

# SHENFIELD

## HIGH SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER



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# SUMMER TERM 2

# JULY 2024

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### News from the Headteacher

It has felt that no time at all has passed since I last wrote to you in our school newsletter; this last half term has flown by in a flurry of examinations, sporting events, performances and an array of extracurricular activities.

It is usual, within the final newsletter of the year, to highlight some stand-out events from the school year. However, with so much to choose from this year I would find that difficult and would be sure to forget or offend someone! I will let the contents of this newsletter speak for me.

Suffice to say, your children have been fabulous. They have participated in their learning and in the wider school life that is on offer; they have contributed to the school and the wider community through student leadership and individual character, and they have been good people to be around. It is those students that put effort into school that get the most out.

Over the past week there have been daily communications coming out to you that are reinforcing our basic expectations in readiness for September but also explaining changes to our policies on homework and assessment. If you haven't read these communications, then I urge you to do so but in summary; PREP will be replaced by homework from September 2024. This decision has been made following queries and feedback from parents that PREP has not supported a positive independent work ethic amongst their children and that parents struggle to support school policy as PREP can be seen as voluntary. I agree with this view and so we return to the concept of homework, something that is straightforward and easy to understand by students, parents and staff.

We have also made changes to our assessment procedures so that students and parents have clearer information on the progress the students are making in different subjects. We will be using GCSE and A level grades to report assessments in KS4 and KS5 respectively, again helping students and parents to better understand their academic progress.

I am pleased to report that we are fully staffed with qualified and specialist staff across the curriculum in September and the new staff will be introduced to you in September. I wish to thank all the staff, whatever their role, for the work they have put into Shenfield High School this past year and I wish those colleagues leaving us to take up new posts or completely new adventures the very best of luck. There is one member of staff leaving us this year that I feel deserves an individual tribute.

Mr John Ninian has served the teaching profession for fifty years and in that time has inspired many individuals, some of whom have gone into teaching as a direct result of that inspiration. We have been fortunate to have had John at Shenfield High School for twenty-two of those years and in that time, he has been a leader and a mentor to many staff and an impactful teacher for many students. We know he leaves teaching with a heavy heart, but we wish him all the very best as he retires.

Thank you for the support you show Shenfield High School and I wish you and your loved ones a safe, happy and sunny (fingers crossed) summer break.

Best wishes,

*C. Costello*

Clare Costello  
Headteacher



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## House Points

### C-POINTS and KS4 CREDITS

			
23512	23384	26270	24175
TEAM COMPETITIONS			
27236	28484	28927	28774
TOP FORM			
6791	6643	6829	6535

## Top form winners



7N

F Nichol



8F

D Walmsley



9F








H Thornhill



10D









I Acquah

## Sports Day

				
Yr7	4th	1st	3rd	2nd
Yr8	3rd	2nd	1st	4th
Yr9	2nd	1st	3rd	4th
Yr10	2nd	1st	4th	3rd
Total	1550	1740	1584	1471
Final result				

## Overall results

### OVERALL

			
			
50,748	51,868	55,197	52,949



Well Done!

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## Student Leadership Team



Announcing the appointment of the student senior leadership team for 2024/25. This team can have a very positive impact on the whole school community as role models and through their interactions with their peers, students in the lower school and teachers across the school.

During this term, Year 12 students were invited to apply for the prestigious roles of Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputies and Senior Prefect roles. From a strong cohort, many excellent applications were received where prospective students demonstrated their suitability for a role. Following shortlisting, a selection of students were asked to take part in virtual interviews to outline their proposals and show what they could bring to the role personally. The outcome of those interviews resulted in a further shortlist of students which were presented to a staff ballot. After careful consideration, the selection panel chose those students who they believe will work brilliantly as a team, being approachable and resourceful to work together to benefit the whole school community. These roles require commitment, energy, leadership and teambuilding skills as well as use of initiative and creativity to support the integration of new students to the school through assemblies and events. Senior students represent the school at functions and in the wider community, often at short notice and involving public speaking to large audiences. Within this group we have a broad range of skills and extra-curricular experience and we look forward to the team organising charity fundraising and social events to motivate and enrich the experience of students throughout the school. The senior team students develop confidence and gain valuable transferrable skills in preparation for the next stage of their development through their efforts. We wish them good luck in their endeavours and look forward to a successful year ahead.



