

Head's Up!

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Dear Parents and Friends of Stafford Manor,

We have had a really positive start back to school this week and students have been rewarded again for their excellent attendance, positive behaviour and hard work with VIP lounge passes, Amazon vouchers and rewards points in ClassCharts.

Last half term school staff awarded over 50,000 ClassCharts points to students across the school. We are hoping to break to 100,000 mark this half term and I am looking forward to celebrating the many student successes again with this term.

We have lots on again this term with Year 11 mock exams beginning week commencing 18th November. An outline of these can be seen below.

Assessment Window 1: 18th November

18 th Nov – 22 nd Nov	Session 1: P1-2		Session 2: P3-4		Session 3: P5	
	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional
Mon 18 th Nov	English Language	09:30-11:15	French Listening	F: 11:55-12:30 H: 11:55-12:40		
Tues 19 th Nov	Maths	09:45-11:15			Geography (Option B & C)	13:45-15:15
Wed 20 th Nov	English Literature	09:30-11:15			Option C: PE	13:45-15:15
Thurs 21 st Nov	Option A: Business	09:15-11:15				
Fri 22 nd Nov	Maths	09:45-11:15			French Reading	F: 14:15-15:00 H: 14:15-15:15

Early Lunch needed for Geography and PE

25 th Nov – 29 th Nov	Session 1: P1-2		Session 2: P3-4		Session 3: P5	
	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional	Exam:	Additional
Mon 25 th Nov	Textiles and Art All Day. Rooms needed for Art/Textiles lessons.					
Tues 26 th Nov			Maths	12:00-13:30		

We also have Year 9 Parents' Evening on Thursday 28 November which will run from 3.25pm–6.25pm in the main hall. Year 9 children will shortly be receiving appointment sheets to use to book appointments with their teachers. Please can I encourage all Year 9 families to attend Parents' Evening on November 28th. In addition, Our community support hub will also be open during these times on November 28th. Families can also access the community room at this time for extra support with any issues and there is also a food hub there that families can access if they need to with a range of food and other products to help at home.

Best wishes, as always

Rhys Adams
Headteacher

Year 11

REVISION TIMETABLE RED WEEK 2024-25



	Lunch 1.35-2.05pm	After School 3.15-4.15			
Monday	English Creative Design	English J15	H&SC J10 Component 2	Textiles and Art	Maths KB
Tuesday					
Wednesday	Science Humanities	Geography	History	H&SC	Maths MT Maths KB
Thursday	Maths/IT	PE Revision Mrs Thorley			
Friday		Maths KB	Science JFr		

Year 11

REVISION TIMETABLE – BLUE WEEK 2024-25



	Lunch 1.30-2pm	After School 3.15-4.15			
Monday	English Creative Design	Art and Textiles	Maths KB	H&SC J10 Component 2	English
Tuesday					
Wednesday	Science Humanities	Geography	History	HSC	Maths MT Maths KB
Thursday	Maths/IT PE – Mr Chadwick	PE Revision with Mrs Adams Component 2			
Friday		Maths KB			

Headteacher's Award for 24 October 2024

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Conor Robinson	Megan Denston	Mikylah Davies	Abigail Knowles	Jegor Gerasimovic
Moustafa Abouzeid	Harry Kemsley	Skye Robinson	Zachary Wilson-Stark	Isla McGuirk
Kian James	Ella Smith	Jakob Whittingham	Amira Zaynoun	Briana Breslin
Kaylum Horton	Aiden Hemming	Joseph Wilson	Ellen Mapunda	Rhys Clarke
Jeffrey Agyekum	Solomon Nyangule	Willow Brown	Lyla Bottomer	Tyler Colebatch

Keeping Children Safe Online

It has come to our attention that some pupils may be accessing an app called OME TV. The app has a recommended age of 18yrs and over. OME TV is a video chat app that connects people with strangers.

Ways of keeping children safe online

Talking to your child openly and honestly is one of the best ways to keep them safe online. This will help to create an environment where the child will feel comfortable to share what they watch, who they speak to and they will be more likely to let people know if they have any issues online, like harassment or bullying. Have regular conversations with your child about not sharing personal information online. Just like in real life, talk to them about stranger danger online. Report abuse.

The following NSPCC site gives parents and children tips on staying safe online
<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-safe-online/>



Mental Health Support Team Newsletter

Please take the time to have a look at the attached Mental Health Support Team Newsletter. You will find lots of information, along with colouring activities and quizzes for your child.

Year 7 Interhouse Endball Competition

During the final week of last half term over 40 Year 7 students took part in an after school Endball competition. Each tutor group entered a boys' team and a girls' team into the tournament and all teams played each other once. It was fantastic to see so many of the students getting involved, working extremely well for each other within teams and having lots of fun. The standard of play was very high as were the competitive levels of the students. The results of both competitions are shown in the table below.



