



# Sharples

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### Newsletter

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#### Man Utd vs Everton WSL Trip



On Sunday a group of 25 girls travelled to Leigh Sports Village to watch Manchester United vs Everton in the Women's Football Super League. There was a great level of excitement on the way down at the prospect of meeting some of the players, and the students were eager to watch some of the Euros winners in action. On arrival, we were lucky to secure front row seats which gave us a brilliant view of the football on display. Although the game finished goalless, it was not short of action. United dominated the whole game, hitting the woodwork 3 times and having the ball cleared off the line twice. At the final whistle, the girls raced down to the tunnel to try and meet some of their favourite players and to their delight, the majority of the squad took time to sign their shirts, take selfies and have a few conversations with the students. Some of the girls couldn't believe their luck that they managed to get pictures and autographs from some of the best female footballers in the world! Mary Earps, Alessia Russo and Ella Toone were the most popular players the girls wanted to meet and to their credit they spent nearly half an hour walking around and engaging with the fans. A brilliant day and a fantastic experience for the students to meet some of their favourite players and some Euros winners!



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#### National Asian Wedding Fashion Show Trip



Last weekend, Year 9 and Year 10 pupils went to Old Trafford Cricket ground to attend a Fashion and Textiles trip. We attended the National Asian Wedding Fashion show. This is one of the largest wedding fairs across the country. The trip allowed pupils to see different fabrics and cultural dresses from around the world. There were an array of outfits for the pupils to see and feel. The cricket ground was filled with colour, music and amazing food. We were gifted with lots of treats from the many vendors who were amazed by how interested our pupils were in the fashion around them. We got to experience 360 degree photography and sample the wedding cakes. The pupils attended a cat walk and some of us even walked our very own catwalk!

In the afternoon the pupils enjoyed authentic asian cuisine, fit for a wedding. The day was an astounding success and one we will look forward to doing again next year.

We received a warm welcome from the organisers and they were happy to welcome pupils from Sharples School at their wedding show.



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#### Science Enrichment Newsletter

#### Educake Top Scorers

Well done to everyone who completed their home learning this week. The top scores for each year group are:

Year 11: Imaan H.

Year 10: Ziyaad P and Maddison S.

Year 9: Munisha T, Ayesha M and Zoe A.

Year 8: Forces: Aamirah M. Chemical Reactions: Khadija P and Shanifa M. Ecosystems: Aisha P and Raees M.

Year 7: Forces: Dawood HS and Patrick W. Chemical Reactions: Aaliyah M and Safira T. Ecosystems: Safiya I.





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#### **STEM club**

This week in STEM club pupils investigated the effect that music has upon our brain's interpretation of visual images. The pupils watched four different popular film segments (as pictured on the previous page) and were asked whether they evoked feelings of joy, fear, happiness or sadness. It was noted that in the absence of music, the scary segment had little effect upon the group. This illustrated the importance of sound in affecting how we interpret visual images. Pupils also learnt that the thalamus is a part of the brain that plays a key role in interpreting sounds. Next week there will be a more hands-on investigation with pupils building density towers!

#### **Science career of the week**

This week's career is Pilot. Pilots can work for commercial airlines or transporting cargo around the world. Pilots are responsible for completing safety checks preflight in order to ensure safe travel. Information about experience opportunities, providers, entry requirements and much more can be found here: [Science career of the Week](#)

Please speak to Mr. Burke, who will provide you with more information about this, or any other, science career.

#### **Women and Girls in Science Day**

Saturday 11th February marks UN Women and Girls in Science Day. To celebrate this, we are inviting students to research a Woman in Science and create a poster all about the contribution made to science by their chosen scientist. Students will also be learning about Marie Curie, the first person to be awarded Nobel Prizes in two fields.

#### **Space News**

The launch of Relativity Space's Terran 1 rocket is due to take place this month. Terran 1 is unique amongst rockets as it is almost completely 3D printed. This technology allows rockets to be built far more simply, using far fewer parts and taking far less time. In fact, it is believed the technology could be used in the future to build a rocket from raw material to launch in under 60 days. Read more about it here:

<https://www.relativityspace.com/glhf>

*Mr. Fowlds - Science Enrichment Coordinator*



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#### National Puzzle Day



In celebration of National Puzzle Day on Sunday 29th January all pupils were invited to complete a selection of puzzles and share their favourite puzzle. The Maths Department was delighted to see a wide range of puzzles being completed by all year groups. The Rubik's cube and Sudoku were the clear favourites.

