

# Upper Sixth Black-Tie Dinner

Sunday 2 April 2017





## Salopian Footballers Lose Out in Semi-Final Replay

Monday 3 April 2017



The OS Football Club have once again had a solid run in the Arthur Dunn Cup, putting in some fine performances and getting through to the semi-finals. Unfortunately that's where their run ended, in a 2-1 defeat away at Repton. It's all the more unfortunate because the home game the previous week had been a very close match, with some great play from both sides, resulting in a 2-2 draw. Sadly the OSFC struggled to field their best team for the replay, with a handful of players unable to make the journey out of the city on two consecutive weekends.

Perhaps in the event of a tie, given the distances many of these players have to travel, a penalty shootout with a certain result would be the most practical way to decide the later ties. But such is the nature of sport that the playing field is rarely as even as we would like and the impact is always more keenly felt by the losing team.

As Captain Richard McGarry (Ch 01-06) said 'we lick our wounds and go again next year'...

## Annual Salopian Gathering in Dubai

Tuesday 4 April 2017



This year's annual Dubai Salopian get together was held at the very swanky Wakame Japanese fusion restaurant in the heart of Dubai's "Old Town". There was a slight gap in the rain with the government's seed clouding program which brought about a perfectly clear evening. Guests were greeted with a well-mixed "welcome cocktail" in the specially sectioned off bar area peppered with the Salopian coat of arms to make everyone feel right at home to mingle and get to know one another.

A month earlier, my wife and I had the hard task of carrying out a menu fact-finding exercise at the restaurant. Having been over satisfied with their selection of dishes, we were confident and excited for the everyone to experience the selected culinary delights that were on our set menu.

It was great to see several existing Salopian parents, invited by the School, as well as the Salopians in the region who attended: 1st VIII rowers Iain Jones and Mark Towers. Fellow Severnhill contemporaries Nick Green (who travelled from Bahrain especially), his brother Julian Green (who travelled from Abu Dhabi) and Nik Tryggvason. Mark Anderson, who also travelled for the event especially from Bahrain. Dubai residents Edward Gallagher, Tom Keep, Mike Rigby, Kartike Kathuria, newbie Ben Jones and myself. James Fielding, who runs a polo academy and has represented the England team. Finally, world-famous surgeon Dr. Jaffer Khan, who sadly had to leave early for a patient emergency.

It was wonderful to hear from the School's representative, Kathy Campbell, about the School's recent news and equally everyone's personal Salopian news before tucking into the 5\* supper accompanied by free-flowing drinks- although there was no coincidence that it was St. Paddy's day too! After supper, many of the Old Salopians and their partners continued the evening on the roof-top bar with stunning views of the city, which capped off another thoroughly memorable Salopian evening in Dubai.

For any Old Salopians moving to the UAE and wishing to be a part of the Salopian community, please feel free to contact me at [rupert.connor@gmail.com](mailto:rupert.connor@gmail.com).

Floreat Salopia!

Rupert Connor (S. 92-97)



# WAKAME



Shrewsbury School

## Dim Sum

Butternut, spinach, feta & pinenut

## Small Plates

### Exotic Mushrooms

Sautéed exotic mushrooms with crispy taro root & black truffle miso

### Rock Shrimp

Crispy rock shrimp with spicy mayonnaise

## Salad

### Crispy Japanese Eggplant & Burrata

Japanese eggplant, with creamy burrata & yuzu truffle

## Wakame Flame Maki

### Hamachi

Cucumber, spicy Hamachi, yuzu kosho, kizami wasabi & mayonnaise

## Large Plates

### Yakitori Marinated Baby Chicken

Grilled baby chicken, assorted mushrooms & truffle teriyaki sauce

### Marinated Glacier 51 Chilean seabass

Oven roasted Chilean seabass with jalapeno & ginger marinade

### Hong Kong Style Noodle

Assorted vegetable, fresh egg noodle, soy & sesame

## Side

### Grilled Asparagus

Sesame & onion dressing

### Pak Choy

Oyster & ginger sauce

### Egg fried Rice

## Dessert

### Miso Caramel Cheesecake

Saikyo miso & caramel cheesecake with black sesame shortbread & dark chocolate ice cream



# The news this week 100 years ago: 7th - 13th April 1917

Thursday 6 April 2017

*This week we remember:*

**Second Lieutenant George Orme Smart, 60th Sqdn. Royal Flying Corps.**

School House, Football XI, left in 1903.

*Killed in action in France, 7th April 1917, aged 30.*

*Remembered on Arras Flying Services Memorial, France.*

**Lieutenant Robert Hugh Walker, 9th Bn. Seaforth Highlanders.**

Chance's (now Severn Hill)/School House, left in 1891. After serving five years' apprenticeship with Messrs Marshall of Gainsborough, he was appointed by the Neuchatel Asphalt Co. director of their mines at Traver, near Neuchatel, where he remained until 1912. He subsequently served the Company in Australia and at Athens. Soon after the outbreak of the War he came home and obtained a Commission in the Seaforth Highlanders. He was Mentioned in Despatches after the operations on The Somme, where he was slightly wounded.

*Killed in action in France, 9th April 1917, aged 42.*

*Buried at Ste Catherine British Cemetery, France. Grave K. 20.*

**Colonel Frederick Thomas Henstock, West India, West African Regiments.**

School House, Cricket XI and 2nd XI Football. Left in 1878. He entered Sandhurst in 1884 and passed out first, after gaining the Sword of Honour, and was gazetted in the 2nd West Indian. After taking part in the expedition against King Prempeh of Ashanti in 1896 he went to Staff College, passing out and in 1900 being appointed Staff Capt. in Sierra Leone. In 1901 he was presented with a testimonial by the Cape Coast Chamber of Commerce in recognition of his services in suppressing a mutiny in the West African Regiment, Cape Coast Castle, after which he became commandant of the West African Regt. After his appointment as General Staff Officer (1st grade) in Cape Colony he retired in 1908. In 1914, however, he re-joined and served as General Staff Officer (1st grade) in Plymouth, later as A.A. and Q.M.G.; by 1916 he was appointed A.A.G. at Aldershot but was unable to take up the post due to illness which terminated in his death.

*Died of illness in the United Kingdom, 10th April 1917, aged 55.*

*Not known where buried.*

**Second Lieutenant Arthur Max Spencer, 1st Bn. Rifle Brigade.**

Prior's (now Moser's), Head of House, Scholar, left in 1916.

*Killed in action in France, 12th April 1917, aged 19.*

*Probably related to Thomas Charlton Spencer, died 3rd October 1917.*

*Buried at Highland Cemetery, Roclincourt, France. Grave I. B. 36.*



## The news this week 100 years ago: 14th - 20th April 1917

Thursday 13 April 2017

**Captain Arthur Keedwell Harvey-James**, 1st Bn. The Buffs (East Kent Regiment).

Chance's (now Severn Hill), left in 1888.

*Killed in action in France, 15th April 1917, aged 44.*

*Buried at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Loos, France. Grave III. A. 6.*

**Captain QM Cecil Edwards Maddox**, 63rd Palamcottah Light Infantry.

School House/Rigg's, left in 1901. Died in active service in Persia, 16th April 1917, aged 31.

*Remembered on Tebran Memorial, Iran.*

**Lieutenant Colonel Foster Newton Thorne**, 1st Bn. Royal Sussex Regiment Cdg. 6th Bn. The Loyal North Lancashire Regiment.

