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Dr J Tinker Headteacher



I don't quite know why but I am always a little shocked that we have finally reached the end of what has been another very long autumn term and that Christmas is almost here. I am quite proud of myself as I am more organised this year although I am wondering what I might have forgotten. I am looking forward to the break in routine, as I'm sure that we all are, and I do hope that you have plenty of time to rest alongside the festivities over the next couple of weeks and enjoy reading this newsletter.

The newsletter is full of the wonderful things that have taken place in our Corbet School community over the last term, it has been punctuated with many joyful moments, the Corbet Extravaganza and the Carol Concert being two of the most memorable. Our act of Remembrance was also beautiful, demonstrating what a respectful and thoughtful community we are. We also raised £148.07 for the Royal British Legion; this was supported by our ambassadors who visited tutor groups to do some fundraising for a charity that we have supported for a long time. I think it's also great to let you know that the Year 7s raised a fantastic £449.12 in this year's Readathon. We've now raised £29479.13 for the charity since our first Readathon which is something to be proud of.

It's lovely to see everything that is going on in the library and I am hoping that I have got the new Charlie Mackesy book for Christmas to have a read through on a winter's afternoon. We're looking forward to launching the Nation Year of Reading with you all in 2026.

Please take the time to read through the department and year team news where the pupils and staff have a lot to share with you about life at school. Congratulations to all our winners this term; the advent competition in maths, wildlife photography and tree topper competition and to all our sports teams who have proudly represented the school in a wide variety of sports.

'Operation Jingle Bells' went well yesterday where we were visited by three elves and two reindeer and everyone enjoyed finding out more about Bo and Biscuit and their herd. I'm really surprised that we managed to keep it a secret and thank you for sending in money for the CFA who raised £430 selling hot chocolates and treats at break and lunchtime.

I would also like to wish every success and to say thank you to our staff leavers Miss Ward and Mr Evans-Wilson, we will miss them both and wish them the best of luck in whatever 2026 holds for them.

It's the last day of term tomorrow and I am really looking forward to our Christmas assemblies which I'm hoping bring a joyful and fun end to the term.

Finally, I send my very best wishes to you and your families, wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Dr J Tinker

Helen Scarisbrick Chair of Governors



Newsletter December 2025

The summer seems a long while back now, but the Trustees would like to congratulate the school on another set of excellent exam results. Year on year our youngsters do exceedingly well and this can only be due to the hard work and encouragement from the staff and willingness of pupils to learn with their families in support.

The Board was pleased to see the Badger situation finally resolved and the old demountable classrooms demolished. Our thanks go to Dr. Tinker and her staff who gave up much of their summer holiday to oversee all the changes. We hope that the new temporary classrooms will not be with us long as plans for a new classroom block proceed apace.

There have been changes on the Trustee Board. My thanks go to both Louise Selman and Ellen Chomeley who have stood down because of work and family pressures. Ellen had been on the Board for about four years and was a much-valued Chair of our Curriculum Committee. Louise had been on the Board for two years. Both were willing to give up their time to contribute. We welcome Andy Johnson our new parent trustee and Steve Aspinall who both joined the Board at the end of term.

It was good to see many pupils enter the recent Talent Competition. To have the self-confidence to stand on stage and perform in front of their peers is outstanding and a credit to the school.

Then as always in December term ends with our Carol Service where our young people showcase their wide and varied musical talents. It is a joyous occasion where staff, pupils and families come together.

May I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Helen Scarisbrick

If you would like to contact the Chair of Governors, Mrs Helen Scarisbrick
please email the Clerk to the Governors,
ClerktoTrustee@corbetschool.net

Corbet Extravaganza 2025

This year's Extravaganza was another huge success, with a wide range of talents on display from our wonderful pupils juggling, comedy, singing - even the staff got in on the act, with their staff pantomime! More than £600 was raised to support future productions, so a huge thank you to all who helped out in any way, even if only by attending!

Mr. Evans and Mrs. Bunn

We practiced during the school day and played two songs - Zombie by the Cranberries, and Teenage Dirtbag by Wheatus.

The concert started at 7:00 and we watched all of the other performers play through a live screening in the gym. Everyone played/performer very well. We were up last and so we finished it off with two bangers.

Cass Mackechnie 10B



The Corbet Extravaganza was an unforgettable experience. It was so much fun to perform with our friends and to watch other people with their unique talents also perform. Our school is so lucky to put on this incredible show.

Millie Jones 7C



Extravaganza



Extravaganza



Music Department

GCSE Students Attend Puccini's *Tosca* at Shrewsbury Abbey

In September, our GCSE Music students attended a live performance of Puccini's *Tosca*, presented by the **North Wales Opera Company** at the historic Shrewsbury Abbey. The trip offered an inspiring opportunity to experience a professional opera performance in a truly atmospheric setting.

Tosca, set in Rome, is one of Puccini's most dramatic and emotionally charged works. The visit supported students' studies by giving them the chance to experience the power of live orchestral and vocal music, and to reflect on how composers use sound to convey character, mood, and tension.

Although visibility in the Abbey was limited, students were able to appreciate the remarkable acoustics and the intensity of the live performance. The evening provided valuable insight into the world of professional music-making and the unique demands of operatic performance.

Thank you to the staff who accompanied the trip, and to the students for their excellent conduct throughout what was a memorable and enriching experience.



Carol Concert



On 9th December, The Corbet School Performing Arts Department came together for a celebration of Christmas at All Saints Church Baschurch, and what a night it was! With a fantastic audience filling the church, the atmosphere was warm, festive, and full of Christmas spirit.

An amazing 82 pupils took part, showcasing four rock bands, three choirs, including the Baschurch Primary School, and a range of soloists who all performed with confidence and enthusiasm. From modern Christmas songs to more traditional favourites, there was something for everyone to enjoy. The music was balanced perfectly with thoughtful readings from our Senior Ambassadors, who did a great job guiding us through the story of Christmas.

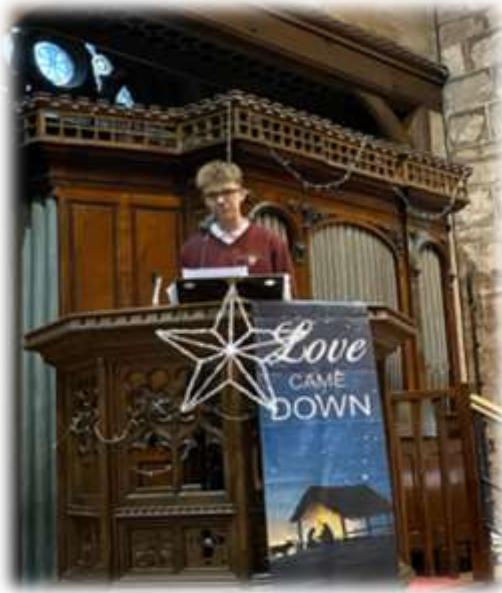
One of the highlights of the evening was the much-loved Staff Choir, who were cheered on by the audience and added an extra touch of fun to the service.

A huge thank you to Rev. Linda Cox and All Saints Church for hosting us, the CFA for providing festive refreshments, all the pupils and staff involved for their hard work, and to our audience for their incredible support. It was a lovely way to celebrate the season together!

