

SHENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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News from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term has seen some big events for Shenfield High School. Ofsted visited us on the 23rd and 24th April and I look forward to sharing the outcome with you when the final report is published. Suffice to say at this point that the inspection process was very positive and there was much agreement between the inspection team and school leaders about the strengths and areas for further development of Shenfield High School. One thing I think I can share is a comment made by the inspection team that they had met so many polite and respectful students during their time at the school; your children were an absolute credit to you.

Alongside the report we will also, next half term, be sharing with you some changes to key policies from September 2024 on the grouping of students in core subjects, our assessment reporting procedures, and our homework policy. These are all areas where discussion has taken place between all stakeholders, including our students, and I thank those parents who have shared their views with me on these areas since my start at Shenfield. We believe that these changes will strongly support the academic success of our students and their ability to achieve their very best outcomes.

Our Year 11 and Year 13 students are now in the full swing of GCSE and A level examinations. It is fair to say that the students have approached their examinations very positively and the mood outside the exam venues remains optimistic. I wish to congratulate them all for their efforts so far, encourage them to have some downtime next week but also to use the time wisely in adopting a little and often approach to their revision.

The personal development of our students is something that I believe we excel in at Shenfield and this newsletter is full of examples of that.

- You can read about the extensive opportunities our students have had to explore career paths and future options, encountering employers and external providers.
- Our CCF is the largest contingent of its type within a state secondary school and provides so much opportunity for students from years 9 and above to develop soft skills, attain leadership qualifications and have experiences that are unique to them. A significant focus of the CCF is also about community, about giving back, and you can read about their fundraising for the British Legion within this newsletter.

- I wish to congratulate our Performing Arts Team for attaining the Artsmark Gold Award. You can read quotes from the assessors which very clearly communicate the strength of provision within this area of the school. Many of you will have enjoyed performances at this school and so will know firsthand about the strength and depth of talent amongst our students. Well done to everyone involved in this achievement.
- And finally, we couldn't put a newsletter out this week and not mention the football. For those of you who may not know, on Monday four of our teams played in the finals of the ESFA National Schools Cup. Four teams in the finals and four wins; an absolutely unprecedented achievement! That will be a day that the young people (and staff) will never forget. Congratulations to all of them for their successes on the day but also for all the hard work that got them there.

Behind all these strengths and successes are staff who give up so much of their time inside and outside of the school day in training, rehearsing, planning, organising and supporting the students. A huge thankyou to all of them.

Wishing you all an enjoyable, and hopefully sunny, half term break

Yours sincerely,

C. Costello

Our **VISION** is to prepare our students to **EMBRACE** all OPPORTUNITIES and **FULFIL** all AMBITIONS.





STUDENTS ARE KNOWN and **KNOWN WELL** and **PREPARED** for a future of **LIFELONG LEARNING**.
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House Points

C-POINTS and KS4 CREDITS

			
21,425	21,213	23,780	21,664
WHOLE SCHOOL - TEAM			
23,695	24,756	25,906	25,139
TOP FORM			
6384	6255	6429	6134

OVERALL

			
			
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45,120	45,969	49,686	46,803

Around the school are posters and conversation starters to support check-ins with peers but also with ourselves as individuals. Each year group has been involved in an assembly around the theme of mental health and included in this were reminders of where students can access support should they feel they need it.

The cake sale was a huge success! Over £145 raised for a fantastic charity; The Mental Health Foundation. We were very impressed with the baked goods that our students (and parents) donated for the sale – thank you to everyone who contributed to this either by baking or buying delicious cakes.

We also had our colleagues from our Mental Health Support Team on site on Thursday lunch time speaking to students about positive wellbeing and taking care of our mental health. Lots of students took advantage of this opportunity.



Mental Health Awareness

Mental Health Awareness Week

This annual event has been focussed on raising awareness of mental health in Shenfield High School and encouraging conversations that we can all have, to check-in on how someone is feeling.

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Year 9 & 10 Investment Management Careers Insight – Investment2020 Employer Engagement

Year 9 and Year 10 were welcomed by and introduced to Charlotte Smith, from Careers and Talent Associate of Investment2020.

