

Newsletter

11th October 2012

Our annual Charities Week will be from 18th to 22nd October 2021. By tradition, this week will entail several fundraising events performed live in the theatre, alongside the arrival of various food and activity stalls for all of the five days. This year, the Sixth Form Council has chosen three charities: one local, one national and finally, an international organisation.

St Richard's Hospice



Founded locally in 1984, this independent charity provides care for those suffering a serious illness that brings complex requirements, perhaps which other services struggle to provide. The quality of life of their patients is their priority; the team cares for more than 1,200 people each day. St Richard's Hospice additionally offers support for the loved ones of their patients and as a result, countless Droitwich residents have benefited from their care in one way or another. As the charity depends largely on public donations, we are eager to raise money for a cause that has given so much to our community.

https://www.strichards.org.uk/donate/

Young Minds

YOUNGMINDS fighting for young people's mental health

A national foundation which focuses on promoting the mental health of young people, YoungMinds is based in London. Their work guarantees that effective services are put in place when necessary, to prevent further problems emerging for troubled children. Following the past two years and the restrictions they brought for young people to face, many have become familiar with the anxieties and pressures of lockdown. We feel as though the time has never been more appropriate to raise awareness for the wellbeing of the youth and therefore, have selected YoungMinds as our national association of 2021.

https://www.youngminds.org.uk/support-us/donate/

Ngobit Girls Secondary School



For several years, DSHS has partnered with a secondary school in Ngobit, Kenya; the scheme has allowed a number of staff members to visit their school, as well as welcoming the teachers from Kenya to our own. Additionally, our school has sponsored a few students as part of the project, enabling them to have an education despite their lack of finance. Rahab and Agnes, two former sponsored students, are young women who have benefitted from DSHS and have gone on to be teachers themselves. This Charities Week, a portion of our funds raised will go to sponsor students to attend Ngobit Girls Secondary School, reinforcing the links we have formed with them in previous years.



The Sixth Form Council is thrilled to be organising a Charities Week like no other this year, brought to you both at home and in school. Besides the money raised from our events and stands, we will be setting up a GoFundMe page to enable donations to be made online. So, whether it be Mr. Drew's traditionally unenthusiastic presenting of 'Taskmaster' or a DSHS-first 'Masked Singer' contest, you will not want to miss out on the affairs of next week... so don't forget your coins!

Year 8 Basketball House Competition





Sixth Form

There has been some excellent practice in Year 12, from the Pre GCE teacher training class. Fin Simpson and Lauren Loveridge have been lesson planning and their knowledge and understanding of pedagogy within their plans is absolutely first rate. They have planned two lessons very different in subject specialism and age and ability range, but both demonstrating a very professional understanding of what makes a successful lesson.

Beth Meakin and Amelia Knowles made an outstanding effort in completing their first Unit 5 practical science coursework trials.

All of the Year 12 Mathematicians and Further Mathematicians have made an impressive start in their courses. Sian Dalgleish and Rhys Jones have done especially well.

Maths Senior Team Challenge



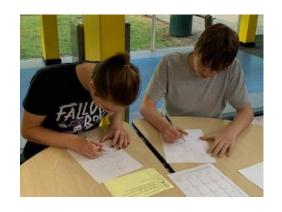
On Tuesday 5th October our A-level mathematicians took part in a team challenge event.

Six teams of four competed in a relay shuttle and a cross number. It was an extremely difficult challenge as each pair only had half the information they needed. The students needed to use tenacity, logic and mathematical reasoning to help them achieve success. After a gruelling hour of intense mathematics there were only 5 points between the top three teams.



Congratulations to our participating students: Nathan Law,
Jenson Warrier, Rhys Jones, Zac Woolford, Kieran Viljoen,
Harriet Rochelle, Ben Wood, Tom Starks, James Rushton,
Robert Blake, Rachel Cheah, Aaron Hall, Michael
Efstathiades, Sian Dalgleish, Adam Colyer, Chris
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Fletcher, Charli Head, Daniel Leavesley and Michal
Romanczuk Fiedorowicz.