[Sixth Form Leadership Team](#)





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## Careers Information

### Work Taster Day Year 10

Monday July 22nd—Sunday September 1st

Following our letter to Year 10 parents in May, if you have only recently been able to organise a Work Taster Day placement for your child over the summer holidays, it is not too late to inform us.

Students are being asked to accompany a parent, or other named adult, to their workplace for one whole day during the forthcoming Summer holidays. This can be a parent/guardian, sibling or other family member over the age of 18, or any other family friend or contact that you would be happy for your child to accompany to work for the day. At this stage, we are hoping that students gain a worthwhile experience of the world of work and therefore it does not matter if you do not have a contact within the particular industry your child is interested in.

Please email [l.uffon@shenfield.essex.sch.uk](mailto:l.uffon@shenfield.essex.sch.uk) the details and we will make sure the placement is logged.



## Higher Education Fair – UCAS

Sixty three Year 12 students were taken to the UCAS Discovery Exhibition, bringing together the experts helping them shortlist their options, all under one roof. At this Discovery exhibition students were able to:

- meet over 100 universities, colleges, and apprenticeship employers face-to-face
  - find out about different options and pathways
  - listen to live, expert talks
  - get the latest advice and information on different career choices...plus lots more.
- We hope Year 12 found the trip informative.

Thank you Mr MacDonald, Mrs Downey and Mrs Panayi for assisting.

## Year 10 Post 16 Options Workshops

The Careers Department finished the Year 10 post 16 options workshops with Emma Doman, Directions Careers Advisor. These workshops took place in Social Science lessons and a chance for Year 10 to hear in depth the options available to them after their Year 11 exams and beyond. A chance to think about plan A, B and C.



**Shenfield Careers**





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## Careers Information

### Year 10 Careers Day with Practice Interview Day

At Shenfield High School on Tuesday 9th July, the Careers Department successfully ran the Year 10 Careers Day.

Thank you to our students who fully embraced the day in their interview outfits and professional manner.

The practice interview sessions were run by our dedicated employer volunteers who gave up their time to support the students, giving them a 30 minute practice interview. The experience and feedback students receive from their practice interviews will be invaluable as they prepare for their first "real" interviews.

Students also took part in an interactive enterprise task, delivered to students by an external company, Bright Futures. Students worked in teams taking part in a number of practical activities aimed at developing their enterprise skills and their understanding of the skills and qualities which are sought by employers.

Finally, students worked individually and in groups, to consider and explore questions about themselves and their future, known as their Life Spaces. This was run by The Brentwood Schools Christian Worker Trust. This gave students space for reflection to think about themselves, deeper life questions and future career choices.



We are very grateful to everyone that supported the school in running this popular event.

*Thank  
You*

Miss A Kadem  
Careers Leader

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## Year 12 visit to Oxford University

A group of Year 12 Students visited Oxford University recently and were introduced to the educational opportunities and facilities available to undergraduate students.

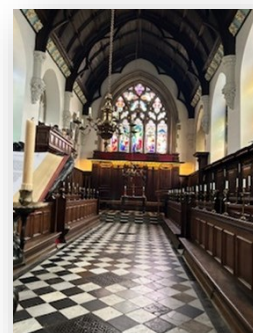


They were welcomed by the Master of St. Peter's College and outreach tutors who gave insight to the colleges, the admissions process and interview experience, dispelling some myths about Oxbridge generally and encouraging state school students to apply.

Students actively took part in an interesting academic lecture on biodiversity, habitat fragmentation and eco-system restoration in Chile.

Q and A sessions with current undergraduate students allowed our students an insight to the academic and social life at Oxford, including fun events organised within the JCR, the social hub in college.

Lunch in the college dining room was followed by a tour of University College, the oldest college in Oxford, steeped in tradition and history, as well as the sight of new student accommodation buildings.



David Churchill, governor at Shenfield High School, hosted our visit and led a tour of the town to conclude the day giving students information about university buildings and famous landmarks such as the Bridge of Sighs, Sheldonian Theatre and Bodleian Library which offers the largest library service in the UK.

Students said they felt inspired and commented they had thoroughly enjoyed the day.