Chance's (now Severn Hill), left in 1898. He served in the South African War (Queen's and King's medals) and was attached to the West African Frontier Force for two tours (1909 and 1910). After transfer to 2nd Bn. in India he fought on the frontier in 1914. In 1915 he was promoted Major and went to the Gront.

*Killed in action in Mesopotamia, 18th April 1917, aged 36.*

*Remembered on Basra Memorial, Iraq. Panel 20 and 63.*



## RSSBC: J15 retain their Junior Sculling Head title

Monday 17 April 2017

*Nine Shrewsbury crews took to the water at Dorney Lake on the last day of the Lent Term for the Junior Sculling Head. The highlight of the day was a victory for the J15 boys in the octuple, retaining the title they won last year.*



The Girls' 1st Quad came in 9th of 31 crews.

The J16 boys raced in a quad, coming 11th of 30 crews.

The J15 girls came 4th of eight crews.

The J14 boys had four octuples entered and came 4th, 31st, 37th and 59th of 61 crews.

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Please click on the image below to view a gallery of photos taken during the day:



# Tremendous haul of GB medals for Hattie Bramwell at South African Fullbore Bisley Championships

Monday 17 April 2017

*Many congratulations to Hattie Bramwell (EDH LVI), who spent 12 days during the Easter holiday competing in the South African Fullbore Bisley Championships as part of the Under-19 GB Rifle Team. Not only was she the youngest member of the GB team – and indeed of the whole competition – but she was also the most decorated, winning a total of eight individual medals.*

The South African Championships was a major international competition, including teams from Canada, South Africa, Australia and Great Britain. Shooting 42,000 rounds over the 12 days of competition and in temperatures of 35 degrees, it was a test of stamina as well as skill.

The GB team did exceptionally well, picking up three team medals and a number of individual medals in addition to Hattie's amazing eight.

The Under-19 Fullbore shooting competitions were completed over many distances ranging from 300 to 1,000 yards using open sights. The rounds fly at 3,000ft per second and at longer distances it can take up to a second for them to reach the target. So the rifle shooter not only has the rifle and target to contend with, but also the wind – which can cause havoc. They must interpret the wind by watching the wind flags which are on the range and adjusting their sights accordingly. Apparently the winds on the range in South Africa were very tricky!

*Hattie gives a short summary of the tour:*

The GB U19 Rifle team 2017 consisted of eight shooters, three girls and five boys, from all over Britain, as far as Guernsey to Northern Ireland. Our three and a half week tour was split into three main sections: acclimatisation, competition and R&R.





During the acclimatisation we did some physical fitness to get used to the altitude as well as team bonding activities. By the time the shooting started, we had begun to get used to the heat, reaching up to 37°C. However, the slight glitch was that, having been used to T-shirts and shorts, we now had to shoot in a thick jumper and shooting jacket, which is made of canvas and leather, so on the first day we were all boiling! The distances we were shooting ranged from 300m all the way back to 900m.

The team as a whole were very successful, especially as the pressure was on after last year's team broke a junior record in one of their shoots. We won all three of our matches against the South African U19s, which was fantastic.

Some of us also went on to get individual medals in the individual part of the competition, which lasted for 12 days straight. I somehow managed to get eight individual medals. Tom Rylands, who is an OS, was also shooting for the senior GB team who won all their matches too, beating countries such as Australia, Canada, America and, of course, South Africa. This is only the second time a current Salopian and OS have been on the same rifle tour. Tom will also be shooting with the GB team in Canada this summer, when I will be shooting with the British Cadet Rifle Team out there too.

The final part of the tour was great fun, as we had a day in the Kruger as well as doing other activities like white water rafting and tree canopy zip lining.

I was extremely lucky to be part of such an amazing tour and I hope future Salopians can go on to do the same.

# Shrewsbury

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## National Fives Championships 2017

Tuesday 18 April 2017

*Full report by Seb Cooley, Master-in-Charge of Fives.*

The **U15s** were first to play, starting on Sunday 19th March.

Shrewsbury 3 (Alex Whitworth & Tommy Price) had looked strong through their group games and had played ever better fives in the knockout matches that followed. In the last 16 they were drawn against the top seeded Harrow pair and, though they maintained the highest standards of play, Alex and Tommy couldn't find the weapons to match the Harrovians' consistent approach shots.

Shrewsbury 2 (Tom Castling & Marcus van Wyk) were developing their game, trying not to rely as much on a big cut but earning wins in rallies. Their fast hands and breathtaking retrieving of low balls (no mean feat for two giraffes) made them a difficult pair to beat: they are ones to watch as they will develop an ability to put pairs under serious pressure in future years. This year, St Olave's 1 had just too much accuracy and court nouse for them.

Shrewsbury 1 (Peter Clark & Arthur Garrett) saw off the challenge of Harrow 3 in straight games, showing an all-round ability: they retrieve very well and attack very effectively too.

Peter and Arthur played against St Olave's 1 in their quarter final. They started well, taking a 10-4 lead in the first game which St Olave's managed to claw back. Shrewsbury lost the game 12-13 but responded in precisely the right way, winning the next two 12-6, 12-6 despite some very impressive passages of play by the stronger Olavian player. At 5-4 ahead in the 4th, the Shrewsbury supporters headed off as the last bus home was leaving at 7:15pm. The match turned. Peter and Arthur didn't find quite the same accuracy into the buttruss that they had before nor the killer volleys. The opposition also raised their game and took chances. In the 5th game Shrewsbury went to a 1-8 deficit with a strong run of returns from the Olavians. We fought back and held the opposition at 8 while scoring points here and there. At 8-6 they had nearly turned the tide but St Olave's broke the drought and scored two points. Though we replied with two of our own, we couldn't quite hang on and lost the decider 12-8.

These are a year group to watch: a number of players all at a good level.

### **U16s**

In the U16 tournament, all but one of our 10 pairs (5 fifth form and 5 fourth form) progressed from their groups. Particularly pleasing was that Castling & van Wyk and Clark & Garrett topped their groups. The latter pair then withdrew to be sure of being rested for their U15 quarter-final. Our 5th form players all came second in their groups, with the performance of the day coming from Will Barton and Mike Jacob – showing an intensity never seen from them before and quite possibly fuelled by the prospect of another day away from school – to play some of the best fives we'd yet seen from any of our pairs. Will's movement and interception at the front of court was remarkable; Mike played one mid-court volley that would make it into any coaching video and is in serious contention for goal of the season, despite having been played in the wrong sport and not having resulted in a goal, but a point. Sadly they drew a seed in their next knockout round and, though they battled well, I got the sense they had thrown a lot of physical and emotional energy into their previous game and they couldn't quite find the same intensity again. The better the opposition, the more difficult it is to maintain such energy too.



Castling and van Wyk showed real class by managing what none of the 5th form could: they made it through to the last 16 and therefore to Tuesday's play.

Cope & Hope had a tough day: their pool was still being fought out an hour after many of the knockout rounds had started. They narrowly lost two games in this closely-matched group and found themselves in the plates, having expended much energy for little reward.

Hiro Shu and Ed Evans, playing as Shrewsbury 10, managed the impressive feat of winning the prestigious B plate (for group qualifiers eliminated in round two) – after two full days of fives.

