

Monday 8th September 2025

Dear Families,

Following a fantastic set of GCSE results this summer, we now look ahead to an exciting new academic year at Shrewsbury Academy. Our Year 7 students have settled brilliantly into their new home, *The Shore*, which is a dedicated building with its own teaching spaces, restaurant, and toilets, designed to support a smooth transition into secondary school life. What an opportunity!

We're thrilled to announce that the entire building is now open, as the final phase of construction concludes and the builders leave us after years of very carefully managed disruption. These new facilities, including enhanced SEND provision, complement our recently opened STEM block, refurbished classrooms across the site, and our upgraded gym.

This transformation marks a significant milestone in our journey. We are now working towards the final piece of the puzzle, a purpose-built sports hall, which will further enrich our students' experience and opportunities.

It's an incredibly exciting time for learning at Shrewsbury Academy. We finally have a very large campus that reflects our ambition for every student: to thrive, achieve, and feel proud of their school environment.

Thank you for your continued support as we move forward together.

Jim Taylor

Headteacher



Diary Dates:

Open Evening: Thursday 25th September 2025

Collaboration Day (School Closed to Students): Friday 26th September 2025



Colour Run!

We're celebrating *National Fitness Day* (Sunday 21st September) with a burst of colour and energy! Join us **after school from 15:30–16:15/16:30pm** on the **Back Field** for a Colour Run like no other.


Open to students who sign up via Arbor – payment secures your place

 **Sign-up opens Tuesday 9th September and closes Monday 15th September**

 **£7.50 includes coloured paint and sunglasses, plus a donation to our chosen charity**

 **Wear a white top and clothes you don't mind getting colourful!**

 **Ice cream van on site for a post-run treat!**

 **Spectators welcome – donation tub available for cash contributions**

 **Staff will be joining in too – it's going to be a blast!**

We're proud to support the **4 All Foundation**, a charity founded by our school's trust, the **Marches Academy Trust (MMAT)**. The foundation delivers local, accessible activities, projects and initiatives to support the needs and aspirations of communities across Shropshire (including Telford & Wrekin) and surrounding counties.



Extra Curricular Activities

At Shrewsbury Academy, our vibrant extra-curricular sports programme offers something for everyone — whether you're an early riser or prefer to get active after lessons. With a wide range of clubs running **before school (7:30–8:30am)** and **after school (3:10–4:10pm)**, students from all year groups can enjoy activities like **football, netball, and fitness training** throughout the week.

Getting involved isn't just about sport — it's about **boosting your wellbeing, building confidence, and developing teamwork and leadership skills**. Regular physical activity improves focus in class, supports mental health, and helps you feel energised and empowered.

Whether you're aiming to improve your fitness, make new friends, or simply try something new, there's a club for you. Speak to the staff running the sessions to find out more — and take the first step towards a healthier, happier you!

SHREWSBURY ACADEMY SPORTS NEWS		
Physical Education Clubs Programme – September 2025		
Day	Before School	After School
Monday	Fitness - All Years - Mr Dean (Fitness Suite)	Girls Football - All Years - Miss Verrilli (Prima Play) Football – Year 10 - Mr Dobson (Front Field) Football – Year 7 - Mr Dean (Prima Play) Fitness – All Years – Miss Evans (Fitness Suite)
Tuesday	Fitness – All Years - Miss Verrilli (Fitness Suite)	Girls Netball – All Years - Miss Verrilli and Miss Evans Football – Year 11 - Mr Lawrenson (Front Field)
Wednesday	Football – Year 9 - Mr Dobson (Prima Play)	Football – Year 8 - Mr Dean (Prima Play) Fitness – All Years – Mr Dobson/Miss Evans
Thursday	Fitness – All Years – Mr Dobson (Fitness Suite)	School Meetings (No Clubs)
Friday	Fitness – All Years - Miss Evans (Fitness Suite)	Fitness – All Years - Mr Lawrenson (Fitness Suite)
Details: All Before school clubs will run from 7.30am – 8.30am unless stated All After school clubs will run from 3.10pm until 4.10pm Please speak to a member of staff who is running the club if further details required. Full PE kit is always expected to be worn for all extra-curricular activities.		

Learning Support – A Fresh Start for the Bridge

We're delighted to share that Learning Support (The Bridge) has moved to a new location within the school, and the feedback from students so far has been really positive. The new space includes a dedicated room for in-house screening and assessments, as well as a separate room for scheduled interventions. Details of these interventions will be shared with students and parents over the coming week. This is one of the final spaces that has been renovated during our multimillion-pound build investment. It's another state-of-the-art facility that will contribute to improving adaptive teaching for our students.

We also say a fond farewell to Miss Lysaght, one of our valued Access Leaders. Miss Lysaght is embarking on an exciting new chapter as she begins her teacher training. We thank her for all her support and contributions and wish her every success in her journey ahead.



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

ROYAL AIR FORCE
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FIND YOUR APPRENTICESHIP

The RAF is honoured and delighted to share the news that the Department of Education has officially recognised and ranked the RAF as number 4 in the top 100 Apprenticeship Employers 2024.

We offer Apprenticeships in the following roles:

- ENGINEERING**
Aircraft Technician (Avionics)
Aircraft Technician (Mechanics)
Weapons Technician
Electrician
Survival Equipment Specialist
Vehicle & Mechanical Equipment Technician
General Technician Workshop
- CYBERSPACE**
Communications Infrastructure Technician
Cyberpace Communications Specialist
Air & Space Operations
Air Traffic and Weapons Controller
Naval Officer
- LOGISTICS**
Driver
Stores Technician
Chief 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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Email: CRN-CareersEngageMids@mod.gov.uk

Download our App to find out more about a career in the Royal Air Force



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

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- ✓ Aged between 13-17
- ✓ Confident and Outgoing
- ✓ Interested in meeting people from around the world

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- Join our discos and sports days at Shrewsbury School.
- Gain new skills and great life experiences.



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To Become an Ambassador please register through our website, email or by clicking **JOIN NOW**

Please note that all excursions and on site activities are subject to availability and that on some excursions places may be limited.

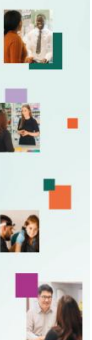
Most pharmacies can help you with **seven common conditions** without needing a GP appointment

- 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 18 to 64 years)

Ask your pharmacy for more information about this free* NHS service

Visit your Pharmacy First!

*NHS prescription charge rules apply where a medicine is supplied.



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<https://www.marchesacademytrust.co.uk/joining-us/how-to-join>

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