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## Year 9 Learning Enrichment Activities Day

We were lucky enough to be invited, once again, to attend a Learning Enrichment Activities Day (LEAP) at Brentwood School.

It was an all day event designed to enhance skills in problems solving, critical thinking and public speaking for academically able students in Year 9. Students participated in a series of activities designed to stretch and challenge them.

The students attended workshops with students from other local schools on; critical thinking skills, where students were challenged in groups to solve a series of higher level thinking problems; psycho behavioural analysis, where students looked at case studies designed to stimulate students to question the 'easy answers'; problem solving skills, where students again worked in groups to complete tasks requiring teamwork and mental agility and a biological investigation, during which students learnt how to take fingerprints from a crime scene.

Students also attended a talk on how the universities of Oxford and Cambridge select and mentally challenge students and finally students wrote and delivered a talk about a subject of their choosing to the rest of the group.

We would like to thank Brentwood School for hosting this event.



## Year 11 Prom

The hugely successful Year 11 prom was held at Stock Brook Manor and it really was a joyous event.

The Year 11s danced the whole night through. It was wonderful to see them all in their lovely attire and it was a great opportunity for staff and students to say their final goodbyes. Thank you to all the staff that helped on the evening.

Mrs Hodgson-Wild, Mr Clifford and Miss Arnold



As promised, Mr Clifford in his gold suit!!



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## Shenfield Combined Cadet Force (CCF)

### Defence School of Policing and Guarding

Cadets from Years 10-13 were recently invited to attend a team building and command task activity day at The Defence School of Policing and Guarding. Shenfield High School are the first CCF in the country to have been offered this unique opportunity. On a bright and sunny day in late June two minibuses departed school shortly after 07:00 enroute to Fareham in Hampshire. Lots of very excited and talkative cadets settled quickly into the long journey. I mention this as it features again at the end of the article!

We were met at DSPG by Warrant Officer (WO) Daniel Woolridge who retains responsibility for all things 'fitness' at the UK's main MOD police training centre, where at any one time up to 500 service personnel from the tri services are undergoing specific policing and guarding training. The cadet's morning activities focused more on the cerebral challenges of working as a team to overcome various problems and situations; these included, blind folded mine fields, tent building (without instructions or diagrams) sign making for viewing from aircraft, stretcher building (with only two poles and one long rope), traversing 'swamps' using blocks and planks. Whilst most of these may seem easy, it becomes so much harder when only one person can give instructions for each exercise !!! as you will know keeping young adults silent can often be the biggest challenge!

However, they quickly learned that fewer voices provide a quicker way of achieving success. All the tasks were timed, with points awarded based on speed and being completed successfully inside a maximum ten-minute timeframe.

WO2 Woolridge had organised for the cadets to purchase lunch in the main camp messing hall, which for many was a new experience in an operational military setting.

The afternoon's activities were of a more physical nature, starting with the 'trim trail'. This comprised approximately 1km of track around the fence line of the camp, which was interspersed with various physical exercises, including angled sit ups, monkey bars, chin ups, balance beams, low climbing obstacles etc, all to be completed at a medium paced jog. The cadets also completed a low ropes obstacle course that included the need to get from one end to the other without falling in the 'boiling lava', whilst carrying a plank of wood that was needed to access and exit at both ends of the obstacle.



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As the activity day came towards its close, it became very apparent that the early start and extensive range of physical challenges the cadets had faced, was beginning to take its toll. The flushed faces and reduced chatter were a clear indication that WO2 Woolridge had truly delivered an exceptional day of activities that the cadets had enjoyed and learnt so much from; about themselves and the overwhelming positive value of working collectively as a team in order to overcome problems and challenges.

We have already started to plan a repeat of this activity and with luck will be able to build upon it by including other elements of cadet life. We are indebted to WO2 Woolridge for allowing us the opportunity to be the first of hopefully many more CCFs that will benefit from this kind of integration with the armed forces and their extensive repertoire of resources.

As we began our long journey home the level of chatter on the minibuses subsided significantly to the point that many took the opportunity to nap, or at least until we made the obligatory stop at the 'Golden Arches'.

Our next adventure will be summer camp, which we will report on in the first autumn newsletter. Until then, we hope you have a great summer break and hopefully some pleasant weather. We are looking forward to welcoming our new Year 9 cadets in September.

