



Shirley News

December 2017

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Dear Parents / Carers / Students

I hope you enjoy reading the December edition of our newsletter which gives you a small idea of some of the wonderful things that have been happening in school since half term. Celebration of Success with Ashley McKenzie as our guest speaker with our very own X Factor contestant Rai-Elle Williams collecting her Achievement Awards must surely be one of the main highlights. Prize winners were presented with their prizes and then given an inspirational talk to encourage our youngsters to continue to strive for excellence.



This half term has seen, amongst other things, Year 11 1:1 meetings with Mr Hurst (Vice Principal with responsibility for Years 10 and 11) taking their pre-public exams and now knowing exactly what they need to do to achieve their full potential in their final exams next summer. Year 7 parents / carers have been into school to meet their children's tutors and to see how well they have settled into the secondary school way of life and Sixth Form students have also had 1:1 meetings with Ms Doherty (Vice Principal with responsibility for the Sixth Form).

This half term also saw our busiest ever Sixth Form Open Evening in November and the many applications received are now being processed. For the third year running the whole school participated in the Remembrance Service on Armistice Day on Friday 10 November 2017. Our students do us proud as they line up in complete silence for the two minutes to commemorate the soldiers who lost their lives during conflicts.

As we approach the end of the year I would like to wish our parents, carers, students and staff a very merry Christmas and a peaceful and happy 2018. I look forward to welcoming students back on Wednesday 3 January 2018 at the slightly later time of 10.30 am which will allow me time for a staff briefing before the start of the spring term. Best wishes. **N M Barrow - Principal**

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

Tuesday 19 December 2017

School Closes for Christmas Holidays at 11.30 am

Wednesday 3 January 2018

School opens for Spring Term at 10.30 am for students

Friday 5 January 2018

Year 7-13 Summative Data published on SLG

Monday 8 January - 19 January 2018

Year 12/13 Pre-Public Exams & Work Experience

Friday 26 January 2018

Year 11 Written Reports published on SLG

Monday 29 January 2018

Year 13 1:1 Meetings with Ms Doherty

Thursday 1 February 2018

Year 11 Parents' Evening

Monday 5 - 9 February 2018

12 1:1 Meetings with Ms Doherty

Tuesday 6 February 2018

Year 12/13 Parents' Evening

Friday 9 February 2018

School closes for half term - one week



WAS HELD ON

THURSDAY 19 OCTOBER 2017

What a wonderful evening with so many successes and achievements to celebrate throughout the school.

Well done to all!

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES BY OUR SPECIAL GUEST

ASHLEY MCKENZIE

(English Judo competitor at the men's 60 kg division. He was also a member of the Great Britain Olympic Judo Team at London 2012)



Please see our website for details of our prize winners
www.shirley.croydon.sch.uk

Shirley High School staff, students and governors gathered for a Remembrance Day Service and took part in a two minutes silence to reflect on the soldiers who lost their lives during conflict and whose bravery allowed us to be where we are today.

On Thursday 14 December 2017, we thanked our wonderful Year 13 Prefects by giving them a Christmas buffet in the Sixth Form Common Room.



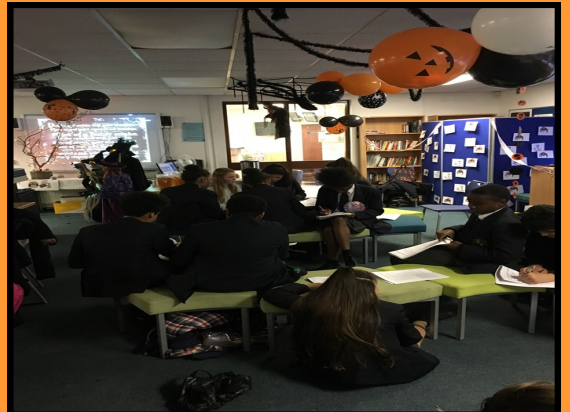
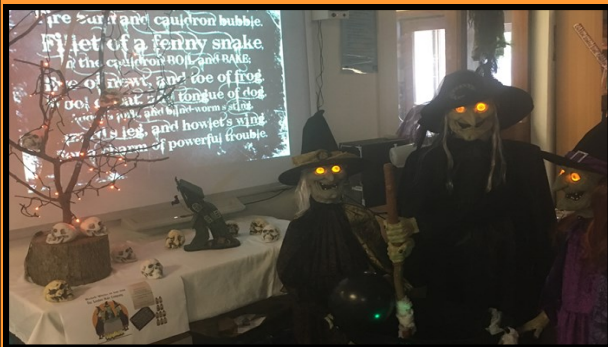
Ms Doherty
Vice Principal KS5

When: Every Monday Lunch time

Where: B15

For lunch pass please see Mrs Ghoshun

Mrs J Scott-Goodfellow - 3rd in English / Whole School Literacy Coordinator



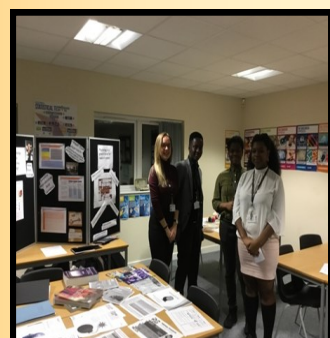
WHY GO ANYWHERE ELSE?

The Sixth Form at Shirley High School has gone from strength to strength over the years. It is extremely popular not only with Shirley High students but also with students from both inside and outside the borough. Because of this, we had an extremely good turnout for our Sixth Form Open Evening event held on Tuesday 7 November 2017. Both students and teachers were available to give information on the courses we provide and life in Sixth Form.

Following on from our excellent A level results 83% A*-C and 98% A*-D as well as our continuing success in BTEC courses 100% pass rate 49% at distinction this summer, we expect to see another high increase in numbers as was the case this year.

Our course guide and application form can be found online or a hard copy can be requested from the Sixth Form office. The first deadline for interviews in January will be held on Friday 15 December 2017, however, we will continue to accept applications after this date.

Mrs C Kelly - Sixth Form Administrator



Sixth Form Matters

The most recent Year 13 parental survey came back with some very pleasing results. 100% of parents / carers agreed that students are well looked after and that their son / daughter are taught well in the Sixth Form.

100% also agreed that students were very happy with their experience of the Sixth Form and comments such as 'We are so happy we chose to stay on' and 'thank you to all the staff for making her feel so welcomed' only continue to confirm what Ofsted said about the Post 16 provision - 'high quality' and 'Sixth Form leaders ensure that learners are taught well'.

Jack Petchey Achievement Celebration 2017

On Wednesday 6 December 2017, a number of Shirley students were honoured at the Jack Petchey Achievement Celebration. This event took place at 7.30 pm in the Open Space, Crystal Palace. All Croydon schools were represented. Students had won their Jack Petchey Awards in 2017 for a range of things – mainly for all they do to help in the school and wider community. They were nominated by their peers. It was a lovely evening with students being presented with their medallions by the Mayor of Croydon and other dignitaries. Parents and carers were able to attend to share in their success. Well done to all the winners.

Jack Petchey Achievement Winners 2017

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| Simone Payne (L) | Benie Masebo (L) |
| Rachel Danton 13H | Lesley Kangausaru 11R |
| Kardo Ali 8R | Akshyaa Sithanparathan 10I |
| Jada Grant 12R | Neena Sivanunchava (L) |
| Lauren Hewitt (L) | Tia Weeks 13H |
| Salem Mwela 11H | Alina Kamara 12R |

Ms B Doherty – Vice Principal Post 16



Sixth Form Gospel Choir X Factor 2017 Experience

On 8 November 2017 the Sixth Form Gospel Choir received some very exciting news. Mr Taylor (Acting Head of Performing Arts) called an emergency meeting and informed us that we have been given the opportunity to support former student Rai-Elle Williams on the live X Factor show on Sunday 12 November 2017. The Gospel Choir would support Rai-Elle on stage LIVE in front of a studio audience and to millions of people watching TV. Our reactions were WOW X FACTOR! We were ecstatic and eager to have the experience of a lifetime!

