

**PLEASE NOTE: SCHOOL IS CLOSED TO STUDENTS IN YEARS 7,8 AND 9 ON MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL: SEE BELOW.**

Dear Families

It's been a very busy Easter break. The school has reached a real turning point in its history with the opening of the multimillion-pound extension – The Steam Block (Science, Technology Engineering and Maths).

Staff have worked exceptionally hard over the holidays to move into the new facility. This will be completed by Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April, given the builders only released the block to us last Wednesday. The block gives us new IT, graphics, food and textiles rooms, new maths rooms, as well as 9 brand new science labs. The school now also has a state-of-the-art Learning Resource Centre – our new library. Over the coming weeks this will be filled with reading material and become the heart of our drive to improve literacy in entire school.

The final phase of the build is now underway, removing the temporary classrooms, some of which have been onsite for years. This will include renovating the old DT corridor into classroom spaces as well as the conversion of some other classroom spaces in the school. All works will be completed by the end of the summer holidays, and the builder will depart the school at this point.

We are truly delighted with the release of the STEAM block; it represents a huge step forward for opportunities in learning our students have never had before. It represents a huge financial investment in the school and the local area by the department for education. It has changed the school for the better forever.



*Jim Taylor*

Headteacher

## Partial School Closure – From concept to reality...

School will be open to years 10 and 11 ONLY on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Years 7, 8 and 9 will be set home learning tasks. We do not have the building released to us until just before we return after Easter. This release date from the builder is much later than anticipated, meaning we have no time to prepare the building for learning. Year 10 and 11 will have a special exam focussed revision timetable on Monday 28<sup>th</sup>, as well as getting a tour of the new facilities. We are really excited about this and the opportunities for learning that the new facilities will have. It's been years in the planning and building stage.



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## STEAM Extension is Here!

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I am delighted to announce that the Steam extension was released to us on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of April. Moving into the extension is taking a considerable time and effort from all staff. The building has been nearly 5 years in planning and construction and represents a huge investment in our school and the wider community. The facilities are world class, and we are truly delighted that our students will have full access to them. The final phases 5 and 6 of the build now continues with two more areas undergoing renovation for final handover in August this year.



Above, the new student services area and the new Learning Resource Center – our much-needed library.

Below examples of new classrooms, intervention areas and the outside of the extension.



## New York 2025

This year's trip to NYC was a phenomenal experience for some of our lucky students. Students spent time touring the city over the easter holidays, flying from Manchester to JFK via Iceland! Our students saw all of the sights and experienced the culture, food and even a Broadway show – Harry Potter. A huge thankyou is extended to Mrs Everest, Mrs Higgins and Mrs Howells, for organising and leading the trip. It was enjoyed immensely by all students.



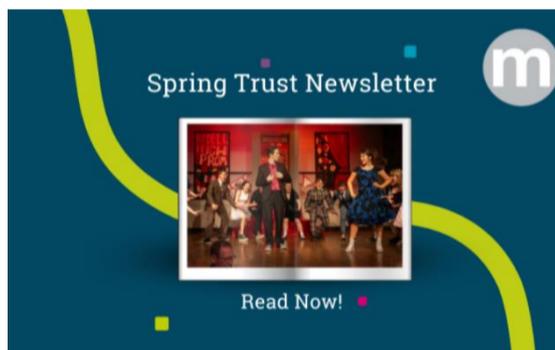
## Marches Trust Bulletin

Welcome to our Spring Newsletter! This issue brings you a roundup of the key moments and news from the term, with a special focus on EDIB (Equality, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging) experiences in our schools.

We explore how our schools ensure everyone feels they belong, showcasing examples of inclusive practices and the impactful work being done this term on EDIB. From student-led initiatives to staff training, our commitment to fostering an inclusive environment is evident in every corner of our Trust.

Additionally, this issue features an update from our CEO and the Chair of Trustees, providing insights into our strategic direction and achievements. You'll also find interesting news and updates from staff and all schools across the Trust.

We invite you to read the full newsletter at the following link: <https://bit.ly/MATSpring25>



**For a fun packed community quiz night, come and spend your evening with Shrewsbury Academy on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May from 6.15pm.**



**£5 per group entry – groups between 2-4 persons. Please use the QR code to book your space and pay on entry. Prizes to include a £50 Amazon voucher.**

# QUIZ NIGHT



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**Four rounds of quizzing with a music and general knowledge round alongside a picture and 'Shrewsbury Special' round. Refreshments will be available from our school 'tuck shop' at tuck shop prices.**

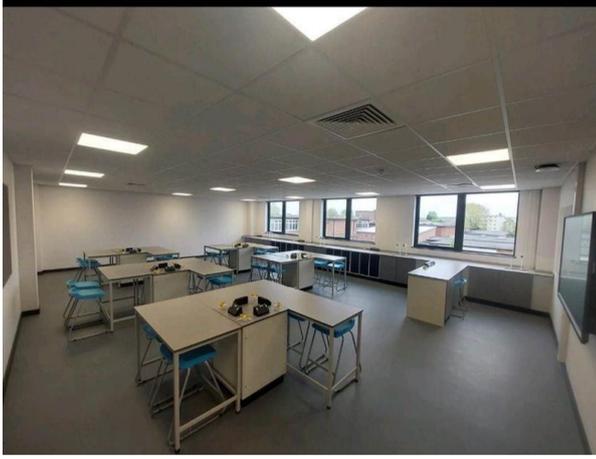
We are hosting our first ever Shrewsbury Academy Quiz Night on Thursday 1st May at 6.15 in the Caradoc Hall. Four fun filled quizzing rounds and refreshments available, we start the entry at 6.15pm. Our first prize will be a £50 Amazon Voucher. Please use the QR code to book your table and pay on entry on the night.

## Student Support Queries

If you have concerns regarding a student's learning needs, would like to request additional support/advice please complete the internal SEND referral form and send it to the following email address: [sendadmin@shr.mmat.co.uk](mailto:sendadmin@shr.mmat.co.uk). Our Student Support Department are now based in the Bridge area of the Caradoc Building, in addition we now have a purpose-built internal assessment and alternative provision area – The Lighthouse.



STEAM this Term.



STEAM club is delighted to showcase its' new home in the STEAM block, watch this space for planned activities this term!

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<b>MEDICAL SERVICES</b> RAF Medic	<b>AIR &amp; SPACE OPERATIONS</b> Air Traffic and Weapons Controller Firefighter	<b>SECURITY &amp; RESILIENCE</b> RAF Police RAF Regiment Gunner

**INTELLIGENCE**  
Intelligence Analyst

**PEOPLE OPERATIONS**  
Physical Training Instructor

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Email: CRN-CareersEngageMids@mod.gov.uk

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Some of our students have **severe allergies**. Please respect our drive to be a 'nut free school.' Always leave snacks and foods containing nuts at home.



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- Sinusitis** (adults and children aged 12 years and over)
- Sore throat** (adults and children aged 5 years and over)
- Earache** (children and young adults aged 1 year to 17 years)
- Infected insect bite** (adults and children aged 1 year and over)
- Impetigo** (adults and children aged 1 year and over)
- Shingles** (adults aged 18 years and over)
- Urinary tract infection** (women, aged 16 to 64 years)

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