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The Corbet News

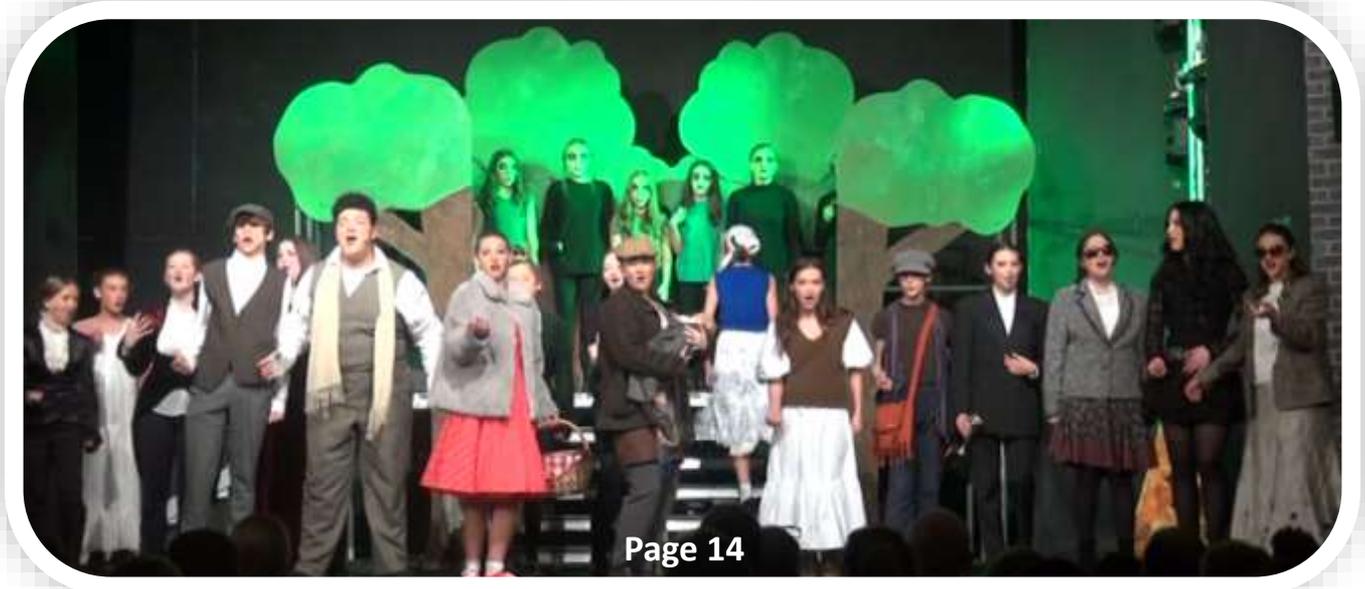
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Dr J Tinker Headteacher



The photo with this short introduction to the term's newsletter reminds me of sunnier days – it has been exceptionally cold this week, which I think has been a bit of a shock to us all at the end of a very long and busy term. As always, the pupils have been a credit to themselves and you throughout this term as you will see when reading this newsletter which is packed with their successes. It was lovely that we were able to celebrate with Year 11 2022 during our Presentation Evening at the end of November, I am always, exceptionally proud of the wonderful young people who leave this school and grateful that they want to come back and celebrate their successes with us. We are so lucky to have such a fantastic group of pupils to work with in school too, and they have settled well and enjoyed this term; it has been my pleasure to award so many house point prizes this week. I know in these challenges times, we have done much to support others; Year 9 pupils and tutors raising £200 for the Osborne Trust, Corbet Clothes still going strong, 75 shoeboxes going to Ukraine this Christmas, a fantastic contribution to the food bank this week and £656 for Children-in-Need it is a notable achievement that we can be outward looking and contribute to the wider community.

Two highlights this term have been the 'Into the Woods' production - we have a fantastic amount of talent at this school and an energetic and technically difficult show was performed well and enjoyed by all; the cast and the audience. Secondly, our Remembrance Celebration where we constructed a poppy art installation which we will grow over the coming years, the children were thoughtful and respectful during the whole event and the Last Post, two-minutes silence and Reveille bravely played by Matthew, Erin and Tilly and we raised money for the British Legion too. The newsletter includes some important reminders, please take the time to read through these and enjoy reading about the Young Leaders event in Maths, the Baschurch Village Newsletter Christmas Card Competition, Eye Popping Science and Science Club, MFL matters, Maths in Action, the fantastic team of Year 8 pupils who won at the Faraday Challenge event, the Christmas Card and Christmas Cake competitions, and Jonas' excellent achievements in motocross.

Finally, I wish you a safe Christmas holiday, we have reminded the pupils about keeping themselves safe, particularly, and very sadly, this week about the dangers of frozen ponds and lakes. Unfortunately, we have been a little affected by illness and were unable to run our very successful chocolate bingo event, we hope to run this next half term and the CFA would love some volunteers too and the Carol Concert at the church, although Year 7 very much enjoyed us running the programme on Wednesday afternoon this week as did I.

I would like to thank the pupils, staff, governors and yourselves for your support this term and always and wish you a happy Christmas with time to spend with the people you love, doing the things you enjoy.

I look forward to seeing you all in 2023 and sending you every best wish,

Jane Tinker
Headteacher

Helen Scarisbrick

Chair of Governors



It seems a long time now since the start of term, but governors would like to welcome families and staff new to the school in September. We should also like to congratulate Dr. Tinker and her team on another set of very good exam results. Considering the ups and downs experienced by staff and pupils alike over the past few years it is so pleasing to see our young people do well.