We spent the few days leading up to the live show singing as a group, learning new techniques and strengthening our voices. We quickly bonded as a group and it was as if we had all been singing together for a long time. The song we would be performing was 'They Won't Go When I Go' by George Michael.



Before we knew it, it was Sunday morning! I excitedly woke up at 6 am and took the train from East Croydon to where the X Factor studios are located in London.

It was so exciting, we went straight through security to the VIP area where our Green Room was located. We watched as the cameras and Sound Tech Crew were setting up preparing for the day and then we listened to the contestants taking it in turns to warm up their singing voices over microphones. We were all thrilled to be part of such an amazing experience.

We were then taken to costume to be fitted for the performance and rehearsals took place with our wonderful Choreographer Dean Lee who choreographed performances by Little Mix and Janet Jackson, JLS and Kylie to name but a few! Now he was choreographing us!

It was soon our turn to walk down the stairs (yes those stairs you see on TV with the contestants looking down onto the stage!) and take up our positions on two platforms either side of the stage. Rai-Elle came on stage and sang three performances of the song, each time talking to the director and taking cues from the stage manager. She sounded amazing!

After recording, we then went for lunch and saw Rai-Elle, the other contestants and Dermot O'Leary eating his lunch amongst many other interesting things.... all the normal things you see on a Sunday of course. We then had a couple of hours to relax in our Green Room before dress rehearsal. Mr Taylor surprised us by inviting Rak-Su to come in and talk to us. We took selfies and had a group photo taken. We also met Grace Davies who was really lovely.

Final rehearsal completed, the time had come! X Factor was about to go live on air! Mr Taylor & Miss Skeete (Teacher in charge of Drama) wished us well and joined the audience. We were sitting backstage with dancers, vocal coaches and many others listening and watching the show on the TV screens. We lined up ready and were led through to the wings of the stage, getting prepared and feeling nervous. Simon Cowell walked past on his way to the judges table and yes he was a lot shorter than we expected! Dermot O'Leary also greeted us.

The VT started to roll and we were led up on stage taking our places ready to support Rai-Elle on National TV in front of millions of people. Then we heard the famous voiceover say "Rai-Elle Williams". It was time! We sang our 'oohhs' and 'ahhs', swayed to the music and gave it our all! It was over a lot quicker than we all imagined but it was incredibly worth it! We went back stage and were all celebrating and waiting to see hear the judges comments on Rai-Elle's performance. Thankfully they loved it, Rai-Elle went through to the following week and Shirley High School even got a name check and we all felt incredibly proud.

It was an experience of a life time, something to tell your children later in life – yes kids I was on X Factor! We cannot thank the X Factor team enough for being so wonderful to us throughout the day and enduring the endless selfies! Last but not least, we are so grateful to Rai-Elle for giving us this opportunity, THANK YOU! I would also like to thank Mr Taylor and Miss Skeete for accompanying us and their support throughout the day. I think I can safely say, on behalf of the Sixth Form Gospel Choir, we will never forget our X Factor experience.

Georgia Waley 13R



Diversity Competition

This year we have had the most fantastic response from Year 7 and Year 8 for the Diversity competition.

Prizes Winners

Year 7 Achievement prize

Ambolyn Etherden-Light 7I

Effort Prize

Lilleyah Vigus 7L

Runner up

Abigail Turner 7I

Riana Mohashin 7H

Audrey Bianco 7E

Year 8 Achievement prize

Anastasia Yiolides 8E

Effort prize

Isabella Mason-Hunt 8I

Language Diversity at Shirley High School



56 languages are spoken at our school.

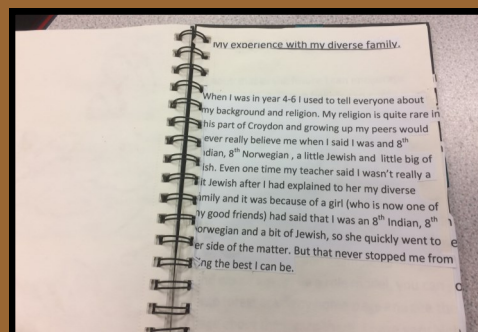
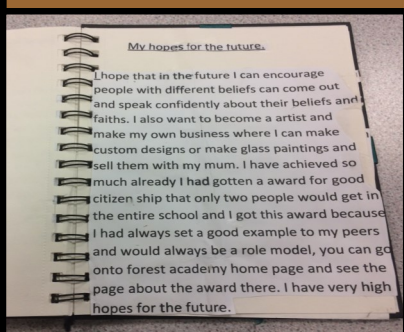
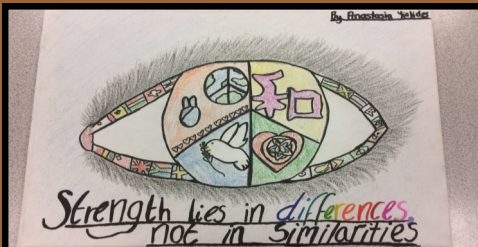
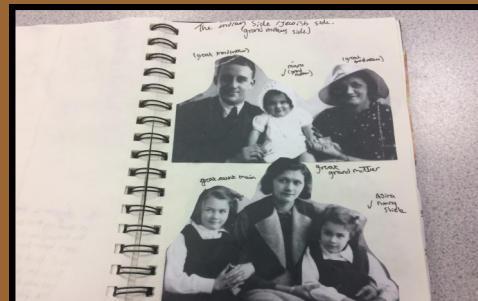
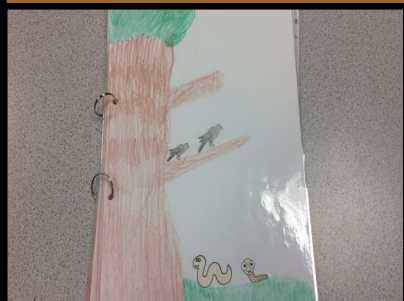
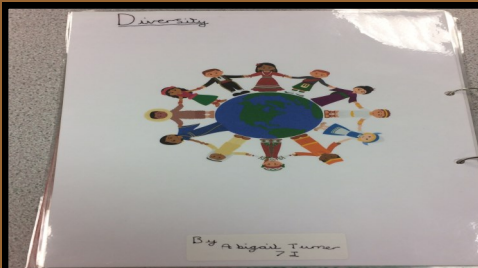
Year 7 Castle Competition

Design your own 3D Motte and Bailey Castel in a shoe box. Hand in to your History teacher by Monday 8 January 2018.



It was very difficult to choose amongst so many creative, original and thoughtful designs. A selection of which is shown here in the newsletter. Thank you very much to Year 7 and 8 for their hard work and enthusiasm.

Mrs K O'Mahoney - Head of History





The following students have been recognised for their outstanding work in particular subjects.
Their names have been entered in the School's Book of Excellence.....

Lilleyah Vigus 7LDiversity Project
Isabella Littler 9L.....Christmas Card Design
Callum Newbury 9Y.....Christmas Card Design
Amboleyn Etherden-Light 7I.....Castle Competition
N M Barrow - Principal



On Thursday 24 November 2017, Year 9 GCSE PE students had an interactive diet and nutrition lesson learning about food groups and their components. Students had a range of foods to select from and group, ranging from everyday common foods such as butter, cheese, chicken to slightly more obscure foods such as suet and liver. The students also looked at the 'Eatwell Plate' after they had grouped foods so they could self check their answers.