In the **Senior** competition, five of the seven pairs in the group stages progressed from their group. Of these, our second, third and fourth pairs all came top. Dan Orchard and Adam Aslam-Baskeyfield were seeded so joined at the round of 32. Sam McLoughlin and Ross Orchard made short work of their 3rd round match, winning 12-6, 12-3, 12-4. Tom Bromley Davenport (returning from back trouble) and Tom Brunskill

Three senior pairs made it through to Wednesday's last 16. Toms Brunskill and Bromley-Davenport drew top seeds St Olave's 1 and despite getting further into the game, into longer rallies and learning what this level of fives requires, they lost in straight games. Ross Orchard & Sam McLoughlin drew Highgate 1 and saw them off in four games despite a spirited resistance to book their place in quarter finals. Dan Orchard & Adam Aslam-Baskeyfield saw off Westminster 1 without drama or trouble. The quarters therefore contained 2 Shrewsbury pairs, 2 Harrow pairs, 2 St Olave's pairs and 2 Eton pairs.

Sam and Ross met Harrow 1 in the quarters and were unable to get into the match against this strong pair. Nonetheless, to have reached quarter-finals shows significant improvement over the sixth form from these two, who hadn't made it close to that stage in previous years.

Adam and Dan met Eton 2 and won the first game 12-4. Eton then got into the match and we didn't: Eton won the next two game very narrowly (14-13, 13-12) and Adam and Dan had not yet started playing the fives of which we knew them capable. It was now about the last match left on the courts (our seniors had all stayed to support) and the next two were must-win games. The fourth played out like the second and third but we won 14-12 to level at 2-2. Finally Adam found the level at which he can play and simply took over the match: we won the 5th 12-2, in almost record time. If only he'd done that three sets earlier, we'd all have been eating dinner at a respectable hour!

In the semi-finals, Dan and Adam played top seeds St Olave's 1, a match which was going to require their best performance of them. Sadly we never found the form that had been elusive until the 5th game the previous evening; in semis not playing at our top level meant we did not really compete. The frustration started to show and didn't help us. Nonetheless, over these two years, both have turned from competent players into genuinely dangerous ones. I hope to see them – indeed all of our leaving U6th - on the courts again in future!

## The U14s

Five of the 14 Shrewsbury pairs reached the last 16 of this big tournament (Eton managed 7, Harrow 1, Westminster 1, Charterhouse 1, Lancing 1)

Among them were Ed Bayliss & Rohan McCourt, Shrewsbury 3, who were 2-0 up against Eton 4 and cruising, the opposition having visibly given up, when Eton's coach came to watch the game. The opposition found their resolve and a real battle ensued: Eton narrowly won both the third and the fourth games to level 2-2 with the momentum theirs, but Ed and Rohan proved themselves not to be quitters by any stretch: they pulled through in the 5th and booked their spot in the quarter finals. Though it would have been easier for us if Eton had capitulated in the

third game, I'm delighted they didn't as the close encounters, strongly contested, are where players really show what they're made of.



N.B. This five-setter was immediately followed by Adam Aslam-Baskeyfield and Dan Orchard's quarter-final match vs Eton 2, which also went to a 5th deciding game (and which we also won), guaranteeing the latest finish of the week for those still supporting, namely 8pm or thereabouts.

Four Shrewsbury pairs in the quarter-finals (Eton managed 2, Harrow and Westminster filled the remaining slots). Ed and Rohan joined Dan Schofield & Finn Sansom, Guy Gowar & Ted Davis and James Bermingham & Jack Fraser Andrews. Finn & Dan enjoyed a solid win over Eton 2; Guy & Ted thumped Westminster 1 12-0, 12-1, 12-5; Ed & Rohan had positional weaknesses exposed by Harrow 1 and James & Jack met a strong Eton 1 who never let them in.

Two pairs in semis: Guy and Ted now met Eton 1. They lost the first game 12-5 then let Eton run away with the second and had lost 12-0 almost before they knew it. But to their credit they showed themselves not to be capitulators and they battled in third game, losing it 12-8. It had been a good run for them and there is promise here for the future. Dan and Finn played Harrow 1 and won.

In the final, Dan and Finn, again, would need to bring their best game to compete against a technically excellent Eton pair. They did play well but seemed to be nervous throughout the match and didn't cut or return as well as they can. Their opponents were better players but we didn't have the day that would allow us to put them under pressure and see how they dealt with it. Dan naturally strikes a ball beautifully and Finn is an excellent, controlled athlete – given a some more consistency and a game that puts opponents under more pressure, they could be a top pair in the coming years.

Again, getting four pairs to the quarter-finals demonstrates our ability to produce a number of strong pairs and credit must be given to Matt Barrett for coaching the basics of the game to the whole 3rd form year group. The fact that one of our second pair stepped onto a fives court for the first time in January and reached a semi-final shows what MWDB is able to do!

### **The Ladies**

Nina Lange & Sophia Breese won the Ladies' tournament despite a slip-up in game 2 that left them 1-1 against a good Highgate pair which contained a two-time winner of this competition.

Issy Wong and Adelaide Sillar reached the final of the U15s but were beaten by a technically excellent Berkhamsted pair.

Morgan Butler and Sophie Cormack won the Girls' festival, playing against the Lyceum Alpinum Zuoz in the final, having knocked out Adelaide Sillar and Georgie Nicholas in semis.

The girls continue to blaze a trail: to be competing against and beating pairs who have been playing for significantly longer than they have is a testament to their work and athleticism and the enthusiasm and technical coaching of Gwenan Davies and Andy Barnard. Sophia having now won the senior competition with two years left at school is testament to this rate of progress and we very much hope she will get a triple crown!



### **The Mixed**

We entered 14 pairs into this and did well, two pairs reaching semis. Nina Lange and Dan Orchard reached the final against Highgate 1; this was 1-1 after Nina's Ladies win and Highgate's late arrival; given Nina had a flight to catch, it was curtailed at that point to be finished at a later date.

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## School Firsts

Tuesday 18 April 2017

*Awarded to pupils during the final School Assembly of the Lent Term*

Each term a committee of Sixth Form pupils meets to award the School's highest form of 'colours' – a 'School First'. The committee members take their work seriously, for two main reasons: firstly, this is a good example of pupil power – while teachers may make nominations, it is only those ten or so Upper Sixth pupils sitting on the committee who have the power to vote; secondly, to retain the value of the 'School First', precious few are handed out.

Nowadays School Firsts have been split into two types: sporting and non-sporting. Below is a list of those pupils who were given the coveted award for their exceptional contributions to School life in non-sporting activities.

**For his exceptional contributions as Governor of the Bastille Society and his dedication to the study of History:**

Ed Plaut

**For their commitment to and success in MUN:**

Max Morris, Max Yale and Rhys Trevor

**For their outstanding service and commitment to the CCF:**

Jack Lock, Rob Hartwell, Guy Morris and Will Hayward

**For the creation of the Humanist Society and chairing the Charities Committee:**

Alex Penman

**For their outstanding contributions to and success in Debating:**

Peter Stanley and Alec Barnes

**For his exceptional contributions to and highly successful leadership of the Quiz Society:**

Caspian Cowan Taylor

**For their unstinting and exceptional contributions to the musical life of the School:**

Joe Thevathasan, Fintan Simmons, Dan Orchard, Alys Howells, Nateewat Ruechuseth, Jemima Price, Ross Orchard and Will Bedson



## International equestrian titles for Lily Freeman-Atwood

Wednesday 19 April 2017

*Many congratulations to Lily Freeman-Attwood (EDH IV) on her outstanding victories at the Bonbeiden Youth Festival in Belgium, where she claimed two 'grand prix' titles.*



Having already secured one win on the second day of the competition riding her trusty steed Topspin, with whom she had considerable success last year, Lily hit a purple patch on the final day.