Our thanks go to three long standing governors who have stood down. Mrs. Val Hussein has had a long association with the school and served as a governor for almost eight years. Mr. Andrew Clarke and Mrs. Julie-Ann Taylor also left the governing body after four years of service. Andrew retains his interest in the school, as he remains on the Corbet Members Board. All have been willing to give their time over a period when the school has dealt with significant challenge and we wish them well. We should like to welcome two new community governors to post. Mrs. Ellen Cholmeley and Rev. Chris Precious have joined us during the term.

Looking through this newsletter you can see just what a busy term this has been. It has been particularly good to see our young people on stage again. Into the Woods was a very successful production and congratulations must go to Mr. Evans and his whole team.

The Governors would like to send all good wishes for the festive season to the whole Corbet Community, staff, pupils and families. We hope the New Year will bring good health and happiness to all.

If you would like to contact the Chair of Governors, Mrs Helen Scarisbrick
please email the Clerk to the Governors,
Mrs Jane Davies - jane.davies@corbetschool.net

Unscheduled School Closure Arrangements

We make every effort to keep the school open but our primary concern has to be the safety of staff and pupils. As a rural school with a large catchment area we consider many factors including site safety, transport and staffing. We publish the following arrangements to follow in the event of a school closure. We ask you to **please keep this section in a safe place for future reference.**

The school will make announcements via the **school website**; the alerts will display one of the following messages:

- School open
- We are consulting on any possible school closure and will advise you as soon as possible
- School closed
- You are advised to tune into any local radio station; they will announce any school closures.
- Updates will also be posted on the school's Facebook and Twitter feed.
- If the school is closing, we shall send a **text message** alert to parents via the schools messaging system.
- Please do not attempt to contact the school to make individual arrangements with your child. We will need access to phone lines to contact transport providers, staff and other essential service providers.
- **Please note** – all pupils who travel on school transport will be expected to return home on school transport.
- If the weather deteriorates suddenly, we will provide advice on the website regarding revised arrangements for school transport.
- If necessary, transport will be dispatched early and you will be notified by **text message**.
- Parents can refer to school closures on the Council website shropshire.gov.uk/school-closures/secondary-schools
- If there is more widespread severe weather the Shropshire Council Authority will activate a **Helpline** for parents. (When operating, the Helpline number will be given out by the Radio Stations).

Pupils travelling by school bus should wait at their usual collection point for 30 minutes after the usual pick-up time. If the bus does not arrive, please return home. This is normal practice during pick-up time if the bus is delayed.

All parents/carers are asked to make appropriate arrangements for their child in case of an unscheduled school closure during the working day. Please make sure your child is aware of these arrangements and have completed page 1 of their pupil handbook.

Please can parents ensure the school has up to date contact details, preferably a mobile number (for texts), which can be updated by the Parent Lite App.

School Contact Information

School email address: admin@corbetschool.net

Student Support email address: pastoral@corbetschool.net

Pupil Absence email address: absence@corbetschool.net

Newsletter email address: newsletter@corbetschool.net

Exams Officer email address: exams@corbetschool.net

Finance Department email address: finance@corbetschool.net

Corbet Friends Association email address: cfa@corbetschool.net

School main telephone number: 01939 260296

Headteacher's PA telephone number: 01939 262002

Pupil Absence telephone number: 01939 262004

IT support telephone number: 01939 262005

Finance department telephone number: 01939 262008

School Lettings

If you would like to let the any of the school buildings, please email lettings@corbetschool.net

School Emails

Polite Reminder

We have been informed that some emails from The Corbet School are ending up in the 'junk' or 'clutter' folder.

Please make sure you check these folders for emails from us.

Maths Young Leaders KS1

In July we welcomed 90 pupils from our feeder primaries to take part in a morning of maths. The year 8 young leaders did a fantastic job of organising the resources and preparing for the day. The primaries were split into 6 groups and rotated around the 6 different activities. All students got an opportunity to play number parachute games, make straw javelins, complete a treasure hunt, do Venn diagram activities, play direction where's wally and do paired shape drawings. I am so proud of well the Corbet young leaders delivered the sessions. All groups worked well with the pupils, kept them engaged throughout the session and were brilliant at being organising and adapting where needed. It was a fantastic morning and great to see our feeder primaries back I at the Corbet enjoying maths activities. I'd like to thank all the young leaders for their hard work towards the day.

Mrs R. Roberts

I really liked the KS1 maths day as it was very enjoyable to see young children enjoying themselves. I hope they liked it as I certainly did. Teaching young children fun ways to do maths is really important and improves their understanding of it. Bea Lewis 8O.

The Maths Ks1 day was lots of fun for us year 8s and the year 2s as well. All of them seemed to have enjoyed the day and they were all very keen to join in and enjoyed our activities. I had lots of fun and hope everyone else did too. Phoebe Quinn

Teaching the ks1 students was really fun, it made me realise the stress teachers go through and taught me that sometimes I need to be forceful and act confident even if I don't feel it. Marie Cooke

I really enjoyed taking part in the ks1 maths morning as it gave me an opportunity to develop my teamwork, communication and leadership skills. Edward Spencer



Maths Young Leaders KS1



Corbet Friends Association



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Corbet Friends Association is run by a very small team that need your help. Budgets are tight and fundraising is crucial to support the school.

There are hundreds of children at the school, but only half a dozen parents help! We need more support to keep going.

Get in touch at CFA@corbetschool.net

EVEN IF ITS JUST ONCE!

It doesn't have to be a huge commitment - help as often or as little as you can.

