



2011 Scholarships

Wednesday 1 June 2011

*The following **Scholarships** have been awarded by Shrewsbury School*

THIRD FORM SCHOLARSHIPS

Butler Scholarships:

A.G. Grocott (Packwood Haugh)
H.F. Partington (Shrewsbury High Preparatory School)
T.J. Sykes (Prestfelde)

Kennedy Scholarships:

A. Bennett (Shrewsbury High Preparatory School)
T.C. Breese (Shrewsbury High Preparatory School)
F.D. McCormack (Prestfelde)
C.A. Wade (Prestfelde)

Moss Scholarships:

J.W.P. Davies (Packwood Haugh)
L.J. Lloyd-Jones (Prestfelde)
B.E. Sansom (Prestfelde)

Alington Scholarships:

R.W.H. Champion (Prestfelde)
J.P. Chesshire (Moor Park)
T.H. Dodd (Prestfelde)
R.J. Elliott-Williams (Prestfelde)
A.R.S. Ghiblawi (Shrewsbury High Preparatory School)
B.J. Remnant (Mowden Hall)
L.G.B. Stewart (Prestfelde)

All-Rounder Scholarships:

T.C. Breese (Shrewsbury High Prep)
B.G. Jones (Birchfield School)
L.J. Lloyd-Jones (Prestfelde)
H.A.P. Newbould (Winterfold House)
G.D. Panayi (Locker's Park)

Art Scholarships:

C.A.W. Morson (The Elms, Colwall)
G.R. Hill (Prestfelde)

Burney Music Scholarship

F.D. McCormack (Prestfelde)
H.O. Thomas (Winterfold House)

Music Scholarships:

L.A. Hartley (Woodcote House School)
A.S. Hay (Prestfelde)
H.A.P. Newbould (Winterfold House)
B.E. Sansom (Prestfelde)
R.D.A. Shone (The Ryleys)
D. Walker (Lichfield Cathedral School)

Music Exhibitions:

G.D. Panayi (Lockers Park)
T.J. Sykes (Prestfelde)

Sports Scholarships:

J.A. Bywater (Prestfelde)
T.C. Mason (Packwood Haugh)
M.A. Parsonage (Terra Nova)
H.R.D. Adair (Aysgarth)
G.J. Round (Winterfold House)

SIXTH FORM SCHOLARSHIPS



- Academic Awards:

Harriet Adams (Moreton Hall)
Eleanor Carter-Esdale (Surbiton High School)
Sebastian Constantine (Cheltenham School)
Seren Kell (Moreton Hall) - Academic with Music
Alvin Loh (Alice Smith School, KL)
Emma Matthews (Northampton High School)
Rosie Parr (King's College, Taunton)
Alice Paul (Shrewsbury High School) - Academic with Drama
Hannah Pritchard (Shrewsbury High School)
Amy Stockdale (Wensleydale Comprehensive)
Ratanon Suemanothom (British International School, Phuket)
Matilda Whittingham (Shrewsbury High School)

Martin Rees Scholarship:

James Brent (The Corbet School, Baschurch)

- Music Scholarships:

Dorit Hasselberg (Gymnasium Adolfinum, Germany)
Sienna Holmes (Moreton Hall)
Fiona Lau (Belilios Public School, Hong Kong)
Leonard Ma (Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong)
Daisy McConnel (Gresham's School, Holt) - Music with Drama

- Art Scholarship:

Teresa Fawcett Wood (Shrewsbury High School)

- Sports Scholarship:

Sebastian Blake (Munich International School)
Edward Pollock (Royal Grammar School, Worcester)

- Margaret Cassidy Scholarship:

Harry Lonergan (Cardinal Wiseman School, Middlesex)

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CO-EDUCATIONAL BOARDING & DAY SCHOOL



Shrewsbury's co-educational Sixth Form: Onwards and Upwards

Wednesday 8 June 2011

In September 2008, the first girls at Shrewsbury School pushed through the plate glass doors of Mary Sidney Hall, thus ending 450 years of exclusively boys' education.

The success of the opening years - and the increasing demand for places - has led to the building of a second girls' boarding house, Emma Darwin Hall, to be built for September 2011.

Our new publication '*Onwards and Upwards*' outlines some of the highlights of the first three years of our co-educational Sixth Form. Copies are available from Mrs. Nicola Bevan nbevan@shrewsbury.org.uk, or can be viewed here as a pdf file: [Onwards and Upwards](#).



An inspirational performance by a Third Former at this week's Tuesday Lunchtime Concert

Wednesday 8 June 2011

It has not been the practice to review each of the lunchtime concerts individually, but such was the impact of one inspired performance last Tuesday that here is an exception.

In choosing to play a movement from Beethoven's "Waldstein" Sonata (op 53, not 54, as in the programme), Galin Ganchev (M 3) was undertaking the dual challenge of presenting a work which is both familiar and famously difficult. He did not make things any easier by setting off at a pace such as I have never heard attempted. Crazy, I thought. He is bound to stumble, and even if he keeps this up, much detail will be lost. Not so. What followed was a revelation, not just of the performer's talent, for we knew of that already, but of what lies in Beethoven's music when it is played with such raging intensity. *Allegro con brio* it is marked, but *con fuoco* would better describe the mood established in the urgent, driving rhythm of the opening. Contrasting phrases spat out, dynamic variations emphasised, but never overdone, the effect was gripping.

In keeping with the high romantic style, the second subject (*dolce*) was given time and space, lingering almost to a standstill, before the original momentum made its insistent return. It seemed impossible that only two hands lay behind the complexity of the development and even in the context of this powerful playing, Galin could produce *fff* chords of shocking force, never crude, and always in keeping with the structure of the movement, which was brought to a conclusion that would have us applauding yet.

It is Beethoven's achievement that his triumphs are accomplished in the presence of adversity; one need not feel guilty at finding consolation in his affirmation, for it is never escapist.

This was a *Waldstein* that brought out the *angst* as well as the joy, and in defiance of the modern tendency towards disciplined brilliance and subdued emotion, what we heard on Tuesday was an uninhibited assertion of the composer's genius. Really? From a 14-year-old? You will think that I exaggerate. You should have been there.

MWK



House Tennis update

Thursday 9 June 2011

Senior House winners: Ingram's, in a thrilling final against Rigg's. Junior House: Qualifying rounds now complete; Quarter finals next.

Senior House

There was a superb Senior House victory just before half term with Ingram's emerging victorious by 240 points to 235 points. The matches consisted of against-the-clock singles and doubles matches with the aggregate scores being the decider. After two hours of effort, the excitement really built up with every point counting, and housemasters trying to work out the impact of each point.

As Mr. Harding said, "*Unquestionably the best House Tennis final I have witnessed*".

Junior House

All matches will be played on the Gorswen Courts.

The Junior House Tennis quarter finals will be played on Wednesday 15th June:

QF1 2-3pm M vs G

QF2 2-3pm Ph vs S

QF3 3-4pm SH vs R

QF4 3-4pm Rt vs O

The semi finals are at 2pm on Thursday 30th June: two 40-minute doubles.

The finals are at 2pm Wednesday 6th July: 45 minutes of singles play in extended tie-break format, and two 30-minute doubles matches.



National Schools' Regatta 2011

Wednesday 8 June 2011

At the National Schools' Regatta last weekend, the J14A crew came a very creditable 4th in the Final, having led the race with 200m to go. On Saturday the 2nd and 3rd VIII's both medalled - with bronze and gold respectively. These represent magnificent results for all concerned, following a tremendous amount of hard work since Easter training camp. The 1st VIII battled to fifth in their Final in tough, choppy waters. With Henley round the corner, there is still much optimism for pleasing results for the 1st & 2nd VIII's.

A record eight 8's and a 4 entered this year's National Schools' Regatta, showing the strength of the RSSBC at present. There were many predictions that the Regatta would be cancelled as the forecast was for high winds on Saturday and Sunday, however the conditions were not bad enough for sinking so the event went ahead!

J14's- Friday

A record four J14 octuples traveled to Nottingham for the National Schools Regatta. The A crew raced in Division 1 for the Cherwell Cup; whilst the B, C and D crews were entered into Division 2 for the Dulwich Cup.

The day started with a 1000m time trial in each event, with only the fastest 12 crews making it through to the side-by-side semi-finals. The A crew did enough to qualify (only later did we discover that they were only 9th fastest out of 23 crews). The B crew were unfortunate to break a blade in the first 250m, the 7 remaining boys rowed on valiantly, but could only record the 17th fastest time. The C crew had a fantastic row, and were pushed all the way by Kings Chester's B crew, but finished as the fastest non-qualifiers in 13th place (only 2.5 seconds off qualification). The D crew rowed well to come within 2 seconds of the only other D crew on show from Radley.

So only the A crew progressed to the semi-finals, but they had a sizeable fan club to cheer them on to a fine win in the semi-finals by only 0.3 seconds over Latymer Upper School. This placed them in the final alongside the winners of the other semi-final, and local rivals, Kings Chester. Shrewsbury were fast out of the blocks, and took an early lead, in fact they were the leading crew until about 200m from the finish when the significantly larger crews from Chester, Abingdon and the Grange School rowed through to leave Shrewsbury 4th. Although the boys were disappointed, they can be very proud of their achievements. They took the race on and went for gold when they might have settled for a lesser colour.

This large squad of boys will come back hungry in 2012, eager for J15 success.

Saturday

A straight head wind greeted competitors on Saturday morning, spectators would not have thought things were too bad from the finish. However. If they were to take the 2000 Metre trek to the start they would have seen a very different picture!

First to race were the 1st 8, finding themselves in the same heat as Eton and this season's high performers Shiplake. After the first 500 metres it became evident that the conditions were going to make it extremely tough for our smallish crew, giving away more than a stone per man, in these brutal conditions.

3rd place meant progression through the repechage was required; this was dealt with successfully, but meant a poor lane draw for the final. A fifth place in the final was certainly not

what we had planned, the boys all know that they have under achieved, but have bounced back quickly. We are all confident that Henley will prove to be a more successful regatta.