Riding a new pony, Valmy de Treille, in the big tour 1.25m pony grand prix and competing in a field of 57 contenders, she was one of seven who recorded double clear rounds. Riding last in the 1.30m jump off and with the clock against her, she stormed to victory by 1.09 seconds.

Later in the day, a total of 51 contended the junior 1.40m grand prix, but such was the tough, technical track, only four riders posted initial clears to access the jump-off. Nonetheless, three again provided penalty-free rounds and it was all about the clock. This time riding Topspin, Lily once again galloped ahead to take the title with a 0.84 sec advantage, trouncing her three Belgian rivals.

Back in England the following week, Lily had further success at the Pony of the Year Show, held at the Bury Farm Equestrian Centre in Bedfordshire on 17th April. Competing in the five- and six-year-old championship on Capability Brown, she won by 0.71 seconds.





## Shrewsbury School / PlayerLayer sports video

Thursday 20 April 2017

*A terrific film from our sports kit supplier PlayerLayer showcasing sport at Shrewsbury School.*

Our pupils take pride in representing the School in all spheres and at all levels of sport. The kit they wear is an important part of their 'Salopian' identity and a key opportunity to fly the flag for Shrewsbury School.

As part of our ongoing relationship, a team of staff and pupils worked with our sports kit supplier PlayerLayer during the Lent Term to create a collaborative promotional video.

Director of Sport, Andrew Murfin writes, "I am delighted to be working with a British kit supplier with whom we share ideals of high-quality sport performance and an understanding of the School's sporting heritage."

Although primarily a promotional video to showcase the RSSH kit range, we hope that you will feel it captures some of the spirit of sport at Shrewsbury.

Please feel free to share the link with friends and family, via social media.

The video can be viewed via their website:

<http://playerlayer.com/collaborations/shrewsbury-school>

or via their Facebook page:

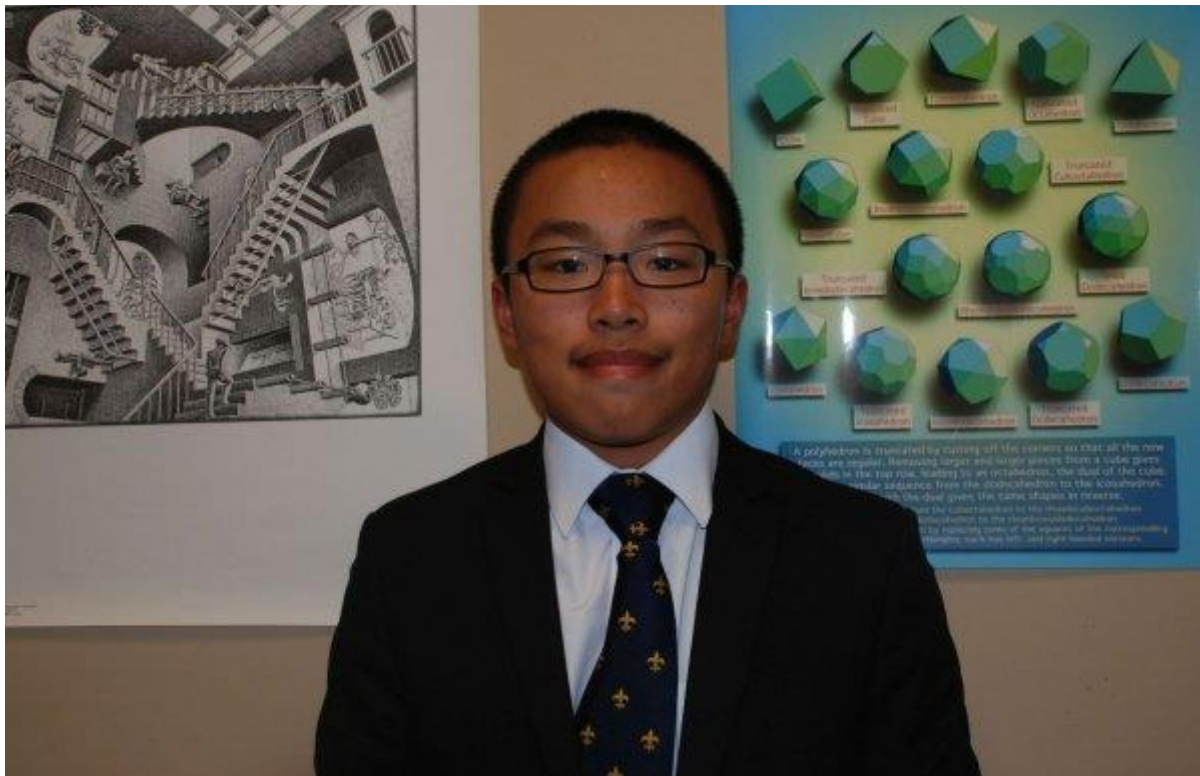
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*"PlayerLayer are proud to be partnering with Shrewsbury School. Shrewsbury is undoubtedly one of the leading Independent Schools in the UK, with a rich heritage dating back to the 16th century. Our values are very much aligned and we hope we can contribute to the performance, look and feeling on the sports field, whilst upholding the traditions of the School."* James Clayfield – PlayerLayer Co-Founder

# International Olympiad selection

Thursday 20 April 2017

*After attending a training camp at Cambridge University over the Easter holidays, Isaac Dai (S LVI) has achieved the distinction of becoming the first ever Salopian to be selected to represent Team UK at the 11th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics.*



The Olympiad will take place in Phuket, Thailand in November 2017 and will include teams representing countries from all around the world. The competition itself consists of both a testing of the teams' theoretical knowledge and their skills in observation, data analysis and problem solving.

Isaac has already won gold medals in three other UK Olympiads this year - Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics. He finished in the top 50 of the Physics Olympiad (out of 1,680 candidates nationwide), which qualified him for the second round of the competition and takes him a step closer to gaining selection for the UK team in this year's International Physics Olympiad.

Isaac's achievements are all the more remarkable because he is still only in the Lower Sixth Form.



## ISI Inspection Reports 2017

Thursday 20 April 2017

*We are delighted to publish the reports of two inspections carried out by the Independent Schools Inspectorate from 28th February – 2nd March 2017. The Inspectors' findings and conclusions serve as a wonderful endorsement of all that Shrewsbury is trying to achieve and reflect extremely positively on the work of the staff, pupils and wider school community.*

The first inspection was a Focused Compliance Inspection, which concluded that the School is fully compliant in all respects with the highly rigorous regulations and boarding standards.

The second was an Educational Quality Inspection, which reports on the quality of the School's work. It focuses on two key outcomes: "the quality of pupils' academic and other achievements" and "the quality of pupils' personal development". In both cases, the School was assessed as "excellent", the highest available category.

The inspection process was part of a new 'no notice' format, which meant that the School was informed of the inspection 24 hours before it began.

A team of five inspectors observed lessons, conducted formal interviews with pupils and examined samples of pupils' work. They held discussions with members of staff and with the Deputy Chair of Governors, observed a sample of the extra-curricular activities that occurred during the inspection period and attended house meetings. Inspectors visited boarding houses together with the learning support and education resource areas. The responses of parents and pupils to pre-inspection questionnaires were analysed, and the inspectors examined curriculum and other documentation made available by the School.