Students were then asked to taste test a variety of drinks with the aim of guessing which had high or low sugar content. The selection included smoothies, lemonade, dandelion & burdock and tomato juice. Some students struggled to keep them down!

Many thanks to Sue Frost (Catering Manager) for all your help with organising this lesson, the students positive feedback says it all....

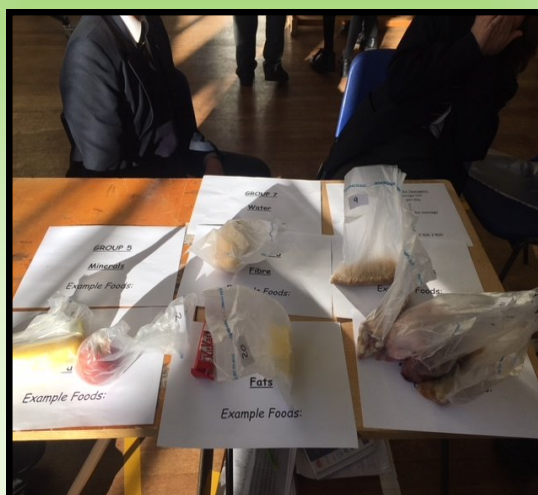
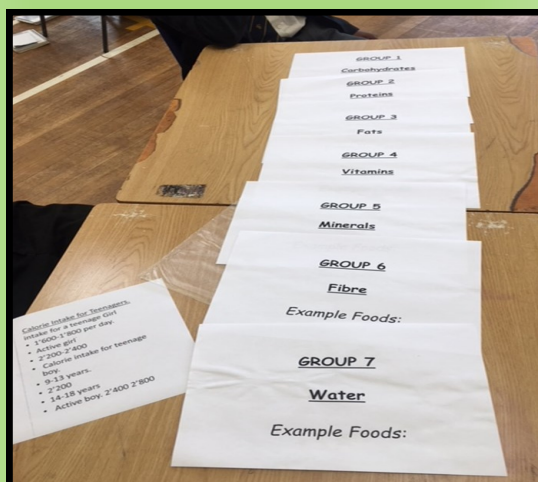
'Amazing lesson, I got to see foods I had never seen before'

'I was shocked as some of the drinks I liked had so much sugar in, I'm going to think more carefully about what I put into my body!'

'It was good to be able to visually see the foods'

'I loved the testing it was really fun'

Miss V Hewlett (Head of Girls PE)



Helping Christmas Hands Appeals



Brought to you by
Hands On LONDON and William Blair

Can you help with our
Christmas appeals
2017



SHRUBLANDS TRUST

Help keep London warm this winter!

For the 7th year running, wrap up London are collecting old, unwanted coats and giving them to charities that support the homeless, refugees, children living in poverty and people fleeing domestic violence (to name a few).

Help us keep vulnerable people warm this winter by donating a coat this November!



SHRUBLANDS TRUST

Shrublands Food Bank are in desperate need of donations to help those families in need over the Christmas period. Can you help? A full shopping list is on website <https://www.shrublandstrust.org/foodbank>, with Christmas shopping list below.....

- ⇒ Savoury snacks/biscuits/cheese & chutney
- ⇒ Christmas biscuits
- ⇒ Long life fruit juice/milk
- ⇒ Chocolate log cake/Christmas pudding/boxes of chocolates
- ⇒ Mince pies
- ⇒ Tinned meat/fish/vegetables
- ⇒ Jam/rice pudding/custard
- ⇒ Tea/coffee/sugar
- ⇒ Savoury biscuits

Thank you
Miss Hamit &
Helping Hands



SHIRLEY HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS COLLEGE

LAUNCH OF 'FRIENDS OF SHIRLEY HIGH SCHOOL'

Would you like to be part of this? Do you have a few hours to spare?

From January 2018 we would like to launch a new school association – 'Friends of Shirley High School' to plan and undertake events in the school and the local community.

Ideally this association would include members from the following; parent/carers, staff and governors of Shirley High School, local residents, local community groups, local businesses and local organisations.

There will be a variety of ways to be involved such as, attending meetings, fundraising, helping at community events, offering work placements or offering particular services of benefit to our school and local community.

Meetings would be once a half term on Tuesdays from 5.30 – 6.30pm.

If you would like to be a member of this association please complete the form below and return to Ms Francis, Senior Vice Principal by email on FOSH@shirley.croydon.sch.uk or by hand to Reception.

TO: Ms Francis, Senior Vice Principal, Shirley High School

I would like to be a member of 'Friends of Shirley High School':

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| FULL NAME: | | |
| CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER: | | |
| CONTACT E-MAIL: | | |
| CONNECTION (IF ANY) WITH SHIRLEY HIGH SCHOOL, PERFORMING ARTS COLLEGE: | | |
| NAME OF CHILD(REN) ATTENDING SHIRLEY HIGH SCHOOL AND TUTOR GROUP (IF APPLICABLE) | NAME(S): | TG(S): |

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| INTERESTS (PLEASE TICK ALL THAT APPLY): | |
| FUNDRAISING | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ORGANISATION OF SCHOOL EVENTS | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ORGANISATION OF COMMUNITY EVENTS | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PROVIDING WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES / CAREER TALKS / MENTORING/ MOCK | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| INTERVIEW VOLUNTEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY): | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Congratulations to Tyler Good 7H who competed in the National Karate Championships. Tyler won Gold in Kata taking the National title, Bronze in the team event and 4th place in Kumite. Well done Tyler, a fantastic achievement!



N M Barrow - Principal

On Thursday 7 December 2017, the Year 11 Geography students had an exciting time this year collecting their fieldwork data. We had a day planned studying coastal defences at Seaford, East Sussex, hoping to collect meaningful data on Groyne measurements, Beach Nourishment and Rip Rap. However, Storm Caroline had different plans for day. On arrival we could see white horses out at sea and swells resulting in crashing waves. The Risk Assessment carried out as part of the GCSE course could not have been more appropriate. At least if the "Geographers" get a question on limitations of data collection they will be well experienced.

The wind and rain turned data sheets into paper-mache and clip boards into kites. The students were a credit to the school by remaining positive and seeing the funny side. We hope the trip gave them first-hand experience of the power of waves to erode the coast and has provided a good grounding for their paper 3 exam.

Mrs G Chenery - Head of Geography & Mrs A Tune - Geography / Head of Year 9



Romanian Shoe Box Appeal 2017

Well done to the Year 7 and Year 12 students who volunteered to work on the Romanian Shoe Box appeal. Year 12 students worked alongside the Year 7 students in wrapping shoe boxes and filling them with gifts for disadvantaged children in Romania for Christmas.

Both year groups worked incredibly hard collecting gifts, wrapping the boxes and making sure there were boxes for all ages for boys and girls.

Thank you to parents / carers, tutors and both year groups for all your help and support with this project. In total, 81 boxes were collected which beat our target.

Miss K Wallace - Girls PE / Deputy Head of Sixth Form



Mentor training

During the mentoring training, I completed many activities individually and in groups. We started off with group discussions and tasks to give us an introduction to what mentoring actually is. We filled out booklets to describe ourselves individually and what makes us suitable for a Year 12 mentoring role.

When we discussed it together, it helped us all expand on our prior knowledge to mentoring. Throughout the day we took part in more activities; an example was having debates about daily issues with half our group talking and half listening. However, this made us practice our listening skills for our younger mentees.