After a disappointing Schools' Head result, the 2nd 8 had a fantastic training camp, there started a great team spirit. It was obvious that a much improved result would come at NSR. Driven on by trail blazing girls cox Camilla Aylwin they secured a good second place in their heat taking them into a decent lane for their final.

In the final, by half distance, it became obvious that 3rd place and a bronze medal would be ours, a really excellent effort and cementing RSSBC tradition of success in the Elsenham Cup.

The 3rd 8 had a splendid day, in the usual straight final in the West Cup our 8, who had a great run in to the event, sniffed victory in the first 500. They were not to be rowed down by Eton as happened last year, but powered on to victory by a length's clear water. Congratulations on a great gold medal to the crew and coach PHL!! Special congratulations to Harry Robertson, stroke of the winning 3rd 8, as last year he COXED the Elsenham Cup winning 2nd 8!!

All in all, not a vintage NSR, but certainly strength in depth. The RSSBC has some deep roots at present with a strong coaching team that will ensure success in what will be a very exciting 2011/12 season.

NSR CREWS

1st 8. K Blake, O Antcliff, F day, M Kimpton-Smith, R Morgan, S Lapage, R Chitty, T Marshall.
Cox J Lambie

2nd 8. A Antpanitcharoen, D Wong, C Randall, D Tennison-Collins, F Davey, P Gadsden, A Anderson, C Rhodes-Bell. Cox C. Aylwin.

3rd 8 L Plassmann, B Mayo, R McCourt, D Beeston, J Kynaston, M Pattison-Appleton, J Rand, H Robertson. Cox R Langford.

Finally, we lose a great member of our Coaching team this Summer, Richard Johnson, this years J15 Coach, has been with us for 2 years. I am sure that his charges and the rest of the coaching staff will wish him and Sarah all the best for their future. Richard's easy going personality, coaching ability and willingness, will make him sorely missed.

PM





House Cricket update

Wednesday 8 June 2011

1st House winners: Grove, by 80 runs.

U15s: Qualifying rounds now complete; Quarter finals next.

1st House

In such a short half term we were lucky to have the weather on our side and the 1st House Final was completed on time in the week before half term. Grove won the final in convincing style when overcoming Severn Hill, and added to their great haul of sports awards in recent years.

Grove 178 (Ben Gould 70) v Severn Hill 98

U15 House Update

The three qualifying groups are now complete and the quarter final draw been made (date and time TBC).

Rt v SH

PH v Ch

G v O

I v Rb

Port Hill, Grove and Ridgemount all came out of their groups with a 100% record and are therefore clear favourites to progress to the next round.



A Week in the Life of Toby Thomas (SH 3)

Thursday 9 June 2011

Toby agreed, at very short notice, to write this week's account for the eNewsletter. Toby took part in the National Schools' Regatta just before half term, in which his crew (J14As) just missed getting bronze medals. He is also performing in this year's Junior School Play 'The Mignonette'.



This 'week' is a strange one as it has got half term in the middle, so I will start the week on last Thursday.

Thursday: I get up in the morning and walk to breakfast from the house. I have a quick breakfast to make sure that I am in time for third form assembly. This week Major David gave us a reminder about our DoE expedition in outdoor week after exam week.

Once the lessons in the morning are finished I would normally get changed into casuals and make my way over to the Ashton theatre for a play rehearsal, but tomorrow is the National Schools' Sculling Regatta and so I have an extra session of rowing. Unlike a usual session it is a short session as the boats have to be de-rigged so they fit on the trailer.

Friday: I wake up at 5:30 for a 6:00 breakfast so that we can leave for the regatta. The qualifying races are in the morning but sadly only the A crew got through. In the second race we came first but we were unlucky in the final. We were leading until the final 200m in which we got blown off course and came fourth. Once it was finished, we went home for half term.

Monday: Prepare myself for the English test then I have P.E. After lunch I go through my Oral in Spanish for the exam. When we finish I go to the boat house to re-rig the boats.

Tuesday: I go to tutor period and we talk about the exams which start on Wednesday. Once we have been issued with plastic bags for pens I head off to the art building. Most of the lessons today are filled with revision for the forthcoming exams. Once the morning lessons have finished I go back to house and cook some toast. After lunch I make my way down to the boat house to start rowing with one oar as opposed to two oars.

Wednesday: Wednesday is usually a short day as I only have five lessons, but this week it is the start of the exams. First I have biology at 9:00 for an hour. After that the maths paper started at 11:30 which is the last exam of the day. Usually after lunch I would go to town but I stayed at house revising.

Thursday: Today is filled with German, Spanish and French orals which are only 5 minutes long so most of the day is spent revising. Once all the orals have finished and I have done enough work I will go to the theatre to rehearse the play.

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Athletics: Record medal haul at County Championships

Saturday 11 June 2011

On Saturday 11th June, 25 athletes from Shrewsbury School competed in the Shropshire Schools' Athletics Championships held in Telford. This year we picked up a record 33 medals, with 10 championship-winning performances. On the back of the championships, nine athletes from the school have been selected to compete for the county next week in the highly competitive Inter-County Mason Trophy in Birmingham.

SENIOR BOYS:

Charles Cameron: 1st Hammer (County Champion); 2nd Discus

Ben Howarth: 1st Discus (County Champion)

Jon Au Yeung: 1st 800m (County Champion); 1st 400m Hurdles (County Champion)

Roy Chatterjee: 3rd 100m; 2nd 200m

John Landells: 2nd Hammer; 3rd Javelin; 2nd Shot

Will Spencer Jones: 1st 3000m (County Champion)

John Cameron: 3rd 200m

George Mallett: 2nd 2000m S/C

INTER BOYS:

Rob Cross: 2nd 400m Hurdles; 2nd 400m; 1st High Jump (County Champion)

Chike Kandi: 1st 100m (County Champion); 2nd Triple Jump

Matt Davies: 2nd 100m; 3rd 100m Hurdles; 3rd 200m;

Ivan Sanin: 2nd 100m Hurdles; 3rd Triple Jump

Ollie Roberts: 1st Hammer (County Champion)

Guy Kirkby: 2nd Hammer; 3rd Discus

Michael Adeyefa: 3rd Hammer

Nick Douglas: 2nd High Jump; 3rd Long Jump

Rory Fraser: 1st 1500m S/C (County Champion); 3rd 3000m

JUNIOR BOYS:

James Plaut: 1st 200m (County Champion); 2nd 100m



Cricket: Shrewsbury achieve a clean sweep of victories over Malvern College

Saturday 11 June 2011

Shrewsbury played Malvern College on Saturday in the annual block fixture, and achieved victories at all levels (1st, 2nd, 3rd, U15A, U15B, U14A, U14B, U14C), including two centuries from Shrewsbury players - Jack Hudson-Williams (1st XI) and Freddie Earlam (U14A XI).

1st XI vs Malvern College

Shrewsbury School 1st XI 258 all out (Hudson-Williams 107, Barnard 62)

Malvern College 1stXI 102 all out (Barnard 2 for 4, Lewis 2 for 15)

1st XI won by 156 runs

Other Matches vs Malvern College

2nd XI won by 4 wickets

3rd XI won by 147 runs

U15A XI won by 133 runs

U15B XI won by 186 runs

U14A XI won by 7 wickets

U14B XI won by 212 runs

U14C XI won by 8 wickets

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Cricket: 1st XI and U15s both win regional rounds of National T20 competition

Saturday 11 June 2011

1st XI through to quarter finals of National HMC T20

In the HMC T20 West Midlands match yesterday v Denstone College, Shrewsbury played very well to beat Denstone by 72 runs and now progress to the quarter finals of the national HMC T20.

Shrewsbury 173-9 (20 overs) (M.Gregson 58), Denstone 101-8 (20 overs) (S.Barnard 3-21, R.Smith 2-22, C.Farquhar 2-16)

In the three-team quarter final they will meet Felsted (Eastern Winners) and the winners of the EAST MIDLANDS region: either Oundle, Bedford or Worksop.

The quarter final will be played at the home of the winners of the EAST MIDLANDS region - date TBC.

U15's win Shropshire Schools ESCA 20/20 Competition

Henry Blofield (captain) won the toss and decided to bat on a good Chances wicket in the Final of the competition against Bridgnorth Endowed School. Shrewsbury scored at six per over for the first ten overs, and accelerated up to a score of 162 for 6 from their 20 overs. No batsman scored over 29 (Harry Flowers) although there were key partnerships involving James Hulton-Harrop (20), Charles Kidson (24) and Freddie Earlam (23).

Bridgnorth started their innings brightly, however Charles Kidson (4 overs, 1 for 14) and Angus Hayward (4 overs, 1 for 11) put the brakes significantly on the innings, with imaginative field placements and good, tight bowling. Wickets started to fall, and captain Henry Blofield exerted more pressure with a superb spell of 4 overs, 2 for 11 including the key wicket of Bridgnorth captain Will Cook.

Shrewsbury deservedly won the County title by 79 runs and play West Bridgford School (the Nottinghamshire winners) next week.





Sports results: w/c 6th June 2011

Sunday 12 June 2011

CRICKET: A really successful week for school teams. The 1st XI have progressed to the National Quarter-Finals of the HMC T20 U18 Competition, having thumped Denstone College on Friday in the West Midlands Final. They now play Felsted and A.N.Other in a three way play-off for the right to play at Lords on Finals Day. The U15A won the County T20 Final on Friday, beating Bridgnorth Endowed School – they now face West Bridgford School (Nottinghamshire winners) in the Regional ¼ Final on Tuesday at home (4.15pm).

CRICKET: In addition, every side were victorious yesterday vs Malvern College, including two more centurions! Jack Hudson-Williams (1st XI) and Freddie Earlam (U14A) are to be congratulated on their performances and we nearly got a third 100 in the U15B match, where Henry Crawford fell three short – bad luck Henry.

ATHLETICS: A superbly successful day yesterday at the Shropshire AAA Schools Championships in Telford. School won a staggering 33 medals and Shrewsbury now has ten newly crowned County Champions; Charles Cameron (Senior Hammer), Ben Howarth (Senior Discus), Jon Au-Yeung (Senior 800m & 400m Hurdles), Will Spencer-Jones (Senior 3000m), Rob Cross (Inter High-Jump), Chike Kandi (Inter 100m), Ollie Roberts (Inter Hammer), Rory Fraser (Inter 1500m Steeplechase), James Plaut (Junior 200m). Congratulations to all participants and coaches!