	Boys	Girls
1st	7AR	7GM
2nd	7FG	7FG
3rd	7KM	7AR
4th	7GM	7KM



I would also like to thank the following year 10&11 sport leaders for officiating the games, setting up the equipment and keeping score of the games. They were a massive support in helping the event run so smoothly.

Chloe Cooper
Stephanie Manning
Lilly Mandley
Hollie O'Neil
Zach Wilson Stark
Kayne Clarke Hughes



A massive well done to the winning teams and all the students that took part. Each player has received extracurricular reward points and the winners received a box of sweets plus certificates that were awarded in assembly this week. (Mrs Adams—PE Teacher)



Dexter Adams

Sabirin Jama

Year 7 Textiles

Y7 have been designing and making poppies in time for Remembrance Day next week.



Heidi Edmonds

Jaida Allam

They have made them out of felt and been developing their sewing skills. They are now going to create a felt keyring.

Our Values and Behaviour Expectations

Ready	Respectful	Responsible	Resilient
Attending every day	Using good manners	Being accountable	Staying on task
Being on time	Listening to my teacher	Knowing my role	Not giving up
Wearing full uniform	Respecting myself	Meeting deadlines	Avoiding distractions
Bringing my equipment	Showing others respect	Not blaming others	Coping with setbacks
Completing homework	Allowing others to learn	Managing my behaviour	Being comfortable to FAIL
Lining up quietly	Being calm	Doing my best work	Overcoming difficulties

School Vision and Values



'Every child reaching their full potential'



Community

- Safe and welcoming
- Proud of our school
- Inclusive and Equitable
- Focussed on People
- Celebrate Success



Aspiration

- High Expectations
- Ambitious for all
- Take the initiative
- Pursue Excellence
- Positive Destinations



Respect

- Excellent Behaviour
- Manners and honesty
- Listen and appreciate
- Show up every day on time
- Be kind, be learning



Endeavour

- Be determined
- Be resilient and bounce back
- Challenge yourself and others
- Work hard and don't give up
- The Struggle helps us develop



Overview on Achievement Points 2024-25


01/08/2024 - 08/11/2024

Name ↓	Positive
Year 7	14616
Year 8	13217
Year 9	11542
Year 10	8529
Year 11	8340

SMHS REWARDS SHOP NOW OPEN



Through Class charts your child will see that the NEW Rewards shop is open for business, this is NEW and EXCITING, options will be developed over the next few weeks, so keep an eye on the app!!


Available rewards

25 POINTS

Young Minds



Young Minds is the school's chosen charity this year. You can choose to donate your points to our fund at an exchange rate of one pence per point.




75 POINTS

Early lunch pass



This gets you into the canteen without queuing.



75 POINTS

VIP Hot Chocolate

Get a VIP Hot Chocolate - open during the first and last week of a half term in the Stafford room



A reminder that you can track your child's achievement through the class charts app. If you are struggling or having problems, please contact your child's HOY and we will support you in accessing and logging in.

Rewards Criteria 2024-25

	Bronze	Silver	Gold
Attendance	Less than 92%	92 % - 94% attendance	95% attendance or above
Behaviour	Behaviour points of 61 or more	No more than 60 behaviour points	No more than 10 Behaviour Points

We are delighted to make you aware of the Christmas reward, back by popular demand, with a little extra!

Gold - Students will be invited to a festive film and feast (Pizza on us!) with additional festivities throughout the day.

Silver – Students will be invited to the festive film where snacks can be purchased.

Bronze – Festive activities will be delivered throughout some of the day.

Uniform:

Please can you support the school by checking your child's uniform, please can you ensure **skirt lengths** are knee length, we are seeing an increasing number that are too short, we will be contacting those parents to ask for appropriate clothing to be brought into school

Facial piercings need to be clear please, these can often be purchased cheaply from amazon or other providers.

Fix Up—Setting Your Path To Success

Year 10 and Year 11 students spent time on Thursday with “Fix Up”. Students were given inspiration on their journey to exam success and they talked about the importance of setting goals and having a ‘why’.

What is your ‘Why’?

Definition: Your ‘Why’ is your reason for trying, your driving force.

Students were also given practical tips for preparing for exams:

- Create a study schedule: Plan your study time to avoid last-minute stress.
- Practice with past papers: Get familiar with exam formats and questions.
- Stay balanced: Ensure rest and mental health care.

Students were also given advice about staying motivated during exam season:

- Remember your ‘why’: keep reminders visible (vision board, sticky notes).
- Celebrate small wins: Reward yourself for progress.
- Positive self-talk: Replace negative thoughts with encouraging ones.

The students then spent time writing a letter to themselves about their barriers. Students felt safe and were really open with themselves. This was a really powerful event and it was amazing to see students being accountable for themselves and being able to help and follow the steps needed.

This was a really positive day—inspiring and motivating students (and staff)!

Message—Your journey is unique! Set your path, know your ‘why’ and approach each day with purpose.

Encouragement—Believe in your ability to achieve your goals.



**SMHS Community Support Hub
And
SMHS Food Hub**

Open to all

Wednesday : 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Friday : 11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.