Congratulations to Mohamed E for the winning entry explaining how to solve a mirror cube, and to our runners up Brandon R, Finley T and Tofiq H for their vast number of interesting entries.

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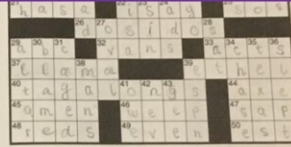
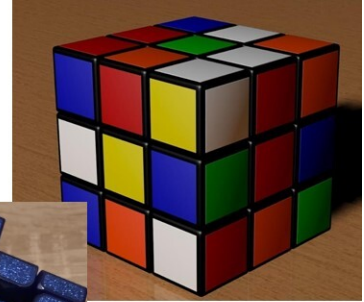
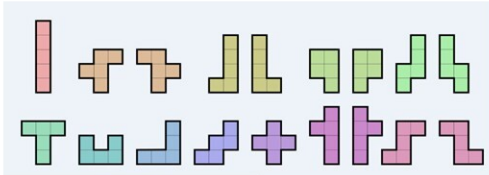


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### National Puzzle Day and Battle of the Bands



### National Puzzle Day 2023

SHARPLES SCHOOL, BOLTON  
PRESENTS

# BATTLE OF THE BANDS

FEATURING  
All Year 7 & 8 Classes

08:00 10th February 2023 - 21:00 17th February 2023  
(Between 08:00 and 21:00 daily)

\* ANSWER AS MANY QUESTIONS AS POSSIBLE \*  
PLAY IN ANY GAME TYPE \* THE WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE  
THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER PUPIL \*  
ASK YOUR TEACHER FOR FULL DETAILS AND RULES \*

**TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS**

### Class v's Class

#### Prizes for:

- The Y7 & Y8 class with the highest number of correct answers per student.
- The student with the highest score in each class.



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#### English Department's Stars of the Week

##### Work of the Week

Year 7

Fatima Y P has shown an excellent attempt at writing a persuasive speech. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 8

Yahya I has shown wonderful analytical skills. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 9

Alex C has shown some great evaluative skills. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 10

Elysee M has annotated Death of Naturalist brilliantly, using personal interpretations and class notes. [Click here to view the work.](#)

Year 11

Michael M P has produced an excellent essay on the character of Sheila Birling from An Inspector Calls. [Click here to view the work.](#)

##### Reader of the Week

Year 7

Fatimah Y P for reading and reviewing a whopping 30 books this half term!

Year 8

Tom D for his fantastic reading of Macbeth.

Year 9

Maryam P for reading Frankenstein clearly and fluently, especially the high level vocabulary.

Year 10

Eve H for reading Shakespeare aloud taking note of the punctuation and meaning of lines.

Year 11

Molly B for reading, understanding and analysing an unseen poem well.