The full reports are published on the [Inspection Reports](#) page of this website but may also be downloaded by clicking on the links below:

- [ISI Focused Compliance Inspection Report, Shrewsbury School, March 2017](#)
- [ISI Educational Quality Inspection Report, Shrewsbury School, March 2017](#)



## Spanish Study Visit to La Coruña 2017

Thursday 20 April 2017

*A report on a very productive and enjoyable week, written by George Ludlam (R III).*



On Saturday 25th March, we set off for London Stansted with Mr Wright and Miss Higgins to catch a plane to Santiago de Compostela airport. We transferred to La Coruña, where we were met by our wonderfully welcoming host families.

We spent most of the next day getting to know our host families, then met up with the group to watch a La Liga match in the Plaza María Pita, the attractive main square of La Coruña. We then returned to our host families ready for the next day of lessons and activities.

During lessons we revised the Spanish covered over the year. We split into two groups: a Third Form group and a Fourth & Fifth Form group. We walked to the seafront, had a guided historical tour of the city, in Spanish and English, including the marina, Plaza María Pita, the old town and Sir John Moore's garden. We then caught a bus to Marineda entertainment centre for a Spanish karting activity.



On Tuesday after lessons we attended a tortilla cooking demonstration, in Spanish and English. We visited the park and after lunch walked along the beach to the aquarium. We then climbed to

the top of the Torre de Hercules, the steps of the world's oldest functioning lighthouse, to be greeted by panoramic views of the city and the Atlantic.



During lessons the next day we covered surfing vocabulary before undertaking a surfing lesson in Spanish during the afternoon. The surfing was great, with the waves getting bigger each time. Afterwards we visited the city centre to have a bit of free time in the Spanish sunshine.



The day-trip to Santiago de Compostela was a highlight of the trip. We travelled by train to visit the cathedral and the traditional centre of this beautiful city, steeped in history and a fascinating culture. We stopped off at a well-known cheese shop to sample some famous Galician cheese before lunch. The rooftop tour of the famous cathedral was a fascinating experience before returning to La Coruña in the evening.



We all returned home having considerably boosted our knowledge of the Spanish culture and language. It was an enriching experience for all the group and I would like to thank the Spanish Faculty for organising such a memorable experience.





## The news this week 100 years ago: 21st - 27th April 1917

Thursday 20 April 2017

*This week we remember seven Old Salopians who were all killed in France 100 years ago this week:*

Second Lieutenant **Cyril Seaton Gray**, 2nd Bn. Wiltshire Regiment.

School House, left in 1912. While in the OTC he gained fifth place in the 1912 shooting competition at Bisley, the Sir A Stokes Cup, which was open to whole Corps. Enlisting in the Shropshire Light Infantry, he was commissioned in to the Wiltshires.

*Died of wounds in France, 21st April 1917, aged 22*

*Buried at Etaples Military Cemetery, France. Grave XVII. B. 7.*

Second Lieutenant **William Robert Bridges**, 3rd Bn. attd. 4th Bn. Bedfordshire Regiment.

School House, left in 1913.

*Killed in action in France, 23rd April 1917, aged 22.*

*Buried at Aubigny Communal Cemetery Extension, France. Grave VI. C. 6.*

Second Lieutenant **Cecil Arthur Brown**, 6th Bn. Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment).

Haydon's (now Rigg's), Football XI, Cricket colours. He left in 1912 to do Engineering works, and then gained a commission in 1914.

*Killed in action in France, 23rd April 1917, aged 21.*

*Buried at La Chaudiere Military Cemetery, Vimy, France. Grave IX. G. 3.*

He was the younger brother of W.L. Brown, who died 25th September 1915. "He had a wonderful capacity for making friends and keeping them, and to these his delightful personality, his simple unassuming modesty his fearlessness and his untiring energy will be an abiding memory." *The Salopian*

Lieutenant Charles **David Calcott**, 15th Bn. The King's (Liverpool Regiment).

Day Boys, left in 1910. Enlisting in the Shropshire Yeomanry, he was commissioned into King's (Liverpool). Wounded at Montaubon on 1st July 1916, he returned to France the following January and went through much severe fighting.

*Killed in action in France, 23rd April 1917, aged 23.*

*Buried at Rookery British Cemetery, Heninel, France. Grave C. 23. 1623 Shropshire Yeomanry*

Second Lieutenant **Noel Humphreys Roberts**, 1st Bn. King's Own Scottish Borderers.

Day Boys, left in 1910 for Exeter College, Oxford, playing hockey for the University. Enlisting in the 13th Londons, he was commissioned into the KOSB in January 1916.

*Killed in action in France, 23rd April 1917, aged 24.*

*Remembered on Arras Memorial, France. Bay 6.*

Lieutenant Colonel Francis Savage Nesbitt Savage-Armstrong DSO,

1st Bn. South Staffordshire Regiment Cdg. 11th Bn. Royal Warwickshire Regiment.

School House, 1st VIII, left in 1899. Serving with 1st South Staffordshires in South Africa 1900 – 1903 (Queen's medal, 3 clasps, King's medal, 2 clasps), he then served at the Front. He was mentioned in despatches four times from 1914 (Lord French, Sir Douglas Haig). Severely wounded at Festubert in 1915, he recovered and returned to the Front to command.

*Killed in action in France, 23rd April 1917, aged 36.*

*Buried at Point-Du-Jour Military Cemetery, Athies, France. Grave II. E. 12.*



Second Lieutenant **Watkin Leoline Tom Rhys**, 13th Bn. Rifle Brigade.  
School House, a valuable all round athlete, Football XI and Killing Gentleman of the Runs. He left in 1908 and enlisted in the RASC (Mechanical Transport).

*Died of wounds in France, 24th April 1917, aged 26.*

*Buried at Duisans British Cemetery, Etrun, France. Grave III. D. 15.*



## RSSBC: J15s and J16s win gold at the Junior Inter Regional Regatta

Friday 21 April 2017

*Five Shrewsbury crews represented the West Midlands Region in the Junior Inter Regional Regatta held in Nottingham on Saturday 22nd April.*

The event saw crews from the 12 British Rowing regions competing in various boat classes in the J14 to J16 age groups.

The Shrewsbury crews were competing in the J14 Quad, J15 Four, WJ15 Quad, J16 Four and the J16 Eight.

There were fantastic wins for both the J15 Four and the J16 Eight. The J15s had come fourth on time in the heats and had a job to do to pick up a medal in the final. They put in a tremendous performance to claim gold with a gutsy row over the 1500m course and posted a very quick time.

The following weekend, the J16 Eight went on to win gold again at the Wallingford Regatta: [J16 win gold at Wallingford Regatta](#)



*J15s*

The J16 Eight won their heat with a solid row and progressed to the final as favourites. They set the pace early on and produced a commanding row to claim gold in the grand finale of the regatta.



*J16s*

The J15 girls raced strongly and were in the medal places for the most of the race, but just fell short on the line.

The J14 Quad had a very tough race in their heat with less than one second separating third to fifth, so it was great to see them finish on the right side of the line in third place and qualify for the A final. They showed great tenacity in the final and went nine seconds quicker than they had done in the heat, to come in fifth.

The J16 Four came third in the B final.