Capt Simon Brooks  
Contingent Commander

## His Majesty the King's official birthday 21 gun salute

Shenfield CCF were honoured to be invited to attend the official 21 gun salute to celebrate King Charles III.



## Armed Forces Day



Shenfield High Sch @ShenfieldHigh · Jun 26

Incredibly proud of our senior cadets who were invited to attend the national Armed Forces Day at Brentwood Council offices

@ArmedForcesDay @CCFcadets #saluteourforces #proud #challenge #contribute #collaborate #shenfieldhighschool





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## Jack Petchey Award

We are pleased to announce that Stephanie was presented with her Jack Petchey award in June. She epitomises the ethos and purpose of the award scheme.

Stephanie was a late joiner to Shenfield High School Combined cadet force, having joined nearly two years after the rest of her year group. In that time she has proven time and time again that she sets herself higher standards than many of her peers, simply in order to succeed and be the best that she can possibly be in an environment that until recently was totally alien to her.

Stephanie is always the first to offer support to other students and staff; she is a caring and sympathetic leader, who also perfectly juggles the challenges of a responsible senior cadet.

An indication of Stephanie's preferred post school life focus is captured in her choice of further education subjects, which are all Health and Social Care orientated. More recently Stephanie has discussed the options that may be open to her as a junior officer in the armed forces, where she said she wants to continue to invest in her passion for supporting others that may be facing challenges caused by injury or mental health struggles.

Stephanie has whole heartedly embraced the responsibilities bestowed upon her as a 'senior' cadet. She is a cadet that embodies all the positive aspects of cadet life. Highlighted by volunteering to support the Year 9 overnight, rough sleeping activity in aid of the Royal British Legion charity event. Stephanie also gives up a significant amount of her evenings and weekends to support a voluntary youth club in her local home area.

All the above we believe makes Stephanie a shining example of the kind and caring young person that takes the opportunity to flourish within the CCF opportunities open to all.

Capt Simon Brooks



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## Jack Petchey Award

Students attended an awards evening to be recognised for their outstanding achievements; each student exemplifying our core school values and ethos. In addition, Mr Ninian was recognised for his dedication to the teaching profession; his career has spanned over 50 years and impacted many students and staff along the way. A huge congratulations to them all.



September	Aoife H-G
October	David H
November	Wiktor S
January	Zac T
February	Marcus O
March	Max G
April	Lauren H
May	Amber K
June	Stephanie F





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## General Election Debate

On Thursday, June 13th, Sixth Form students visited Brentwood School for a General Election Debate! With candidates from the Conservatives, Labour, Liberal Democrats and Reform UK, students learned what each party stood for and what they hoped to achieve for the constituency of Brentwood and Ongar.

In addition to hearing these speeches, Sixth Formers also had a chance to pose questions to the panel, covering various topics, from the Israel-Hamas War to the cost-of-living crisis.

The debate gave students a front-row seat on how general elections operate in the UK and furthered their understanding of political parties ahead of their mock exams.



## SHS Mock General Election

Parallel to real-life events, students across the school took part in their very own Mock General Election on Thursday, July 4th.

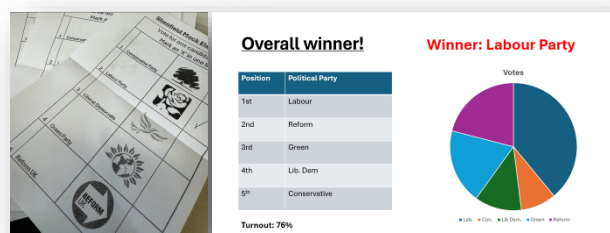
After watching a short presentation explaining each party's manifesto, students voted for who they thought should represent the constituency of Brentwood and Ongar and run the government of the United Kingdom.

### How do people decide?

- For people to understand their options ahead of Election Day, political parties release a manifesto
- A manifesto is a list of promises that parties make, explaining what they aim to do if they are elected to govern



The results differed across each year group. However, with a comparatively higher turnout than other year groups, Years 7 and 8 ultimately secured a victory for the Labour Party, commanding 39% of the vote, more than any other party.



The Politics Department would like to thank students and staff for their enthusiasm and help in running this event. It was one of the largest in the school's recent history and would not have been possible without your support.