Mrs E Bunn (Head of Music)



Carol Concert





Christmas Tree

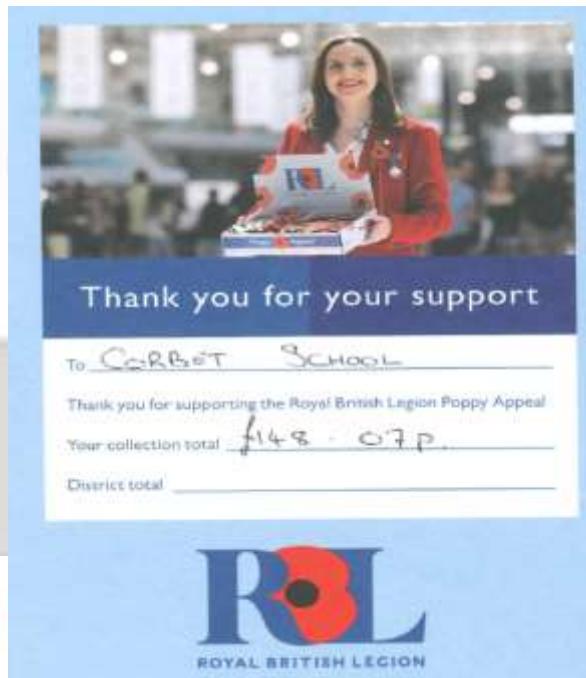


We would like to thank Leaton Forest for supplying The Corbet School, with this fabulous Christmas Tree!

trees@leatonforest.co.uk







Library News

OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY : What's happening?

The end of term is only days away and it is lovely to see so many of our **DODGERS** (Mrs Brett's morning registration reading groups) borrowing Library books to read over the Christmas Holidays. Sadly, there is a downward trend in reading across the UK with research from the National Literacy Trust indicating that just 33% of children aged eight to eighteen enjoy reading in their spare time, compared with 51% in 2005. Yet, here at the Corbet School we have some fabulous readers who love books:

Cadence Quigley (Yr 9)

Hannah Wood (Yr 7)

Rose Williams (Yr 8)

Owen (Yr 7)

Orla (Yr 7)

Eloise Cristinacce (Yr 8)

Francesca Evans-Jones (Yr 8)



Amber Aspinall (Yr 8)

Maddie Jones (Yr 7)

Indi (Yr 7)

FFion (Yr 9)

Ethan (Yr 10)

Georgie Jones (Yr 7)

Our Top Ten most popular books (borrowed from September to December 2025) demonstrate a wide range of reading tastes across our Key Stage 3 readers.

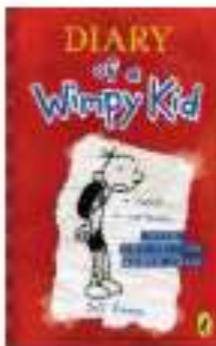
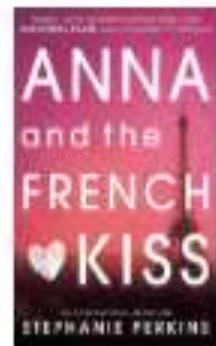
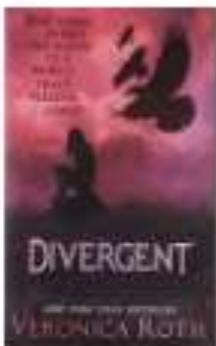
To my delight, there has been a resurgence of interest in Harry Potter and 'The Philosopher's Stone' has scraped in at number ten.



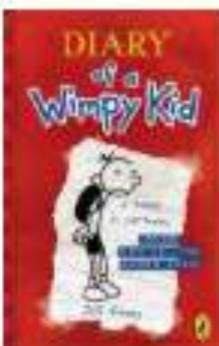
OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY : What's happening?

I am reminded of my oldest Year 11 Leaver Librarian who celebrated her 30th birthday this month. Harry Potter was one of her 'go-to' books.

Continuing to reminisce, 'back in the day' Year 9s reading tastes included:



Historically, the majority of our pupils switch off to reading at the beginning of Year 9 (why?). Although some 'go Underground' (buying their own books to read at home), the majority now seem to limit their reading to books with more pictures and fewer words. Hence 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' is still there..!



You can see why 2026 has been designated THE NATIONAL YEAR OF LITERACY. This is a UK-wide campaign led by the Department for Education in partnership with the National Literacy Trust. The aim is 'to tackle the sharp decline in reading for pleasure among children, young people and adults, and transform the Nation's reading culture'. Lofty ambitions indeed!

OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY : What's happening?

The Government has set aside £5million for the establishment and development of Secondary School Libraries and I am excited to see how this will impact on our Library. It must be pointed out here that, thanks to the 'forward-thinking' of our Senior Leadership Team, ours is one of only a handful of School Libraries across the country to have had their Budget increased for 2025-26. Pupils are enjoying the steady flow of gorgeous new books designed to retain and promote their interest in reading.

Similarly, massive thanks here to our supportive parents and pupils who have donated some fantastic books to our Library in response to my last newsletter appeal.

Of course, I must also mention my fabulous Librarians who help with the processing of all our new books. Well done Team. Those of you who gave me signed consents have your names printed here in full...

LIBRARY CORE TEAM (22)

Phoebe Alexander (Deputy)

Amber Aspinall

Hazel

Ethan

Eloise

Freddie Conte

Amy (Senior Deputy)

Brennan

Ruby Downer

Charlotte Evans

Francesca

Talulah

Lucy Hudson

Esme Jones

Millie Jones (7C)

Millie

Carya Lowe

Kyra O'Gorman

May Rowlands (Deputy)

Lexi Taylor

Rose Williams

Sophia

LIBRARY TRAINEES (18)

Sonny

Poppy

Liv

Joe Curtis

Katie Hancock

Maddie Jones

Orla

Patrick Lambert

Owen

Rohan

Kai May

Henry

Frankie

Aidan

Aoibhin Triggs

Evie

Lila Ward

Hannah Wood

OUR SCHOOL LIBRARY : What's happening?

This Academic year sees reading and the use of our School Library recognised with the launch of a new Library House Award. I have been awarding points since September (see table) and am looking forward to seeing the shield (engraved with the winning House) in the display cabinet in the foyer.



1st Place	BEECH	40 points
2nd Place	OAK	34 points
3rd Place	CEDAR	33 points

When our Library Regulars 'go the extra mile', I really do feel that our Library Family has made a difference. For those of you who know Henry, be impressed by this extract from his review of his favourite book (Dr. Tinker's too). This was written from the heart; no 'copy and paste' and no 'A.I.'. Hope for us all.

The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse

The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse truly is a beautiful and inspiring book. It is calm and peaceful, very honest and loving. It brought me to tears in a happy way. People, when they see the book, first think that it is for babies but, in all honesty, I think that everyone should read it because it teaches a good lesson about staying curious and kind. It tells you that life can be cruel and to keep loving no matter what the situation is. However small or big you are it doesn't mean that you can't love and be kind and if you are small, you can still make a big difference.

Happy Reading over Christmas everyone. Please remember, your School Library books are due back on 12th January 2026.



**Mrs Brett
Library Co Ordinator**

Year 7 News

Year 7 News

It has been another very busy half term for our Year 7 pupils. They have settled very well and are getting into the rhythm of life at The Corbet School. I have enjoyed getting to know many more of the pupils and look forward to seeing them in the mornings in their form groups.

The pupils have continued to work on form activities in the mornings such as 'The Quiz', Wellbeing Wednesday activities and form competitions, but have also settled in well to Monday silent reading and assemblies on a Friday covering a variety of topics from different members of staff. After Christmas I am hoping to use our Wellbeing Wednesday sessions to promote a Digital Detox programme called Wise Up to Switching Off. This includes a look at screen addiction, keeping a screen time journal and the benefits of relaxation and socialising in real life. I hope they will find this useful. If anyone would like more information please contact me at admin@corbetschool.net.

The pupils have also been attending numerous clubs this half term and hopefully will continue to do so after the Christmas break. I have taken this opportunity to include the club list again here for your perusal.