This made us realise how simple factors such as body language could have massive impacts (especially for younger aged children). Overall, the mentoring training day was a helpful experience for me as I learnt new things and now have a wider knowledge on this topic.

Every Year 12 and 13 Mentor has been given a student in Year 7-10 to mentor. We meet with our mentee once a week to provide support and also to be a role model.

By Sara Hossain 12H



**Christmas Jumper Day
in Sixth Form
Money raised for
'Save the Children' was £160**



Year 12 Assemblies

Year 12 students were given the task to deliver an assembly to the lower school which can be a daunting task for many. Each tutor group had a theme and had to plan and deliver their assemblies. Students spent weeks preparing their assemblies to make sure they were engaging and well-rehearsed which at times was challenging! Students had to work together in composing the assemblies around the theme that they were given.

All Year 12 students conducted themselves in a professional manner and worked hard to produce engaging assemblies. One form group in particular produced a rap and asked the Year 11 students to join in. Well done to the Year 12 students and also to their tutors that supported them. You were all excellent role models to the lower school.

Miss K Wallace - Girls PE / Deputy Head of Sixth Form



A LEVEL DRAMA RESIDENTIAL - LODGE HILL OCTOBER HALF TERM 2017

As is now tradition, the Year 12 and Year 13 Drama A level students went on a weekend residential trip at the start of the October half term to Lodge Hill in West Sussex. They worked with students from Langley Park School for Girls Sixth Form and had the chance to do practical sessions with a professional actor from the world renowned theatre company 'Gecko'. This is a fantastic opportunity that enables the groups to bond and teaches them skills they will need for their practical exams. It is wonderful to see students from different schools and age groups mixing so well and working so hard.

The students should be very proud of themselves. We have already seen the fruits of this experience with the Year 13 Drama students successfully presenting their 'Creating Theatre' devised exam in early December. Well done and congratulations to Georgia Waley 13R, Karolina Perz 13R, Leanne Brown 13R, Ronnie Lockett 13R and Rosie Willis 13R.

We now look forward to seeing the work the Year 12 Drama students will produce for their forthcoming exam performances in January 2018!

Ms B Doherty - Vice Principal KS5 & A Level Drama Teacher



Mr Barrow (Principal) led the final Sixth Form Assembly for this term and Sevgi Damdelen 9I treated the Sixth Form to a beautiful rendition of Silent Night.

Following the assembly, the Sixth Form gathered together to take part in the annual Christmas Quiz.

The winners this year were Mr Burgess Form 13S

Ms B Doherty - Vice Principal KS5 & A Level Drama Teacher



Mark Evison Foundation

The Mark Evison Foundation is a charity set up in 2009 by the family and friends of Mark Evison who was severely wounded whilst serving in Afghanistan. Mark was 26 when he died shortly after being flown back to England.

He embraced personal challenges and the Foundation wants to give these opportunities to students aged 16 to 18 in South London. Workers from the Foundation gave a presentation to the Sixth Form and as a result, 4 groups and individuals have decided to embrace the challenge.

Students need to set a challenging task for themselves working either in teams or individually. Students produce a presentation and an outline plan of what they want to do. Within this there must be a risk assessment and costings. It must show initiative and a caring and can-do attitude.

These plans are then judged and students who are successful are awarded a grant of £500 to pursue their dream. Students aim to complete the challenge in the summer between Year 12 and Year 13. We are now waiting to hear how our students have fared.



Oxygen

Year 13 voted and decided that they wanted their Christmas event to be held at Oxygen in Purley. 25 students, Mrs Harris (Head of Sixth Form) and Mr Duncan (Head of Art) braved the cold and snow on Monday 11 December 2017 in the evening for an hour's fun on the trampolines!

Students spent a lot of time challenging each other in the foam pit and in the dodge ball area. Several of the male students were trying to impress the Support Staff with varied success. It was a tired but very happy crowd that then made their way to Nando's and MacDonalds for much needed refreshment!

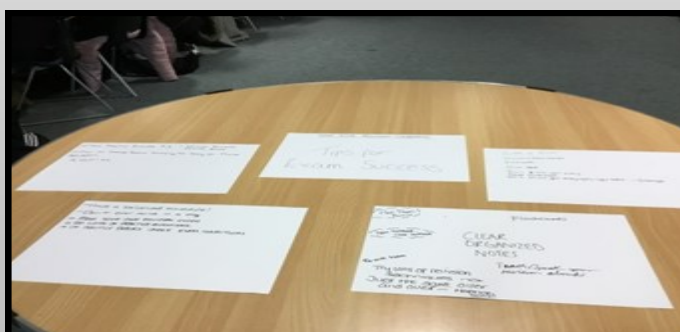
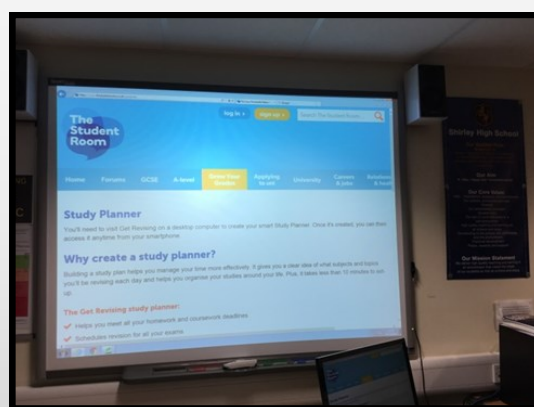
Mr Y Duncan - Head of Art



Revision Mini Conference

Year 12 and 13 A level students will be taking PPEs (Pre Public Exams) from the 8 - 23 January 2018. To support our students and help them with organising revision and revision techniques, the Sixth Form team produce a revision guide. This contains a break down of all the topics that have been studied and that will come up in the examinations. There is also a copy of the timetable. (This is available on the website also).

The students attended an assembly about the conduct of examinations and the rules, they then worked in mixed randomised groups with the tutors. Tutors covered the benefits and how to use various online revision timetabling tools as well as the importance of Apps that limit social media use. They concluded with a discussion on students' best revision tips and examination techniques.



PASTORAL

Uniform Reminders

The standard of uniform has been very good this term and I would like to thank parents / carers for their support of the school and working with us to achieve the high standards required.

As we approach the Christmas holidays, I wish everyone a happy and fun-filled festive season but to please remember that the party spirit, which may see extreme haircuts, extreme hair colours, piercings, make-up and nail polish, must finish in time for the students to be presented according to our uniform rules on the first day of term – Wednesday 3 January 2018.

Please be advised, particularly in the case of 'Christmas present' piercings, that irrespective of the timing of the piercing, students will not be permitted to cover them, but will be asked to remove them at school. Notes from home asking for permission for the piercings to remain in or be covered will not be accepted. I would therefore suggest that this two week break is not an ideal time to get new piercings, unless the student is prepared to remove them for school, and ask that you support us with this request to avoid the need for sanctions.

School skirts should be purchased from Hewitts and have either one or two front pleats only – no other style is permitted. There have also been issues with the permitted lengths so to clarify: skirt length should be on or about the knee.

School trousers must be **grey** and be standard fitting school trousers. Trousers that are black or combat or jeans style are not permitted.

Hair accessories must be navy, black, grey or white in colour only.

There are no changes to our school uniform and if any item of school uniform needs replacing please purchase it from Hewitts – our uniform supplier. You can then be sure that the uniform purchased is both suitable and of the correct style for our school.