RSSBC: The 1st VIII and J15 crews rowed at Reading and Bridgnorth regattas respectively yesterday, and there is more racing for the 1st VIII today as they continue their preparation for Henley. J15 IV's were victorious yesterday at Bridgnorth, and news has filtered through of the 1st VIII winning the majority of their races yesterday apart from a ¾ length loss to Abingdon, one of the major rivals at Henley in three weeks time. More news of this and other sports in the forthcoming Bulletin.

Date	Sport	Opposition	Team	H/A	Result	Score (Shrewsbury's score is first)
Wed 8 th June	Cricket	Thomas Telford (County T20 Semi-final) Ellesmere College	U15A	H	W	184/4, 120/6
			U15C	H	W	175/6, 78 <u>ao</u>
			U14C	H	L	107 <u>ao</u> , 109/4
	Tennis	Malvern College	1 st VI	A	L	4-5
			2 nd VI	A	W	5-1
Girls Tennis	Wrekin College	1 st IV	A	Drew		
Thu 9 th June	Tennis	Ipsall School	U15A	H	L	3-3 (lost on shoot out)
Fri 10 th June	Tennis	Thomas Telford	U15A	H	W	3-3 (won on shoot out)
	Cricket	Denstone College	1 st XI	H	W	173/9, 101/8
		Bridgnorth Endowed (County T20 Final)	U15A	H	W	162/6, 83/6
Sat 11 th June	Cricket	Malvern College	1 st XI	H	W	258 <u>ao</u> , 102 <u>ao</u>
			2 nd XI	A	W	130/6, 129/7
			3 rd XI	H	W	225 <u>ao</u> , 78 <u>ao</u>
			U15A	H	W	240/6, 107 <u>ao</u>
			U15B	H	W	241/6, 55 <u>ao</u>
			U14A	A	W	153/3, 152/3
			U14B	A	W	278/8, 66 <u>ao</u>
			U14C	H	W	116/2, 113 <u>ao</u>
			Rowing	Reading Regatta	Top Squad	A
	Bridgnorth Regatta	J15		A		
	Athletics	Shropshire AAA Schools' Championships, Telford		A		See Bulletin



US American Colleges Conference - 9th June 2011

Monday 13 June 2011

On Thursday afternoon last week Shrewsbury School held its third annual conference on American universities. Approximately 120 delegates were present, at what was felt to be the most successful conference yet, clearly reflecting a growing level of interest in this whole area. With Shrewsbury now being firmly established as an SAT test centre, having a recent string of students proceeding to famous US Colleges such as Harvard, University of North Carolina, Stanford, and Berklee College of Music, the School has become a focus of American University interest and experience in the Midlands and the North of England. This was enhanced by the visit of Careers Master Chris Conway to New England in January this year when he visited Brown, Harvard, Yale, RISD, as well as attending the "College Choice" weekend at Choate Rosemary Hall, where he heard presentations from Directors of Admissions from other universities. The school conferences have not only provided the opportunity to share the wealth of knowledge and experience with Salopian students and parents but also to extend this to other schools and colleges from a very wide area.

The programme (outlined below) covered the major areas that would be of concern to anyone thinking of applying to an American University, and the questions that emerged showed just how seriously this Higher Education option is being considered.

The full programme, which contains a lot more information about the application process and the speakers, is available as a pdf file: [2011 USA Universities Conference programme.](#)

Why America? Jamie Dunn - The Fulbright Commission

The Admissions Process Jon Tabbert - US Education Consultant

A British View of the US College System Chris Conway

The SAT Bob Gormley - SAT Consultant

Funding and The Fulbright Commission Jamie Dunn

Chris Conway



Prize Giving 2011 - for home page

Monday 13 June 2011

The annual Prize Giving took place on Friday 10th June in the Ashton Theatre, which was packed with pupils, staff and proud parents and relations.

This year, the 78 prizes were presented by Old Saopian Sir David Barnes C.B.E. (R 1949-1954).

Sir David is the former chairman of Astra Zeneca, and a former deputy chairman of our governors. He is a Shrewsbury Foundation trustee, and was here just a few weeks ago to lead the 150th Rigg's anniversary celebrations.

Sir David spoke of the qualities that he learned during his own time at Shrewsbury, that have guided him through his life: excellence, honesty and the highest ethical standards. He talked passionately about the challenge of unlocking the energy and potential of pupils, to give them a source of power to see them through the rest of their lives.

The Headmaster's script conveys the immense depth and breadth of the talent of our current Salopians, describes how they won their awards, and also gives some background to the awards themselves: [Prize Giving 2011](#).

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ISI Inspection: 'Outstanding'

Monday 13 June 2011

We now have the final report from the two-day interim inspection carried out by the Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) in May 2011: [ISI Report: Shrewsbury School](#)

We are absolutely delighted that their report is effusive in its support for the holistic education provided at Shrewsbury School, and vindicates the results of our recent Ofsted inspection (November 2010) in which Shrewsbury was found to be 'Outstanding' in all areas.

Please also see our information on the [Ofsted report](#).



Old Salopians in Birthday Honours list

Monday 13 June 2011

OS **Professor Roger Michael Boyle**, CBE, (SH 1961-1966), National Clinical Director for Heart Disease and Stroke was awarded a Knighthood for services to Medicine.



OS **Desmond Shawe-Taylor** (I 1967-71), Surveyor of the Queen's Pictures, was appointed Lieutenant of the Royal Victorian Order (LVO) in The Queen's Birthday Honours list, in recognition of his services to the royal family.

Mr. Shawe-Taylor has returned to Shrewsbury School on several occasions over the last few years, either to present a lecture, talk to scholars, or to present the prizes at our Academic Prize Giving (2006). His daughter is now in our Sixth Form and one of his sons is in the Fourth Form.



Old Salopians treading the boards

Monday 13 June 2011

A remarkable number of (young) Old Salopians seem to be making a name for themselves in entertainment:

Josh Sasse (G 2001-2004) is currently playing the lead role of Sky in *Mamma Mia* on the West End. Josh took a lead role in our 2003/4 School Musical 'Into the Woods', which was also performed at Edinburgh. More recently, he has taken an Elvis tour around Italy, and he also sang Johnny Depp's lead part in the film of *Sweeney Todd*.

Clive Hayward (SH 1978-1983) is playing in David Tennant's *Much Ado About Nothing* at Wyndham's, having recently finished a run in *Private Lives* at Manchester's Royal Exchange. He has also toured the UK as Eric Morecambe in *The Play What I Wrote*. During his time here, Clive was Head of School, and a pioneer of Shrewsbury School Drama under the leadership of Robin Case.

Laurie Cottam (M 2001-2006) just missed getting into the Final of Britain's Got Talent with his a-cappella group *Out of the Blue*, much to the disappointment of the studio (and TV) audience. Laurie took the lead in our School Musical *Frankenstein*, and travelled with the rest of the troupe up to the Edinburgh Fringe and to The Royal College of Music's Britten Theatre with it. *Out of the Blue* now regularly plays to sell-out audiences at the Edinburgh Fringe.

Richard Goulding (I 1992-1997) will be performing in four short plays (two double-bills) at the National Theatre from 3rd August 2011. Richard played several lead roles in school productions while at Shrewsbury, including *Jekyll!* and *The Time Machine*, both creations of John Moore and Alex Went. Richard went on to study at the Guildhall School of Drama, but left to play the role of Konstantin in *The Seagull*, with Ian McKellan, directed by Trevor Nunn. In the lead up to last year's election, Richard was playing in *Posh* at the Royal Court Theatre, based recognisably on the goings-on of the Bullingdon Club that David Cameron, Boris Johnson and George Osborne all once belonged to.



Joe Allan (R 2005-2010) heard recently, whilst in Africa, that he has won a place at the National Youth Theatre, starting in September 2011. Over 5,000 people applied for the few vacancies that they had this year, so the competition was extremely tough. Joe had a starring role in last year's School Play *Racing Demon*, that also went up to Edinburgh last August.



Academic Prize Giving 2011

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This year, the 78 prizes were presented by Old Saopian Sir David Barnes C.B.E. (R 1949-1954) - pictured on the right with the Headmaster.



Sir David is the former chairman of Astra Zeneca, and a former deputy chairman of our governors. He is a Shrewsbury Foundation trustee, and was here just a few weeks ago to lead the 150th Rigg's anniversary celebrations.

Sir David spoke of the qualities that he learned during his own time at Shrewsbury, that have guided him through his life: excellence, honesty and the highest ethical standards. He talked passionately about the challenge of unlocking the energy and potential of pupils, to give them a source of power to see them through the rest of their lives.

The Headmaster's script conveys the immense depth and breadth of the talent of our current Salopians, describes how they won their awards, and also gives some background to the awards themselves: [Prize Giving 2011](#).

Salopian wins place at Bristol Old Vic

Monday 13 June 2011



Hebe in MSH's House Plays *Moulin Rouge* and *Shakers*, in this year's School Musical *What You Will*, and in last year's School Play *Racing Demon*.

Hebe Dickins (MSH UVI) has won one of the 15 places (out of 8,000 applicants) at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre School, on their three year Professional Acting degree course.

At her preliminary audition, Hebe had to perform a couple of pre-prepared Shakespeare monologues, a modern piece, and a song. This was followed by an interview. She was then called back for the next stage which consisted of a day of group auditions (involving singing, acting, speaking, dancing and improvisation) and several interviews. She was then put on a shortlist and had to wait until all the auditions had taken place, before she heard that she had been successful.

In the short time that Hebe has been at Shrewsbury, she has played lead parts in the Mary Sidney house plays, the 2010 School Play 'Racing Demon' (which then went up to the Edinburgh Festival), and this year's school musical 'What You Will.' She will be returning to school in August for a frantic week of rehearsals for What You Will - and one final performance in the Ashton Theatre - before taking it up to the Edinburgh Festival for a week.