Monday	Afterschool	Football	Field	Mr Shee and Mr Lowe
		Netball	Courts	Mrs Simms
Tuesday	Lunch	Rubix cube	19	Mrs Cadwell
		Quiet reading	5	Mrs Sale
Wednesday	Lunch	Drop in and draw	16	Mrs Gascoine
		Band	Music	Mrs Bunn
Thursday	Lunch	Art and crafts	18	Mrs Swanton
		Choir	Music	Mrs Bunn
	Afterschool	Girls football	Field	Mr Richards
		Rugby	Field	Mr Hartshorn
Friday	Lunch	Basketball	Sports Hall	Mr Shee /Mr Lowe
		Chess	Library	Mr Evans
		Rock Jam	Music	Mrs Bunn
		Warhammer	Lab 1	Mrs Burrage
		Textile club	T6	Mrs Peters

Year 7

Congratulations to the following pupils on their election as Form Ambassadors. These pupils will help their form tutors organise sports and house competitions, but will also meet with me once a half term to share ideas and issues relevant to their year group. I am hoping to invite our Head Boy and Girl to our second meeting to discuss some of their ideas.

7C – Harry Kynaston and Millie Jones 7B – Rowan Leeding and Abigail Jackson
7O – Ellis Hinds and Millie Jones 7E – Serena Quigley and Patrick Lambert
7R – Olivia Williams and Fletcher Hanmer

We welcome the following pupils as our Wellbeing Ambassadors and I hope that they will help me to organise activities during our form time, and also at lunchtime to promote wellbeing amongst our youngest pupils.

7C – Matthew Dunlop and Georgie Jones 7B – Sam Eason and Eva Ashton
7O -Tilly Simmonds and Luke Handford 7E- Harriett Woodward and Lottie Hughes
7R -Lila Ward and Rose Harris

Over the last few weeks you will have received your child's first interim report detailing effort grades for their classwork, homework, and for their behaviour in lessons. It was very pleasing to see so many grades A and B. A little more analysis of the data and indeed looking at the weekly detention reports showed me that homework was becoming a slight concern for some pupils. May I take this opportunity to let you know about our Study Support room at the front of the school. This facility is open every break and lunchtime for pupils of all abilities where adults supervise and support pupils where necessary. This is an excellent facility with many computers and resources. Please support your child in getting into regular routines when it comes to their homework as this will help them greatly as they move up the school.

It is always a pleasure seeing the pupils outside of the classroom environment, and I thoroughly enjoyed watching the Extravaganza. Congratulations to all those involved in the many acts, it really does take an enormous amount of courage to do what they have done so a huge well done to the following pupils!

Indie Incles	Monty Smith	Millie Jones (o)	Olivia Ward
Millie Jones (c)	Jemima Greenwood	Maddie Jones	Joe Curtis
Abigail Jackson	Rory Smout	Georgie Jones	Rohan Marmaras
Ellis Hinds	Sam Eason	Owen Lawson	Ewan Sparks

Year 7

It was also so nice to see many of the Year 7 pupils taking part in The Corbet Christmas Carol Service which took place on the 9th December.

We always seem to be extra busy in the weeks running up to the Christmas break and our pupils have been designing their Advent Christmas calendars for the Math's Department, designing their Christmas tree toppers for the Art Department, trying to figure out puzzles for the GCHQ Christmas Card Challenge (Maths), and participating in the Readathon organised by the English Department.

As we approach Christmas, fortunately many of us look forward to the break with great fondness, but for others it can be a challenging time. Back in October I gave the pupils some time to design some Christmas cards, and they stuck in some messages for children who have been displaced by war. This was part of a charity and Mrs Selman (Head of Year 8) has kindly sent these off for us. I have also asked the pupils to bring in some donations for the Foodbank over the next week or so, and I will make a delivery over the Christmas break.

I was pleased to receive resources donated to our Year 7 team from the CFA recently, and I thank them for the playing cards, Uno games, colouring pens and pencils and Bananagrams (my favourite) which the pupils will be using during form time.

Mrs S Roberts (Head of Year 7) MFL



Year 7

I thought it would be a lovely idea for you all to know a little something more about our form tutor team, so please take the time to listen to their interviews by their Form Ambassadors. Who would have known that one of their form tutors has swam with pink dolphins, that four of them wanted to be a vet, or that so many of them are into country music? Thank you to the pupils who helped me organise this too.

Meet your Year 7 Form Tutor Team



Mrs Newman 7C



Mrs Widdon 7O



Mrs Burrage 7R



Mrs Frances 7B



Miss Swanton 7B



Mr Brown 7E



Year 8 News

Year 8 Spread Christmas Cheer Across Europe

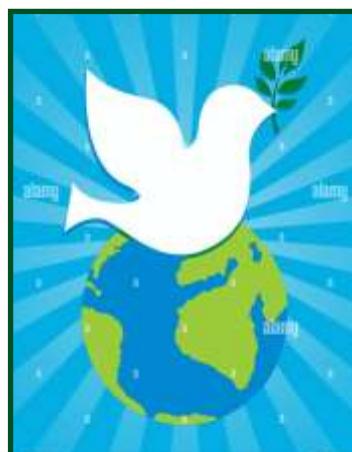
Year 8 pupils have been busy spreading kindness this term by contributing to the *Operation Sabre Christmas Card Project*, a wonderful initiative that shares joy with children in Romania and Ukraine. As part of the project, pupils created thoughtful Christmas cards filled with festive messages of hope and friendship.

Operation Sabre is supported by dedicated volunteers from Shropshire Fire and Rescue Service and Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service, who work together to support and strengthen communities in Transylvania by protecting people, heritage and futures from the effects of fire and other emergencies.

Our pupils included messages in **Romanian and Ukrainian**, wishing the children a “*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! With love, your friends from England.*” This simple but powerful act of kindness reminds us all how small gestures can make a big difference.

Well done to Year 8 for showing compassion, creativity and a strong sense of global community.

Mrs L Selman (Head of Year 8) Science



Maths Dept News

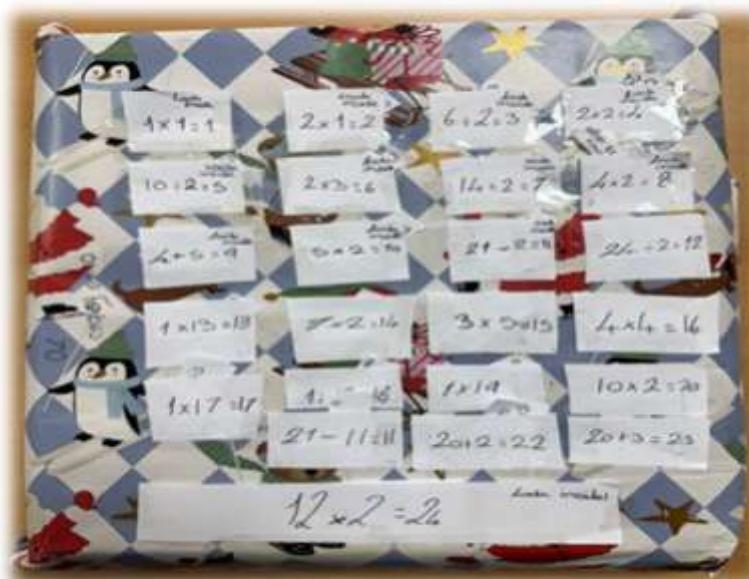
Advent Competition

Earlier this month, Year 7 took part in a mathematical themed advent competition. Their task was to make or design an advent calendar with a twist, rather than ordinary numbers on the doors of the calendar, pupils made up maths questions instead. There were some fantastic efforts with some pupils even making them 3D. Our Year 11 maths ambassadors, Oscar Alexander and Lola Jones judged them all and decided on the winning 5 entries. Each of the winners was awarded an edible prize, along with house points. Well done to everyone that took part, we have some incredibly creative and gifted mathematicians amongst you!