As winter fast approaches please ensure that you are aware of the following:

- School shoes are to be wholly black with no other colours on them, leather or leather equivalent and be fit for purpose i.e. robust and waterproof – trainers are not permitted.
- Coats, hats, scarves and gloves can be worn to and from school in the winter months.
- Coats, scarves and gloves can be worn in school but during **break and lunchtime only**, in the winter months.
- Hats are not permitted to be worn in school **at any time**.
- Hoodies are not permitted to be worn in school **at any time**.
- Leggings are not permitted to be worn in school **at any time**.
- It is recommended that students have a warm coat rather than additional non uniform items such as extra jumpers, cardigans etc. These items are not acceptable as part of our school uniform.

In adverse weather Mr Barrow, Principal will inform students of any permitted changes to our uniform.

Behaviour

I would like to congratulate students on their behaviour, in general, this term. The majority of our students have maintained the high standards of behaviour expected at Shirley and have conducted themselves appropriately both in and out of school.

Parents / carers' role in this cannot be underestimated and your support in helping us educate our children in regards to their behaviour is really appreciated.

Golden Rule: Shirley High Students are expected to show consideration and respect to all members of the school and local community at all times.

Rules relating to mobile phones

Mobile phones are not permitted at Shirley High School – there have been no changes to this rule.

They are not permitted on our site and this was made clear to all parents / carers on the admission of their children to the school. With this in mind, we are not responsible for the loss or theft of mobile phones on our premises should students break our rules and bring them into school. Any student found in possession or using a mobile phone on our premises will receive a detention and have the phone confiscated.

Ms M Francis - Senior Vice Principal



Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance at this stage of the year is good (approximately 96%), as is punctuality to school and I would like to thank parents / carers for their continued support with this. Please remember that:

At Shirley High School we expect our students to achieve 96%+ attendance during each academic year. (This means no more than 8 days off in the whole year).

Students are expected to have less than 3% lates in an academic year. (This means no more than 6 late arrivals to school in the whole year).

We do not authorise any absence during the academic year unless a Student Absence Request Form has been completed and is accompanied by the evidence required e.g. an Order of Service for attendance at a funeral, details of when the flight was booked for unforeseen emergencies requiring overseas travel etc. We do not allow time off for holidays during term time as they have a detrimental effect on learning. A student who takes a 10 day holiday during an academic year will only attain 95% attendance, providing that they attend every single other day. If, after having a 10 day holiday, a student is then genuinely ill, then each additional day they are absent from school will reduce their total attendance by 0.5%

Research suggests that 20 missed school days a year i.e. 10% non-attendance = 1 GCSE grade drop in achievement.

Attendance matters

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| 100% | = | no days absence from school (September to July) |
| 95% | = | 10 days absence (2 weeks) from school (September to July) |
| 90% | = | 20 days absence (4 weeks) from school (September to July) |
| 85% | = | 30 days absence (6 weeks) from school (September to July) |
| 80% | = | 40 days absence (8 weeks) from school (September to July) |



Students falling below 93% attendance will be subject to monitoring by the Attendance & Welfare Officer.

Students falling below 90% attendance fall into the Persistent Absence category and come to the attention of the Local Authority. They could be subject to:

- Parenting contracts and orders
- Penalty notices
- Prosecution

Punctuality to school is equally important. Arriving to school on time sets our students up well for the day ahead as well as ensuring they access tutor time with their form tutors, which is where a lot of our pastoral work is undertaken. Poor punctuality has a detrimental effect on achievement as well as general organisation.

- 5 Minutes late = 3.4 school days missed per year
- 10 Minutes late = 6.9 school days missed a year
- 15 Minutes late = 10.3 school days missed a year
- 20 Minutes late = 13.8 school days missed a year
- 30 Minutes late = 20.7 school days a year

Please continue to support us and your child by ensuring their attendance remains above 96% and their punctuality remains good (no more than 3% lates), thereby allowing them to achieve their potential.

Security in School

Please can I ask that all parents / carers and other visitors to the school report directly to reception during school opening hours, so they can be signed in as appropriate. Out of hours, visitors must use the entry system either at the school front gate or in Reception so that a member of the site team can meet them and monitor who is on site. Students will challenge or alert school staff; and staff will challenge any unauthorised visitors or non-Shirley students on site and direct them as appropriate to Reception to be signed in.



Rewards

The following students have been entered into the Book of Excellence for the Autumn Term (up to 8 December 2017):

Year 7 Diversity Competition Achievement prize - Ambolyn Etherden-Light 7I

Year 8 Diversity Competition Achievement prize - Anastasia Yiolides 8E

Christmas Card Competition Winners - Isabella Littler 9L & Callum Newbury 9Y



Family Lives is a charity that supports parents and families in England with all aspects of family life. They can be contacted via the helpline, as well as through email, Skype and live chat.

Languages Available: English

Referral Process: Any family member

Age Range: No age range

Waiting List: No waiting list

It is a free service funded by the Local Authority and offers the following:

- Confidential Freephone helpline available Monday – Sunday 7.00 am – Midnight staffed by trained staff / volunteers
- Live chat service
- Email support service
- Information leaflets
- Useful website
- Befriending service
- Parenting groups



Telephone: 02086552402

Confidential Freephone: 0808 800 2222

Email: parentsupport@familylives.org.uk

Address: Tunstall Nursery & Children's Centre
Tunstall Road
Croydon
CR0 6TY

Website: <http://www.familylives.org.uk>

Please visit <http://www.familyspacecroydon.co.uk> for even more information on what is available to support families.

Off The Record are a young person centred organisation offering counselling and emotional support. They have recently added a new online counselling service to Off The Record's other support services (all detailed on the Off The Record website).



Whilst some young people may prefer face to face counselling, there also a number of young people who find it difficult to engage with this type of support for a variety of reasons, including school refusers. Off the Record are looking for ways to get information about their free online counselling service to young people, so any suggestions you may have for them would be welcome. Currently they have the capacity to take on new clients and their commitment to the local CCG who fund them is that those who register, will have contact within 48 hours and will start to work with a counsellor within 5 working days.

The service is text based, via their secure website, so may not be suitable for those who find reading and writing too challenging or do not have access to a laptop or tablet. They believe passionately that the relationship between counsellor and client is central to the counselling that they offer and this is no different in their online service where young people work online with a counsellor in weekly sessions.

All of their counsellors are qualified face-to-face counsellors who have undergone additional training to work effectively in the online environment. Young people can register independently, please use the link on our website.



I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students and their families a lovely Christmas break and a Happy New Year.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Ms M Francis - Senior Vice Principal