Donate a raffle prize, send in chocolate for bingo or help make cups of tea at a school production.

If every parent that has a child at The Corbet School volunteered just once ... we would be able to organise more events and raise more money to support the school.

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Corbet Friends Association

Unfortunately we had to cancel the CFA Christmas Chocolate Bingo.

The Corbet Friends Association would like to thank the following local companies, for donating prizes for the Christmas Bingo.



Year 9 Charity Event

Year 9 pupils and tutors organised a breaktime feast of chocolate bars and hot chocolate drinks and a Just Dance lunch to raise money for The Osborne Trust, a charity that supports families who are coping with a parent with cancer. Thank you to all at home who have sent in donations to sell and to the pupils and tutors who helped organise the event. We were really proud to have raised just short of £200.00 to send to this charity. As a year group we will be collecting for the foodbank again in the run up to Christmas.

Thank you all for your support.

The Year 9 team

Year 9 Poppy Appeal



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Year 9 Poppy Appeal Corbet School

Four year 9 classes at Corbet School have hand made over 200 poppies. Half of them have been sewn onto a dress that is on display in the school reception. The other half are for sale to raise money for the British Legion Poppy Appeal.

£72.40 total monies raised. Well done Year 9.

The dress is now on display at All Saints Church

Corbet Clothes

If you would like items of clothing from Corbet Clothes, please go to: <https://forms.office.com/r/bV290xb2Rn> and complete the form.

This is a free facility supplied by generous donations of pre-loved clothing.

SWAP SHOP

The following clothing has been donated
to Corbet Clothes:

- . Blue Polo Shirt (Y7-Y10)
- . Blue Sweatshirt (Y7-Y10)
- . White Polo Shirt (Y11 only)
- . Maroon Sweatshirt (Y11 only)
 - . Rugby Shirts/Shorts,
 - . Polo Shirts
 - . PE Shorts/Skorts
 - . PE $\frac{3}{4}$ Zip Top, Joggers

There is limited availability of PE clothing

Take a look at:

<https://forms.office.com/r/bV290xb2Rn>

Art Department

Remembrance Day Poppies

Our Remembrance Day art installation took form this year, with form ambassadors laying ceramic poppies on the grass mound next to the bus turn. Well done and thank you to the students that helped to create the ceramic poppies and that laid and assisted with the installation. The poppies look fragile and very poignant.



Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who attempted to guess the correct number of spots on the 'Damien Hirst' artwork. Our winner guessed 1 off the 399 dots with a guess of 400, winning a box of chocolates for being closest to the correct number.

All proceeds went towards children in need.



Art Department

Baschurch Village Newsletter Competition Winners

A huge well done to Lulu Quinn for receiving first prize and £25 for her winning entry for the Baschurch newsletter front cover competition. The committee were particularly impressed with her compilation of various Christmas characters, especially Elf.

Well done also to Abbie Beddoes for receiving a second-place prize of £10 with her beautiful Christmas tree fairy design.

Thankyou also to Amy Cooke, Leon Stafford Williams, Maria Cristinacce for their entries to the competition. Fantastic artwork folks and keep an eye out for Lulu's work on the front cover of the Baschurch village newsletter.



School Production - Into The Woods

The Corbet School were overjoyed to be able to stage another school production this year – Stephen Sondheim’s Into The Woods. Mr. Evans, the director, said that he was exceptionally proud of the young people, both onstage and behind the scenes, who made the performances so memorable and that he was incredibly grateful for all the hard work of the team of staff and volunteers. He also said that he wanted to thank, once again, anyone who had helped the production in any way – including the long suffering parents, whose ferrying of students to rehearsals made the whole thing possible in the first place!

Here are some images from the show:



School Production - Into The Woods



Eye Popping Science

This term, Year 8 scientists have been learning about light. This is a fascinating topic including work on refraction, reflection, and colour. Lucky for us, this Physics topic it also crosses over nicely with Biology. The structure of the eye is studied, and some groups made eye models using paper mache or polystyrene balls. Some also had the opportunity to observe an eye dissection (subject to availability from the Farm shop in Nantwich!)

Mrs Selman



Remembrance - The Last Post

As part of the Remembrance Commemorations the Last Post was played by Matthew Selman on Trumpet and Mathilda Wright on Cornet.

The Reveille was played by Erin-Rose Williams on Cornet.

Well done all.



Lost Property

Would you please ensure all items of clothing are named, this includes coats, football/rugby boots. We will always endeavour to get named items back to students

We have several coats, water bottles and other items in lost property that have still to be claimed

It is the student's responsibility to look after their own items but if your child has lost something you are welcome to come into school and go through lost property after 3.30pm

At the end of term anything not claimed will be recycled through Corbet Clothes or donated to Charity .

MFL Matters

Languages at Open Day 2022

It was wonderful to see the return of open evenings after two years of virtual tours of the school and we were happy to welcome so many enthusiastic young linguists and their families.

Visitors took part in a variety of activities in both French and Spanish. Quizzes, online interactive games and clay modelling were all very popular. With the help of year 11 ambassadors, we were able to showcase some of the engaging activities used in language lessons at The Corbet school.

Congratulations to the winners of the parent's general knowledge quiz; Lisa Paddock and Rosie Rodenhurst and thank you to La Dolce Vita and La Lanterna restaurants in Shrewsbury for providing the prizes.