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## ALICE IN WONDERLAND

On Tuesday the 2nd and Wednesday the 3rd of July our KS3 students put on two evening performances of Alice in Wonderland.

After auditioning back in March, we were blown away by the ever-growing talent at Shenfield High School! We were lucky enough to audition over sixty Year 7, 8, and 9 students. That is why for the first time in Shenfield High School, we cast two whole productions and two show nights for the Lower School Play. Double the cast, double the rehearsals but double the enthusiasm!

This lower school play was a team effort, and the Drama Department could not have put on this show without everyone involved. We are so beyond proud of our students. They have continued to work so hard in their various roles, and it continues to amaze us how invested our students are in these production processes. From rehearsing most lunchtimes and afterschool, creating props, costume designing to even helping direct; we are so lucky to work with such talented students.



The Drama Department would like to say a massive congratulations and thank you to our amazing students and backstage crew: Lily H, Lissy R, Aimee R, Lola G, Isabella M, Sophie M, Heidi J, Lizzie J, Izabelle K, Adisa R, George W, Harry, Mitchell A, Alarni S, Hannah O, Mia W, Isabelle H, Carla B, Violet R, Lauren H, Imogen C, Tjaart V, Nathan B, Phoebe C, Paije H, Yara H, Talia R, Shayla M, Sofia S, Maisy R, Olivia C, Ava T, Lilly P -W, Leja T, Violet C, Isaac M, Maddie A, Katie J, Lara S, Jessica B, Rebecca V, Celia V, Nathan F, Lucas F, Freya S, Isabella R, Sophie B, Molly F and a special thank you to Monto Events, Amy H, Marie C, Site Team and of course, to the parents and carers of all performers.

It was fantastic to see so many families, friends, Shenfield staff members and governors in the audience supporting our students. We appreciate your ongoing support, and we look forward to seeing you again in the next academic year.





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### Arts and Culture Festival

We are always so proud and impressed by the incredible talents of our students and thought it would be a great opportunity to celebrate this in an Arts and Cultural Festival at Shenfield High School.

Over the two weeks, students had the opportunity to get involved in a wide range of activities, organised by staff from various departments.

It has been wonderful to showcase the amazing talents of our students, demonstrated in an array of art and cultural outcomes.



Shenfield High Sch @ShenfieldHigh · Jul 9

There was a great atmosphere in the library today for the Summer Bake Off cake sale. Congratulations to our winners Amber K and Sofia S. Remember to take a look at the festival schedule to see what's going on for the rest of the week. #reading #books #bakeoff #arts #culture



Shenfield High Sch @ShenfieldHigh · Jul 12

For our Arts and Cultural Festival, students are producing a mural based on the history of Shenfield High School. They are doing amazing work and here is a glimpse of what will be displayed in our school. #arts #culture #collaboration #contribution #history #shenfieldhighschool



Shenfield High Sch @ShenfieldHigh

Well done to Harry in Year 7 and Maddie in Year 8 who have won the English Writing Competition. It was an absolute pleasure to read their carefully considered work which brought their stories to life on the page! Prizes in the English office. #creative #writing #Congratulations



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CHALLENGE CONTRIBUTION COLLABORATION

**ARTS AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL**

For more information, please see email sent home or speak to relevant teacher/department.

**Monday 8th July**  
Social Sciences-Beliefs and Values-Celebration of students work  
Art Exhibition 3.30-7.00pm Sixth Form Art room E2

**Tuesday 9th July**  
English-Summer Book Bake Off and lunchtime bake sale

**Wednesday 10th July**  
MFL-Lunchtime foreign language film

**Thursday 11th July**  
Art-Mural based on the history of our school  
Ideas to ddemp@shenfield.sussex.sch.uk by 11th July

**Friday 12th July**  
Drama-Design a mural for the X block-the influence of the Arts July

**Tuesday 16th July**  
**Monday 15th July**  
English-Summer Writing Competition  
Entries to sdhiff@shenfield.sussex.sch.uk by 15th July

**Thursday 16th July**  
Music-Songwriting Competition  
Entries to Music department by 16th July

**Wednesday 17th July**  
Humanities-lunchtime orienteering challenge

**Thursday 18th July**  
Food Technology-Design a brand-new recipe for an original dish  
Entries to reast@shenfield.sussex.sch.uk by 18th July  
MFL-Cook a cultural dish at home  
Photos to asahum@shenfield.sussex.sch.uk by 18th July  
Summer Concert 7.00pm Tickets available on ParentPay





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## Art Exhibitions

The Art department was proud to have been part of the Brentwood art trail for a second year.