*Athol Hundermark, Director of Rowing*



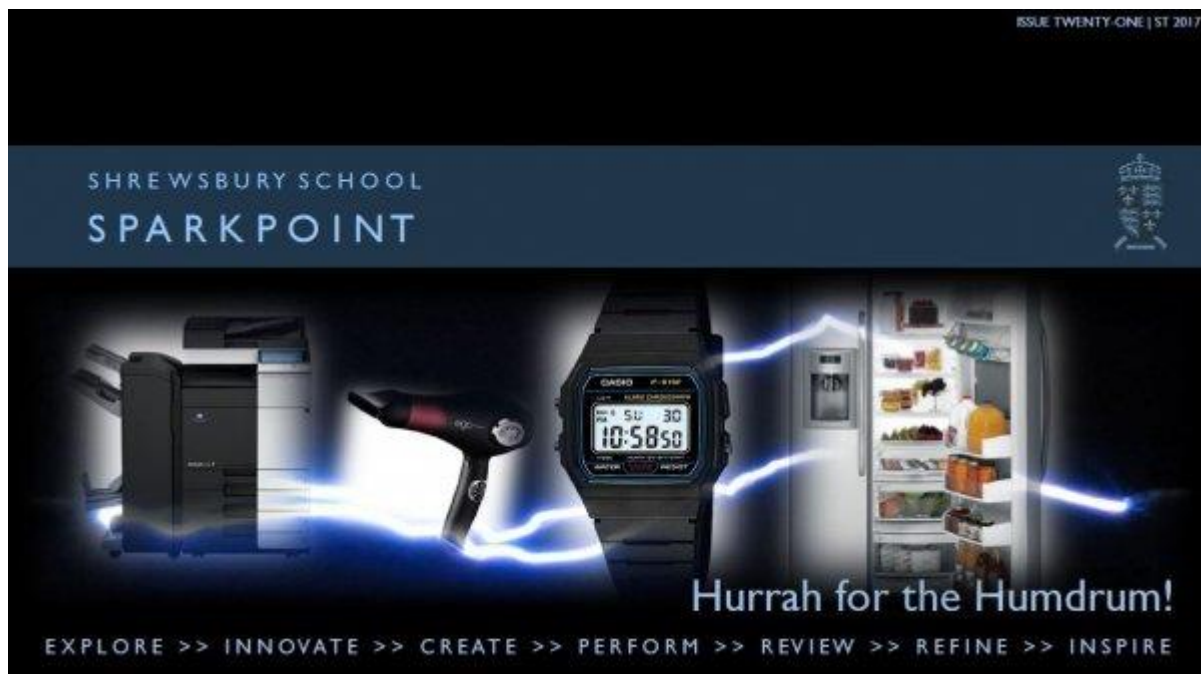
*WJ15 Quad (G5)*

# Shrewsbury School SparkPoint - 'Hurrah for the Humdrum!'

Sunday 23 April 2017

*This week's micro-magazine for the intellectually curious celebrates the achievement, the complexity and the inspirational quality of everyday things that are right under our noses.*

Please click on the image below to open 'Shrewsbury School SparkPoint - Hurrah for the Humdrum!' as a pdf:



## Careers Bulletin for Sixth Formers

Monday 24 April 2017

*The Careers Fellow, Mrs Dry, produces a weekly bulletin for Sixth Formers with links to information on work experience opportunities, university taster courses, gap year schemes, school leaver programmes - along with news articles and other items that may be of interest to students and to parents.*

Please click [here](#) to download this week's edition.

# History trip to Auschwitz and Krakow 2017

Monday 24 April 2017

*A report by Alex Powell (I IV).*

After an extremely tiring term, a 2 o'clock start on a cold Saturday morning didn't bode well with the majority of our group. But as soon as we arrived in Krakow, we were ready to get stuck in.

Our first day was spent walking around and enjoying the rich culture of Kazimierz, Krakow's Jewish quarter. We visited Podgorze, the WW1 Jewish Ghetto (Square of Heroes), Schindler's Factory and KZ Plaszow, Krakow's concentration camp. After some free time in the Old Town (a quick trip to Macdonald's for most) we had a traditional Eastern European dinner in CK Dezerter restaurant.



*Jewish Ghetto and Square of Heroes, as seen in the liquidation of the Ghetto in the film 'Schindler's List'*

A six o'clock wake-up was another early rise, but I must say the sense of excitement loomed in the air. As we arrived at Auschwitz Birkenau, it seemed that the mood became subdued and suddenly we were somewhere very life-changing; and so it was.

We entered Auschwitz through the famous 'Arbeit Macht Frei' gates and continued to blocks 4, 6, 11 and 27.



Block 4 covered the history of Auschwitz. Block 6 showed the living conditions of the camp and evidence of the crimes; this certainly left a bitter taste in our mouths. Block 11 was the ‘death’ block. This was the prison and place of execution for any criminals of the camp. The original cells still stand, which was eye-opening to see.



Finally, Block 27 is the most recent exhibition and it has the world’s biggest book. Sadly it is the book of the names of people who lost their lives in the camp.



*A standard meal in Auschwitz: hot water with a few coffee granules, bread and soup with one or two pieces of chicken*

Our next visit would take us to Birkenau, the execution camp. Our tour guides took us to the main railway, where life or death was determined as over 100,000 people disembarked a train to meet their destiny: a life of suffering and grueling work; or no life at all. A question that is still asked today is, which was the best option?



After a full orientation of the barracks and the main gas chambers 2 and 3, we stopped at the 'pond of ashes' to lay candles and say the Kaddish, which is the Jewish prayer, along with two other poems. This ceremony, along with the rest of the trip, was the most touching experience of my life and it truly opened my eyes to how lucky we are to live our lives freely, unlike the people who gave their freedom for us. As we were given a chance for reflection and silent prayer, I was able to realise how much we take for granted these days and how we need to reflect on why we are able to live our lives as well as we can more often. If there is one message that I took away from the trip, it was live life as freely and as well as you can. Never take a day for granted. That night we ate dinner in a traditional Jewish restaurant and enjoyed a night of celebration.





Our third and final day took us to a museum of photographs telling us about Jewish life, which was followed by a meeting with a Holocaust survivor. It was truly riveting to learn about life in the Ghetto and the horrific circumstances in which people's lives were destroyed within seconds. Our trip was finished off with a visit to Remuh Synagogue and some free time before we headed back to Krakow airport and journeyed home to enjoy our Easter.

Special thanks go out to Mr Chipperton, Mr Mackridge, Ms Milanova and Dr Oakley for organising this life-changing experience.

*Please click on the image below to scroll through a gallery of images taken during the trip. (Clicking on the magnifying glass in the top right-hand of a photo will open it up at full size.)*

## School House boys are badminton champions!

Tuesday 25 April 2017

Following a painfully close defeat to Ridgemount in the inter-house badminton competition last year, the talented School House pair of Andrew Chan and James Wong (UVI) had had a long wait for the opportunity to put the past behind him. As fate would have it, they faced Ridgemount in the final again and initially, history looked to repeat itself as School House narrowly lost the first of three games (18-21). However, they came back with a strong win the following game (21-14) before winning the decider (also 21-14) to claim the title and bring the trophy back to School House. Congratulations to both boys!

Mr Dalton, Master in Charge of Badminton, said the following about the performances:  
*"Your pairs did themselves and their Houses proud. Two terrific contests, with worthy winners emerging after some super rallies and sportspersonship... It's been a real treat dealing with these pupils... Delightful people."*



*James (L) and Andrew (R) with the trophy*

## A weekend at 'Tally' for the Third Form

Tuesday 25 April 2017



Pictured are Oldham's Third Form enjoying a weekend at 'Tally' the School's outdoor retreat in deepest, darkest Snowdonia.