MFL Matters

Corbet Culture Café

We have been very busy at the Corbet Cultural Café. The Café was open fortnightly on Fridays from 3.30 till 4.05. So far this year we have played a Welsh card game, shared our holiday experiences with photographs and food which pupils brought back, listened to a presentation about France and we had a visit from an outside speaker who talked about different approaches to using and learning languages with references to music and film along the way. Many thanks to Morgan Richards 10 C for organising all of this!

The new opening time for The Café will now be Thursday lunchtimes, fortnightly. Upcoming dates: Thursday 12th January, 26th January, 9th February, 2nd March, 16th March and 30th March in room 24.

Year 8 Virtual Exchange Initiative

In the spring term year 8 pupils will be offered the opportunity to take part in a pen pal scheme, corresponding with pupils at Collège Notre Dame in Poligny, France. Across the academic year pupils will communicate via video, email, voice note and handwritten letters in order to practise their language skills and find out about each other's interests and culture. Corbet students will be invited to attend an information meeting with Miss Williams after the Christmas break, with their respective language teachers giving out more information nearer the time. Watch this space to see some of the correspondence sent and received by the end of next term!



MFL Matters

Language Young Leaders Launch

November saw the launch of the year 10 Language Young Leaders course with 25 successful applicants attending their first meetings and excitedly starting to make plans. This course enables year 10 pupils to research, plan and eventually teach a lesson in a language of their choice to year 5 pupils from local primary schools on 'Languages Day'. This year the event will take place in February and we look forward to sharing some photos and success stories from the day with you then.

National Languages Competition

GCHQ, one of the UK's intelligence agencies, ran the National Language Competition from 7th-11th November aimed at Year 9 pupils across the country. Schools could enter teams of up to four Year 9 pupils to take part. Over the course of five days, teams scored points by tackling a variety of fun, immersive, language-themed challenges of varying difficulty levels hosted on a virtual platform. Three year 9 teams from the Corbet School took on the challenge.

The winning team (nationally) with the most points at the end of the competition will be invited to GCHQ's Headquarters in Cheltenham and will be presented with their trophy by Director, Sir Jeremy Fleming!

There was fierce competition all week with over 2000 teams from more than 600 schools across the UK putting their language skills to the test and battling it out for the top spots on the national leader board. Sadly, none of the Corbet School teams came close to winning. The Wild Fancy Bloodhound team ended in 1967th place. The Productive Joyous Chipmunks finished in 684th place. And The Innocent Cloudy Octopus team made it just one spot higher in the ranking, in 683th place. They are therefore our official Corbet School winners. A huge well done to everyone who took part! All pupils received a certificate and the 4 members of the winning team received an Amazon voucher worth £10 each.

The MFL Team

Maths in Action Day

On Tuesday 15th November a group of year 10 and 11 pupils gathered at 7am(!) for a journey to the University of Warwick in Coventry.

It consisted of several talks and mathematical activities. The activities were presented by five renowned speakers from universities, industries and the media including: 'Rhyme and reason' with the World Poetry Slam Champion Harry Baker; 'Are we made of Maths?' with Dr Mark Lewney; 'Counting Factors' with Vicky Neale, 'Colouring in for Mathematicians' with Sophie Maclean; and 'Can we just use a polynomial instead?' with Matthew Scroggs.



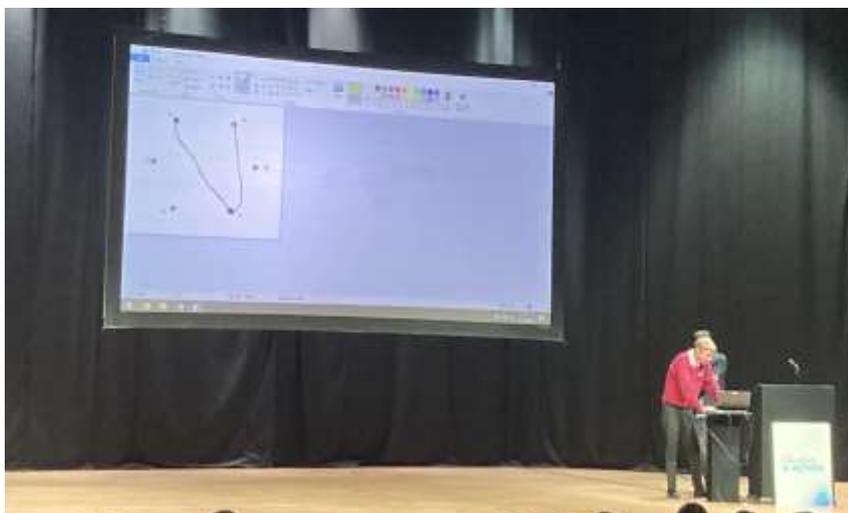
These experts revealed mathematics at its very best and we had lots of fun along the way. Each session brought lots of areas of maths to life and we got to enjoy a scientific parody of Bohemian Rhapsody and some epic guitar solos from Dr Mark Lewney.

The pupils got involved with all of the sessions and Isaac even got himself up on the stage where he showed excellent sportsmanship in a game that was impossible to win.

The day out was also a great opportunity to pupils to spend time on a university campus and give themselves a vision for the future.