5+ Commendation Certificates

Autumn Half Term 1

Bronze Certificate

25 Achievement Points

| | |
|---------------------------|----|
| Zaliki Hull 9I | 14 |
| Deborah Mbu-Kissawai 10H | 12 |
| Lamal Baxter 10L | 12 |
| Rochelle McGowan 11I | 11 |
| Niah Danzie 11R | 11 |
| Fahim Ramsey-Tamuzade 10L | 10 |
| Elise Green 9I | 10 |
| Keisha Brodie 9R | 10 |
| Bushra Choudhury 9R | 10 |
| Tia McKenzie 10H | 9 |
| Joe Lam 11E | 9 |
| Jaslyn Allen 9H | 9 |
| Andrella Nartey-Tackie 9H | 9 |
| Alexandra Munn 9S | 9 |
| David Popoola 9Y | 9 |
| Jeremy Kpogo 10L | 8 |
| Tyreece Rodney 10Y | 8 |
| Jibran Ali 11L | 8 |
| Mila Brooks 9Y | 8 |
| Joseph Mankelow 10L | 7 |
| Mohamed Mohamed 10L | 7 |
| Aimee Ronan 10R | 7 |
| Alexander Crowther 11H | 7 |
| Charlie Sweeney 11I | 7 |
| Shanae Merrills 11R | 7 |
| Tracy Tidemah 11R | 7 |
| Eamonn Persaud 11Y | 7 |
| Shalhabil Musoke 9E | 7 |
| Xavier Obah 9E | 7 |
| Sanel Akar 9I | 7 |
| Sophie Rodger 9I | 7 |
| Delvin Awuah 9R | 7 |
| Teni Tokun 9R | 7 |
| Agnes Agyei 9S | 7 |
| Lauren Cook 9Y | 7 |
| Skiye Edmond 9Y | 7 |
| Sarah Kaba 9Y | 7 |
| Anna Lackova 9Y | 7 |
| Wiktor Warszawa 9Y | 7 |
| Joshua Hopkins 10E | 6 |
| Maisie-Jorja Loundes 10E | 6 |
| Sineade Martin 10E | 6 |
| Elizabeth Kushimo 10H | 6 |
| Emma Riley 10H | 6 |
| Leah Wimalasuriya 10L | 6 |
| Dylan Hayes 10R | 6 |
| Mason Penny 10R | 6 |
| Andreas Yioides 10Y | 6 |
| Jaheim Corinthian 11E | 6 |
| Tyrese Tendo 11E | 6 |
| Liamh Tran 11L | 6 |
| Chloe Fillon-Payoux 11R | 6 |
| Dontae George 11R | 6 |
| Lily Casey 11S | 6 |
| Shannon Gillett 9E | 6 |
| Joseph Williams 9E | 6 |

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|----------------------------|---|
| Tailor-Rose Ince 9H | 6 |
| Jermaine Konor-Gemfi 9H | 6 |
| Sophia Nathanael 9H | 6 |
| Auset Osbourne 9L | 6 |
| Benjamin Powlesland 9L | 6 |
| Christopher Sergiou 9R | 6 |
| Micaiah Taylor 9R | 6 |
| Tylah Adams 9S | 6 |
| Akanksh Bhavsar 9S | 6 |
| Ameerah Hart 9S | 6 |
| Micah Falade 9Y | 6 |
| Ashleigh Lee 9Y | 6 |
| Max Brady 10E | 5 |
| Peter Mardushaj 10E | 5 |
| Mandy Darko 10H | 5 |
| William Osawaru 10H | 5 |
| Aeron Raif 10H | 5 |
| Davina Euell 10I | 5 |
| Leah Regnard 10I | 5 |
| Leonard Ugoh 10I | 5 |
| Sariah Johnson 10S | 5 |
| Marvin Mason 10Y | 5 |
| Shiyane Edmond 11E | 5 |
| Jimmy Gray 11E | 5 |
| Aaliyah Hatibu 11E | 5 |
| Savanah Rhoades 11H | 5 |
| Melise Cambulat 11I | 5 |
| Henry Daniels White 11R | 5 |
| Leon Martin 11R | 5 |
| Faraz Mahmood 11S | 5 |
| Keanah Narsingh-Powell 11S | 5 |
| Eden Harward 9E | 5 |
| Zakariya Akhtar 9H | 5 |
| Marie Louis 9H | 5 |
| Tomiwa Oludipe 9H | 5 |
| Amirah Abiola 9I | 5 |
| Helin Altinok 9I | 5 |
| Aaron Mireku 9I | 5 |
| Hyfreka Porter 9I | 5 |
| Rhys Sayeed 9I | 5 |
| Adam Bridgeland 9L | 5 |
| Arun Nair 9L | 5 |
| Jeyhan Osman 9L | 5 |
| Philemon Asrat 9R | 5 |
| Sami Berama 9R | 5 |
| Jack Danton 9R | 5 |
| Diana Echeme 9R | 5 |
| Demali Simpson 9R | 5 |
| Ivana Dobрева 9S | 5 |
| Isobel Hopes 9S | 5 |
| Kian McMillan 9S | 5 |
| Ruvimbo Ndemera 9S | 5 |
| Shawn Richards 9S | 5 |
| Lordena Kwakye 9Y | 5 |
| Marian Oforiwa 9Y | 5 |
| Grace Salami 9Y | 5 |

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|------------------------------|----|
| Annabelle Parker 7Y | 46 |
| Selina Karadag 8H | 42 |
| Samuel Candengue 7E | 37 |
| Annelie Najorka 7S | 37 |
| Alyssa Quinnell 7Y | 35 |
| Emmanuella Efejuku 7E | 32 |
| Stella Odukale 8H | 32 |
| Ella Purton 7E | 32 |
| Shane Wimalasuriya 7Y | 32 |
| Leticia Araujo 7L | 31 |
| Bianca Bimpong 7L | 31 |
| Daanyaal Qureshi-Williams 8H | 31 |
| Hilal Yorulmaz 7L | 31 |
| Ruby Hollingdale 7Y | 30 |
| Anna Mileva 7Y | 29 |
| Maia Miller-Forkin 8I | 29 |
| Havin Sorgucu 7E | 29 |
| Shahira Fheebe 7Y | 28 |
| Iesha Vanriel 7L | 28 |
| Hailey Witkeni 8H | 28 |
| Antwan Agyeman-Afriyie 8H | 27 |
| Edmund Cozma 7Y | 27 |
| Daisy Kite 7E | 27 |
| Jaydn Rouillon 7I | 27 |
| Natasha Fournillier 8E | 26 |
| Briger Harapaj 7L | 26 |
| Amie Stafford 7H | 26 |
| Louie Watson 7L | 26 |
| Lyndon Williams-Ibe 7S | 26 |
| Marie-Louise Abraham 7S | 25 |
| Kelissia Learmond 8S | 25 |
| Catherine Saunders 7H | 25 |
| Sara Vigan 8R | 25 |
| Lilleyah Vigus 7L | 25 |



Congratulations to all on these fantastic achievements!

100% Attendance for the Autumn Term

Mariama Bah 7E
Luke Edwards 7E
Emmanuella Efejuku 7E
Vinson Ho 7E
Kieran Newman 7E
Chanel Pagoo 7E
Shakye Hamilton-Predie 7E
Dominique Roberts 7E
Havin Sorgucu 7E
Godfred Adu 7H
Rhianna Bahari 7H
Ria Brophy 7H
Shana Davis 7H
Tyler Good 7H
Ruby Hewett 7H
Laura Labno 7H
Catherine Saunders 7H
Hannah Shah 7H
Amie Stafford 7H
Dominick Benson 7I
Ben Brashier 7I
Nathan Bridgeland 7I
Angelo Duarte 7I
Karness Emica 7I
Christopher Kubie 7I
Shiquarn Nelson 7I
Daniel Neville 7I
McKenzie Owusu-Mensah 7I
Jaydn Rouillon 7I
Jasmine Saunders 7I
Vienna Tanner-Adeoye 7I
Jurell Tull 7I
Abigail Turner 7I
Lucy Zhu 7I
Kayla Bennett 7L
Bianca Bimpong 7L
Natasha Combey 7L
Zoe Hallums 7L