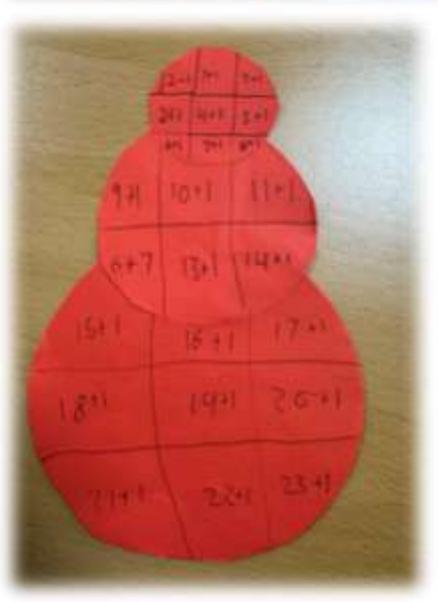
Thank you to everyone that took part!
Mrs Cadwell

Winners:

- **Olivia Forbes 7O**
- **Indy, Faith, Abi, Eva, Noah Ayda 7B**
- **Hannah Wood 7R**
- **Georgie Jones 7C**
- **Fleur Offland and Eve Jones 7R**



Advent Competition



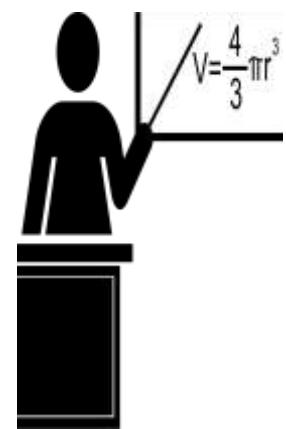
Advent Competition



Maths in Action Trip



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Maths in action article written by Poppy Sharps 10C

GCSE Maths in Action

On 12th November, I was able to visit the University of Warwick and listen to 5 fascinating speakers discuss how maths intertwines with the world we live in. Maths seeps into every job, every activity, every single day; sometimes it is just hard to realise. These intelligent speakers introduced engaging talks to allow us to understand the importance of maths in the world we currently live in.

To begin the day, Kit explored how humans often expect things to happen in a linear, predictable pattern and how easily we assume things to make solving problems less complicated. Reality argues that, due to how random the world is that we live in, it is smarter to second-guess linear patterns than to disregard our lack of addressing real probability and our understanding of non-linearity. Kit Yates demonstrated multiple scenarios to clarify how to problem-solve and make informed decisions correctly.

Sophie Maclean taught us how colour is such a special addition to maths. Although it can be seen as such a simple idea, colour forms such extra opportunities in the subject. Colours can help our brains quickly and easily visualise solutions to problems. We were shown how colours can help us when redecorating a house and where countries connect or border. Sophie introduced an idea that seems so simple but has a large intelligence behind it.

Daren Macay used maths to allow us to understand the importance of using data in the real world and how we can thoroughly understand it. He taught us how we can use data to tackle climate change and where it is at its greatest risk. Daren was interesting and interactive with his approach to maths and is currently trying to use his passion to help assist the world's crisis.

Zoe Griffiths' talk was pleasantly surprising, as we had no idea that maths could be used to perform magic tricks. Zoe was very interactive and eventually explained how maths is the root of all magic she does. She linked it to the idea that, like magic, when we first look at a maths problem, it looks impossible; however, as we start to break it down, it begins to piece together and eventually is solved. Zoe was a fascinating speaker and had very entertaining tricks.

Finally, Colin Wright unexpectedly told us how much he uses maths to improve his juggling. Colin says he uses specific maths patterns to time how long the ball is in the air for and what tricks he can perform until the ball reaches his hand again. He was easy to follow and caused a lot of excitement for us all to watch. I would want to see him in the future, creating more interesting patterns.

My Maths in Action experience was lovely. I would recommend this trip to anyone who has the opportunity to go. Although maths can be frustrating, this trip's main focus was to help us understand the positives of being able to find maths in anything and always seek to use our understanding of maths in anything.

Maths Dept News

GCHQ

Wednesday 10th December saw the release of GCHQ's annual Christmas challenge. All pupils were encouraged to give it a try with some groups completing it in their Maths lessons. The day began for those particular classes with a careers talk from Captain Andy. It was interesting to hear about what GCHQ do and how they protect our country as well listening about his personal career in the Royal Navy. The Maths department were very impressed with the level of concentration and determination shown by all pupils as they completed the challenge. Some even solved all the puzzles in the challenge within the day! Well done to everyone who took part and gave it a try.

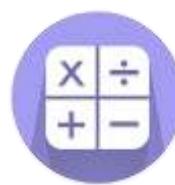


The GCHQ Christmas Challenge

We're In!

Take part too on 10 December by searching GCHQ Christmas Challenge 2025

GCHQ #GCHQChristmasChallenge



Each of the seven puzzles leads to a word, or its name or a phrase. Write the answers into the appropriate boxes below, and then use just the letters on the front of the card to deduce a description of GCHQ's work.

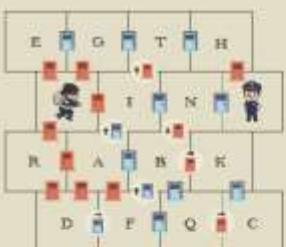
1 An anagram on this card is a special seven letter word which has no repeated letters, and its letters would not even be able to fit in the alphabet. Can you find it?

2 There is more than one answer. In which order should it be?

A	S	N	I	1	B	N
M	A	D	N	2	H	H
E	E	E	E	3	U	U
G	E	E	E	4	A	B
O	E	E	E	5	T	U
N	E	E	E	6	E	U
S	E	E	E	7	S	E

3 The reader has to find a route through the leaves. He can't go through the same coloured leaf twice in a row, and cannot cross over a leaf twice.

4 Recently he has caught me in the pelvis. How was he setting?



5 My gifts from Santa are wrapped in pairs this year - but which one is which?

L	1	B	A	E	U	R
2	W	F	T	T	R	S
C	3	N	U	O	E	H
M	4	D	U	I	1	R
P	5	E	B	A	2	I
O	6	G	D	C	3	H
J	7	D	R	O	4	S
I	8	C	B	O	5	T
H	9	A	D	U	6	E
Y	10	M	P	Q	7	N

The letters in TWO UV PAIRS have the values 0,1,2... in same order, with each letter representing a different digit.

UV=45145245345
WP=154242454245
SO=50150150150150

What is SECRET?

6 Solve this code. It has lots of two-letter words.
PIGHEM CUP MIRIAMA QOMIPM MIRNDQ <http://tiny.cc/meyarw>, NELPP HRCMPN
LYTE, ILPH, PHLG, HERD, GRYK, TPH, HLL, ARSH,
PDM PMTQ R STM QF DM, TWTG FRCM CTQ SHU TTT WLE, HQ ITQ!

7 Find an appropriate 3-letter word.

✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓

Follow us or scan the QR code to find the answers need.



MFL Dept News

Modern Languages MATTERS

European Day of Languages Competition Winners:



In tutor time, pupils learnt about the European Day of Languages and were set a challenge.

They had to identify a nursery rhyme (Old Mc Donald had a Farm) written in Latin and write a follow up stanza about a cat (=felis) by following the pattern from the previous stanzas. The following pupils from 8E were the clear winners:



Lacey Deacon, Ruby Downer, Carys Lowe, Talulah Fox

MFL Dept News

Do YOU have what it takes to be a spy?

GCHQ National Language Competition
17 - 21 November 2025



PRIZE INCLUDES A TOP SECRET VISIT TO GCHQ

Open to Year 9 students in teams of up to 4

 nlc@gchq.gov.uk



#GCHQNationalLanguageCompetition

Our year 9 teams this year were:

STUNNING BUFFALO: 4110 points

May Rowlands, Gracie Varney, Nerissa Hewitt, Phoebe Alexander,

FLUFFY MEERKAT: 1875 points

Lily Crisp, Layla Williams, Mia Barrow, Florence Jones

SPRIGHTLY BADGER: 965 points

Sorrel Miller, Chloe Durkan, Max Davies, Amelia Williams

ADVENTUROUS FIREFLY: 945 points

Mishka Vitkovska, Bluebell Hares, Aidan Steel

Huge congratulations to the winning team at the Corbet School:



Meanwhile our 12 Language Young Leaders are getting ready to teach year 5 pupils in the Spring term.

Design and Technology

Year 7 have made a fantastic start to the term developing their woodworking skills in creating a wooden truck. Their confidence with tools and equipment is growing every lesson.

