

Monday 1st September 2025

Dear Families,

Welcome to the start of a new school year. I hope you and your families had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

A special welcome goes to our new Year 7 students and their families. We are delighted to have you join our school community. Year 7 students will be based in their own dedicated building, The Shore, which has been designed to provide a safe and supportive environment as they begin their secondary school journey. The Shore includes its own toilets, restaurant, and social spaces, giving students a sense of independence and comfort while they settle in.

To support their learning, Year 7 students will access the main school building only at scheduled times for specialist subjects such as Science, Technology, IT, and PE. This structure allows them to benefit from our full curriculum offer whilst maintaining a secure and age-appropriate base.

We are excited about the year ahead and look forward to working in partnership with you to support every student's growth, success, and wellbeing.

Jim Taylor

Headteacher



Diary Dates:

Open Evening: Thursday 25th September 2025

End of Transition Parents Eve (Year 7 Only): Thursday 9th October



Timings of the School Day

Following consultation with staff and students we have altered the timings of lessons a little. Form time will be longer in the morning and will comprise of activities such as reading or the taught behaviour curriculum. The importance of form time is huge, as we check students are ready for school and learning, complete registers and deliver important messages about the day.

Any students that are late for school will receive a detention. School starts promptly at 8.45am.

PSHE and is now scheduled as a mandatory lesson for all students on the timetable for the first time in line with government guidance. Citizenship, Belonging and British Values will also be taught in this slot.

Time	Period
08:45 - 09.15	Form / Crew
09:15 – 10:15	Period 1
10:15 – 11:15	Period 2
11:15 – 11:35	BREAK
11:35 – 12:35	Period 3
12:35 – 13:35	Period 4
13:35 – 14:10	Lunch
14:10 – 15:10	Period 5
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Transition

September is not the beginning of the SA journey for our year 7 cohort, who have got to know our school through a series of transition events and visits. Our staff have visited their primary schools and indeed they have visited us with our new world class facilities. We want the transition to be stress free and smooth for our new cohort, who will have Mr Lawrenson as their Director of Progress.



Improving Behaviour

Our motto for this year is a clear and simple message. Ready, Respectful, Safe. All students will be exposed to this message on a daily basis. We want our students to be ready to learn every day in the correct uniform and with the correct equipment, be respectful to themselves and others and that ensure that their behaviour is safe, allowing them to engage in learning.



READY



RESPECTFUL



SAFE



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SEND at Shrewsbury Academy

If you have any concerns regarding a student's learning needs or would like to request additional support or advice, our **Student Support Team** is here to help.

For any SEN related queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the SEN Team: SENDAdmin@shr.mmat.co.uk

Our **Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO)**, **Laura Richmond**, works closely with the SEND team to ensure that every student receives the appropriate support. Laura is available to provide guidance, coordinate interventions, and respond to any SEND-related enquiries.

The **Student Support Department** is currently based in the **Bridge area of the Caradoc Building**, before moving to a refurbished purpose designed area of the school in September offering a central and accessible space for students.

We are also proud to have opened **The Lighthouse**—a purpose-built internal assessment and alternative provision area designed to meet a wide range of student needs in a calm and supportive environment.



Shrewsbury Academy in Our Community

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Aircraft Technician (Mechanics)
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Vehicle & Mechanical Equipment Technician
General Technician Workshop
- CYBERSPACE**
Communications Infrastructure Technician
Cyberspace Communications Specialist
Air & Space Operations
Air Traffic and Weapons Controller
Naval Officer
- LOGISTICS**
Driver
Motor Vehicle Technician
Air & Ground Steward
- SECURITY & RESILIENCE**
RAF Police
RAF Regiment Gunner
- MEDICAL SERVICES**
RAF Medical
- INTELLIGENCE**
Intelligence Analyst
- PEOPLE OPERATIONS**
Physical Training Instructor

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- 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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