As part of the Employer Engagement Day for Business, Charlotte took the time to explain who Investment2020 are and how investment management plays a major role in the sector, the broad range of careers within industry and how they can help our students navigate this as a school leaver or graduate. Jobs in human resources, marketing, social media, investment operations, sales, data, technology, compliance, and many other job areas were explained.

If Tuesday's presentation was of interest you can find the full presentation here: Careers Industry Talks - SHS Careers Area (shenfieldlearning.com)

Year 12 Investment Management Careers Insight – Investment2020 Assembly

Year 12 were also presented to by Charlotte Smith and provided with the information to support their future. Mrs Utton has arranged for students to have a bespoke workshop with Investment2020 once they are in spring term of Year 13 giving them further support and guidance. All they need to do is sign up with Mrs Utton in C53 or with their tutor.

If Tuesday's assembly was of interest, The presentation can be found here: Apprenticeship Information - SHS Careers Area (shenfieldlearning.com)

Careers Industry Talks



Apprenticeship Information

Other useful resources:

Careers with PwC UK

Prepare for an Online Assessment

<https://assessment.aon.com/en-us/prepare-your-assessment>

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Year 10 & Year 12 AIM Group presentations with Jack Allars-Board

During Social Science classes this term, Year 10 were introduced to AIM Group with Jack Allars-Board as our guest speaker.

Jack took students through his Apprenticeship Workshop and touched on T-Levels, keeping the students up to speed with the current and local opportunities available to them after Y11 and beyond.

Year 12 were introduced to AIM Group and Higher Degree Apprenticeship information with Mr Cooke. Mr Cooke focused predominantly on Higher and Degree apprenticeships, keeping students up to speed with the current and local opportunities available to them after Y13 and beyond.

Should the information be of interest, you can find the Apprenticeship and T-Level presentations here for your review: [Apprenticeship Information - SHS](#)

NHS, Mid and South Essex with Year 8 Social Science careers insight and training provider workshops.



Kate Merritt and Kate Evans from Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust came to Shenfield High School to visit Year 8 Social Science lessons, and informed our students of the many roles within the NHS in addition to giving detailed explanations of various jobs.

Kate explored the soft skills required to work in the NHS and some students took part in the Playdoh Challenge. Students were very engaged, very well educated and we thank Kate and Kate for their time with us.

Apprenticeship Information



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Year 10 Employer Engagement Day

The Careers Department held the annual Employer Engagement Day for Year 10 students.

The day was designed to provide our students with real, meaningful contact with professionals in the industry areas they have expressed an interest in, and an opportunity to gain a real “taste” of work in their chosen field. The event was incredibly helpful for our students when making important decisions about their career paths and future study options, and was a vital component of our Work Related Learning curriculum.



The Employer Engagement Day involved each student taking part in one-hour sessions focusing on a particular industry area. We asked each contributor to plan an interactive activity or task for the students to give them a flavour of the kind of tasks they could one day be undertaking if they pursue a career in this field, as well as an opportunity to appreciate the range of skills needed to be successful.

We welcomed and would like to thank:

- Sophisticated Entertainment representing Performance Arts
- Landons Solicitors representing Law
- Decorella representing Painting and Decorating
- Marsh McLennan representing Finance and Insurance
- Teledyne E2V representing Engineering
- Weston Homes representing House Building
- Poppetts Day Nursery representing Childcare
- Police Force – Essex HQ representing Police Force
- Kennadys representing Hair Dressing and Design
- South Essex College representing Sport
- Mid and South Essex NHS representing Health
- Carmel Jane representing Photography
- Royal Air Force representing RAF
- Mid Essex Teacher Training representing Teaching
- Armed Forces Chelmsford representing ARMY