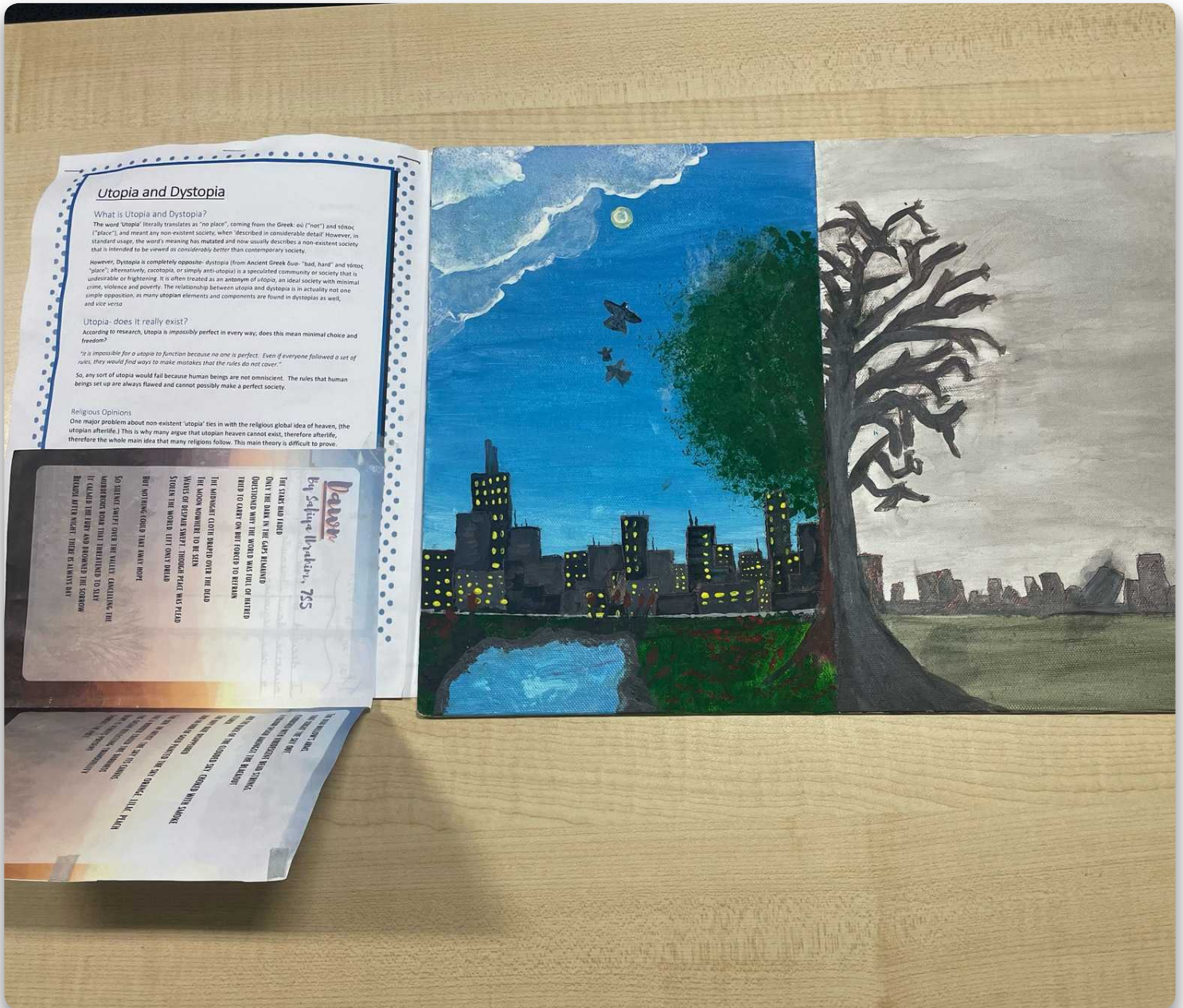


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#### Year 7 English G2G



Congratulations to Safiya I (7S5) for winning the Year 7 G2G prize. Her project on Utopias and Dystopias was beautiful and we all recognise the hard work that went into it.

Well done to everyone that submitted a project, it was a brilliant showcase of talent and hardwork!

Your celebration afternoon will be held after half-term.





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#### **Basketball Tournament Success**



The U15's basketball team had their second basketball tournament of the season this week. After dominating their last tournament, the team were moved up to the higher level group to test themselves against the best schools in Bolton. Ethan, Mason, Leo and Anna were all outstanding and managed to win all their 5 games. Sharples immediately found their form beating favourites Canon Slade 8-6. Sharples and St James' went into their game undefeated, Sharples managed to come out on top 6-4, with Anna scoring the 2 winning baskets. Ethan and Mason scored some fantastic lay ups and Leo was by far the outstanding player at the tournament.

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#### Year 7 Football - Double Win!



Well done to Year 7 for winning their tournament this week held by Manchester United. Students played against 4 other schools coming out with a 100% record and without conceding a goal. This is a fantastic achievement for the team and other teachers at the event complimented the team on their great performances!

The players received their medals and will now be invited to a further 'Finals Day' tournament held at Manchester United's First Team Training Ground. The date of this event is unconfirmed but most likely to take place some time in June.

This tournament win came less than 24hrs after the team won 4-0 against ESSA on Tuesday, with goals from Alfie x2, Kobe & Elliot. This was once again a fantastic performance with lots of individual brilliance. There is a friendly scheduled for Tuesday next week against Canon Slade (A).

It has been a fantastic week for Year 7. Well done to all involved in both of the wins!

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#### KS3 Girls Football



KS3 attended a football tournament yesterday held at Ladybridge. The team were placed into a league with Thornleigh A, Ladybridge & Bolton School A. The girls performed excellently throughout all of their games and were unlucky to lose to Bolton in their opener, the girls then battled back to put in two fantastic performances against Ladybridge and Thornleigh and managed to earn draws against both sides. There were excellent skills and performances from all players and every school contributed to some very competitive games of football. Well done to all the girls involved!