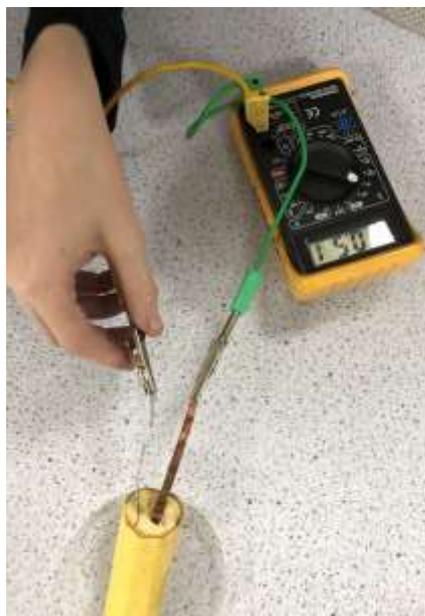
Miss Evans, Miss Cole & India Chidlow 10E

Photos: Isaac Stevenson 11O participating in the 'Colouring in for Mathematicians' talk



Science Club

This term science club has been running fortnightly, swapping between the Science Labs and Design and Technology. We've looked at making coloured flames, running light bulbs from fruit, making cartesian diver jelly fish and gravity racers. The final science club before Christmas we will be racing flying santas. Science club is open to all year 7 and 8 students, at no cost, on alternate Friday lunchtimes.



Christmas Shoebox Appeal 2022

A huge thank you to all students, staff , parents and carers who supported this year's Christmas Shoebox Appeal. A fantastic 75 shoeboxes were collected which have been passed onto Help Ukraine Telford charity by Joy Baister, Corbet School teaching assistant and committee member of the charity.

The truck loaded with shoeboxes and other items will leave for the Polish distribution centre on the 1th December and we look forward to seeing photos of where our shoeboxes end up.

Once again a big than you to all who supported the appeal.



Faraday Challenge Days

An annual competition of STEM activity days with a real-world challenge for pupils aged 12-13 years.

Once again the Corbet school received an invite from a local host school to attend the annual competition. The Corbet sent a Year 8 team of enthusiastic scientists, mathematicians and engineers to represent the Corbet and solve the real-world challenge, which this year was how the use of drones could be used to improve quality of life. Our Team included

Evan Higginson	8O
George Varney	8B
Amy Cooke	8R
Heidi MacKechnie	8R
Dominic Berry	8T

The team performance was outstanding, not only were they the first Corbet team to win an event, they achieved an exceptional score of 87. At the time of writing the Corbet team is joint second in the National league table. I would like to thank Mrs Leech for once again accompanying our team and Miss Jones for the logistics and organisation.

Mr Jones

Evan has kindly written a report

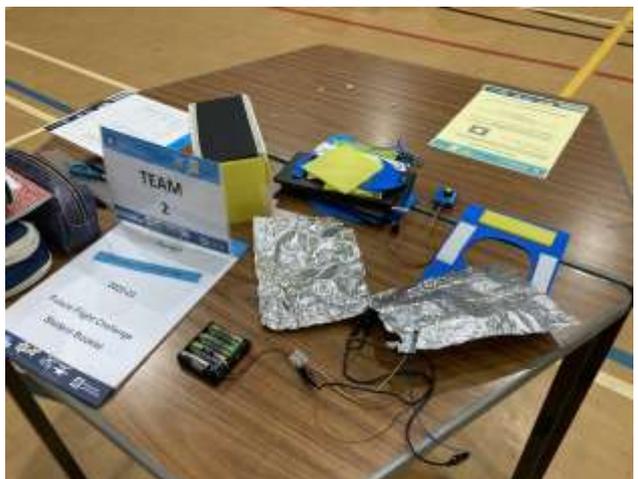
On the 4th of November we came to school to get ready to go to Mary Webb's secondary school to take part in the faraday challenge of 2022. When we got to school, we were all [very excited](#) to go to the Faraday challenge. As soon as the bell rang, we all waited for Mrs Leech to tell us where to go next. Once we were all on the bus, we already started to talk about ideas of what we would do when we began the competition. When we arrived at Mary Webb's school, we all had no idea where to go so we just followed Mrs Leech. Inside we were greeted with genuinely nice people when students from the Mary Webb school escorted us to the place we would compete.

Upon arrival, we were the last school to show up, so we just sat down waiting for the briefing to start. There were groups of 5 or 6 people ours with 6: George, Heidi, Amy, Dominic, Paige and Evan. Before the briefing started, Mick (great guy and the person who helps and does the briefing) told us how the competition works and to never call him sir. So, after he told everyone the same thing, the briefing started. This year's project was to create something that would help a drone, e.g., a landing / launch pad. Before we tell [you](#) what happened, you need to know the rules. There were 6 groups of year 8's, we would have a break a quarter through since they provided snacks and drinks, we would have lunch halfway through and everyone would present their project at the end. Just before we started, they explained how the shop would work and how you and your team have 120 Faraday pounds to start off with. These Faraday pounds would let you buy certain items at the shop e.g., motors, materials and much more. One tip; make sure you always manage your money.

Faraday Challenge Days

As soon as we began, every group started to discuss their ideas and our final idea was a container that would attach to a drone with a polycarbonate hook to deliver items to people with special needs. The container would be made of silicon since it can withstand lightning and is durable enough. There would be three different compartments each with a different temperature: 0 degrees to 5 degrees, room temperature and 30 degrees to 40 degrees. This heating system would be activated by a pressure plate when [an](#) item is placed on it and when an item is taken off, it would send a signal to the company to take the drone back. Brail would be imbedded on the front to tell which compartment is which and a light would be added on it with a buzzing sound for the blind. It would open as it hits the ground for people to grab what they need which could be medical supplies and much more.

With the idea in our heads, we decided to organise different roles: Evan and Heidi would do the planning, writing and designing, Amy and Paige would sort the money and create the project while George and Dominic would do the engineering and technology side of it. We also had to choose a project manager and accountant, so Evan was the project manager and Amy was the accountant. In the end, we won the competition against some super intelligent opponents who all had good sportsmanship. We want to thank everyone who organised this because we all had a blast doing this, so thank you.