Year 8 have been making a bottle opener or Bluetooth speaker looking at topics such as ergonomics and modelling. Their independence has been phenomenal this term! These project will continue after Christmas.

Year 9 have been showing skills in metal work and CAD to create a pewter cast key tag. Some pupils are also in the middle of manufacturing a desktop lamp showing lots of creativity.

Year 10 have started the Construction course learning about performance requirements of buildings, drawing skills and practical joinery skills. GCSE DT pupils have been working on a modelling project around cameras which will be a key element of their coursework next year.

Year 11 are deep into their NEA in GCSE DT and are almost ready to make their final product after Christmas. The Construction pupils have completed their final coursework element which is 60% of the course complete!!



Pennant
SHOP EQUIPMENT

Special thanks to Paul Garry at Pennant's of Oswestry who kindly donated an array of material offcuts such as plywood and acrylic to the faculty. These are a huge help to support projects and the quality of student work.

Can you help?

If you would like to support the faculty with any donations of Art supplies, materials for DT and Textiles please contact Mr Richards

Food Preparation and Nutrition

A big welcome to our new Food teacher **Mrs Francis** who started with us in September bringing in lots of new ideas and recipes!

Key Stage 3

Pupils have been showing an array of skills and theory knowledge from basic knife skills to bread making. The method of providing ingredients has helped develop a range of skills.

Key Stage 4

Year 10 have been learning an array of skills including filleting fish and jointing chickens. They've also been involved in some experimental work all skilling them up for Year 11.

Year 11 have been working hard on their NEA 1 investigations which they have completed. They have started researching NEA 2.

Textiles

A big welcome to **Mrs Peters** who has joined the team. The textiles room has been rejuvenated so a big thank you!

Key Stage 3

In **Year 7** our pupils have experimented to develop their embroidery skills, in readiness to decorate their finished cushions. **Year 8** are creating an apron. They have been introduced to pattern cutting, applique and hand embroidery.

In **Year 9** pupils have had the opportunity to design and make their own character doll. This has involved design, pattern cutting and a wide range of embellishment techniques.

Students have also contributed to making a dress of poppies for our recent **acts of remembrance** and Halloween decorations to enhance their skills.



Special thanks to **Rob & Andrea Davidson** who kindly donated a range of textile materials and other resources which will be invaluable to pupils.

Can you help?

If you would like to support the faculty with any donations of Art supplies, materials for DT and Textiles please contact Mr Richards

Art Dept News

Art Department Autumn newsletter

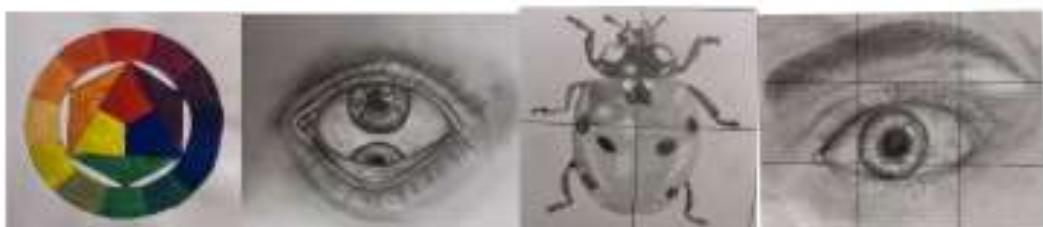
Tree Topper Competition

We had some superb entries to the Christmas Tree competition. Our winner 1st prize winner, chosen by Dr Tinker was Sophia Woodward. Her gorgeous Angel sits proudly on top of the Corbet Christmas Tree. Well done to Harvey Newson for achieving 2nd prize with his wonderful wreath.



Staff 'creativity for wellbeing' Clay workshop

We have had a busy term in Art, learning about colour theory, composition and proportion. All of KS3 have developed some excellent skills in their key elements of tone and line with great observational work. We look forward to developing this in the Spring term.



PE Sports News

Netball Results

Under 13 North Shropshire Netball Tournament

Well done to the Year 8 girls who competed at the North Shropshire netball tournament held at the marches School on Tuesday 7th November

The girls were runners up of the tournament being defeated by The Grove in the final.



Year 8 Netball Team

Netball Fixtures

Vs Grove 29th September

Year 7 Blue - 6-0 win

Year 7 Red - 3-1 win

Year 8 Sky Blue - 1-6 lost

Year 8 Navy Blue - 8-4 win

Vs Belvedere 25th November

Year 7 4 - 5 lost

Year 8 23 - 8 lost

Vs Thomas Adams 27th November

Year 7 - won

Year 8 - won



Under 14 Netball Team at the County Tournament in September

Sports News

Netball Results

Year 8



Year 7



The Year 9, 10 and 11 netball teams have had a successful autumn term. Despite all three year groups having several fixtures postponed due to bad weather or being cancelled by our opposition, they have remained dedicated to training after school each week. The Year 9 team came 3rd in the U14 County Tournament in the plate competition and beat Belvidere 13-11 in a friendly match recently. The U14 B team won the North Shropshire Schools B team Tournament and were undefeated in all their matches. The Year 10 netball team have had some close matches against Priory and in the North Shropshire Schools Tournament where they narrowly missed out on qualifying for the play-offs. The Year 11 team had a fantastic win against Priory, winning 12-10 after being 6-1 down after the first quarter. They well and truly came back fighting to win when they arrived back on court! Year 11 also had a fantastic 12-6 win against Belvidere.

Mrs Gorski PE



Under 16

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Sports News

Cross Country

The house cross country event at Corbet always kicks off our house sports programme for the year and this year was no different! All years competed in house cross country during lesson time back in September and those who completed the course quickest are added to the school cross country team! The North Shropshire Cross Country Championships were held at Oswestry school, and everyone involved did really well to secure some high place standings. The year 8 boys team who took first place in the same competition last year finished a solid 3rd position this time round and the year 7 boys and 8 girls battled hard to secure second place in their respective races. A special mention to Will and Charley who following the North Shropshire were invited to compete for Shropshire in the Dave Sunderland Inter County Cross Country on Saturday, 22 November.

Mr Lowe (Head of PE, PSHE, H&SC)



Sports News

Rugby Results

The Year 11 rugby team have had a good start to the season. They began competing in a Shropshire 10-a-side tournament, playing some decent rugby and setting themselves up well to kick on for the rest of the season. Next, they had their first match of the season against Mary Webb School. Corbet won by a try in a hard-fought game. The picture below is from this fixture. In their next match, Corbet were convincing winners against Thomas Adams School and played some extremely good rugby, particularly with the ball carrying from the forwards and defence across the squad. In the final game of this term, Corbet hosted Belvidere School for a development game. For several of the Belvidere players, this was their first game of rugby. The Corbet boys played amazingly well, scoring several unbelievable tries. The two most impressive aspects of this fixture from a Corbet perspective were that Belvidere were held to zero on the score sheet, and our lads were extremely respectful and gracious against a far less experienced team. We look forward to seeing how the Year 11s, and other Corbet teams do in the County Cup next term.

Mr Simms - (Deputy Head/DSL/PE)



Year 7 Rugby:

The Corbet School Year 7 rugby team recently faced two strong opponents in a challenging week of fixtures. In their first match against Packwood, the team produced an exciting, end-to-end performance. Despite showing great determination in both attack and defence, they were narrowly defeated by 7 tries to 6. The players demonstrated improving teamwork and excellent support play, pushing Packwood right to the final whistle.

Their second fixture saw us host Thomas Adams. Corbet worked hard throughout and showed real resilience and lots of improvement from the Packwood fixture, but the opposition proved too strong on the day, resulting in a 4–0 loss. Even so, the team continued to display commitment, strong tackling, and a willingness to learn from each phase of play.

Across both matches, the Year 7 squad showed clear progress, positive attitudes, and a growing understanding of the game. With continued training and experience, the team are well-placed to develop further as the season continues.