Last week, Hebe was awarded both the Theatrical Studies Prize and the Goulding Family Prize for Drama at Prize Giving. Presented for the first time this year, the Goulding Prize is awarded in recognition of outstanding contributions to school drama. The prize has been founded by the Goulding family, for whom theatre at Shrewsbury became particularly significant.

The news of Hebe's success came through at the same time as we heard from Joe Allan (R 2005-2010), currently in Africa, who has won a place at the National Youth Theatre starting this August.



RSSBC: Reading Amateur Regatta 11th and 12th June 2011

Tuesday 14 June 2011

After a difficult National Schools the 1st 8 headed off to Reading Regatta to try to gain some race practice for Henley.

Victory was ensured in junior 8's with a win over old foe St Edwards School Oxford, after victories against Canford and Dulwich in earlier rounds.

However, the main event of the day was the race between Shrewsbury and Abingdon in elite 8's. Abingdon's victory by 2/3's of a length must be a concern to them, as well of a major boost to us and certainly ensures a very interesting build up to Henley in a few weeks time!

Sunday was a quieter day, the 8 had to withdraw from one event as the points gained on Saturday made them illegible for one of their races. However a win against Bedford Modern, who we had beaten into sixth place at NSR, finished a solid weekend.

So, to sum up, a good solid performance that will give confidence to the crew to be right amongst it come Henley in a few weeks' time. A few weeks' good training and a well orchestrated taper could mean a good run in the World's most famous Regatta!!

Paul Manser

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RSSBC: J15 crew at the Bridgnorth Regatta

Tuesday 14 June 2011

Elements of the J15 squad ventured to Bridgnorth on Saturday in the hope of claiming one of their unique clay rowing pots.

Charles Lane-Fox came close in the single scull while Charles Clarke and Will Dodson-Wells lost in the final of the double sculls. It was left to the coxed four to bring home a convincing win over Oratory School.

Attention now switches to one final adventure at Ironbridge on the 26th June.

Richard Johnson



Tennis: w/c 6th June 2011

Tuesday 14 June 2011

U15 County Cup

Vs Idsall Drew 3-3 (lost on shoot out)

Vs Thomas Telford Drew 3-3 (won on shoot-out)

Girls vs Wrekin College

Two pairs went to Wrekin for a tennis fixture on Wednesday. The weather had been poor all morning, with continuous rain, but luckily stopped around 15 minutes before we were due to leave. Katy Mason-Jones and Alice Long had a great first game, playing well together, with Katy being particularly successful at the net. The opposition however, were also playing well and at 5-5 it went to a sudden death finish, which Shrewsbury took to win the set 6-5. The 2nd set was less close, with Shrewsbury continuing to play well and winning 6-2. Our 2nd couple of Imola Atkins and Diana Onishchenko had a less successful and quite frustrating afternoon unfortunately. Their opposition were strong, and the Shrewsbury couple just couldn't seem to get into the game. They lost 6-2, 6-3 to even up the match at 2 sets all.

Mr M J Harding & Mrs N Bradburne

Shrewsbury

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Rounders Vs Shrewsbury High School

Tuesday 14 June 2011

We walked the short distance to the High School for two rounders matches – one against their 6th form and one against their 5th form. As ever, it was an enjoyable afternoon and both games ended up being very close. Shrewsbury fielded well, but unfortunately were not as successful with the bat. However, the first game really came down to the last few balls with the High School coming out on top 11-9. The 2nd game was equally tight, and Shrewsbury batted better, but again just missed out, losing 12-10½. A special mention to Marianne Shawe-Taylor, who represented the school for the first time; player of the match was Alex Priestly.

Mrs N J Bradburne



Salopian Ventures now on the School's website

Wednesday 15 June 2011

Salopian Ventures is an enterprise run by a small group of Lower Sixth students, under the leadership of Colm Kealy, that has raised in excess of £120,000 for charity over its 25 years of operation.

Salopian Ventures commissions and markets a range of quality products associated with the school, which are sold at various functions and through our new online catalogue. There will be an opportunity to view and purchase these products on Speech Day this year.

Please take a look at our new web pages: www.shrewsbury.org.uk/page/salopian-ventures

This year's Salopian Ventures team was:

Au Yeung, Jonathan SH

Eaton, Chris Ch

Greig, Alex O

Hudson-Williams, Jack PH

Hughes, Oliver Rb

Jones, Connor PH

Leslie, Guy R

Lewis, Henry I

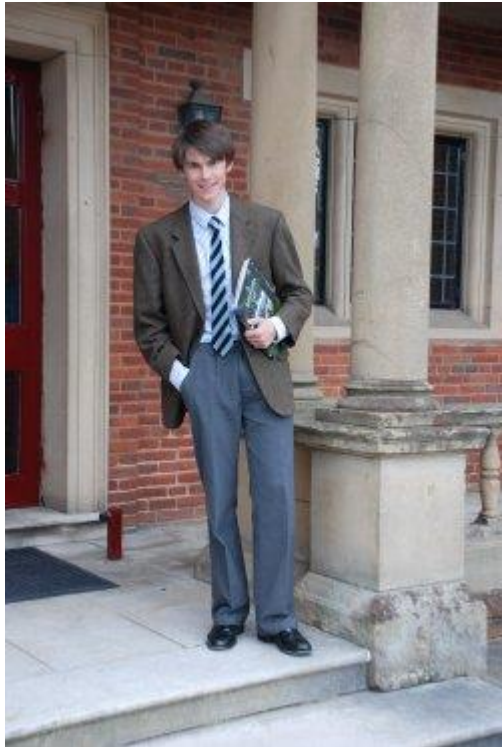
McGeorge, James Ch

Thompson, Angus G



A Week in the Life of Rory Fraser (Ch 4)

Thursday 16 June 2011



My name is Rory Fraser; I'm fifteen, and a relatively gangly member of The Churchill's Hall fourth form. Last year I was at Winchester College and so coming into a new school and being able to compare it to an 'elite' academic boys' school has been an interesting experience for me. The comparison I am glad to say favours Shrewsbury immensely, for I feel it is a far better habitat for me.

I always remembered my previous summer terms as being rather long and lazy, spending most of my time wandering about in a sunhat or being very bored. Shrewsbury has had none of this, the summer term has started with a plunge in the deep end after the gentle breaststroke of the holidays, and there has not been a moment to lose!

Monday began with the customary, 'I can't go on', and the mirage that I had been in the garden lounging about and wasting time but 24 hours before was rapidly disappearing into the recesses of my memory. Before I knew it I was sprinting about - tie flapping,

hair flopping and totally out of breath. My society's hour was taken up by a play rehearsal for the junior school play where keeping a straight face whilst trying desperately to remember my lines seemed to dominate the rehearsal. After lessons with only five minutes to return to the house, change and meet for A-leagues, I jumped into my cricket gear and strode out onto the pitch with my fellow Churchillian A-Leaguean comrades. Ridgemount were our opposition. We fielded first where I must admit I spent a lot of time looking thoughtfully at the grass and then pretending not to look surprised when the next over came! I was in the second pair and marched onto the crease determined not to embarrass myself. I scored a very tactical six runs – mainly focusing on not facing the balls whenever possible, as ordered by our captain. Churchill's was victorious, and I was glad I had been part of it, 'the day we beat Ridgemount'!

Tuesday began with an as ever eclectic tutor period with Mr Sheppe, where we discussed a range of topics from the Middle East to the Muppets. It was my Hunt run day, a part of my feeble plan to keep vaguely in shape over this term. We got a minibus and sped off into glorious Mynd, whilst at the back holding up the customary tradition of debating important schoolboy issues. We spent the afternoon scampering over majestic hillside like mountain goats, and could see for miles in all directions, down into lush pasture and up into deep purple heather (whetting my appetite for next year's Hunt training).

Wednesday, (after having been to chapel where The Revd G.Dobbie's hymn choice as ever gave us a boost to the morning) was my first experience of exam leave where I got extremely restless after about ten minutes and resorted to actually working. That afternoon in athletics we were preparing for the Saturday's County Champs. The session involved sprinting and hurdling. However due to a lack of hurdles on the track at the time we had to imagine them, so any



passerby would have witnessed a couple of Salopians randomly jumping into the air whilst sprinting for no apparent reason!



By Thursday I was in full revision mode, superglued to my desk with my 'thinking cap' on. However my roommate did prize me off my desk with some difficulty for another play practice, which yet again wrenched me abruptly from science to something rather beyond Shakespeare!

Friday. Firstly I went to the prize giving ceremony practice where we were instructed as to what we should do that evening. I had also been asked along with some other

Churchillian friends to take part in a recital for some future Salopians that evening. It was going to be a day of careful, masterful planning! At five thirty I arrived in the chapel fully 'suited' and ready to recite my chosen poem, *Cargoes* by John Masefield. Mr Case gave a small introduction with customary panache and before I knew it I was standing in front of an audience of expectant looking faces. I allowed Masefield's genius to echo around the chapel, although I almost kicked myself later for forgetting to bow! Five minutes later after a signal from Mr Case, I along with two other prize winners power-walked to the Ashton Theatre. The theatre was packed with parents, governors, teachers and all the dignitaries of Shropshire, met by an effusive Mr Fanning. Pupils lined the front rows, for once dressed immaculately. The theatre had a certain aura, which must have been that of academic excellence. In the centre of the room was the shining pile of newly-bound books illuminated by the spotlight.

There was a prize for every imaginable subject donated over the school's long history. Not only were there academic prizes, but also theatre, sport, art and design. This really characterises Shrewsbury, a place where everyone can seek, find and achieve their goals if they're passionate enough. Finally my prize loomed into view, The idiosyncratic McEchran Prize, for which I had given a talk on *Cargoes* earlier in the year.

My name echoed out and my fellow prizewinner and housemate Theo Simmons and I strode out into the light. Mr Cropper busily getting the right books for the right people, handed Sir David mine, *A Shropshire Lad*, a cliché maybe, but wonderful poetry nonetheless. Sir David eyed my book approvingly, shook my hand enthusiastically and over the sound of the applause said something along the lines of, "well done". As I returned to my seat I tried very hard to put on my serious yet happy smile, and at all cost tried to avoid breaking out into an enormous grin.