Christmas Card Competition

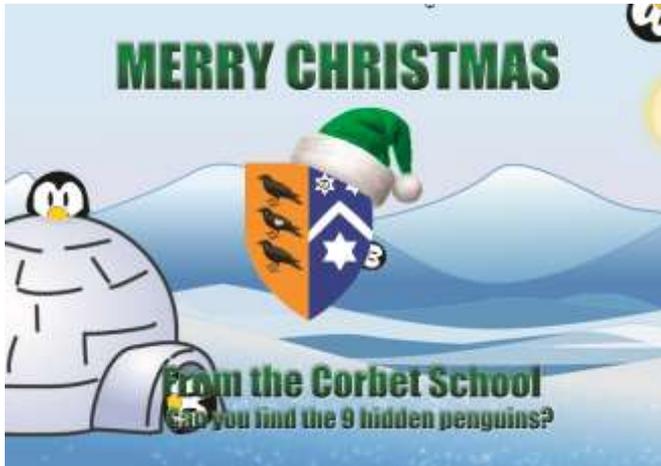
It was lovely to look at all the designs submitted for the school Christmas Card a competition.

This years design a school Christmas competition was won by
Harriet Cadman (10C).

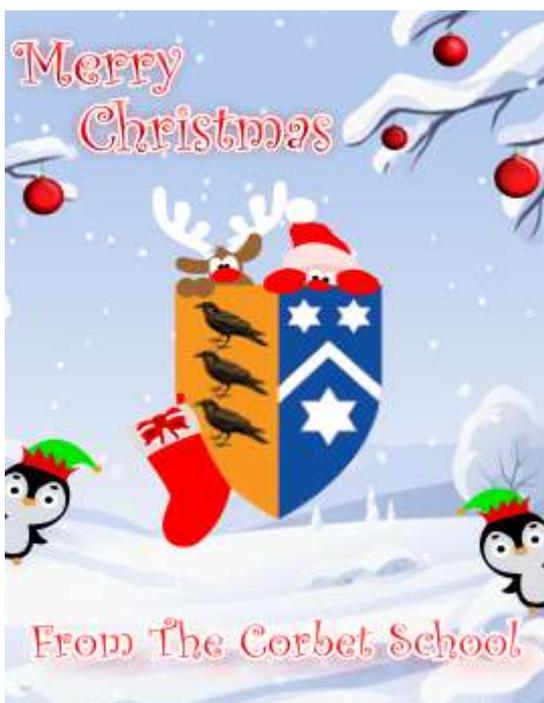
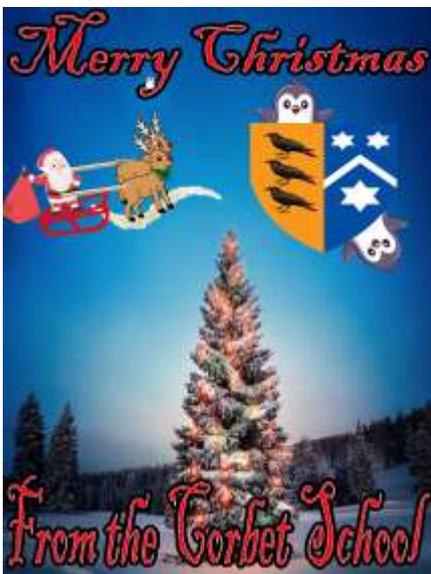


Christmas Card Competition

Runners up



Christmas Card Competition





OUR SCHOOL Library



I think we can all agree that this year has flown by. Library highlights for 2022:



The consolidation of a new **Library team**, today comprising **30** students from Years 7 to 11. We have made many more Library friends along the way.



Pupils continue to be interested in books! In just three months of the new School year, our Student Librarian team shelved a magnificent 2,184 books. A shout out here for Amy Cooke, our Returns Champion of 2022.

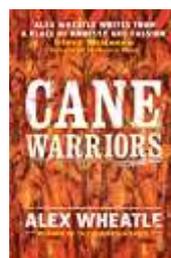
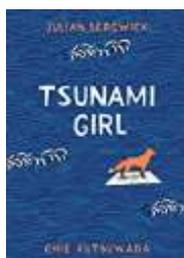
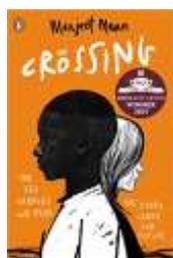


The launch of a **Chess Club** which is now so well attended that Mr Evans has moved the tournament from the Library to Room 6.

February's **Blind Date With a Book**, as popular as ever.



Our Carnegie Shadowing Team - were harsh critics of the shortlisted books but this proved to be a good lesson i.e. do not judge a book by it's cover or the Publisher's 'blurb'. Good story telling makes us more aware of the World around us. Our mature readers are encouraged to read these titles:



Year 7 Library Induction Sessions in October saw a new cohort being introduced to our Library and, to Mrs Brett's delight, the vast majority of pupils still prefer 'real' books to e:readers.

Studying the **Victorians** and the **Suffragettes** was fun and helped to reinforce knowledge of the Library layout (fiction and non-fiction) and how to use factual books (contents and index). We have some lovely new books to support these important topics.



Humanities and the Science Department, thank you for asking our Library for **topic loans** so that pupils can use Library books for research in class (Black History, plants, Earth, Space, the rock cycle and Biodiversity).