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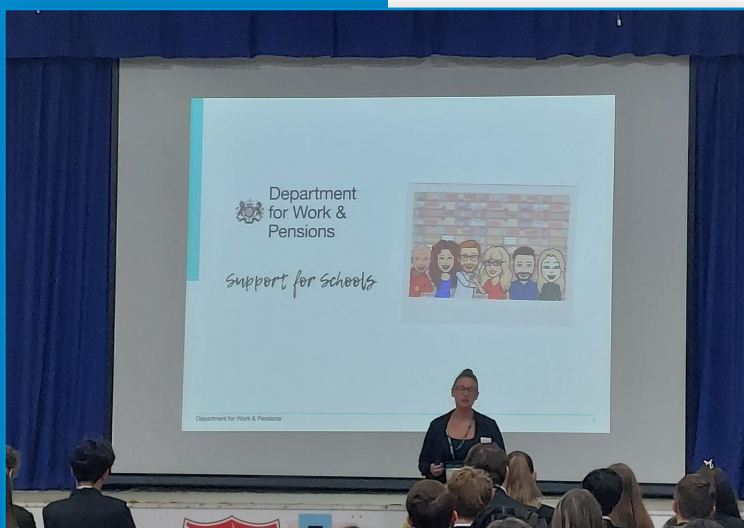
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Year 10 Preparation for CV

Andrea Purser, a support for Schools Engagement Team member from the Essex District of Department for Work and Pensions came to visit our Year 10 students for their assembly.

All of Year 10 will be taking part in the Practice Interview Day in July and in preparation for this, will be writing CVs in Social Sciences lessons. These CVs are really important as they will be sent to the employers interviewing our students in advance, to mimic a real job interview.

We were really lucky to have Andrea to talk students through how to write their CVs and make sure they give the best impression of themselves.



Year 10 Post 16 Options Workshops.

The Careers Department have kicked off the Year 10 post 16 options workshops with Emma Doman, Directions Careers Advisor.

These workshops take place in Social Science lessons and are a chance for Y10 to hear in depth the options available to them after their Y11 Exams and beyond. A chance to think about plan A, B and C.

Directions

CAREERS, INFORMATION, ADVICE & GUIDANCE

Raising of the Participation Age
Government requirement: Some form of education, employment or training until age 18

Further Education
College
BTEC Diplomas
Entry Level and Levels 1, 2 & 3
T-Levels
Level 3

Sixth Form
A Levels or BTEC
Level 3

Apprenticeships
Work Based Learning
Levels 2, 3 & 4+

Full/Part time
Employment or
Volunteering (with
accredited training)

Other Training
Providers
Traineeships
Entry & Level 1

Doing nothing is not an option!!

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Rotary Club Award Winner

Lily D is the very worthy recipient of the Rotary Club Award this year.

Lily is an outstanding student. Such students exemplify the reason why we teach. Since her time in Sixth Form, Lily has maturely balanced her academic studies with various extra-curricular commitments. She is a senior prefect and takes part in the school's peer mentoring programme.

She also manages to find time to attend Engineering Club, leading by example as a role model to our younger students. Outside of school she shows a similar focus on her goals and interests.

She works part time as a waitress as well as assisting with dance classes and attending ballet, singing and open mic competitions. She has also undertaken a work experience placement at the firm of Maples and Calder, assisting solicitors and paralegals. I know that she is very keen to pursue a career in law and she reads around history and law topics in and out of school.

Congratulations Lily, the Sixth Form Team wish you every success in your future endeavours.



Babe Ruth World Series

Dylan N, Year 10, recently played in Amsterdam and their team won the entire tournament. The team have now qualified for the Babe Ruth World Series in the US in August.



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UKMT Maths Challenge for Years 7 & 8

Students from Years 7 and 8 took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge. This exam is sat by thousands of schools each year and tests student's mathematical problem-solving skills.

As a school, we saw an increase from last year in the number of students receiving bronze, silver and gold certificates. In total 30 Year 7 students and 45 Year 8 students received a certificate which is fantastic.

A special mention goes to Harley R, Levi J & Kyron H in Y8 who were invited to take part in a further challenge due to their exceptional performance.

RISE Easter Cakes

RISE students have been studying Ratio and Proportion as part of the KS3 Maths Curriculum. They put this into practice working out how much of each ingredient they needed to make different numbers of cakes.

We then went to the Food Tech room and weighed out the ingredients for 12 Easter cakes each. The students followed a recipe, decorated them and put them in the fridge to set overnight. These were then served to their families at Parents' evening, with both Mr Rigg and Miss Smith sampling the cakes too.