Following the prizes, Sir David made a speech. One which I think definitely will go in my top ten speeches list; it was all that a speech should be: not too long yet not brief, academic, funny, serious but giving the invaluable advice to us all, that true success comes from the values you pick up 'osmotically' from being at Shrewsbury. However it is your choice as to whether to use those values to the full. There followed a very crowded reception in the 6th form Common Room, by this time I was extremely hungry and spent most of the time trying to eat a supper of canapés without looking suspicious and trying not to get under anyone's feet. I also spent a lot of time standing about pretending I was doing something constructive so as to avoid looking like I knew no one there, until I got into a lengthy conversation with Mr Schutzer-Weissmann about religion which took up the rest of the evening. That night as I returned to house over top common, I had discovered another side of Shrewsbury – pomp. I felt so stimulated that I had to immediately involve myself in a serious game of house football to calm down.



What Saturday had in store for me was seemingly on a different planet! I woke up to sun shining through the window, how ironic. It was the dreaded day of the county champ's athletics competition in Telford; I put on my worn sports kit and packed my bag for the day. At 9:50 the bus passed through the school gates, leaving the homely Shrewsbury behind us. In typical Salopian style arriving at Telford the Shrewsbury team which had left earlier were to be found sunbathing on a bank. In my first race, the 3000 metres. I achieved a comfortable third place. Later however was my real challenge. Sadly the good weather did not hold out. Less than half an hour later a huge storm burst. However the show had to go on and the no nonsense Salopian attitude prevailed. At the appointed time of our races we still marched out onto the track in shorts and vests without the slightest complaint, for Hunt runners it made us feel sort of at home. My problem was that my next race was

three hours later. So I passed the time under a hawthorn bush doing my chemistry revision, oblivious to the pouring rain beyond. The 1500 metre steeplechase loomed in to view; for those of you who are unaware of this pastime, it involves running $3\frac{3}{4}$ times around a track whilst jumping over metre high solid wood barriers, one of which had a metre deep water jump on the other side – which had been topped up by the weather.

I remembered that my Scotsman-ship and sportsman-ship were at stake, so I braved the torrents and set foot on the starting line. The gun went and the first barrier came into view, not knowing how to get over one was an issue but I improvised and tried many methods. After a gruelling race during which I would have appreciated armbands and a snorkel, I realised I had won, and was now apparently the county champion. In the end it was a really successful day for the school on the track with Shrewsbury winning 32 medals including 10 golds!

Sunday morning was no exception to the week, chapel choir beckoned and at 8:45 all basses and tenors reported for an emergency rehearsal. We rehearsed for an hour then 'cassocked' up and seamlessly glided up the aisle guided by a Benedictine chant. The service went well and the hymns were uplifting against the pattering of drizzle on the window. Brunch followed where a steaming hot chocolate spread good cheer amongst weary choristers. I then paid a visit to the library to pass time and looked at some ancient texts after a deep conversation with the librarian over the Clarendon Commission. A play rehearsal followed soon after with much merriment. Finally at three o'clock in the afternoon I collapsed into my bedsit, rang my mother to confirm to her that I was still respiring, and spent the rest of the day indulging in a Dad's Army fest.



Anna Roberts

Thursday 16 June 2011

We were deeply saddened to hear of the tragic death of Anna Roberts in a cycling accident earlier this month.

Anna met her future husband, Stewart Roberts, at a staff party the day before she took up her position as a peripatetic music teacher at Shrewsbury. Stewart was a master here from 1978-1993, and was Housemaster of Radbrook 1984-1987, and then of Rigg's 1987-1993.



Stewart and Anna left Shrewsbury for Pakistan in December 1993, when Stewart took up his appointment as Founding Headmaster of Chand Bagh School in Lahore. He was subsequently appointed Deputy Head and then Headmaster of Dauntsey's in Wiltshire.

Anna is remembered well for her kindness and tremendous enthusiasm, both as a Music teacher and as a Housemaster's wife. She was a renowned pianist and brilliant musician, and made many solo appearances on the concert platform during her time here.

The funeral service will be held in Salisbury Cathedral on Monday 20th June at 1pm. No flowers please, but any donations will be divided between the Wiltshire Air Ambulance and Jackdoors Music

Educational Trust. Further details are available from Chris White Funeral Directors, 12 South Street, Wilton, Salisbury, Wiltshire. Tel: 01722 744691 or from Reception at Dauntsey's School. Tel: 01380 814500.

Sabrina: OS in winning Freshers' crew, now set to return to Henley

Friday 17 June 2011

James Scott (M 2008-10) was in the University of California Crew who have just won the US Freshman National Championships on the Cooper River, New Jersey.

They now travel to Henley in hope of adding the Temple Challenge Cup to their Cabinet; there is a vague chance that they may meet Shrewsbury School 2nd VIII in the opening round!



OS James Scott, holding the trophy





Old Salopians to Raise the Roof of the World

Friday 17 June 2011

Three Old Salopians - **Laurie Sayer** (I 2003-08) **Stephen Johanson** (O 2003-06 and Rb 2006-08) **James Sutcliffe** (SH 2003-08) - have teamed up and plan to attempt to drive 8,500 miles across two continents and along the second highest drivable road in the world, in Tajikistan, via the Arctic Circle. The adventure is due to start on 18 July 2011.

The team intends to use this venture to raise as much money as possible for the Blue Chair Movement – a charity that is instantly recognisable to many generations of Old Salopians.

A website www.raisetheroofoftheworld.co.uk has been established with more information about this venture and where the team's progress can be monitored.



Laurie Sayer
(I 2003-08)



Stephen Johanson
(O 2003-06 and Rb 2006-08)



James Sutcliffe
(SH 2003-08)

St Richard's School Languages Day at Shrewsbury

Friday 17 June 2011



St Richard's at Shrewsbury - having a guided tour (in French) and learning to greet in German

We were delighted to welcome the St Richard's School scholarship class for a Languages Day on Thursday 16th June.

This is the third year running that this very special day has taken place, and it is becoming a high point in the calendars of both our schools. Twelve Year 7 and 8 pupils enjoyed a very busy day, with taster lessons in Spanish, German, Russian, Arabic, Japanese and even Serbo-Croat. Even the lunch break was language-based, with the group being taken on a guided tour of the school - the catch being that the tour was delivered entirely in French by two of our sixth formers. It was a terrific day, and an absolute joy to welcome such a wonderfully bright, enthusiastic and impeccably mannered group of youngsters to Shrewsbury.

I dare say their Headmaster will have told them often that they should be good ambassadors for St Richard's - they certainly were! For further information on St Richard's please see www.st-richards.org.uk.

MAJM



An insider's view: Teaching at Shrewsbury International, Bangkok

Saturday 18 June 2011



Old Salopian Jonathan Ling (M 1986-1991) recently had a fascinating article published in the Music Masters Association's magazine 'Ensemble' about his experiences of teaching at Shrewsbury International School, Bangkok: '[Music in a foreign land](#)'.

Jonathan was a music scholar from The Elms Prep School in Colwall. As well as being a talented member of our Chapel Choir, Jonathan was a multi-instrumentalist (harp, flute, saxophone, piano, organ ...). On leaving Shrewsbury, he spent a year at North Texas University with fellow Salopian Tom Lewis (R 1986-1991) where they both studied Jazz.

Jonathan then went on to Exeter University to study Music, after which he taught music in several schools. Before he took up the position of Director of Music at Shrewsbury International School, Jonathan had been Director of Music at Shiplake College.

Both Jonathan Ling and Tom Lewis are remarkable musicians. Tom is now a Senior A&R Executive with Universal Records, and quite regularly appears

on TVs presenting his documentaries.



Royal Geographical Society awards Chartered status to Geography teacher

Monday 20 June 2011

Geography teacher Rob Morris has recently been awarded the status of Chartered Geographer by the Royal Geographical Society with the Institute of British Geographers. The award is currently only held by around 400 people worldwide, of whom around half are teachers or university academics and the rest from a wide variety of Geography-related posts such as Geographical Information Systems (GIS) specialists and Geomorphologists. Rob is the first person in Shropshire to achieve the award.



Rob has been at Shrewsbury for nearly 6 years and previously taught at Strodes College in Surrey, Merchant Taylors' Northwood and Manchester Grammar School. He has been a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society (FRGS) since 1987 and has been working towards the CGeog accreditation since 2008. In order to satisfy the awarding committee, he had to meet a list of criteria related to qualifications and experience including providing a portfolio of evidence of continuing professional development over the past two years.

This proved to be fairly straightforward as Rob is an accomplished author of Geographical text books, a senior examiner for the Edexcel A level, a lecturer and author on Urban Regeneration and chairman of the Shropshire Branch of the Geographical Association (GA). He is also a committee member of the GA's Independent Schools Group running training courses for teachers from other schools and administers an on-line forum for teachers of the Geography IGCSE on behalf of Edexcel.

He is also hoping to bring the RGS-IBG to Shropshire with the formation of a Shropshire and Mid-Wales regional group that should enable other RGS members and fellows in the area to get together for lectures and other events.

The photo shows Rob in front of Skogafoss, one of Iceland's highest waterfalls. Rob was in Iceland over half term doing a recce for the Geography Faculty's Lower School trip to Iceland in March 2012.

Chartered Geographer (CGeog) is the only internationally recognised professional accreditation for those with competence, experience and professionalism in the use of geographical knowledge, understanding and skills in the workplace.

It is the same in concept and scope to chartered accreditation in other professions such as Chartered Surveyor and Chartered Engineer.

The Art School's new Mezzanine

Wednesday 22 June 2011



The new mezzanine was finished in October last year but on Tuesday 21st of June we had the great pleasure of 'officially' opening this marvellous new addition to the Art School.

The benefactors – the Homfray family who kindly gave the money to build it – were present to raise a glass of champagne, with Chris Conway and John Rolfe, and to have a look at the structure which is located in the middle room.

Matt Homfray (M 1993-1998), had particularly fond memories of his time doing GCSE then Art A level before leaving Shrewsbury for Veterinary College in London. Matt is currently working in

Bali for the WHO combating the spread of rabies.

