



eNewsletter: Friday 19th June 2020

Welcome to the latest eNewsletter

An Introduction from Headmaster, Leo Winkley



As well as being the birthday of the UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson, 19th June was the natal day of Blaise Pascal, the French mathematician, physicist and philosopher. Intellectually omnivorous and eminently quotable, Pascal remarked that: "Justice without force is powerless; force without justice is tyrannical". In the US, 19th June is known as Juneteenth; it marks the emancipation of the final remaining enslaved African Americans in 1865. Justice - and equality - are words on the lips of many in the US and around the world. This provides a suitable point at which to voice our always commitment to values of equality and diversity; tolerance and respect.

Turning to this week's newsletter: it really is a bumper edition with articles aplenty to keep you informed and, we hope, inspired by all that is going on at Shrewsbury. Commentary is a recurring theme, it strikes me, with some interesting and reflective pieces that challenge and educate the mind. A good thing in a school newsletter, surely!

For example, we have a characteristically [searching article from Upper Sixth leaver Charlie](#); [an audition account from Katie](#); [some scientific musings from Mr Exham](#) and [an uplifting summative item from Mr Walters](#) reflecting on the patterns and waves of our academic learning of this term. You may also want to read [my letter to the Upper Sixth leavers](#) along with a host of other items on music, business and enterprise, and our sports round up featuring the Upper Sixth Sports Awards for 2020.

Floreat this week celebrated creative writing, excellence in learning and amazing contributions to Concert Party videos for local care homes. [Please follow this link for further details on this week's Floreat.](#)

As well as saying farewell to our leavers on Saturday 27th June, through our virtual Speech Day, we will mark the end of an extraordinary term 'together apart'. We all hope that every Salopian household across the UK and around the world will be able to join us for this live broadcast. It's a new adventure - and that brings risk - but this term has been all about embracing new ways of doing things and we hope to provide a fitting finale.

Pascal once wrote: "If we examine our thoughts, we shall find them always occupied with the past and the future". An apt observation for a Speech Day which marks both past and future. We very much look forward to parents and pupils joining us on 27th June from 5.00pm, BST. And, turning to the future, we will be writing to all returning families and new entrants in the week after Speech Day to give details on our planning for the re-opening of the School for the new academic year.

With that, I sign off, sending my best wishes as ever to all Salopian households.

Leo Winkley

An update from Maurice Walters, Deputy Head (Academic)

The latter part of the Summer Term is usually an Academic Deputy's nightmare. Lessons are routinely truncated for cricket fixtures, field trips, athletics meets and Top Schools sessions are railroaded by a veritable suite of concerts, house barbecues and dramatic productions. How extraordinary it is, then, that as we stand on the cusp of the final fortnight of this exceptional period in the school's history, I find myself constantly yearning for these very moments of disruption.

[Please follow this link to read the full update from Maurice Walters](#)

Notices to Parents and Guardians

Stay Active Shrewsbury - Sports Roundup

Congratulations to Upper Sixth Issy Wong for being selected in the England Women's Cricket squad ahead of proposed tri-series

A message from Mr Ramsani - Issy Wong becomes our third OS professional cricketer to receive National recognition in the last decade, after James Taylor made his full England debut in 2011, Edward Barnard made his England U19s Debut in 2018 and now Issy has been selected in the full England Women's squad for the forthcoming series June 2020.



A message from Miss Davies - Huge congratulations to Issy Wong on her first call-up to train with the England Senior Women. This comes after a very successful 2019 summer and a hard working winter leading in to 2020. It is a great shame that she hasn't been able to get out and put that hard work to the test yet, but I'm sure she will continue to impress once she arrives at the National Performance Centre at Loughborough University at the end of the month. Issy first arrived at Shrewsbury School with ambitions of playing for England, it is only now fitting that as she leaves Shrewsbury School she has been invited to be a part of their training squad. All of us here at Shrewsbury are extremely proud of what she has achieved so far, and we are sure that she will continue to achieve great things. I wish Issy the very best of luck during the training camp!

Our Sports Roundup can be view here:

- [Part 1 - Features a message to Salopians from Elie Gunder](#)
- [Part 2 - Features U6th Sports Awards winners](#)
- [Part 3 - This weeks pupil highlights compilation](#)

[Please follow this link for more information on our Upper Sixth Sports Award Winners](#)

There will be more sports videos released in the coming weeks so stay tuned to our social media channels and website...