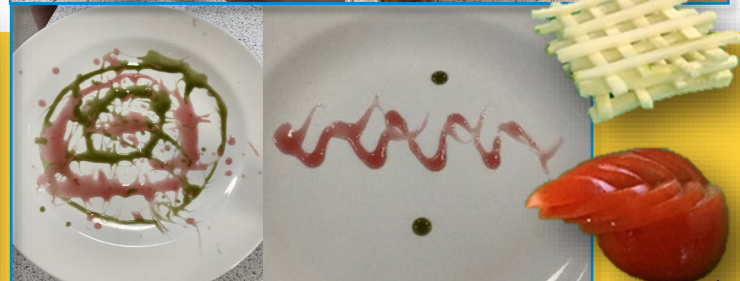
Food Preparation and Nutrition Clubs

The clubs for Food Preparation and Nutrition students have been running this half term and are open to all Year 9 students who have selected Food as an option for next year and to Year 10 students currently taking the course.

Both groups have been developing their higher-level technical skills for their practical exam that comes at the end of Year 11.

Year 9 students who have chosen Food Preparation and Nutrition attend lunchtimes on Friday and manage to achieve a lot in just 40 minutes.

Year 10 students attend the club on Tuesday after school and have a little longer to perfect the preparing, making and presenting of different aspects of their technical skills.



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Shenfield Combined Cadet Force (CCF)

British Legion Award

Shenfield High School CCF recognised by Royal British Legion for its fundraising services

The Mayor of Brentwood, Gareth Barrett, has made a special presentation to Shenfield High School CCF on behalf of the Royal British Legion in appreciation of its continued support of the yearly Poppy appeal.



Shenfield CCF received the award for its commitment to supporting ex-service personnel as part of the annual Poppy appeal.

Mayor Gareth Barrett met with CCF representatives recently at the Army Reserve Centre in Warley to present the certificate of appreciation.

Sgts Goodrick and Newton accompanied Mia to collect the award on behalf of the contingent.

Over the past five years Shenfield CCF has collected more than £7,000 for the Royal British Legion Poppy appeal causes.

We look forward to continuing this amazing relationship with this much needed and vital charity.

Capt Brooks
Contingent Commander



Jack Petchey Award

Shenfield High School CCF are proud to confirm that Staff Sargeant Stephanie has been nominated and presented with a Jack Petchey award for her outstanding dedication and commitment to cadets.

Stephanie was a late joiner to cadets at Shenfield High School, however in a very short period of time she has proven over and over again that she has embraced the challenge of learning new skills that will undoubtedly help prepare her for life after leaving school.



As well as studying her chosen subjects in 6th form she has also embarked on an additional vocational qualification through cadets in partnership with the Cadet Vocational College, which will eventually lead to a BTEC Level 2 in Teamwork and Personal Development in the Community. Stephanie has chosen to spend her award money on equipment that will be used for the benefit of all cadets at Shenfield CCF. Well done Staff Sargeant we are all very proud of you.



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Performing Arts

Junior Performing Arts Academy



On Wednesday, 8th May our JPAA students took to the stage once again as they took part in their annual JPAA Showcase.



Family and friends were invited to come and watch the students perform an array of song, dance, and drama numbers that they have been working on throughout the year.

- "Welcome to the Rock" – Come From Away the Musical.
- Choreography competition winning pieces.
- Monologue slam winning pieces.
- Extracts from "The Mobile Phone Show" – Jim Cartwright.
- Hamilton Dance Medley.
- Scenes from Shakespeare Schools Festival.
- "Carrying the Banner" – Newsies the Musical.
- "Waving through a Window" – Dear Evan Hansen.
- "Out of the Darkness" – Everybody's Talking About Jamie the Musical.
- "Seasons of Love" – RENT the Musical

As always, the standard of performance was outstanding and the students performed like true professionals.

At the end of the showcase each student was presented with a certificate of completion representing a successful year in the JPAA.

We also said goodbye to our four Year 11 students Jake, Kai, Eva and Lily-Rose who graduated from the academy.

A number of special awards were given to students who have shown exceptional levels of commitment, dedication and leadership throughout the year.

These awards were presented to:

- Year 7 award: Violet R
- Year 8 award: Miley K
- Year 9 award: Ava T
- Year 10 award: Lila B
- Year 11 award: Jake M
- Student's student of the year award: Lauren H
- Dedication and commitment award: Imogen C
- JPAA student of the year award: Lola G

A huge well done to all our JPAA students for their progress and achievements throughout the year.