The mezzanine is currently the location for our AS and A2 level photography work, but once the Summer Term Exhibitions are taken down it will return to its primary use as an A Level life painting and drawing studio

Philip Woolley
Director of Art





A Week in the Life of Ben Smith (G 3)

Wednesday 22 June 2011

As ever a week travels fast at Shrewsbury, so fast it's hard to remember what's happened in the last seven days but fortunately I was lucky enough to have a very active few days which I am sure

I will never forget thanks to D of E. So I will try to put my hazy memories on paper:



Thursday: lessons came fast because exams had now finished and the relieving thought of Outdoor Week coming ever closer soothed my mind; no lessons! In the afternoon the semi final of U15 house cricket took place in which we were to play Ridgemount. They were by far the closest to beating us so far, but we somehow managed to prevail. Final score Grove: 168 for 3, Ridgemount: 129 for 7. We advanced to the final! That night there was no Top Schools as exams were over.

Friday: lessons in the morning followed by football before lunch as part of Curriculum Games. With only two lessons left in the day I felt it safe to switch off. In the afternoon a light nets session taken by the gap students as our coach was ill. Again, no Top Schools so I felt it appropriate to watch a film.

Saturday: small dose of lessons before lunch. I then had a cricket match for the U14 B's against Manchester Grammar school in which I scored a half century, but was soon caught by the keeper and my partner Joe Lafferty went on to score well above eighty. However, we still lost. Spent the evening packing for my Bronze D of E expedition I would be departing on the following day.

Sunday: My assessor, Dr Wade, helped to make sure I had everything needed for our two night expedition and after much preparation we were dropped off at a local supermarket with seven pounds each in order to buy our meals. Teaming together with my tent-mate Samson we bought as much pasta, croissants and sandwiches as physically possible. During the practice expedition I had learnt my appetite tripled after a day's walking. We then headed to the campsite, if you can call it a campsite. It was a large field situated on the side of a hill once inhabited by sheep. Dr Wade took us out on a short "warm up" walk and reminded us of some very important training skills we had forgotten. After returning to camp Samson and I cooked some pasta and went to sleep.

Monday: our first official day of the expedition. Having been woken early by the sun and some noisy sheep I crammed four croissants in my mouth, packed up the tent and set off in our five man group to some place called Norbury. We worked out on the second leg of our journey we were roughly half an hour ahead of where we were supposed to be so we took an extra long break to rest our still fresh legs. We then proceeded to get lost in a field for a long time before finding a road that lead back to our planned route. By the time we had rejoined our track we had added an extra six kilometres onto our already daunting sixteen. The rest of that day's journey went unhindered and we arrived at the campsite in time for pasta. It soon began to rain steadily



and we found shelter in our cosy tent. With no source of time we assumed it was about nine and fell asleep in seconds.

Tuesday: after another early wake from the sun I once more stuffed four croissants in my mouth and set off around half eight with the rest of my walking group. Everything went to plan and we had walked over the Long Mynd ahead of schedule. We only got lost once somewhere in Church Stretton but we were making such good time we were back at camp by three and were able to enjoy the BBQ before heading back to school.

Wednesday: all the groups who had now done their D of E had to go to “get wet,” somewhere in Wales. Our day’s tasks consisted of building a bridge over the river Dee, making a raft and raft slaloming. I thoroughly enjoyed it. However contrary to its name I thankfully managed to stay dry. After returning back to school I fell almost straight to sleep.



Cricketer Cup: Exciting Win against Marlborough Blues

Wednesday 22 June 2011

The postponed first round of the Cricketer Cup was eventually played on Sunday 19th June at Rugby.

The Saracens were inserted by the Marlborough Blues and out strode to the wicket the formidable opening partnership of T Chapman (Barn) and R Mackay. Sadly a large combined weight does not equal a large combined runs tally as Jabba was on his way back to the pavilion with no score to add to his name. All too brief flurries from the experienced Rob Ainscove and the Skipper left the Sarries trailing at 49-3 off 15 overs. By this stage Barn, who now had been joined by Scott Corbett, was beginning to find his ark (big ark some might say).

In under 20 overs the 2nd biggest partnership of the day (though Scott may well be challenging Jabba on the scales nowadays) had put on the largest partnership of 115. It was fantastic to watch as they begun flaying the tiring Blues bowling attack all over Warwickshire. Whilst the running between the wicket left much to be desired the shots on view did not. Scott's six over extra cover and Barn's gigantic maximum over the already vast leg side were 2 of many fine shots. Despite their domination things came to an abrupt end in rather unfortunate circumstances as Barn edged towards a much deserved hundred being caught and bowled off the bowlers forearm and knee. After that the Saracens tail did not wag enough and 211 seemed very much under par.

The Devon Touring Side, strengthened by your scribe out of retirement, took to the Field with some trepidation, and, not without some good cause; After 6 Overs, Marlborough were steaming ahead at c. 50 for no wicket! T.C. (Tom Chapman, not Top Cat) slowed the onslaught, along with some tight bowling from Nichols (Junior) and steadied the ship.

Marlborough, however, continued to cruise until the introduction of JK (James- aka The Achilles Heel – Kidson) came on. He bowled snakes and asps at the oppo, and, along with some old pros, canny stuff, from 'Subject To Contract' – Corbett – at the other end, a couple of quick wickets fell. We began to sniff victory, with their best Bat gone for 35.

The tide turned against us, however, as we had to swap around bowlers to get through the required Overs. It was not long before Marlborough reached 175 for 4 and most of us felt we were going to come second.

JK then stopped teasing with the opposition and in his last Over took 4 for 0 and reduced them to 190 for 9! What a magnificent spell of spin bowling. On a low-bouncing pitch, he managed to get the ball to fizz.

Still there was work to be done, as the bemused batman on 48 at the other end seemed to have lost it. He just did not know how to play it. In the end he played all around a straight long hop from the Hon Sec. Bails flew. Marvellous!

Match Won.

Ben Chapman and Paul Nichols



Sports results: w/c 13th June 2011

Thursday 23 June 2011

Date	Sport	Opposition	Team	H/A	Result	Score (Shrewsbury's score is first)
Tue 14 th Jun	Cricket	West Bridgford School (T20 ¼ Final)	U15A	H	W	153/6, 113/9
	Tennis	Prestfelde School	U14 VIII	H	W	5-3
Wed 15 th Jun	Cricket	Shrewsbury Sixth Form College	U16A	H	W	176/4, 127/2
	Rounders	v Old Swinford Hospital		H	W	7-1
		v Ludlow College A v Ludlow College B			L W	4-5 8-3
Thu 16 th Jun	Tennis	Ellesmere College	U15A VIII	H	L	3-5
			U15B VIII	H	L	3-5
	Polo	Eton College		A		
Fri 17 th Jun	Tennis	Packwood Haugh	U14 VIII	A	W	6-2
Sat 18 th Jun	Cricket	Manchester Grammar School	1 st XI	A	W	173/7, 171/6
			2 nd XI	H	W	127/3, 126/10
			U15A	H	W	197/9, 113 <u>ao</u>
			U14A	A	W	175/5, 174/7
			U14B	H	L	
		Bedstone College	U15B	A	L	109 <u>ao</u> , 110/2
	Rowing	Marlow Regatta	2 nd VIII	A		See Bulletin
Tennis	Repton School	1 st VI	H	L	2-7	
		2 nd VI	H	L	1-8	
Athletics	Mason Trophy (Inter-County)		A		See Bulletin	
Sun 19 th Jun	Polo	SUPA Intermediates & U16 Tournament		A		



OS Robin Leggate (S 1959-64), much loved opera singer, retires from Covent Garden

Monday 27 June 2011

Robin was Company Principal at Covent Garden from 1976 - 2001 and he also enjoyed a broader international career.



His first role was Cassio in Otello in 1977 after which he notched up hundreds of performances, from most of the Mozart roles in his early years and also many 'character' roles.

His last role in the House is to be a first for him - as Goro, the scheming marriage broker, in Madama Butterfly (25 June- 16 July) - and his performance on 16 July marks his 909th and final performance for The Royal Opera.

Robin says: *'The first opera I ever saw was Madama Butterfly, which, it just occurs to me, is rather poignant as that is the last opera, in which I will sing. I remember the production vividly. I was 21 and it was brought to Manchester by Sadlers Wells on tour. By the end of the second act my handkerchief was wet through. I had to go and get a paper towel from the Gents to get me through the third act. I cried uncontrollably; it was so moving.'*

About his last role, he says, *'Goro is basically a pimp. He's selling off this innocent 15-year-old girl. He knows, I'm sure, that the American has no intention of sticking to his side of the bargain. He's just in it for the money. The character comes out dramatically, of course, but also in your voice. You try not to make your voice too ugly, but at the same time you can suggest a certain lasciviousness.'*

The composer Robin has enjoyed singing the most over the last ten years has been Benjamin Britten and he says that the happiest six weeks of his career were singing Aschenbach in Britten's Death in Venice.

Robin does not plan to sing professionally in his retirement. *'It's a very physical thing, singing, especially for a high voice. It's like being a ballet dancer. You have to keep fit. You have to keep working it. I want to do what I've not been able to do for years – enjoy being part of local life in my village [near Aldeburgh, Suffolk].*

Youngsters don't understand how you can retire from singing because it's such a lovely job. All I know is there's another era to my life. I'm not sure what it's going to be, but I know I won't be able to start it until I stop this one.'

Read more at the [Royal Opera House blog](#).

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RSSBC Henley: 1st VIII vs Winchester College in Round One

Monday 27 June 2011

From Wednesday 29th June the 1st VIII will be competing at Henley Royal Regatta in the Princess Elizabeth Challenge Cup.

This international regatta, held on the famous stretch of water past the Stewards Enclosure, is longer and hosts racing which is somehow more personal than the usual 2km 6 lane competitions, and is held in the unique Stewards atmosphere of an Edwardian Garden Party. It is side by side racing of the fiercest kind in the most genteel of atmospheres.

In the first round, our 1st VIII have been drawn against the Winchester College 1st VIII at 10:40am - the same crew that our 2nd VIII lost by a canvas to in the final at the Reading Regatta last Saturday.