Open Mic Night Concert (Virtual Edition)

Apologies for the delay in sharing this amazing Open Mic Concert, recorded in May, by extremely talented Salopians!



Climate Change and Biodiversity - An article by pupil Charlie H (M, UVI)

As part of the Shrewsbury U programme pupils study a module called Climate Change and Biodiversity which aims to spark discussions around the impact climate change is having on our environment and what needs to be done globally to curb its effects.

During the module, students are provided with reading and lecture materials and encouraged to partake in a group seminar discussing the topic and points raised in the materials. To conclude the module, students are asked to present on a topic of their choice that they have researched as part of the module.

Charlie H (M, UVI) produced and presented a brilliant article during the final tutorial. Charlie has since published the article on her own website - [Sorry COVID-19 isn't Good for the Climate.](#)

Lockdown Creative Writing

Creative Writing: Lockdown 2020 writing is now available on the school intranet - <http://intranet.shrewsbury.org.uk/english/creative-writing-lockdown-2020>

There have been plenty of notable work with commendations and Floreats galore, and with writing entered into four national competitions - we await results!

More articles will be added before the end of term to this brilliant collection from extremely talented Salopians.

One to Watch!

Third Form entrant, Archie PS (Rb) has produced a fantastic eight-minute film regarding George Mallory and Sandy Irvine (5 1916-1921) climbing Everest. The film has been accepted and shared by the BMC (British Mountaineering Council), and naturally links to our history here.












Please follow this link for more details and to [watch Archie's video on the BMC YouTube channel.](#)

Salopian Kindness and Fundraising Excellence

Mrs Liz Baly (School Secretary) is 19 days in to her 30 day challenge. Cycling through torrential rain she is now 'near' Livingstone in Scotland & has raised £2000 - enough for 400 life-saving phone calls to THE SAMARITANS.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/wtzlze-Lizzie>

Latest News

 <p>Junior House Debating Final - Summer Term 2020 Friday 19 June 2020</p> <p>Mr Madridge reports on a hotly contested final adjudicated by Jonah Surkes.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>Pupil Excellence in Business 'Dragons' Den' Competition 2020 Friday 19 June 2020</p> <p>An update from Mrs Pritchard on the Business Department's Summer Term Pupil Competition.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>I've got uni on my mind... Friday 19 June 2020</p> <p>An article from Mr Percival following University Week.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>Darwin Science Competition 2020 Friday 19 June 2020</p> <p>An update from Mr Way on this year's Darwin Science Competition</p> <p>Read More</p>
 <p>Summer Term Academic Update - 19 June 2020 Thursday 18 June 2020</p> <p>An update from Maurice Walters, Deputy Head Academic.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>Making Sense of Biology Thursday 18 June 2020</p> <p>A digital update from scientific YouTuber Mr Exham.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>Joining the National Youth Theatre - A Personal Account Thursday 18 June 2020</p> <p>Congratulations to Fourth Former Kate WC, who has won a place in the National Youth Theatre of Great Britain (NYT) this summer. Here she describes her journey.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>Letters from Shrewsbury No. 11: Dear Upper Sixth Leaver Thursday 18 June 2020</p> <p>The latest in the Headmaster's series of 'Letters from Shrewsbury'. A letter to 'Dear Upper Sixth Leaver'</p> <p>Read More</p>
 <p>Upper Sixth Sports Awards Sunday 14 June 2020</p> <p>Congratulations to all Upper Sixth Sports Award 2020 winners!</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>New Shrewsbury School Director of Music Thursday 18 June 2020</p> <p>We are delighted to announce the appointment of Stephen Williams to succeed John Moore as Director of Music at Shrewsbury School from September 2020.</p> <p>Read More</p>	 <p>New Shrewsbury School Director of Sport Thursday 18 June 2020</p> <p>We are delighted to announce the appointment of Andrew Pemberton as Director of Sport at Shrewsbury School from September 2020 following current incumbent Andrew Murfin's promotion to the role of Deputy Head Co-Curr...</p> <p>Read More</p>	

Forthcoming Events

All these events, and many others, are listed in detail in our website [Calendar](#)

No Events added to the Newsletter.