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Artsmark Gold Award

Back in October, Shenfield High School was awarded the prestigious Gold Artsmark status in recognition of the incredible offering and celebration of the Arts across the school.

Gaining this status was four years in the making, and we are so proud to be recognised at such a prestigious level.

Since gaining the status, Shenfield High School has gone on to produce musicals, showcases, exhibitions and concerts, as well as hosting a wide range of trips to visit artists in residence, West End musical workshops, dance and theatre shows.

The status is also a recognition of our wonderfully dedicated and passionate students across the Arts, without them this would not be possible.

“ Shenfield High School is a school that highly values the arts. Your inclusive ethos ensures all students have access to some very exciting arts-based learning experiences.”

Arts Council England

“ It was great to read about the number of students with special educational needs taking part in extra-curricular arts-based clubs. Pupils have the chance to engage with the arts at many levels- becoming House Art captains, attending theatre, music and arts school trips, achieving Bronze/Silver Arts Award, and participating in a range of productions.”

Arts Council England

“ Students have many opportunities to work with Artists in Residence, professional musicians and professional actors. Students are actively encouraged to engage with the arts beyond the school setting with some students being supported to work professionally in London West End Musicals and National Youth Theatre.”

Arts Council England

“ Music and Drama are prioritised at KS3 and a number of arts qualifications are offered at GCSE and this year has seen the introduction of GCSE Dance and a KS4 Vocational Performing Arts qualification. Given this rich range of offer, it is no wonder an increasing number of students are choosing to take up arts at KS4 and KS5.”

Arts Council England

“ Careers in the creative industries are actively promoted with a number of ex-students taking up arts in Further Education. Senior leaders and the Governing Body are strongly committed to developing and promoting the arts and fully support CPD to develop staff's arts specialisms resulting in highly knowledgeable and skilled staff who know how to adapt their plans to meet individual students' needs.”

Arts Council England

“ Keep up the good work, Shenfield High School must be an amazing place for students to be working in. Congratulations on your Artsmark Gold Award!”

Arts Council England

Artsmark
Gold Award
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Council England

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Platinum School Games Mark

Shenfield PE Department have successfully retained their Platinum School Games Mark for another two years.

This is the highest award in the School Games Mark and is only awarded to schools who have maintained a gold award for 4 years. This has been achieved through the hard work of students and staff and the support we receive from parents and the community.

As a school we have embedded the School Games values of teamwork, passion, self belief, honesty, determination and respect through our extensive extracurricular programme, the work we do with Panathlon for our SEND children and the leadership opportunities our students get to work with the primary schools week in week out through the Shenfield Schools Partnership.

It is fantastic to get the recognition.

SSP Shenfield @ssp_shenfield · 21h
 Congratulations @SHSPEDEPT1 @ShenfieldHigh on maintaining their Platinum award in @YourSchoolGames awards! Well deserved! @ActiveEssex



Keep up to date with all the latest news from our PE Department at:



@SHSPEDEPT1

Just some of the successes from this half term.



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SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 10
 A dominant performance from the U12 boys led to an 81 run win in the 1st National Cup semi-final today. Reuben, Alfie & Robin all with round of the state school Essex Cup today. Reuben, Alfie & Robin all with knock of 20+ runs and 10 different bowlers bowled. MoM goes to Ed who contributed with the bat, ball & in the field. #shsccricket



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 1
 Outstanding performance from our U13 girls to remain unbeaten in the @EssexSchoolsFA cup since they've been at Shenfield! Goals from Isla, Amelie, Sophia, Lily, Amber and Mollie to beat Redden Court in this year's final 🏆



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 4
 Our U13 Mid Essex District squad (with 6 SHS players) were superb to beat a strong Hawering side in the @EssexSchoolsFA Cup semi-final this morning. Goals from Freddie W, Ethan C, Jotham & Matthew W. 🏆❤️👏