Mr Lowe (Head of PE/PSHE/H&SC)



Football Results

Under 13 Boys Football:

The U13 boys football team have gelled together, and shown great resilience and team work this term. With tough draws both in the County Cup and Presidents Trophy competition it was always going to be a hard task to progress and although we are out of the two big county competitions, this doesn't really tell the story of our season so far!

0 Belvidere V Corbet 1 – Round 1 of the U13 County Cup saw us take on one of our local rivals in Belvidere! The match was as tight as the scoreline suggests. After scoring early in the game we managed to defend really well to secure the victory and take us through to round two!

1 Corbet V Shrewsbury Academy 1 (Shrewsbury Ac. Won 2-1 AET!) – Round 2 of the U13 County Cup was a hugely disappointing result, having led the match 1 -0 and seemingly heading for round 3 we conceded late in the game to take in to extra time as the darkness started to fall. In this 10 minutes we conceded again which really hit us hard but we battled back to create 2 or 3 really good chances to take the game to penalties. In the end it wasn't enough and we exited the County Cup!

3 Priory V Corbet 1 – U13 Presidents Trophy – Having secured a bye in round 1 we travelled to The Priory school and quickly lost control of the game in the first half, struggling to deal with their dangerous attackers. 3-0 to Priory at half time was a fair reflection of the game but we had so much more to offer in the second half and we duly put them under immense pressure, creating chance after chance but not hitting the back of the net. An amazing fightback and improved performance but we crashed out of the cup at this stage!

Mr Lowe (Head of PE/PSHE/H&SC)



Football Results

Under 15 Boys Football:

As I write this report the U15 boys are still in both the County Cup and Presidents Trophy competitions!! They have progressed into the Quarter finals of the County Cup having demolished the opposition in round 1 and 2! Shrewsbury Academy were no match for our superior technical ability and sharp shooting skills and we ran out winners by 4 goals to 1. In round two, Marches put up a fight, but we responded to the challenge and progressed in the competition with a comprehensive 5-2 win with our own defensive errors to blame for the lack of a clean sheet! After a great result V priory in the opening round of the Presidents Trophy (3 -1) we now play Idsall school (Away) in the last week of term to reach the quarter finals in both of the premier cup competitions in Shropshire! Good luck boys!

Mr Lowe (Head of PE/PSHE/H&SC)



Sports Results

Cross Country - September 2025

Year	Overall (Lowest Points Wins)	Combined (Lowest Points Wins)
7 Boys	1st - R (109) 2nd - E (111) 3rd - C (184) 4th - B (208) 5th - O (209)	1st - R (252) 2nd - C (285) 3rd - E (286) 4th - O (409) 5th - B (429)
7 Girls	1st - C (101) 2nd - R (143) 3rd - E (175) 4th - O (200) 5th - B (221)	
8 Boys	1st - O (107) 2nd - C (125) 3rd - R (156) 4th - B (198) 5th - E (206)	1st - R (252) 2nd - C (267) 3rd - O (280) 4th - B (364) 5th - E (401)
8 Girls	1st - R (96) 2nd - C (142) 3rd - B (166) 4th - O (173) 5th - E (195)	
9 Boys	1st - O (86) 2nd - E (188) 3rd - B (191) 4th - C (220) 5th - R (264)	1st - B (296) 2nd - E (394) 3rd - C (398) 4th - R (403) 5th - O (410)
9 Girls	1st - B (105) 2nd - R (139) 3rd - C (178) 4th - E (206) 5th - O (324)	
10 Boys	1st - C (85) 2nd - R (113) 3rd - B (138) 4th - O&E (151)	1st - C (156) 2nd - O (162) 3rd - R (191) 4th - E (226) 5th - B (245)
10 Girls	1st - C (71) 2nd - E (75) 3rd - R (78) 4th - B (107) 5th - O (110)	
11 Boys	1st - C (55) 2nd - E (94) 3rd - R (108) 4th - O (173) 5th - B (175)	1st - C (151) 2nd - E (212) 3rd - R (239) 4th - O&B (351)
11 Girls	1st - C (96) 2nd - E (118) 3rd - R (131) 4th - B (176) 5th - O (178)	

Final standings:
1st - C (1257)
2nd - R (1337)
3rd - E (1519)
4th - O (1612)
5th - B (1685)

Netball and Football – October 2025

Year	Overall (Highest Points Wins)	Combined (Highest Points Wins)
7 Boys Football	1st - R (9) 2nd - O (3 (+5)) 3rd - B (3 (+2)) 4th - C (3 (+1)) 5th - E (1)	1st - R (22) 2nd - O (18) 3rd - C (12) 3rd - E (12) 4th - B (8)
7 Girls Netball	1st - O (15) 2nd - R (13) 3rd - E (11) 4th - C (9) 5th - B (5)	
8 Boys Football	1st - R (10) 2nd - C (7) 3rd - E (6) 4th - O (4) 5th - B (1)	1st - R (30) 2nd - C (21) 3rd - E (20) 4th - B (6) 5th - O (4)
8 Girls Netball	1st - R (20) 2nd - E (14) 3rd - C (14) 4th - B (5) 5th - O (0)	
9 Boys Football	1st - E (10) 2nd - O (9) 3rd - R (7) 4th - B (3)	1st - R (27) 2nd - E (25) 3rd - O (17)
	5th - C (0)	4th - C (8) 5th - B (3)
9 Girls Netball	1st - R (20) 2nd - E (15) 3rd - O (8) 4th - C (8) 5th - B (0)	
10 Boys Football	1st - C (12) 2nd - B (5) 3rd - E (4) 4th - O (2) 5th - R (1)	1st - C (27) 2nd - R (17) 3rd - B (16) 4th - E (16) 5th - O (3)
10 Girls Netball	1st - R (16) 2nd - C (15) 3rd - E (12) 4th - B (11) 5th - O (1)	
11 Boys Football	1st - R (8) 2nd - C (6) 3rd - B (6) 4th - E (5) 5th - O (2)	1st - C (26) 2nd - B (21) 3rd - R (19) 4th - O (8) 5th - E (5)
11 Girls Netball	1st - C (20) 2nd - B (15) 3rd - R (11) 4th - O (6) 5th - E (0)	

Wellbeing Woods News

Charles in Year 7 found this October:

This **Pale Tussock Moth caterpillar** (*Calliteara pudibunda*)

□ Quick Facts:

Appearance: Bright yellow-green with tufts (or "tussocks") of hair, often with a bright tail-like spike at the end—very distinctive!

Habitat: Common in gardens, woodland edges, hedgerows, and parks.

Season: Most often seen as caterpillars in **late summer to early autumn** (e.g., August–October), before they pupate and emerge as adult moths the following year.

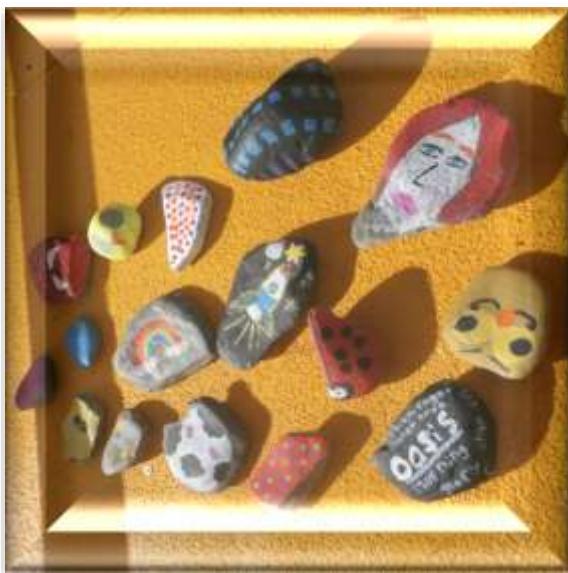
Distribution: Widespread across **southern and central UK**, and much of **Europe**.

□ Is it unusual to see one?