After a frantic finish, team 3 took the lead. Well done to our winning students: Charli Head, Harry Fletcher, Michal Romanczuk Fiedorowicz and Daniel Leavesley.

Charis Hughes produced excellent work on the intervention of Mussolini's fascist government in the depression of 1929.

Annabell Gurney Terry and Lorna Beecroft have designed excellent guides to social democracy and its alternative to revolutionary socialism.

Harvey Newman wrote an excellent contrast between Marxist socialism and revolutionary materialism and social democracy's inevitable gradualism.

Freya Richardson produced a fine guide to post-unification Italy and the problems facing the new liberal government.

Hope Rose has written a very good induction paper on the functions of political parties and the factors leading to their success.

Year 11

Mia Goode and Gabriel McAlinden have finished their studies of medieval London by producing a creative and comprehensive time traveller's guide to London

11B History, with special mention to Porcha Bridgwater-Harding, Kelsey Rooke and Alex Haller, produced some excellent work on the importance of the Wool Trade in Edward I's England.

Sophie Brown, Lilly Dawson, Tyler Hall, Alex McCallion, Emily Parry, Jake Smith have worked hard and made pleasing progress in Science.

Stevie Andrews, Ciaran Luscott and Ellie Bullock are working well in Science and have scored well in recent tests.

Sophie Gomersall, Leanne Dearing, Oliver Barker, Kim Hussey continue to provide valuable help with the KS3 Drama club.

Felix Cross, Amelia Hodgetts, Lucy Oliver, Lily-May Degenkolb and Emily Tandy worked very hard in Science last week.

In English Abi Eversham had the confidence to speak up for what is right and wrong.



The Hair and Beauty students continue to impress with their excellent attitude to learning and commitment to improving their skills. Many have been practising these on family members at home. Stars of this Week were Cassie Smith, Rhyanna Fallon, Ella Blakemore and Jodie Homer for their manicures and facials, and Stevie Andrews, Alicia Bradbury, and Emily Eversham for making a great start on their 'Create an Image' mood boards, themed respectively around Air Hostess, Festivals, and Prom. Their hair tutor is very impressed with their enthusiasm and focus.

Year 10

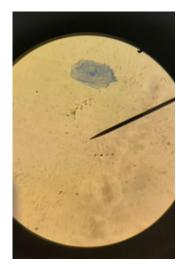
Connie Hall, Louise Hall, Alice Ralphs, Sky Baylis and Ellie Clark have done some impressive work and had an excellent attitude in their Maths lessons.

Jake Twinam and Sacha Hart have worked together exceptionally well on percentages in maths this week.

Catherine Sandell was named Historian of the week for her fine work on Weimar Germany

Daniel Morris, Charlie Hartwell, Archie Kane, Jacob Bastock and Daniel Buckell have worked really hard in History on the Growth of the Nazi Party.

10L4 have tried really hard in their first assessment task in English.



Kiren Punnamoottil Mathukutty has been given a commendation point for obtaining an excellent slide of a cheek cell in Science and taking this photograph of it. Also in this class Liam Greenfield, Mia Lloyd, Jessica Pearce, Calum Stock and Josh Synnuck worked very well and showed impressive curiosity and determination to make good slides.

Year 9

Erin Sanders and Max Rigby have shown an exceptional attitude to learning and a high standard of classwork in Science.

Finley Jones, Arlyia Hussey, Emma Mansueto, Violet Adams, James Aldridge and Alexiah Walsh have done well in French this week.

Joshua Wood has done some excellent work in his Maths lessons.

Lexi Bennett and Taylor Pugh have worked really hard this week in Maths, using and applying index laws. They have been focused and attentive, working nicely together.



9FJL have done well, having correct uniform and being punctual to tutor time throughout the week.

Anna Dibusz, Faith Andres-Barber, Jacob Dyke, Erin Sanders, Erin Sanders, Joshua Wood and Lexi Hemming Chatterton have displayed excellent effort in their work on Ned Kelly.