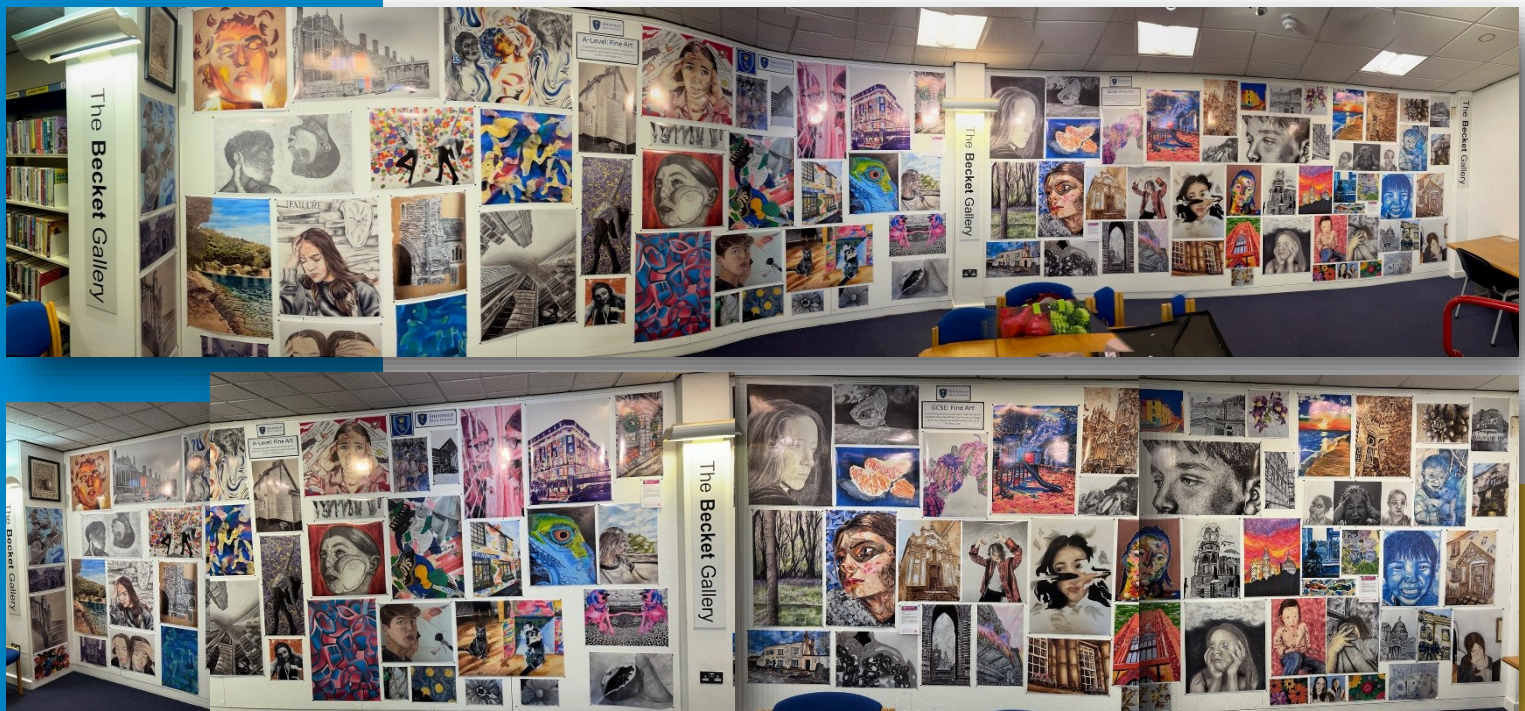


The Brentwood art trail enables us to show the fantastic work of our Year 11 and 13 students in a public exhibition, a rare opportunity. This year we were very lucky to have been given the exhibition space at Brentwood Library, a really large area which we were able to fill with students' final pieces from across their GCSE and A-level portfolios.