While not rare, they are **eye-catching**, so many people think they're exotic or uncommon. You may not see them often unless you're actively looking in the right places during the right time of year.

□ A Note on Handling:

They may **cause skin irritation** if touched, due to the hairs, so it's best to **admire them without handling**.



A big thank you to Mrs Lewis and the pupils in the Year 11 CAPE (Corbet Award of Personal Effectiveness Group) for helping with the upkeep of the pebble river in the Wellbeing Woods. They have painted us some more pebbles this term!

Wildlife Competition Results



Minibeast Winner

Noah

Joint Second

Sophia

Rose



Bird Winner

Eleanor





Bird Second

Jessica

Wildlife Winner

Amber



Fabulous winners trophy, made by
Mr Harrod-Wilde



Wildlife Joint Second

Sophia

Francine



Wellbeing Woods News

Festive Surprise for Corbet School Pupils

In the final week of term, pupils at Corbet School were treated to a truly magical surprise when three elves and two reindeer, Bo and Biscuit, paid us a special visit. It was one of the best kept secrets in quite some time... pupils had no idea the visitors were scheduled and were thrilled as rumours began to spread.

Bo and Biscuit are both eight years old and gave pupils a wonderful opportunity to learn more about these fascinating animals. Reindeer can run at speeds of up to 48 mph, their eyes change colour with the seasons to help them see in different light conditions, and they have been domesticated for longer than dogs. In the wild, reindeer typically live for around 12 years due to predation, but in captivity they can live for up to 20 years. Some reindeer herds, also known as caribou, can number as many as 50,000 animals.

Pupils were exceptionally respectful throughout the visit and made a wonderful impression on our visitors, who were delighted by the warm hospitality they received. Despite the cold weather, spirits remained high, helped by the CFA who kindly provided and sold refreshments at break and lunchtime to keep everyone going.

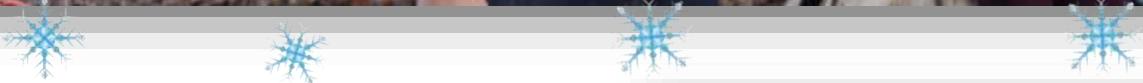
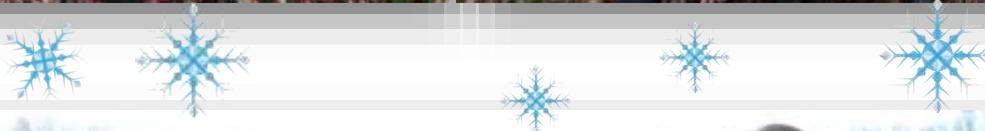
The weather was kind to us, with the rain holding off all day, allowing pupils to fully enjoy the experience. This visit was made possible thanks to the legacy fundraising of former pupil Lucy Brough, whose efforts have enabled the school to benefit from animal based wellbeing experiences.

It was a joyful end to the term and a day that will be remembered for a long time by pupils and staff alike.

Mrs L Selman
Head of Year 8
Teacher of
Science



Reindeer Visit





Corbet Clothes

Welcome to Corbet's second-hand uniform shop

To reduce waste, recycle old uniforms, and increase the affordability of school wear, we have set up 'Corbet Clothes'; giving families the opportunity to donate unused or unwanted uniforms.

The initiative was launched by ex-student, Anna Fairley, and her great work is continued by volunteers from the current student body.



Corbet Clothes



All the items available through Corbet Clothes will be free of charge

SIMS Parent App Lite

To ensure our records are up to date and as accurate as possible please log into your account and confirm all your details are correct.

If they are not, please update this information as soon as possible. This includes any medical conditions your child may have.

www.sims-parent.co.uk

[Parent App Registration Guide for Parents Oct 2023.docx](#)

Lost Property

Part of the transition to Secondary School is to encourage independence, therefore students are asked to name all clothing as this helps getting lost items back to them.

Students are to check lost property and follow their own footsteps to locate any items which they have mislaid.

Contacting Us

We have a number of different contact methods please use the following to take you direct to each department. Using these direct numbers and emails address's means we can deal with your enquiry more effectively.

Reception

01939 260296

admin@corbetschool.net

IT

01939 262005

CorbetITsupport@corbetschool.net

Pupil Absence

01939 262004

absence@corbetschool.net

Finance which includes Parent Pay

01939 262008

finance@corbetschool.net

Lettings

If you are considering the hire of the facilities please be aware of the guidance in the attached documents.

- [After-school clubs community activities and tuition safeguarding provider guidance](#)
 - [Keeping children safe during clubs tuition and activities – provider leaflet](#)

Enquiries can be made on the attached form: <https://forms.office.com/e/MwjR02QwNU>

Unscheduled School Closure Arrangements

We make every effort to keep the school open but our primary concern has to be the safety of our 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 the following 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
- If the school is closing, we shall send a text message and an email to alert parents via the schools messaging system.
- Please do not attempt to contact the school to make individual arrangements with your child. We will need to access the 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 necessary, transport will be dispatched early and you will be notified by text message and email.
- Parents can refer to school closures on Shropshire Council website Shropshire.gov.uk/school-closures/secondary-schools
- If there is more widespread severe weather, 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) and an email address, which can be updated by the Parent Lite App.

NOTICE TO PARENTS/CARERS SCHOOL ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS 2027/28

Shropshire Council, as admission authority for community and controlled schools in Shropshire, is conducting a consultation exercise on School Admission Arrangements for 2027/28. The Council is simultaneously coordinating a consultation exercise for own admission authority schools, such as academies, whose governing bodies/trustees are responsible for setting their admission arrangements and who wish to make changes to those arrangements. We wish to notify all parents/carers that the consultation will begin on 28 November 2025 and continue for more than 6 weeks until 16 January 2026.

The proposed amendment to Shropshire Council's admission arrangements is as follows:
Changing the definition of a sibling from 'older sibling' to 'a sibling' to the oversubscription criteria for all community and voluntary controlled schools in Shropshire*.

Proposed changes to Shropshire's admission authority school arrangements are shown below.

The consultation documents and further information can be found on the individual school websites and on the Shropshire Council website www.shropshire.gov.uk in the link to Consultation on Admission Arrangements 2027.

Holy Trinity CE Primary, Mereside CE Primary, Buildwas Academy, Ellesmere Primary, Barrow 1618 Free School and Woodside Primary School, Oswestry, Baschurch CE Primary, Bishop Hooper CE Primary, Claverley CE Primary, Corvedale CE Primary, Longden CE Primary, Whittington CE Primary and Weston Lullingfields CE Primary Schools and The Community College, Bishops Castle	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling'
Woore Primary School	have joined the Collective Vision Trust and therefore need to consult
Crowmoor Primary and The Martin Wilson Primary Schools	have joined the SHINE Academies Trust and therefore need to consult
Albrighton Primary School	have joined the Four Hills Education Trust and are also proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling'
The Corbet School	is proposing to reduce its PAN from 145 to 135.
Clunbury Primary, Norbury Primary and St Mary's CE Primary School Bucknall	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' and adding staff into their oversubscription criteria
The Diocese of Herefordshire Multi Academy Trust	are proposing to add staff criteria into their oversubscription criteria for the following schools: Bishops Castle Primary, Condover CE Primary, Lydbury North CE Primary, Onny CE Primary, St Edward's CE Primary and St George's CE Primary Schools.
Empower Multi-Academy Trust	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and in addition the following schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' along with moving the staff criteria priority to a standard position across the trust for Market Drayton Infant, Market Drayton Junior, St George's CE Junior, St Mary's CE Primary Shawbury, St Peter's CE Primary Wem, The Wilfred Owen and Woodfield Infant Schools. In addition to the above changes, Greenacres Primary School is also proposing to reduce its PAN from 30 to 15.