The increasing popularity of debating (inspired by our previous Head Girl Katherine Oldham) and the launch of a new **Library Debating Club** in November with its supportive environment has empowered everyone to 'have their say'. A special mention here for our Chairperson, Millie Forsyth.



Whilst our Library strives to be a safe haven for all pupils, Mrs Brett has been disappointed by some of the recent behaviour. Hopefully the Christmas holidays will be a time of reflection and on return to school, the few who try to use the facilities as a Common Room will, instead, settle down with a good book. Sadly the number of books lost or damaged continues to increase but again I am hopeful that with the support of Tutors and parents, we can turn this around.

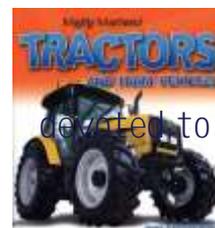
Back to the positivity! Another function of our Library is to focus pupils' thoughts on current affairs. A recap of our Noticeboard displays during the last twelve months is a reminder that 2022 has been a momentous year around the World.



Inside our Library we have various displays to promote books and the value of reading. With thanks to our Year 10 Library friends (as well as our avid readers) who made these displays possible!



It could be argued that I have left the best 'til the end - READING - and our most popular books for 2022. Without doubt, amongst our fiction readers, there is a move away from Dystopia. It seems our young adults still prefer 'darker' reads with crime, historical fiction and horror now on the ascendancy. It has been pleasing to see greater interest in biographies and true stories and we must be the only School Library in the UK with a section in non-fiction farming (tractors and cows)..!



In Mrs Brett's World, reading still equals escapism and vampires and faeries reign supreme. By some miracle, I have managed to read exactly 100 books this year. Some of our pupils have read more. Below you will see our Library's top twenty book recommendations based on feedback from our enthusiastic 'Jammie Dodger' readers...

TOP 20 by Author Surname for 2022

Speak by Laurie Halse-Anderson (Teen)

The Only Woman I n The Room by Marie Benedict (Biography)

The Stolen Ones by Vanessa Curtis (Historical Fiction)

The Fault I n Our Stars by John Green (Teen)

Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson (Crime)

The Monsters of Rookhaven by Padraig Kenny (Horror)

A Curse So Dark & Lonely by Brigid Kemmerer (Fantasy)

When the World Was Ours by Liz Kessler (Historical Fiction)

Life on the Refrigerator Door by Alice Kuipers (Teen)

One Of Us I s Lying by Karen McManus (Crime)

Gilded by Marissa Meyer (Fantasy)

All Our Hidden Gifts by Caroline O'Donoghue (Horror)

Heartstopper by Alice Oseman (Graphic Novel)

Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds (Graphic Novel)

Percy Jackson & The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan (Fantasy)

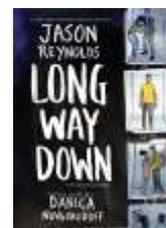
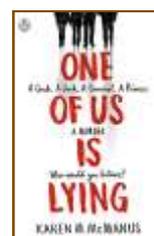
The Five by Hallie Rubenhold (True Story)

Skywake I nvasion by Jamie Russell (Science Fiction)

I Must Betray You by Ruta Sepetys (Historical Fiction)

The Girls I've Been by Tess Sharpe (Thriller)

House of Hollow by Krystal Sutherland (Horror)



HAPPY HOLIDAY READING. You may borrow as many books as you think you can read **BUT REMEMBER ALL Library Books MUST BE RETURNED** during your first week back in School in January 2023.

Shrewsbury Food Bank Collection

On Thursday, 15th December we held a Christmas Jumper Day for all pupils and staff to participate in. This year instead of asking pupils to pay a £1 to wear their jumper we asked everyone to donate food items to support the Shrewsbury Food Bank.

A big thank you for all your donations from Miss Williams and the Shrewsbury Food Bank.

If you have any further donations the Shrewsbury Food Bank are having a **Christmas Donation Day on WEDNESDAY 21ST DECEMBER: 8AM - 8PM**



Christmas Cake Competition



**1st Place
Sophie Harborne**



**2nd Place
Maya Davies**



3rd Place



Motocross

Jonas Brown (10B) has been competing at a National level in motocross for the last 8 years traveling the country every weekend.

He travelled to Waltherstone to race the final rounds on 24th and 25th of September, where he achieved an end of season result of 4th in the British School Boy National championship 2022. He now moves up to race adults in 2023 aboard a Ktm125

He has over come many a big accident and injuries to comeback and continue to race. More information on his racing can be found on his racing page [jonasbrown295 Facebook](#).



SACHEL:ONE

Intro to Satchel One for Parents & Guardians

satchel:



Complete homework transparency means you'll see exactly what your child has been set and when it's due. No more confusion!



Review behaviour feedback given to your child, including details of any achievements or behavioural incidents.



Download the mobile app to access this information on the move. Set up push notifications for new homework, upcoming deadlines and behaviour feedback.

Features and apps built with you in mind

Homework

See your child's completed, upcoming and overdue homework in full detail. You'll see instructions for the task, how long it should take and any useful resources to help you support your child's home learning with confidence.

Gradebook

See homework feedback from teachers, including submission statuses, grades and comments.

Timetable

View your child's lesson timetable in full.

Attendance

See your child's attendance and punctuality rates.

Behaviour

View details of any points or badges your

child has been given.

See details of any detentions your child receives.

Support multiple children

If you have more than one child using Satchel One, you will see all this information for each child in one place - even if they attend different schools!

Mobile App

Download the free mobile app to view your child's homework, behaviour and lesson timetable on the move at any time.