Lots of pizza and a late night film on Saturday preceded a sunny morning at 'Surf Snowdonia'.

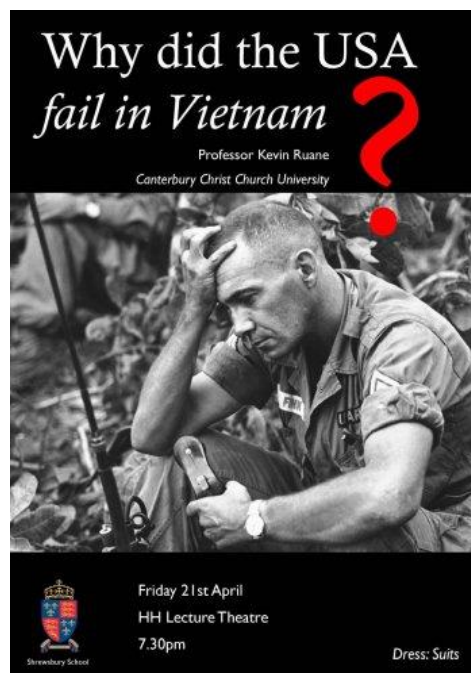
Pictured are the gang at Tally and before surfing with Mr Exham (who says he stood up). Great thanks go to Messrs Exham and Wray for staffing a most enjoyable trip away from school.



# Bastille Society Lecture: Why did the USA fail in Vietnam?

Wednesday 26 April 2017

*On Friday 21st April, the Bastille Society was delighted to welcome Professor Kevin Ruane from Canterbury Christ Church University. Report by Ed Plaut (S UVI), President of the Bastille Society.*



Professor Ruane's lecture was of particular interest to those studying Vietnam as part of their GCSE studies and those covering it as part of the Pre-U American paper. He is a widely acclaimed expert on Western intervention in Vietnam and also writes extensively on British and American relations in the 20th century. His most recent book is entitled 'Churchill and the Bomb in War and Cold War', and covers Churchill and the development of the atomic bomb.

Excited by the prospect of hearing from such an expert, the Hodgson Hall Lecture Theatre was at maximum capacity. Professor Ruane took the Bastille Society on a trip through the history of Western intervention in Vietnam, from French colonisation to the fall of Saigon in 1975.

One particularly interesting facet that Professor Ruane discussed was the historiographical debate as to whether the Vietnam campaign was an active choice made by various Presidents, or whether it was a 'quagmire' that slowly dragged administration after administration in without them realising the true depth or complexity of the issue at hand. It was also extremely enlightening to hear of President Johnson's dilemma between his War on Poverty and his War in Vietnam, and how this resolved itself throughout his Presidency.

The lecture was greatly enjoyed by all present, and the Society would like again to extend its thanks to Professor Ruane for taking the time to come and deliver his insights to us.

## David Lau - Squash supremo!

Wednesday 26 April 2017

*David Lau (LVI) has taken Shrewsbury School to new heights in squash.*

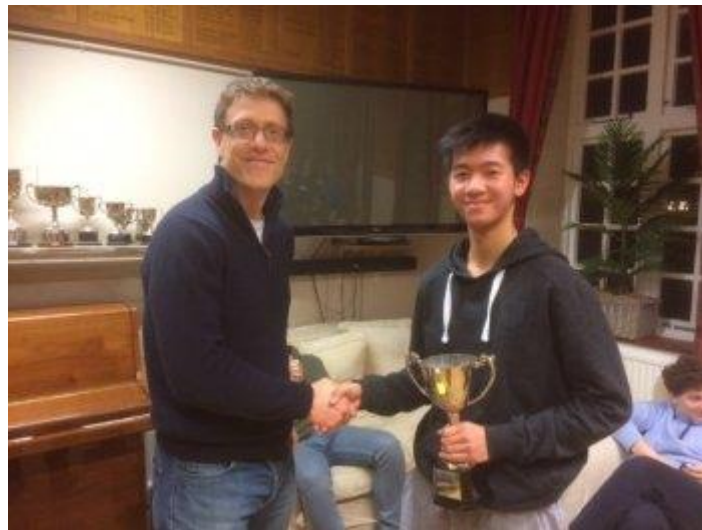
David is a Lower Sixth entrant from Hong Kong and plays squash with a rare combination of accuracy, finesse and guile and could play professionally in the future were he so minded.

In addition to representing the School, David has also played for Kingsland Squash Club and is one of the best players in Shropshire.

Master in Charge of Squash, Mr Harding tell us ... "He is an incredible talent but plays squash with great humility - all of the boys in Top Squad Squash have learnt a lot from watching his desire for self improvement and his obvious technical ability."

Mr Harding would also like to thank the club for supporting David's development, in particular Andrew Birks, Guy Rutter and Dan Aimer who have helped to coach him and have arranged for strong competition for David, which is not easy to find locally!

David is pictured below with Mr Harding, receiving his trophy in Oldham's Hall for winning the School Squash tournament.



## David Lau (O LVI) takes Shrewsbury School squash to new heights

Thursday 27 April 2017

*Squash has grown enormously in popularity at Shrewsbury in recent years, thanks in no small part to the enthusiasm of Master in Charge, Myles Harding. This year has seen the arrival of an extremely gifted young player, David Lau, one of the top young players in the country.*



*David receiving the School Squash Trophy from Mr Harding*

David joined Shrewsbury School from Hong Kong last September as a Sixth Form entrant.

“He plays squash with a rare combination of accuracy, finesse and guile and could play professionally in the future were he so minded,” says Mr Harding. “On top of representing Shrewsbury School, David has also played for Kingsland Squash Club and is one of the best players in Shropshire. In fact his coach thinks that he is well inside the top 30 Under-19 players nationally.

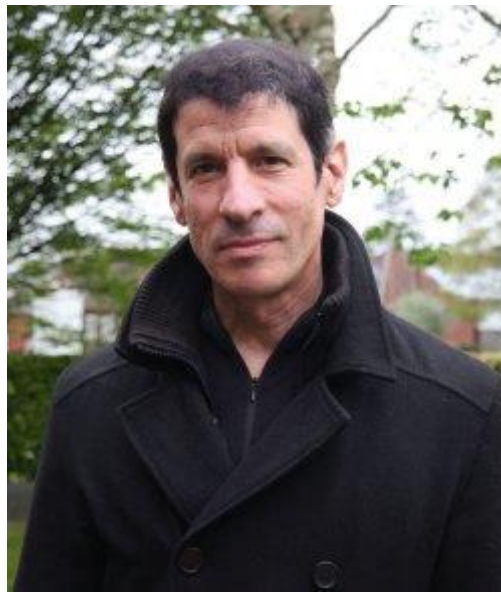
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# Launching 'Digital Detox' at Shrewsbury School

Thursday 27 April 2017

*We were delighted to welcome Dr Aric Sigman to Shrewsbury School on Friday 28th April to help launch a 'Digital Detox' programme that we will be rolling out across the School next week.*



Dr Aric Sigman lectures on child health education and publishes papers on child health and development subjects, including excessive discretionary screen time and screen dependency. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology and an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society and has written a new peer-reviewed medical paper entitled 'Screen Dependency Disorders: a new challenge for child neurology', which has been published this week in the Journal of the International Child Neurology

Association: <http://jicna.org/index.php/journal/article/view/67>

“There has been much discussion both in school and nationally on the impact of digital technology on the learning patterns and the behaviour of young people,” explains Mike Tonks, Second Master at Shrewsbury School. “We are very grateful to Dr Sigman for making the time to come to Shrewsbury to deliver a series of year group lectures to help launch a ‘Digital Detox’ programme that we will be trialling at school next week.