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#### Year 8 Boys Football vs Canon Slade



The Sharples' Year 8 football team (pictured above) took on Canon Slade on Monday night in a 4-2 thriller. Sharples took the lead early in the first half through Ayaan, slotting home from a fantastic ball by Amaan. Canon Slade then responded with an outstanding free kick. Just before halftime Sharples conceded a goal, from another fantastic long range effort, making it 2-1.

The team showed great levels of resilience to fight back in the second half with Muhammad starting the half with a goal, pulling it back to 2-2. As the game went on Ayaan shone and managed to bag himself 2 more goals. The final score was 4-2 to Sharples. A great result from the boys but 'man of the match' has to go to our hat trick hero Ayaan.

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#### Attendance Information

Reporting an absence:

If your child is too ill to attend school, please contact the school before 9.30am with full details of your child's illness/symptoms. The attendance email is the easiest way to contact school as the phone line can get very busy.

The school attendance email is: [attendance@sharplesschool.co.uk](mailto:attendance@sharplesschool.co.uk)

If we are unable to make contact and you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

#### Attendance Data

Year Groups attendance this week:

Year 7 = 95.29%  
Year 8 = 94.32%  
Year 9 = 93.97%  
Year 10 = 93.31%  
Year 11 = 92.30%

Best forms this week:

7Shar2 = 99.03%  
8S = 99.15%  
9H = 98.92%  
10E = 98.08%  
11S4 = 100%

194 pupils have achieved 100% this academic year

#### Dates for your Diary

Monday 13th to  
Friday 17th  
February: MFL  
Speaking Tests  
PPEs

Wednesday 15th  
February: Year 10  
Mock Interviews  
(11:00 – 12:45)

Thursday 16th  
February: An  
Inspector Calls  
performance for  
Year 11 (09:00  
onwards)

### Career of the Week: Technical Architect

*Technical architects help plan, design and build IT systems for clients.*

Average Salary:



Typical hours:  
(per week)



You could work:



#### Qualifications:

- You can apply for this job through a university course, an apprenticeship, working towards the role or applying directly.
- 4 or 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 4 (A\* to C) and A levels, or equivalent, for a degree apprenticeship.
- 2 to 3 A levels, or equivalent, for a degree.

#### Skills required:

- Knowledge of computer operating systems, hardware and software.
- Analytical thinking skills.
- Maths knowledge.
- To be thorough and pay attention to detail.
- Excellent verbal communication skills.
- Operations analysis skills.

#### Relevant Subjects:

- Business Studies, Computer Science, Graphics & Maths.



Information sourced from: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/job-profiles/technical-architect>



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### PE Lunch Time Clubs - January - February

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Y7 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y8 & Y10 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y9 Football (Big Astro) - AHM	Y7 Football - Boys & Girls (Big Astro) - AHM & JRA	Girls only Football (Big astro) - SCU
Netball Yr 7/8 (SH) - SCU	Y7 Dodgeball (SH) - SCU & JRA	Just Dance- all years (Gym)	Basketball (SH) - LAL & SCU	Y7/8 Football (Big astro) AHM
Boccia (Gym) - LAL/JRA	KS4 Boys Fitness Suite - PGR	KS3 Basketball (SH) - LAL		KS3 Basketball (SH) - LAL & JRA
	Just Dance (Gym) - LAL	KS4 Boys Fitness Suite - PGR		



### PE After School Clubs - January - February

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
KS3 Swimming	Yr 7/8 Netball practice	KS3 Swimming	Girls Football practice	Wigan Warriors KS3 Rugby practice
Y9/10 Netball practice	Yr 7/8 Football practice	Running club- all years	KS4 Girls football tournament @ BSCA	
Yr 10 sports studies ALS/detentions	KS4 Football v Westhoughton (h)	Basketball- all years	KS4 Boys fitness suite	
KS4 Girls fitness suite	Yr 9 Football v Thornleigh (a)		Badminton practice	
	Yr 7 Football v Canon Slade (a)			

Week beginning 13th Feb

# Cost of living

Help when you need it

**Get free support on ways to make your food, fuel and money go further.**

**Cost of Living drop in events, 12pm until 3pm**

- **Tuesday 7 February 2023**  
Bolton Market Lifestyle Hall
- **Saturday 11 February 2023**  
Bolton Library, Crompton Place Shopping Centre



Scan the QR code for details  
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