Briger Harapaj 7L
Skye Jones 7L
Max-Xavier Montgomery 7L
Manny Olike 7L
Kam'Ron Sinclair 7L
Lilleyah Vigus 7L
Murtaza Begi 7R
Jaydene Goodridge 7R
Chloe Goss 7R
Chrystal Mitchell 7R
Maisy Mitchell 7R
Muktar Mohamed 7R
Shanjaira Ponkaran 7R
Alicia Reid 7R
Emain Sarves 7R
Madison Saunders 7R
Breanna Walker 7R
Oumaima Zerouali 7R
Olumide Adejuwon 7S
Teshko Ali 7S
Sarah Davidson 7S
Jayon Easton-Slater 7S
Jayden Elvin 7S
Joshua Fearon 7S
Chloe Flint 7S
Tyrone Gweshe 7S
Annelie Najorka 7S
Kristian Sakalev 7S
Lyndon Williams-Ibe 7S
Abena Amponsem 7Y
George Carter 7Y
Edmund Cozma 7Y
Elli-Mai Jenner 7Y
Joshua Konadu 7Y
Haroun Luzze 7Y
Anna Mileva 7Y
Annabelle Parker 7Y
Cedric Ruhinda 7Y
Lucy Smith 7Y
Shane Wimalasuriya 7Y

David Agyei 8E
Rodiat Ajibola 8E
Ashai Cunningham-Reid 8E
Milanne Gordon 8E
Essien James 8E
Michelle Johnston 8E
Lyla Kelly-Pears 8E
Caiden Richards 8E
Jahmia Sampson 8E
Anastasia Yioides 8E
Antwan Agyeman-Afriyie 8H
Janae Allen 8H
Aniya Anson 8H
Selina Karadag 8H
Uenda Kastrati 8H
Stella Odukale 8H
Daanyaal Qureshi-Williams 8H
Poshante Williams 8H
Josephine Wilson 8H
Faith Bryan 8I
April Cheung 8I
Nysha Gregg Garraway 8I
Sophie Keel 8I
Esteban Martinez Ortiz 8I
Ines Mendonca-Gabriel 8I
Maia Miller-Forkin 8I
Sophia Palermo 8I
Francisco Villanueva 8I
Jayden Williams 8I
Lucy-Louise Clinton 8L
Owen Garner 8L
Ronnie Glindon 8L
Cem Ibrahim 8L



James Kpogo 8L
Kayla Lautier 8L
Chelsy-Rose MacKenzie 8L
Amarkai McKenzie 8L
Emmanuella Offeh 8L
Jada Simpson 8L
Brooke Skinner 8L
George Suter 8L
Paris Davis 8R
Darren Kilula 8R
Saiveer Singh 8R
Sara Vigan 8R
Jasmine Walinets 8R
Jacob Webber 8R
Temiloluwa Adejuwon 8S
Anisha Cunningham-Reid 8S
Summer Davis 8S
Soriyah Gregory 8S
Ramone Hutchinson 8S
Daniel Jones 8S
Etienne Oshundiya 8S
T'ziah Richards 8S
Uthistah Sinnakannu 8S
Shannon Swan 8S
Moroluwa Adejuwon 8Y
Alicia Andrews 8Y
Tonoya Bennett 8Y
Dieyna Diallo 8Y
Raynel Mataka 8Y
Gloria Obeng 8Y
Shakai Rose 8Y
Sathurshan Sripalan 8Y
Zachary Wilson 8Y



Shalhabil Musoke 9E
Xavier Obah 9E
Rheanna Quintyne 9E
Gwennie Sowrey-Lewin 9E
Jake Swan 9E
Native Tchonang Ndandjo 9E
Ayaan Ali 9H
Beatrice Alves 9H
Frederick Baah-Bimpong 9H
Cameron Beckles 9H
Rebecca Edwards 9H
Christopher Emmanuel 9H
Marie Louis 9H
Freda Morrison 9H

Sophia Nathanael 9H
Tomiwa Oludipe 9H
Amirah Abiola 9I
Connor Gammon 9I
Zaliki Hull 9I
Zack King 9I
Daniel Mogere 9I
Hyfreka Porter 9I
Krishan Sriskandaraj 9I
Elena Tsvetkova 9I
Mitiani De Sousa Cordeiro 9L
Edric Kubie 9L
Shakeem Lovemore 9L
Shamoy Simmonds 9L

Delvin Awuah-Aggrey 9R
Sami Berama 9R
Onieka Blackwood 9R
Amy Crowther 9R
Diana Echeme 9R
Christopher Sergiou 9R
Agnes Agyei 9S
Gemma Efejuku 9S
Philip Francis 9S
Brandon Goss 9S
Isobel Hopes 9S
Dinothan Kalaiaimathan 9S
Alexandra Munn 9S

Savannah Quintyne 9S
Shawn Richards 9S
Fatima Saied 9S
Aimee Alleyne 9Y
Ebony Eastmond 9Y
Skiye Edmond 9Y
Ashleigh Lee 9Y
Marian Oforiwa 9Y
Aderinola Onasanya 9Y
Grace Salami 9Y
Vincent Tran 9Y
Tina Zhu 9Y

100% Attendance for the Autumn Term

Nazir Bakrin 10E
Shea Cheney 10E
Kelvin Ho 10E
Peter Mardushaj 10E
Valentin Najorka 10E
Sadeeq Walters 10E
Mandy Darko 10H
Joshua Dettmar 10H
Elizabeth Kushimo 10H
Deborah Mbu-Kissawai 10H
Chikamso Ukuwa-Ekele 10H
Crystal Carless 10I
Ishanie Corinthian 10I
Davina Euell 10I
Alan Frimpong 10I
Abu Jalloh 10I
Halimah Lawal 10I
Christina Tella 10I
Shardai Braham 10L
Nickodemus Dacres 10L
Amal Fashina 10L
Annabel Galley 10L
Aaron Griffiths 10L
Gersi Harapaj 10L
Jeremy Kpogo 10L
Isobel Smith 10L
Sadeeqa Walters 10L
Emily Williams 10L
Leah Wimalasuriya 10L
Harriet Goddard 10R
Dana Hantea 10R

Omarii Hibbert-Gordon 10R
Anthony Kilula 10R
Georgia Plumb 10R
Ethen Sarves 10R
Abigail Adu-Gyamfi 10S
King Agyemang 10S
Camron Anson 10S
Eren Aray 10S
William Daniels White 10S
Jacob Hue 10S
Sariah Johnson 10S
Caitlin Neville 10S
Eddison Ton 10S
Emily Webber 10S
Louie Zhu 10S
Ivanna Akomeah 10Y
Tieran Bennett 10Y
Che Campbell 10Y
Mauriah Combey 10Y
Terrelle Darku 10Y
Robert Dinnall 10Y
Nikela Gardier 10Y
Jada-Cree Johnson 10Y
Marvin Mason 10Y
Zane Morgan 10Y
Heka Osbourne 10Y
Ahmad Sharifi 10Y
Jamilla Simpson 10Y
Andreas Yiolides 10Y
Jael Divuilu VTG

Rachel Agyeman-Afriye 11E
Cavell Ani 11E
Fay Bowler 11E
Jaheim Corinthian 11E
Shiyane Edmond 11E
Joe Lam 11E
Phoebe Lelen 11E
Ryan Crockett 11H
Kimberley Efejuku 11H
Jay Farquharson 11H
Cassius Hooper 11H
Hayley Power 11H
Savanah Rhoades 11H
Shazmina Sasikumar 11H
Jack Taylor 11H
Annie Willard 11H
Zakyr Bharwani 11I
Melise Cambulat 11I
Farrah Douglas 11I
Keiran Foley 11I
Rochelle McGowan 11I
Rebecca Pantry 11I
Wojciech Sowinski 11I
Ananthan Suji 11I
Marina Bhanji 11L
Lucy Bourne 11L
Kyeran Kalundu 11L
Savannah Kityo 11L
Lilly Lambird 11L
Lainey McLroy 11L
Eve Mercer 11L

