

18th July 2025

Dear parents and carers,

This week has provided one of our greatest moments to date on our journey to becoming a truly great school. Our Community Day saw over 50 different projects taking place around our site, the town and local businesses. As a result, we have brand new gardens, an allotment, benches, new cricket nets, the partial reopening of the tennis courts – and much, much more!

This was then topped off with a fantastic summer fayre. Thank you to the hundreds of you who attended. We are on a relentless drive to make our school the jewel in the crown of Market Drayton – evenings like Wednesday help drive forward this mission. Thank you so much for your support – it means a great deal to us all.

Mr Mitchell Allsopp
Headteacher



Wishing you a fantastic weekend,

REMINDERS & NOTICES

First Trust Orchestra

On Monday 14th July, twelve students, Miss Brundrett and Mrs. Burton joined children from schools across the trust to take part in our very first Trust Orchestra rehearsal at Shrewsbury School. Three songs were performed, 'Viva La Vida' by Coldplay, 'Don't Stop Believin'' by Journey and the James Bond Theme. Mrs. Burton became our newest percussionist, showing off her tambourine skills! All students thoroughly enjoyed the day, and it was wonderful to see older students so keen to help those younger than them too. Miss Brundrett is immensely proud of all students involved. They were amazing from start to finish. They all pitched in to help set up and pack away at the end of the rehearsal too without being asked. What star citizens and the sign of true musicians!



Football

An Under 13s boys football team in Market Drayton is currently looking for some new players. Is your child in Year 8 from September and looking for a team? If so, please contact Nick on 07469 780130.



Under 13s Girls Football

A brand new under 13s girls football team are also looking for new players. This will be for girls in school years 7 and 8 from September 2025. If your daughter is looking to start playing or would like to try a new team, please call 07359 766296.



Visit to Harper Adams

Some of our Year 9 and Year 10 students visited Harper Adams University last week for an 'Exploring Agriculture, Business and Agri-Food Masterclass'.

During the event, alongside a campus tour, students got to be hands on building pens and assessing a flock of sheep, including weighing and assessing them for breeding purposes. There was also a marketing workshop, looking at segmentation and analysis of customer bases.

All students had a fantastic day and expressed how informative it was. Thank you to Harper Adams for this amazing opportunity, and we look forward to our next visit in the next academic year!



Last Day of Term

A reminder that it is our last day of term on Thursday 24th July. School will finish at the normal time of 3pm. A letter detailing the plans for the beginning of next term will be sent out early next week.



Trip to Birmingham Rep

A selection of twenty KS3 students got the opportunity to perform at the Birmingham Rep Summer Festival last week. As part of our ongoing partnership with the Rep, the group were treated to a guided tour of the theatre, before heading on to the main stage (the largest theatre stage in Europe) to perform a 30-minute performance which they had devised around the theme of 'Home and Horizons'. Watched by another performing school, family members and professionals from the theatre, the performance received rave reviews and students should take great credit for their work.



NEWS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

22 July Sports Day
23 July Reserve Sports Day
24 July Last Day of Term

