle Trust, for his donation of crocus bulbs. He came to advise us on which plant and tree species were suitable for different sites around School at the end of last term.

The Eco Club and Gardening Club are keen to make the most of the Eco Garden and make it a beautiful place for students and staff (as well as wildlife) to enjoy.

Can you help?

If you (or someone you know) can donate any plant pots, seeds or equipment, we would be very grateful.

Dr Renwick – ECO Club Leader



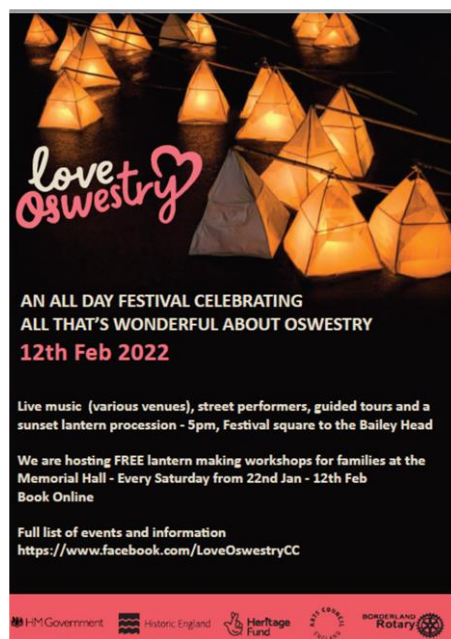
The iDEA Award

This half-term in IT, the Digital Communications Department have launched the Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award with Year 7. The iDEA award is a national industry recognised award that students will be working through this year. We are hoping to get lots of Bronze and Silver awards! All students are welcome to come along on Tuesdays between 3.00pm and 4.00pm.



Year 12 Fish Head Dissection

Students have had a great time isolating the Gill filaments and understanding the theory they had learnt about ventilation in fish. Needless to say, I needed ALL of the windows in my classroom open after! Not for the faint hearted, but we did not have any fainters! Miss Price – Teacher of Science



FOCUS

Year 8 Boys' Football - in the latest cup game at home in the mud against Ludlow School. A great start to the game saw early goals from Marvin Owen and Rhys Morris to get us going. On a slippery surface, there was great attacking Football. Jesli Nang-Bayi was next to score, before Marvin tucked away his second. With the half drawing to a close, Niall Maguire made it a 5-0 lead. Ludlow School gave a spirited show in the second half, causing difficulties at times, but the Marches boys hit them on the break several times and ran out 10-0 winners on the night. The team were thrilled with the clean sheet win. Onto the next round!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Click [here](#) to view our upcoming events. Events at a glance:

- Thursday 10th February - Year 9 Options and Parents' Evening
- 17th February – Parent Forum
- 18st February – Last day of this half-term
- 1st March – Return to school for all students

Click [here](#) to view our term dates.

NEWS

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