“Our aim is to encourage staff and pupils to limit their use of technology during a 48-hour period next week and then to reflect afterwards on the impact of this. I am sure there will be benefits and costs and it will be an interesting exercise for all members of the school community.”

We look forward to reporting back on the results!

For more details about Dr Sigman and his work, please follow the link: <http://www.aricsigman.com/>

## Biology Challenge success

Thursday 27 April 2017

*Congratulations to our Third and Fourth Form biologists, who between them have won four gold, 12 silver and 32 bronze medals in this year's Biology Challenge, a national competition run by the Royal Society of Biology. A further ten pupils were Highly Commended and 14 Commended.*



The Biology Challenge is a Junior Olympiad for Year 9 and 10 pupils (Third and Fourth Forms). A total of 83 Shrewsbury School biologists entered, and an extremely impressive 58% of them won medals – nearly double the national figure of approximately 30% medallists.

Special congratulations to Tom Allen (Ch) and Jeremy Au-Yeung (S), who are both Third Form silver medallists, and to gold medallists Lisa Alekseeva (EDH IV), Anna Cowan (MSH IV), Freddie Lawson (SH IV) and Anthony Siu (I IV).

*Dr Torin Morgan  
Head of Biology*





# The news this week 100 years ago: 28th April - 4th May 1917

Thursday 27 April 2017

*This week we remember five Old Salopians:*

Second Lieutenant **John Adams Smith MC**, 28th Bn. attd. 20th (Tyneside Scottish) Bn. Northumberland Fusiliers.

Ingram's, left in 1912 for his father's wool business. Enlisting, he declined a commission, saying to a friend, "I shall get a commission in due course, but I shall work for it". He joined the Sherwood Foresters as a private, was promoted corporal then sergeant, and afterwards was posted as lieutenant in the Northumberland Fusiliers. Soon after being posted he received a bullet wound through the shoulder. On recovering he commanded a company of his battalion in the great fight that won Vimy Ridge, during which he received the wounds that proved fatal.

*Died of wounds in France, 28th April 1917, aged 21*

*Buried at Etaples Military Cemetery, France. Grave XVII. E. 11. Sherwood Foresters (Notts and Derby Regiment)*

Flight Sub-Lieutenant **Holbrook Lance Gaskell**, Royal Naval Air Service attd. 47th Sqdn. Royal Flying Corps.

Chance's (now Severn Hill), left in 1915. Rather than take his place at Pembroke College, Cambridge, he joined the RNAS, getting his pilot's certificate in June 1916. "In a Sopwith, having taken a lot of anti-aircraft fire during a flight, one wing folded up as they approached the aerodrome and the machine fell from about 5,000 ft. He was an extremely fine fighter pilot and a very great loss to the squadron. He was one of the fighting flight that regularly went up and took on three times their own number of enemy aircraft, and went on until the Germans left that part of the front," – *The Salopian*.

*Killed in action in Greece, 2nd May 1917, aged 19.*

*Buried at Sarigol Military Cemetery, Kriston, Greece. Grave D. 590.*

Captain **James Carlton Addy MC**, 10th Bn. East Yorkshire Regiment.

Churchill's, left in 1910 for Trinity College, Cambridge, granted a commission August 1914.

*Killed in action in France, 3rd May 1917, aged 26*

*Remembered on Arras Memorial, France. Bay 4 and 5.*

Captain **James Houghton Getty**, 12th Bn. West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own).

Churchill's, left in 1907 for Caius College, Cambridge. Originally commissioned in to the Lincolnshire Regt., at the outbreak of war, he became their Adjutant.

*Killed in action in France, 3rd May 1917, aged 28*

*Remembered on Arras Memorial, France. Bay 4.*

Captain **Richard Owen Nelson**, Army Service Corps.

Chance's (now Severn Hill); left in 1904 and became a carpet manufacturer in Kendal.

*Drowned in the Mediterranean in Italy, 4th May 1917, aged 31.*

*Remembered on Savona Memorial, Italy.*



## Grand Re-Opening of Moser's Hall

Friday 29 September 2017

*The sun shone as Moserites, parents, staff, former staff, governors and representatives of all the companies involved in "Project Moser's" gathered on Friday 22nd September to celebrate the re-opening of Moser's Hall as Shrewsbury School's fourth boarding house for girls.*

We were delighted to welcome as Guest of Honour Diana Flint, School Governor and Deputy Lieutenant for Shropshire. As the first female pupil at Ellesmere College and their first Head Girl, she has had a particular interest in the Moser's Hall project and her input has been invaluable.

The project to reconfigure, redesign and refurbish Moser's Hall was carried out across two years to allow the last cohort of Moserite boys to complete their A-levels/Pre-Us. It has drawn together the skill and expertise of dozens of people, including the architects Arrol and Snell and the main contractors, SJ Roberts, as well as Shrewsbury School's Head of Estates Jon Taylor and his team of highly skilled craftsmen.





We were pleased that four former Housemasters were able to join us for the Grand Re-Opening: Robin Mouldale (1962-76), Peter Cox (1976-91), Steve Fox (2002-10) and Paul Pattenden (2010-16).

Following speeches from Diana Flint and the Headmaster, a stained glass window to commemorate the transition from Moserite boys to girls was unveiled.



The window was designed by architect and Old Salopian James Wade and was made by Keith and Sue Brettle. It includes a Latin Elegiac Couplet written by Dr John Godwin. It translates as: “This house, once fitted for boys, is now fitted for girls, a dwelling of everlasting friendship for always” and complements the Moser’s Hall motto, OLIM DISCIPULI SEMPER AMICI.

Greta Roberts, one of Moser’s new Sixth Form entrants, rounded off the celebration by performing on her harp.

We look forward to another 133 years of Moserites!

*Dr Jane Pattenden*

*Housemistress of Moser’s Hall*





## RSSBC Senior Training Camp

Sunday 30 April 2017

*Fifty senior rowers travelled to Lissac-sur-Couze in France for the final week of the Easter holiday for the Boat Club's annual training camp. The gruelling schedule of seat racing, training, revision, eating and sleeping was made that much more enjoyable by fantastic water conditions and warm weather.*



The camp provided the opportunity for the rowers to get plenty of time out in small boats and to receive detailed feedback to improve their skills. The chance to do work on the 2000-metre rowing course provided the ideal location to make provisional crew selections and do timed pieces as crews built up their race profile for the busy term of racing ahead.

The clear water and sandy beach on the river bank was also put to good use for cooling down after sessions as the temperatures rose through the day.

There was a very positive and productive atmosphere throughout the camp, which should hopefully ensure that all the rowers returned having achieved the two main goals of the camp: a) of being better academically prepared for their exams; and b) making them each better oarsmen/oarswomen.

The quality and quantity of food was fantastic once again, which allowed the pupils to perform and the coaches to gain a few more unnecessary pounds...

Many thanks to Mr Grant, Mr Clark, Mr Wilson, Miss Milanova and Mr Higgs for helping make it all happen.

*Mr Hundermark, Director of Rowing*

*Please click on the image below to scroll through a gallery of photos from the camp. (Clicking on the magnifying glass in the top right-hand of a photo will open it up at full size.)*