Alerts & reminders

Set up email alerts or push notifications for new homework set, feedback from your child's teacher, upcoming deadlines and school events.

SHROPSHIRE HAF PROGRAMME

Shropshire HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) managed by Shropshire Council is an exciting programme of holiday activities.

Over the Christmas holidays, schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers are running activities.

There are free places available on the HAF programme for children and young people aged 4 (reception class age) to 16, who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals and for those who have been referred onto HAF by a professional.

Children who are aged 4, who attend a nursery or pre-school are unfortunately not eligible for the HAF programme, activities are not suitable. Eligible children aged 4+, must be in full time education and have started school in Reception Class (or equivalent).

During the three main school holidays, children and young people are invited to take part in a range of fun activities, happening at venues from across the county.

Funded by the DfE (Department for Education), the aim of the programme, is to make holiday activities as accessible and inclusive as possible

How to access the free activities

All bookings for the Shropshire HAF programme are now being made through a centralised booking system.

All eligible families will be given an information leaflet, which will include a code via their school or professional you are working with.

If you aren't sure if you are eligible, please check the Eligibility Document on <https://haf.shropshire.gov.uk>

What you need to do

1. Get your unique code either via your child/ren's school or through a professional (The Corbet's FSM contact is julia.kear@corbetschool.net)

2. The bookings for the Christmas holidays will be open from **Friday, 11th November**

Go to <https://haf.shropshire.gov.uk>

1. Set up your account by adding your email and choosing a password.

2. Add your unique code.

3. Add your child/ren's details.

4. That's it! You've signed up ready for booking!

5. No internet? Just visit your local library with this flyer.

The code entitles your child/ren to 64 hours of free holiday activity in Shropshire during the summer holiday.

This is the equivalent of 4 hours a day, 4 days a week, for 4 weeks.

The code is individual to your child/s school and is not transferable to other children.

Subscribe to the HAF e-news

We're encouraging families to subscribe to the [HAF e-newsletter](#) to receive helpful information from local partners and to learn about the HAF activity programme.

Useful Links for Families

Useful Links to Resources for Families:

'Worrying About Money?'

<https://www.worryingaboutmoney.co.uk/shropshire>

Shropshire Larder -

<https://www.shropshirelarder.org.uk/>

Shropshire Council Cost of Living webpage

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living-help/>

Information about Free School Meals

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/>

Shropshire Family Information Service

<https://shropshire.gov.uk/early-years-and-childcare/parents-and-carers/shropshire-family-information-service-0-19-years/>

The Shropshire Council Cost of Living webpage includes links and advice for specific money worries, including :

- Cost Of Transport
- Debt and borrowing
- Rent or Mortgage Help
- Help with Energy Bills
- Help with water rates
- Financial help for people with disabilities
- Help with pensions

Corbet Alumni

Staying connected with The Corbet School

Corbet school wants to keep in touch with students after they leave school.

The Corbet School has been a big part of your life, but even once you have left, the school can still provide opportunities to learn new skills and maybe get the job you want. If you stay in touch perhaps you can coach one of the sports teams, help set up community events, hear about career opportunities or maybe help set up a school reunion.

Think about where you want to be in five years time and about the things you plan to do, would not it be great to come back and talk to Corbet students about all the amazing things you have achieved. It will help them see what's possible and how they can achieve it too.

So why not sign up to the Corbet's network today and we will keep you connected with the school after you leave. You will receive emails to keep you in the know.

Follow the Corbet Alumni Facebook Page.

<https://www.facebook.com/TheCorbetSchoolAlumni>

Email

alumni@corbetschool.net

If you are still unsure and would like more information, please pop in to see Miss Kear (Office situated in the Maths block).

Shropshire Family Information Service

The Shropshire Family Information Service provides free information, advice and support on any aspect of family life to parents and carers of young people aged 0-19. This includes:

- Childcare
- Things to do and places to go
- Family Support
- Money Matters
- Behaviour
- Divorce and separation
- Housing
- Parenting
- Disabilities and special needs
- Domestic abuse.
- Healthy eating
- Staying safe

There are times in every parent's life when they feel they need some information or help to support them in their role as parents. Further information is available from: www.shropshirefamily.co.uk



Providing information, advice & support
on all aspects of family life



School Uniform



Term Dates 2022-2023

AUTUMN TERM 2022

Christmas Holidays: Monday 19th December 2022 - Monday 2nd January 2023

SPRING TERM 2023

Wednesday 4th January - Friday 31st March 2023

Half Term: Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February 2023

Easter Holiday: Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April 2023

***Professional Development Days:**

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

SUMMER TERM 2023

Monday 17th April - Friday 21st July 2023

May Day: Monday 1st May 2023

Half Term: Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

End of Term: Friday 21st July 2023

ALL DATES INCLUSIVE

*** School closed for pupils**

Term Dates 2023-2024

AUTUMN TERM 2023

Tuesday 5th September - Thursday 21st December 2023

Half Term: Monday 30th October - Friday 3rd November 2023

Christmas Holidays: Friday 22nd December 2023 - Friday 5th January 2024

* Professional Development Days:

Wednesday 4th September 2023

Friday 27th October 2023

SPRING TERM 2024

Tuesday 9th January - Friday 22nd March 2024

Half Term: Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024

Easter Holiday: Monday 25th March - Friday 5th April 2024

* Professional Development Days:

Monday 8th January 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Monday 8th April - Friday 19th July 2024

May Day: Monday 6th May 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024

End of Term: Friday 19th July 2024

ALL DATES INCLUSIVE

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