Izabell Evans-Hill, Lillie Farrell and Eli Oliver have impressed in their work on Frankenstein's Monster creations.

Grace Winter is commended for always working hard in English.

Mr Neil Pennington (Home Economics department link Governor) joined some of our year 9s this week for a lesson on heat transfer methods using the practical approach of making a Full English Breakfast. Mr Brook timed his visit well, being rewarded with breakfast cooked by Mr Pennington himself.

9RR have been a delight in their PSHE lessons and created excellent timelines about Women's Equality for our partner school in Ngobit this week.

Year 8

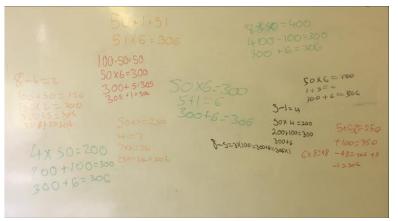
8LR have shown an excellent attitude towards their History work this week on the Dissolution of the Monasteries.

8SDS showed admirable maturity, kindness, and good sense in Science this week.

Drew Hankins shows impressive to extra-curricular activities.

Abi Richards and Amelie Hughes have done well in French this week.

The whole of 8SJG have done well in their maths lessons so far this term. They are always polite and enthusiastic.



8HJM beat their record this week, finding 10 solutions to a difficult countdown round (pictured).

In Mrs Limburn's Year 8 PSHE lessons Archie Hirschfield, Eliza Morris, Olivia Fleming Luke Daniels, Archie Williams, Samuel Linton, Dylan Sivaharan, Leo Leverett-Hughes, Dylan Rees,



Ania Waldman, Isabelle Butcher, Lizzie Marshall, Justin Honey, Harry Cairns-Smith and Grace Dean make regular and thoughtful contributions in lessons.

Emily Colley and Evie Dean have made excellent efforts in History this week:

Charlie Edge, Evie Makepeace and Millie Lang are becoming more confident in English and making some excellent contributions.

Annabelle Burton, Levi Curtis and Amelia Scattergood are commended for always working hard in English.

Daisy Morgan, Logan Guest, James Hale, Brennan Mansfield and Taylor Waldron made strong contributions in English this week.

In French Kyle Bradley and Finley Griffiths have been making excellent progress and contributing well in class.

Isaac Rudkin has impressed in French, engaging well with the challenge of a difficult extended text. He produced an extraordinary amount of work.

Erin Baker and Aleisha Layton produced outstanding research on Martin Luther and the reformation.

English Superhero Transition Project

Last week we held our annual transition project competition. The results are in, after voting by the English department and some members of the site team.

Students were asked to create their own superhero and design an outfit for them that reflected their abilities and personality. Some students clearly put in a lot of effort and have not only produced some impressive outfits, but have justified their decisions in writing in an extremely sophisticated and informative manner.

The finalists were:

Luke Daniels and Stephanie Lloyd-Rogers in 8IED
Morgan Hurdman and Felicity Jordan in 8HJM
Sophie Edwards and Leticija Grunte in 8MYT
Grace Dean and James Rochelle in 8HLR
Abigail Plant and Sophie Holland in 8FS
Harry Smart and Mary-Jane Peace in 8KAS
Eva McKay, Rebecca Johnson and Paige Shaw in 8LR
Isaac Rudkin 8SJG and Fern Callow in 8SJG
Max Kirkham and Phoebe Sabel in 8KAR
Hannah Marshall and Isabelle Cooper in 8SDS

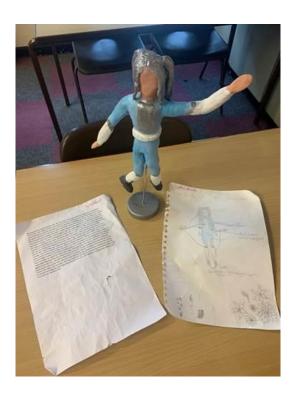


English Superhero Transition Project Competition Results





Runner up: Sophie Edwards 8MYT 8IED



Runner up: Stephanie Lloyd-Rogers