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Marches Academy Trust	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' at Grange Primary, Longlands Primary, Lower Heath CE Primary, Oakmeadow CE Primary, and Tilstock Primary Schools and The Marches, Idsall Secondary, The Grove, Shrewsbury Academy and Sir John Talbot's Secondary schools. The following schools have also joined the trust; Cockshutt CE Primary, Criftins CE Primary and Selattyn CE Primary so need to consult.
St John's Catholic Primary School, Bridgnorth	are proposing to give a higher priority to PLAC/LAC children of the catholic faith.
Whitchurch CE Infant and Whitchurch CE Junior Schools	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' as well as giving priority for siblings attending either school at the time of application.
Severn Bridges Multi-Academy Trust	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and in addition the following schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' along with moving the staff criteria priority to a standard position across the trust; Greenfields Primary, Mount Pleasant Primary and Radbrook Primary Schools. Harlescott Junior and Sundorne Infant Schools, in addition to the above are proposing to give priority for siblings attending either school at the time of application
Shropshire Church of England Academies Trust	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and in addition the following schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' at Beckbury CE Primary, Bicton CE Primary, Bomere Heath CE Primary, Christ Church CE Primary, Meole Brace CE Primary, St John the Baptist CE Ruyton, St Mary's CE Bluecoat Primary and Worfield Endowed CE Primary Schools.
Shropshire Gateway Education Trust has merged to form the Four Stones Gateway Trust.	The following trust schools are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling'; Clee Hill Community Academy, Stottesdon CE Primary School and The Lacon Childe School. In addition to this, Cleobury Mortimer are also proposing to reduce their PAN from 37 to 30.
The 3-18 Education Trust	are proposing to change the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' at Bowbrook Primary, Coleham Primary, Hodnet Primary, Much Wenlock primary schools and Bridgnorth Endowed, The Priory, St Martins, Thomas Adams William Brookes School. In addition, William Brookes School is removing its sixth form criteria and John Wilkinson Primary School has joined the trust.
The Trust-Ed Schools	are proposing one over-arching policy for all its trust schools and a change to the sibling criteria for both in and out of area siblings from 'an older' sibling to 'a sibling' for its school as follows: Alveley Primary, Castlefields CE Primary, St Leonard's CE and Stokesay CE primary Schools. Belvidere School, Church Stretton, Mary Webb, Meole Brace and Oldbury Wells secondary schools

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You can make comments on any of the proposed changes and submit by **Friday 16 January 2026**
 e-mail school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk, contact the school directly, or write to:
 Shropshire Council, c/o The Guildhall, Shrewsbury, SY3 8HQ

*Community & Voluntary Controlled Schools as follows:

Shrewsbury Area	North Area	South Area
Belvidere Primary School Oxon CE Primary School St Giles' CE Primary School St Lucia's CE Primary School	Adderley CE Primary School Bryn Offa CE Primary School Buntingdale Primary School Gobowen Primary School Hadnall CE Primary School Kinnerley CE Primary School Morda CE Primary School Moreton Say CE Primary School Myddle CE Primary & Nursery School Nesscliffe St Andrew's CE Primary School Newtown CE Primary School Norton-in-Hales CE Primary School The Meadows Primary School Stoke-on-Tern Primary School Trefonen CE Primary School Welshampton CE Primary School West Felton CE Primary School Weston Rhyn Primary School	Albrighton St Mary's CE Primary School Brockton CE Primary School Broseley CE Primary School Brown Clee CE Primary School Chirbury CE Primary & Nursery School Church Preen Primary School Church Stretton, St Lawrence CE Primary & Nursery School Farlow CE Primary School Hanwood, St Thomas & St Anne's CE Primary School Highley Primary School Kinlet CE Primary School Longnor CE Primary School Ludlow, St Laurence CE Primary School Minsterley Primary School Newcastle CE Primary School Pontesbury CE Primary School Rushbury CE Primary School Sheriffhales Primary & Pre School Shifnal Primary School Shifnal St Andrew's CE Primary School Stiperstones CE Primary School Trinity CE Primary School Wistanstow CE Primary School Worthen Long Mountain CE Primary School

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

You could be eligible for grant-funded energy efficiency works at home – please don't miss this opportunity to cut down your energy bills.

Sustainable Warmth Shropshire – an initiative run by Shropshire Council – has secured more funding to carry out improvements on Shropshire resident's homes.

If you are in receipt of any of the following, you will automatically qualify:

Universal Credit

Free School Meals

Child Tax Credits

Child Benefit (*income thresholds apply*)

For more information and to apply, please visit our website at www.shropshire.gov.uk/sws.

If you require additional help with your application, please contact our free and impartial energy advice service, Keep Shropshire Warm on 0800 112 3743.

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



School Uniform



SCHOOL SHOP DIRECT

There are several ways to buy items

Shop Opening days/times overleaf

Telephone Call us on 01743 440 449

Online www.schoolshopdirect.co.uk

Email info@schoolshopdirect.co.uk

Why not come and see us?

Unit 17 / 18
Sundorne Trade Park
Featherbed Lane
Shrewsbury
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www.schoolshopdirect.co.uk

SCHOOL SHOP DIRECT

Opening Hours

Monday	9 - 5 pm
Tuesday	9 - 5 pm
Wednesday	9 - 5 pm
Thursday	9 - 5 pm
Friday	9 - 5 pm
Saturday	10 - 4 pm

Extended Easter and Summer School holiday opening hours

please visit our website for more information

Don't forget...
we also supply Brownie/Cub etc uniform,
and offer a full range of sports team wear.

www.schoolshopdirect.co.uk



Safety message from the Passenger Transport Group:



**ALL PASSENGERS
MUST WEAR
SEAT BELTS**

Students must always wear the provided seatbelt during their journey on all transport provided by Shropshire Council.

Only one person is allowed in each seat fitted with a seat belt.
Never use the same seat belt across two or more passengers.

Wearing a seat belt not only helps protect your safety, but it also helps protect the safety of others.



THE **CORBET** SCHOOL

Key dates 2025-2026

Parents' evenings:

Year 7:	Thursday 12 th February 2026
Year 8:	Thursday 5 th March 2026
Year 9:	Thursday 11 th December 2025
Year 10:	Thursday 26 th February 2026
Year 11:	Thursday 13 th November 2025

Additional parents' evening events:

Year 7	KS3 Parents' information evening	Wednesday 8th October 2025
Year 9	Options and KS4 curriculum evening,	Thursday 12 th March 2026
Year 10	KS4 Parents' information evening,	Wednesday 17 th September 2025

Full report to parents / carers:

Year 7:	July 2026
Year 8:	May 2026
Year 9:	February 2026
Year 10:	May 2026
Year 11:	February 2026

Interim report 1 to parents/ carers:

Year 7:	November 2025
Year 8:	November 2025
Year 9:	November 2025
Year 10:	November 2025
Year 11:	October 2025

Interim report 2 to parents / carers:

Year 7:	March 2026
Year 8:	February 2026
Year 9:	June 2026
Year 10:	July 2026
Year 11:	March 2026

Mock exams:

Year 10	MFL speaking	02.03.2026-13.03.2026
Year 10	Written exams	22.06.2026-03.07.2026
Year 10	Exam results to parents' and pupils	July 2026
Year 11	MFL speaking exams	10.11.2025-21.11.2025
Year 11	Written exams	24.11.2025-05.12.2026
Year 11	Exam results to parents' and pupils	December 2025

All dates are provisional and may be subject to change. Further information will be provided to parents / carers closer to the time via the e-mail address we hold on file for you.

Programme of Terms & Holidays 2025-2026

SPRING TERM 2026

Tuesday 6th January – Friday 27th March 2026

Half Term: Monday 16th February-Friday 20th February 2026

Easter Holiday: Monday 30th March– Friday 10th April 2026

*Professional Development Days:

Monday 5th January 2026

SUMMER TERM 2026

Monday 13th April – Friday 17th July 2026

May Day: Monday 4th May 2026

Half Term: Monday 25th May– Friday 29th 2026

End of Term: Friday 17th July 2026

ALL DATES INCLUSIVE

* School closed for pupils



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