The pieces were shown in the form of high quality prints (to ensure all original work was kept safe) which were then exhibited in our open exhibition and to now find permanent homes around the school. We want to congratulate all our Year 11 and 13 Art students who have worked so hard to create such wonderful work.



*Thank you to everyone that attended.*





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## Sports Day

Despite challenges with the weather, we were able to celebrate sports day this year on our reserve date, the 8th of July. Having already successfully completed our field events we were looking forward to our new look sports day.

The sports day set up was very different to previous years; one field full of inflatables and the far field set up for our traditional track events. The atmosphere around school was very positive, with students and staff keen to begin the day of fun. Year 7 and 8 students were first to enjoy the inflatables whilst the Year 9 and 10 students competed in their track events. The students then swapped for the afternoon session.

Students' participation in the track events was truly outstanding, with maximum participation in most races. There were records broken in 4 of the relay races and lots of competitive performances. The atmosphere was amazing, with students supportive of their peers and committed to their houses.

Staff and students made full use of the inflatables; these were thoroughly enjoyed by all!

We would like to thank all parents and carers for their contribution to our new and improved Shenfield sports day.

*Thank  
You*





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## Cricket

The Shenfield Cricket season has been one of the most successful of recent years. Our U13 and U15 girls' teams both made their respective County finals (playing July 11th at Billericay CC) and the U15 girls also finished second in the Essex 'Chance to Shine' softball competition.

The U12 boys have arguably been the most prolific team in the school. Their captain, Robin S, has scored 3 unbeaten 50's and an unbeaten century already this season and he has been well supported by his team with the bat and ball. Robin is the first Year 7 in Shenfield cricket history to score a century!

The U13 boys lost their first game of the season and have never looked back. They have made huge progress beating KEGS, St Martins, Moulsham, Coopers and Hall Mead on their way to the Mid Essex and Essex Cup finals.

Frankie N and Zach H have been key players but other crucial contributions with the bat have come from Casper N, Finley F, Ollie G and Ethan C. Max G and Josh P (before his foot injury) have also been standout bowlers in most games.

Our U15 boys are also undefeated this year though they have several games to squeeze in before the end of the season. Hopefully they will be able to reach their third Essex Cup cricket final in 4 years.

The U18 boys have played 12 fixtures this summer and enjoyed a mixed season against quality private school opposition.

Gus P has been the key allrounder in the team but the most memorable performance of the season was Arjun B's century against the MCC. Arjun finished on 118 against a top quality adult side.

Arjun and Callum B played their last game for Shenfield against an Australian touring side. Both players have made huge progress and have been superb ambassadors for Shenfield Cricket over the last 2 years since they joined the school for our 6th form and the cricket academy programme.



Robin and Arjun  
Two centuries during the 2024 cricket season.



To read more about our cricket teams, please go to



[@SHSPEDEPT1](#)





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### Athletics

The Shenfield High School athletics season has been one of the most successful in the school's history.

At the District Championships our Year 7 boys, Year 7 girls and Year 8 boys teams all won their respective titles and we finished second overall by just a few points. Next year will be an all out effort to claim the overall title which we have not won for 20 years.

There were so many superb individual performances with school athletics records broken by Will H (Y8 boys 1500m), Tom A (Y8 boys hurdles), Ellie G (Y9 girls 1500m), Steph S (Y9 girls 300m school and district record), Will B (Y8 boys Hammer) and Violet W (Y10 girls Hammer).

In the ESAA Track and Field Cup we entered all 4 teams, U13 boys and girls and the U15 boys and girls. All 4 teams qualified for the regional B finals, just missing out on the Regional A finals to the very big athletics schools that either have their own tracks, throwing cages and/or pole vault beds, which can make a big difference to the team scores.

At the Regional Finals we had six athletes who scored over 40 points. Emmanuel O scored a remarkable 50 points, the best ever from any Shenfield student (he competed in the 200m and triple jump). Tom A scored 46 points in the hurdles and high jump; Steph S (42 points in the 300m and High Jump); Will H (42 points from 1500m and High Jump); Amira K (41 points in 1500m and relay) and Poppy H (40 points in 200 and Long Jump).

Collectively, both the U13 boys team and the U15 boys came first out of the 10 other schools in attendance, while the U15 girls finished second.