Marcus Reid 11L
Kieron Sinclair 11L
Liamh Tran 11L
Alvin Ahwieh 11R
Jordan Cozma 11R
Henry Daniels White 11R
Niah Danzie 11R
Elvin Kubie 11R
Brandon Layne 11R
Sherona Ssekimpi 11R
Leon Thompson 11R
Tracy Tidemah 11R
Josiah Williams 11R
Sean Edwards 11S
Tamar Edwards 11S
Ezekiel Fadipe 11S
Archie Gabriel 11S
Book Holloway 11S
Ashleigh Keel 11S
Asma Laali 11S
Toluwalase Oludipe 11S
Jada Robinson 11S
James Bowler 11Y
Fatmagul Damdelen 11Y
Sophia Dowling 11Y
Eve Elderfield 11Y
Glenn Honer 11Y
Amari Ezekiel Knight 11Y
Ella Nanton 11Y
Tobi Otukoya 11Y
Thomas Waley 11Y

Afia Ahmad 12H
Heidi Arissol-Abbott 12H
Ernest Bilson 12H
Sara Hossain 12H
Tiarna Marshall 12H
Ma'at Osbourne 12H
Darren Sam 12H
Nana Agyepomaa 12I
Aman Ahmed 12I
Esther Dwemoh 12I
Cecelia Gnahore 12I
Sheeraz Jamali 12I



Imtiyaz Khan 12I
Suraj Kumar 12I
Gabriel Marfo 12I
Vincent O'Brien 12I
Maya Powell 12I
Prasanna Sekar 12I
Evin Sorgucu 12I
Melissa Ali 12R
Michael Combey 12R
Ben Franklin 12R
Jada Grant 12R
Nakib Hussain 12R



Sharon Mayanja 12R
Hytham Ssebale 12R
Qudrat Olayonwa 12R
Ishrat Ali 12S
Kian Bent 12S
Grace Anna Daniels-White 12S
Daniel Hewitt 12S
Nicole Jones 12S
Ilona Munn 12S
Priya Patel 12S
Callum Plumb 12S



Rachel Danton 13H
Kirsty McIntyre 13H
Batuhan Potukoglu 13H
Seher Shah 13H
Mishil Sudra 13H
Leanne Brown 13R
Euan Cleland-Orgle 13R
Ronnie Lockett 13R
Shardai Smith 13R
Sabrina Carolan 13S
Brised Harapaj 13S
Rebekka Inwood 13S
Francis Ofori-Mensah 13S
Joel Richardson 13S
Sebastian Richmond 13S
Karol Sowinski 13S

Congratulations to all on these fantastic achievements

Young people can register independently, please use the link on our website.

Family Justice Centre provides help and support for Croydon families suffering from Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence

Festive Holidays

The festive period can be a particularly difficult time for victims of domestic abuse. Financial worries, excessive alcohol drinking and spending increased time together can increase the pressures within a relationship, however they are not excuses for domestic abuse.

If you are worried about domestic abuse over the holidays:

Family Justice Centre 020 8688 0100 (*open every day with the exception of the bank holidays*)

National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247 (*free phone line, 24hrs a day*)

In an emergency call the police 999

Live Streaming of Sexual Offending – CEOPS Education Team Briefing



In response to reports of an increased threat of sexual offending via Live streaming apps, the following item posted on the CSCB site gives further information and guidance:

<http://croydonlcsb.org.uk/2017/12/live-streaming-of-sexual-offending-ceops-education-team-briefing/>

For professionals and parents finding out that images and videos of abuse are being circulated by young people and adults on social media, it can be a stressful time and difficult to know what course of action to take immediately. Here are some clear steps to take and important things to remember:

- Please never share a video or image depicting any kind of abuse involving children
 - Each time a video or image of abuse is shared it re-victimises the child and increases the likelihood of blackmail, feelings of self-blame and powerlessness
 - Report it to the platform it has been shared on e.g. YouTube, Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram etc
 - Report it to CEOP if it is an image or video of sexual abuse involving a child with a link to where the video or image is hosted e.g. YouTube, Facebook.
 - If it's not on a public platform and in only exists on a device i.e. Phone, tablet. Once reported, with authorisation of CEOP or the Police, delete it from the device it has been sent to (if offender usernames are visible make note of them)
 - Encourage other people to report if it is being shared publicly
- If you work in a school or college and are concerned about what to do with peer to peer sharing of sexual images or videos you can refer to the 'Sexting in schools and colleges guidance'

If a parent or carer is worried about a child seeing inappropriate things online Thinkuknow/parents has more information.



Parenting Programmes and Information



A positive parent-child relationship is important for children's social, emotional and mental development. Therefore Croydon Council are pleased to offer a number of parenting courses, covering the different stages of childhood and the unique challenges they can bring. You can choose what courses will suit you and your family best.

Parents or carers who wish to register to attend these courses, or find out more should either;

- Speak to their local Children Centre staff
- Speak to their Best Start Worker or Social Worker

Read more about what programmes are available and who they are for in the parenting booklet - http://croydonlcsb.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Parenting_Booklet-Nov-2017.pdf

Parents can be referred via Croydon's Early help hub – earlyhelp@croydon.gov.uk

Email Croydon's Parenting and Relationship Hub – PRH@croydon.gov.uk



Shirley High School is proud to offer our students the opportunity to participate in residential trips abroad.

Trips like these are character building, promote independence and offer fun, adventure and friendships as well as giving the students a learning experience that they can only obtain from being on such a trip.

Proposed residential trips abroad for 2018 – 2022 (5 year cycle):

| | | |
|------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| October half term 2018 | – | Disneyland Paris |
| Summer holidays 2019 | – | Watersports trip to Spain |
| October half term 2019 | – | Disneyland Paris |
| Easter holidays 2020 | – | Ski America |
| October half term 2020 | – | Disneyland Paris |
| Summer holidays 2021 | – | Watersports to Spain |
| October half term 2021 | – | Disneyland Paris |
| Easter holidays 2022 | – | Ski America |

I am currently taking names of interested students for the trips proposed to get rough ideas of numbers and year groups to help with the planning. If you wish to register your interest for any of these trips please return the slip below. Formal letters will go out for each of the trips in due course to start the booking process. If you require any further details re these Shirley High School trips please do not hesitate to contact Ms Francis, Senior Vice Principal via email on: francis@shirley.croydon.sch.uk

REGISTRATION OF INTEREST FORM

To: Ms Francis, Senior Vice Principal

Re: Registration of interest for a Shirley High School Overseas Residential Trip

I would like to register my interest for the following trip (please tick all that apply):

| TRIP | INTEREST |
|--|----------|
| October half term 2018 – Disneyland Paris | |
| Summer holidays 2019 – Watersports trip to Spain | |
| October half term 2019 – Disneyland Paris | |
| Easter holidays 2020 – Ski America | |
| October half term 2020 – Disneyland Paris | |
| Summer holidays 2021 – Watersports to Spain | |
| October half term 2021 – Disneyland Paris | |
| Easter holidays 2022 – Ski America | |

FULL NAME OF STUDENT: _____ CURRENT TG: _____

I understand that at this stage this is just a registration of interest and that this registration does not commit my child to taking part in any of the trips nor does it reserve a place on any of the trips.

Parent / Carer name: _____

Parent / Carer relationship to student: _____

Parent / Carer email address: _____

Parent / Carer signature: _____

Date: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO MS FRANCIS BY HAND OR VIA EMAIL by 31 JANUARY 2018



*On behalf of all the staff here at Shirley
High School we would like to wish you
and your families a*

Merry Christmas

&

Happy New Year

*N M Barrow
Principal*



Christmas Card Competition Winners Isabella Littler 9L & Callum Newbury 9Y