For the full Henley Draw go to: www.hrr.co.uk/fs/downloads/HRR_Draw_2011.pdf.



Cricket: U15A XI beat Rugby School to reach Midlands T20 Final

Tuesday 28 June 2011

In a tense (and humid!) contest away at Rugby on Monday 27th June, the U15A XI lost the toss but bowled and fielded very well to bowl Rugby out for 71 inside 17 overs. Charles Kidson continued his good form with the ball with 3 for 11, and the team pressured Rugby with tight fielding leading to three run outs.

Shrewsbury started their innings well, but regularly lost wickets in a slightly nervous run chase. Shrewsbury got over the line without too much alarm, winning by four wickets.

The Midlands Final (a National 1/4 Final) will be played on Thursday 30th against either Repton School or Loughborough Grammar School.

Other cricket news, in brief:

The 1st XI, U15A XI and U14A & B XI's all beat Warwick School on Saturday in competitive fixtures.

There is a great deal of cricket this week. The 1st XI play Affies School, South Africa on Tuesday 28th, followed by a two day fixture vs Uppingham on Wednesday & Thursday. The National T20 1/4 Finals take place next Sunday vs Worksop College and Felsted. The winner of the round-robin goes to Lords for the Finals Day on Friday 8th July.

The U14A XI play their Lord Taverners County Semi-Final vs Ludlow School on Tuesday 28th. It's a busy week!

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Speech Day Exhibition in the Art School 2011

Tuesday 28 June 2011



As you enter the Art School the first impression is the most important! Charlie Boutflower's dynamic Raptor paintings dominate – with around the walls a wonderful variety of creativity.

The studios are finally completely cleared of all the paraphernalia of creative activity and in the place of that ordered chaos we now have the products of the last year of hard work – displayed by year group with, understandably, the Upper Sixth having the main central gallery and the lion's share of the space.

The Lower Sixth work is displayed in the History of Art Lecture room and the end painting studio; the Photographers have the new mezzanine, and the GCSE Exhibitions are in the middle room – each candidate having a clearly marked space in which to hang the best of the 2 year course.

The Fourth form have a section of the lecture room, and each boy has at least one work displayed. It is a very impressive little exhibition.

The ceramicists are spoilt! Ernie Ngai has the whole of the main gallery for his AS Level work and Jamie Lambie's One-Man Show, which opened at the beginning of May in the small gallery, is still in place with his photographs.

The Art School is open 8am–6pm daily, and all are welcome to drop by and see for themselves.

Philip Woolley

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Speech Day 2011: RSSH talk at 11.30am

Tuesday 28 June 2011

Established in 1831, the Royal Shrewsbury School Hunt has the distinction of being the world's oldest running club, with many of its ancient traditions and idiosyncracies still in existence today.

Master i/c Peter Middleton will provide an insight into the origins of the Hunt, exploring the history of the club with the aid of archival material and memorabilia. Held in the Stott Pavilion where the current generation of runners train, attendees of the talk can rest assured that the treadmills will be turned off for the afternoon!



OS rowers are out in force at Henley this year!

Wednesday 29 June 2011

It is a great pleasure to see so many recent - and some not so recent - OS oarsmen competing and coaching at this most prestigious of events. In no particular order, except that memory tends to order them most recent leavers first, **James Scott** rowing for Uni. of California, Berkeley and **Ben Spencer Jones** (Imperial, London) are much in evidence on the water and competing in the Temple Cup; the Durham contingent includes coach/crew **Ed Whitehead** with crew members **Patrick Aylwin** and **Sam Goodbody** in the Hild/Bede boat, and **Alex Blake** and **Jack Lowrie** in the Durham Uni. boat coached by **Wade Hall Craggs**. From the same era **Ed Stephenson** is in the Newcastle Uni B crew. **Patrick Lapage** strokes the Harvard heavyweight crew in the Ladies Plate (defending champions from last year) with **Will Grey** (Leander) in the same event. **Will Fergusson** and **Fred Gill**, rowing as Goldie, and **William Robins** for RC Thames are in fours, head to head. **Justin Woolley** (Captain) and **Richard Hawley-Jones** compete for Agecroft in the Thames Cup.



Three siblings of OS oarsmen are in the school PE cup crew: **Kris Blake**, **Sam Lapage** and the first girl to cox the VIII, **Camilla Aylwin**.

If there are other OSs rowing, please write in!

The 1961 winning PE Shrewsbury crew will row past the enclosures on Saturday in the lunch break to celebrate '50 years on'.

PHL



Cricket: 1st XI win by 6 wickets against the mighty Affies team from South Africa

Wednesday 29 June 2011

Affies 238-9 (A Pollock 3-40, M Prescott 2-30)

*Shrewsbury 240-4 (S Leach 42, R Smith 56, S Barnard 63, J Hudson-Williams 36 no)

Shrewsbury School 1st XI had one of their best ever wins when overcoming Affies, one of the strongest sporting schools in South Africa. A winning margin of six wickets was well deserved as the team bowled, fielded and batted with discipline and style.

The 1st XI have matured and developed rapidly since the tour to Dubai and Perth last December. Affies from Pretoria have produced over 100 hundred South African international cricketers and select from 1200 boys.

ASB

School House Chefs: SH take over KH for an evening

Wednesday 29 June 2011



A recent enlightened idea from the Kingsland Hall team has been to invite boys from various Houses to come up with a menu and help cook it. The School House themed supper was 'The Seaside'. I have to confess that this was partly inspired by Brighton's successful promotion to the Championship, but also the weather has been good recently and somehow I could just picture the mighty Seagulls in their open topped bus tour of Brighton, waving to their adoring fans many of whom were probably eating fish and chips, candy floss, rock and the usual seaside nibbles.

Sue Laister passed our menu ideas and, if we are honest, she and her team enhanced the menu by offering us a starter of mussel soup. This was followed by fish goujons with small chips in a cardboard cone, served with mushy peas topped with curry sauce or gravy depending on one's disposition! For afters, there was a tub of candy floss, popcorn and rock. For those seeking a healthier option there were little tubs of whelks, mussels and crabsticks, yoghurt and doughnuts (they are healthy honest!).

I am not sure what the nutritional police would have said about our offering but it was one of the most satisfying and entertaining evenings I have spent in Kingsland Hall. The atmosphere from the word 'go' was fabulous and I would like to thank all the chefs in Kingsland Hall for allowing the School House 'helpers' to get under their feet. Graham and Helen were particularly patient as some of our inexperienced team felt the need to taste everything all the time, especially the doughnuts! Amanda Francis had decorated the serving areas with seaside paraphernalia including two large cardboard cut outs which caused some amusement. Mr. Tonks was transformed into a large-breasted lady and I have to say the bathing suit did seem to bring out the colour in his cheeks! I particularly enjoyed the fact I was dressed up as a chef and was able to prance around the hall dishing out popcorn trying not to look too much like the Childcatcher. There were a lot of very positive comments from the pupil population and I certainly think that candy floss in tubs is one of the most popular products ever served in Kingsland Hall and I would heartily recommend it for your next dinner party!

The feeling from the School House camp was 'job well done and cooking can be fun', although it was a good experience for the boys involved to feel the 'heat' from the serveries and to realise what a good job the KH team do.

GJFB

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A Week in the Life of Jack Flowers (I LVI)

Thursday 30 June 2011

You'd be forgiven for thinking that life for the lower sixth after AS exams had become, frankly, a bit easy. Not so; to the surprise of many, Top Schools has inexplicably returned, and classroom video projectors are left gathering dust. Add to the mix the 'Challenge of Management' conference, a grade 6 music exam, the Ingram's House Soirée and weather that was perfectly suited to doing very little, and, from nowhere (as it so often does at Shrewsbury), a rush ensues.



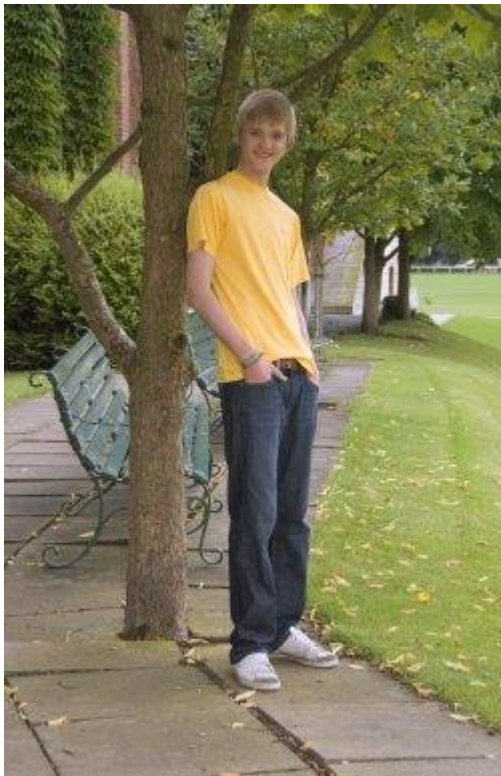
Thursday 23rd June

The beginning of the Challenge of Management was deceptively straightforward, as, at a reassuringly Salopian interpretation of 9 o'clock, the first challenge was presented: In our groups (composed of Salopians, girls from the high school, the students from *Colegio San Bartolomé*, in Argentina, and under the guidance of an external advisor) we were asked to construct a 'new Blackpool tower'.... from Lego. Height, and economy of brick usage would determine the winner. Some of the most frenetic engineering in history saw the rise of multicoloured skyscrapers across the Alington Hall; impressive, although structural integrity was, on the whole, dubious (The Leaning Tower of Pisa springs to mind) and, at around 1 metre in height, our tower

succumbed to gravity. The winner, at 1m 55, suffered from no such failings. The true challenge was, however, to follow, as each group was placed at the helm of a small cookie company in the 'Biscuit Game'. The simulation required the careful management of distribution, production costs, prices, wages, and loan repayments in order to make money, all of which seemed, at first, very unfamiliar and confusing. Yet soon the business, under a new name, was flourishing: We had set up a slick and witty advertising campaign, negotiated a wage restructuring with the Trade Union (comprising in reality a group of 4th formers who would have made even Arthur Scargill seem a pushover), and won a contract with a French supermarket which had to be negotiated in nothing but *Le Français*. The day was rounded off with something utterly unexpected: The Bric-a-Brac challenge, for which we were each given a hefty wad of monopoly money with which to buy materials to create some items fit to be purchased by the group of 'shopkeepers' in the Alington Hall foyer. Unfortunately, the handbags and beach hats which our workshop produced failed Mr Harding's stringent quality control procedures, and our profit margins duly suffered. It was, however, an enjoyable day, capped off by an excellent meal in KH, with the guest speaker Mr Peter Kenyon providing an insight into the commercial side of football.