Huge "well done" to all of our athletes who have worked so hard in clubs before and after school as well as training outside of school to allow for this considerable success.



To read more about our athletes, please go to



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## Sports Awards Evening

The annual Shenfield Sports Awards Evening was a massive celebration of the incredible sporting achievements witnessed over the last 12 months. We are grateful to Monto Events (Montoevents.com) for the impressive sound, stage and lighting set up which made for a really professional feel to the evening.

The evening began with a look at the team achievements from Year 7 to 1st XI. After the interval we were joined by professional footballer Jason Demetriou who was amazed by the sheer numbers of successes of our athletes. We are very grateful to Jason for giving up his time. Having played international football, alongside a 20 year professional career, he fully understood the commitment and sacrifices that our athletes have made to get to the level they are competing at.

We not only celebrated the many team successes which included 4 National Football titles, but also the huge number of individual achievements in sports like gymnastics, swimming, triathlon, dance and golf, which get less attention than most team sports covered at Shenfield.

The Neil Purbrick Sports Ambassador of the Year was won by Elsie K for her huge commitment to Shenfield sport. The Ria Melvin Shield is the highest Award for females at Shenfield and was won by Layla K for her exceptional progress as a footballer. Max T won the Mike Learey Trophy Award, another student who has committed 7 years to a range of sports but who especially excelled in football and cricket.

The 2023-2024 academic year has been a remarkable one in terms of sporting achievements from our students. The sheer commitment and dedication of our students and staff has made this possible.

Huge appreciation goes to all the students for their hard work and commitment across the year, to our supportive parents who give our athletes all the encouragement they need to make the huge progress we have seen and to our dedicated PE team that provide the opportunities and give up the time that has contributed to the success we have seen over the last year.

Enjoy your summer holidays and get ready to strive for another brilliant year in 2024-25.

*Thank  
You*





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## English Certificates

The English department have been selecting students who have had an excellent attitude to learning and we have been giving them certificates and chocolate rewards to celebrate their achievements. Well done to everyone.



Emmanuel, Oliver, Will and Isla were just some of the students selected

## Good luck

Miss Nichol and Mrs Whitfield are taking part in a 10k 'race for life' run for charity this month. They have been training hard and have raised funds for cancer research. We wish them good luck.

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# PTA

PARENT AND TEACHER ASSOCIATION



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## Everyone Welcome

The Shenfield Parents Association (PTA) is a voluntary organisation made up of parents of children at Shenfield High School whose main aim is to assist the school by helping out at school events and raising money for a variety of projects.

The PTA have sponsored classroom redecoration, purchased two new trampolines and lots more. They have also paid for various items of equipment needed in school such as interactive whiteboards, benches for the playground, IT equipment and other items that benefit the school.

We welcome any assistance that you can give however, the greatest support is to take part in our fund-raising events such as quiz nights, raffles, recycling clear out day, car treasure hunt to name but a few.

## Interested in joining us?

We attend school events and would love to speak to you about the amazing things we do for our school and how to get involved. You can also get more details by contacting the PA on:

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## Buses - Revised Timetable

### Notice from NIBS Buses

Please could you advise parents that we have sent Timetable Proposals for the new term in September. Once approved, these will be added to our website, but we will have difficulty in communicating this information during the school holidays. If you could advise parents to keep an eye on our website for the impending changes.

The last thing we want is to run the new timetable and those who travel are not made aware.

The following routes will be having timetable changes –

- Route 49 (Brentwood and Shenfield)
- Route 431 (Shenfield)
- Route 434 (Shenfield)
- Route 436 (Shenfield)

Thank you for your co-operation & support.

Regards  
Dave Nash  
Operations Supervisor

**NIBS**buses



[School Term Dates 2024—2025](#)



Please keep up to date with school events by visiting our website at:-



[School Event Calendar](#)

## Key dates Autumn Term 1

Date	Event
02.09.24	Staff INSET day - no students
03.09.24	Start of term Year 7, Registration Year 12
04.09.24	Start of term Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13
05.09.24	Start of term Year 12
18.09.24	Year 7 parents meet the tutors
19.09.24	JSA parent information evening
03.10.24	Open Evening
04.10.24	Staff INSET day - no students
28.10 - 01.11.24	Half Term



Wishing everyone a wonderful  
Summer holiday



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