Friday 24th June

The dawn brought fresh challenges for the biscuit company, as we oversaw the production of a range of Christmas products and packaging, and continued to leave our competitors reeling in our commercial wake. Having finished the final month of the six which the simulator ran, the final challenge was presented to us: the design of a completely new entrepreneurial product, which was to be pitched to a panel in the style of *Dragons' Den*. After a serious planning session,



some cunning espionage against the other groups, and an argument, 'Elastalace™' was born, which, brilliantly, combined the style of a lace-up shoe, with the practicality of a slip on. The judges seemed not to recognise this gap in the market, as Mr Percival noted that it was more fashionable to wear loafers. Other groups were more innovative; we saw the foldable brick designed for charities working in disaster zones, the toaster which incorporated a self buttering device, and a locator chip which could be attached to phones and iPods. The brick was probably a deserving winner. With that disappointment, we attended the final assembly of the conference, and received the results. Our market was without doubt the closest: we had made a greater profit than our nearest rival by £5000 pounds, but by some mathematical flaw they had a better percentage of profit to expenditure. It was a tie, but a great couple of days. Thanks must go to Mr Kealy, the organiser, and the advisors who gave up their time to help.

Following the conference, we played a farewell football match against the Argentinian visitors, and, 25 years after the 'Hand of God' incident, retribution came in the form of a 2-0 win for England in spite of a severe lack of fitness, and a few missed chances as a result of elaborate attempts to sneak a goal via an ironic handball; it was a relaxed and enjoyable international debut. Finally, the evening saw a house trip into town to see the comedian Dom Joly, before exhaustion set in!

Saturday 25th June

Saturday saw a return to (relative) normality, as lessons resumed, but the prospect of a short coach weekend beginning (and ending) very soon gave some sense of motivation.

Sunday 26th June

A night away from school always gives you a bit more energy, and I knew on Sunday morning that I'd need it. Having returned early to see my youngest brother at the Ingram's New Boys' Tea, which involved a lot of cake, courtesy of Mrs Wright, I made a quick dash down to the music school to prepare for the house soirée. The average Salopian's interpretation of fashionably late is probably about ten minutes, yet impressively, that of the average Ingramite musician more than doubles that time: a mere half an hour later than planned, the music began. The general consensus was, fortunately, that it was worth the wait, and I was pleased with my own performance, but stunned by Cal Winwood's drum solo, as he played along with Mr Reid on the guitar.

Monday 27th June

Monday mornings are, without exception, my least favourite time of the week, and this hatred was compounded by unfulfilled work deadlines which loomed. The prospect of another scorching day undoubtedly lightened my mood, and by 9 o'clock I was sprawled on the grass next to the chapel, as our outside English lesson began with the theatrical recitation of some quite inappropriate stanzas of Lord Byron. As the day progressed I began to worry still more



about my grade 6 flute exam scheduled for the next morning. I am, in general, relatively calm about exams, but having not mastered any scales I felt at a slight disadvantage. That afternoon was spent entirely in the music school, where eventually all the notes seemed to blur into one. The same was true for the evening, and I think I probably owe an apology to my roommate who was subjected to a torturous rendition of 'G sharp melodic minor' for about half an hour, which in his own words, left his ears bleeding. I did, however, feel slightly more confident by 12:30 AM!

Tuesday 28th June

Mr Sheppe's double Greek lessons are now taking place in an unknown location, and so Tuesday morning proved entertaining, but fortunately did not distract from music. As the exam itself approached, I felt reasonably calm and (incredibly – since previous exams have seen me scrape a pass) dangerously close to confident. This did not last long. Yet, after the exam was over, I felt like the end of term had truly begun: days of lounging about and sunbathing would surely see me through to Speech day. Alas, sadly not.

Wednesday 29th June

There is really no such thing as a quiet week at Shrewsbury! Just as I had fallen into a relaxed state of stupor, appropriate for the final week or so of term, three events came in very quick succession; an Oxbridge French session which proved a real shock to the system, in which we discussed an extract from Proust which did not really seem appropriate for a Wednesday afternoon. This was swiftly followed by the House triathlon: I've previously mentioned my lack of fitness during the Argentinian football match, and as expected there was no improvement. I finished the run having moved our team a place up the leader board, but suffering from what felt like some form of mild heart failure! No sooner had I crossed the finish line than I was dragged, not to hospital, but to a Model United Nations meeting. I think my delirium probably showed, and I have certainly delivered better speeches, but this has, undoubtedly, been another brilliant week, and if exhaustion is the price to be paid, then it is definitely (as the 'Challenge of Management' showed us) a good deal.

MUN: 5 Best Delegation awards in 5 conferences

Thursday 30 June 2011

At the final 2010-2011 MUN conference at Withington last weekend, our 'A' team won the Outstanding Delegation Award, bringing our total number of Best Delegation awards to a record 5, out of 5 conferences.

Interestingly, a number of our delegates at Withington were quite new to MUN, which gives us great hope for yet more commendations over the next few years to come!



RSSBC Henley: 1st VIII made it to the Quarter Finals

Thursday 30 June 2011

Friday 1st July

Well done to the crew and coaches of the 1st VIII this week. Following two outstanding victories at Henley on Wednesday and Thursday against Winchester and St. Joseph's (US) respectively, the VIII lost by a length to a strong Radley VIII on Friday.

We congratulate the Top Squad on another year of excellent victories and finishes up and down the country. They look forward to their dinner on Wednesday evening and an opportunity to take part in Bumps for change!

Thursday 30th June:

Shrewsbury won this afternoon's 2nd Round race vs St. Joseph's by $\frac{3}{4}$ length, in an amazing 6 minutes 26 seconds.

In a thrilling race, Shrewsbury took a $\frac{1}{2}$ length lead in the first 2 minutes and held that slim lead right down the packed course, increasing the lead to $\frac{3}{4}$ length towards the end. Against a selected crew who were a stone heavier than our boys was a tremendous effort. Their time of 6.26 was the fastest PE time of the Regatta, and just 4 seconds off the course record.

Shrewsbury will be racing against Radley in tomorrow's Quarter Finals, at 3.40pm.

Wednesday 29th June:

In the first round of the Princess Elizabeth Challenge Cup today, Shrewsbury's 1st VIII beat the Winchester College 1st VIII by $2\frac{1}{4}$ lengths. By the quarter mile, Shrewsbury had already established a lead, which they extended, paddling over in the latter stages of the race comparatively easily.

Shrewsbury race at 4.05pm on Thursday against St. Joseph's Preparatory School, Philadelphia, one of the 8 selected crews in this year's Princess Elizabeth Challenge Cup.

From the times recorded to the barrier today, this looks like being one of the closest races of the day, but certainly one which we are hoping to win. Although a heavier crew, the Americans looked less proficient than our boys. Let's hope for a positive outcome!

Please also see www.shrewsbury.org.uk/page/henley for more information about the Henley Royal Regatta, Shrewsbury's successes there, and the huge number of Old Salopians at Henley this year, now racing for different universities and clubs both in the UK and abroad.



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MUN team wins the Outstanding Delegation Award

Thursday 30 June 2011

Over the weekend of 25th/26th June, at Withington MUN - a conference involving mainly Manchester schools - our A team, INDIA, won the OUTSTANDING DELEGATION AWARD.

Our B team, IRAQ, also debated very impressively and individual awards went to members of both teams:

OUTSTANDING DELEGATES (1 in each committee)

Sam Ansloos (5, Rb)

Daniel Edwards (3, S)

James Halliday (5, G)

Alex Montgomery (L, O)

Ralph Wade (4, Rb)

HIGHLY COMMENDED DELEGATES (2 in each committee)

Ben Gould (5, G)

Stephen Lilico (U, SH)

Henry Nead (4, PH)

COMMENDED DELEGATES (4 in each committee)

Stephen Chandler (4, Rb)

Michael Kwan (3, S)

Accompanying teachers: Huw Peach + Grace Woo

This performance comes at the end of the most successful year in the school's MUN history, with 5 BEST DELEGATION AWARDS in 5 conferences.

HRWP



The 2011 School Triathlon, Inter-House Athletics and Inter-House Tennis

Thursday 30 June 2011



Inter-House competitions of various sorts seem to take place almost daily at this time of year. Yesterday saw a large contingent of boys and girls - with some very vocal supporters - taking part in the School Triathlon (report below), competing either in teams for their house, or individually.

This afternoon, the Inter-House Athletics are taking place, consisting of Senior and Junior Sprints (Sidney to Darwin), and a Quarter Mile race - with one boy bravely entering into both! The inspiration for this event came from a recently-unearthed trophy dating back to 1869 for the winner of the Quarter Mile which has been given a new mahogany plinth and will be presented to the winner of the Senior Quarter Mile race.

The Junior Inter-House Tennis semi-finals are also being played this afternoon, with Grove vs Port Hill, and Ridgemount vs School House.

We are making plans for a whole-school Inter-House sports day next year, which will include all the traditional track and field events - and a few other slightly quirkier ones!

This year's School Triathlon was blessed again with glorious sunshine and a refreshing breeze. Well done to Porthill who won the Senior event and Rigg's Hall who won the Junior race.

A big mention should go to those who did the whole lot (400m swim, 2000m row and 2000m run) and were led by Rob Homden (Rb 4) winning the Junior Individual and the mighty Jonathan Au Yeung (SH LVI) winning the Senior Individual.



Many took on a personal challenge and no doubt left with a strong sense of achievement.

RJJ