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 8
 A superb team effort from our U14 boys to win this year's @EssexSchoolsFA Cup! Only the second Shenfield team to win the U14 Alf Wood Trophy, and that's 3 successive Essex cup wins in the 3 years at Shenfield for our boys. Goals from Daniel 🏆 and Silva 🏆



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - Apr 22
 An emphatic performance and 8-0 win from our U14 girls in today's National Cup semi-final means we have 5(five) @ShenfieldHigh 🏆 teams in this year's National final! Impossible to call a P.O.M. today, they were all awesome! Maisie (3) Lucy, Poppy (2) & Fae (2)



SSP Shenfield @ssp.shenfield - May 4
 Fantastic second half performance saw Mid Essex district u12's beat a resilient Redbridge team 5-1 to progress to Essex Finals - Goals from Thomas E, Brandon T x2, Mason D and Benjamin A 🏆🏆🏆
 @STMartinsSchPE @SHSPEDEPT1 @BecketkeysPE @Brentwood_Sport @EssexCountyFA



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 7
 An impressive win for the U12 Boys v Brentwood School this afternoon. A win by 10 runs thanks to an excellent innings from Reuben with 43 runs (in a partnership of 77 with Alfie). Robin & Alfie the pick of the bowlers. A great fielding performance from all the boys. #shsccricket



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - Apr 16
 Our U14 girls 🏆 joined our U12 & U16 girls squads in their respective @EssexSchoolsFA Cup final. 3-1 win against an excellent Philip Morant side. Poppy (2) & Lucy with the goals but a really impressive team performance from our girls. #shsfootball



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - Apr 20
 A superb start to the season for year 10 student Harry T, taking 7 wickets on his Saturday 1st XI debut at @BrentleyCC. #BentleyCricketClub



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 12
 Massive congratulations to our own Layla Kenly on winning the golden boot in the SE & Central Division for Billericay reserves at the FA Womens league awards event at Wembley, presented before the Women's FA Cup Final. 16 goals in 10 games for her club is a brilliant achievement! 🏆



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 13
 Daisy-Mae Doe's weekend at Regionals: Bronze in the 100metre Breaststroke Silver in the 200metre Breaststroke. #HardWorkPaysOff



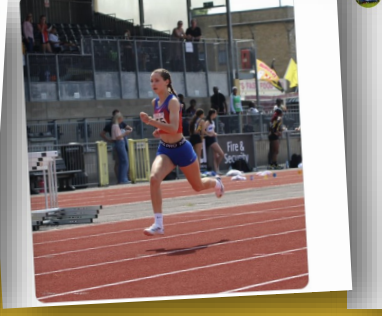
SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 8
 On their last official day of year 11 our boys B squad head up to @stokecity for the @SchoolsFootball National Cup final. What ever the result it has been a great journey. They have all progressed so much as players and as young men. #SHSFootball ❤️🏆



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - Apr 30
 Heidi and her team, recently travelled to Florida to compete in the Cheerleading World Champs. Their performance was amazing and won them the Gold!! Huge congratulations to Heidi & her team, now the World Champions! #HardWorkPaysOff 🏆



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 12
 Congratulations Stephanie, she won a Silver medal in the u15 300m at the Essex County AA Championships on Saturday and in a new PB with 42.26 🏆



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - May 13
 Great job Ronnie. Another PB in the Athletics fixture tomorrow if you can please 🏆👏

Charlie-Babe Hill @CharlieBabex - May 13
 Essex Outdoor Championships 🏆 3 PB's 🏆 well done Ronnie @BBAC2022 @SHSPEDEPT1



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - Apr 20
 @O1safelinks.protection.outlook.com?url=https%3A%2F%2Fshenfieldhigh.legendfrya.tomlin will be one of the youngest runners in heart. If you can support her cause it would be much appreciate.



SHSPEDEPT @SHSPEDEPT1 - 16h
 So much work put in by so many to gain this recognition. Thanks to our students, parents and the staff that give so much to make our sporting provision the envy of so many schools. #HardWorkPaysOff

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Shenfield Football Academy

The Shenfield Football Academy season has now drawn to a close and it has been another highly successful season for both the boys' and girls' programmes.

Essex Colleges League Champions

The Football Academy boys were crowned Essex Colleges Champions this season having played 13, won 8, drawn 3 and only lost three games in the league.

It is a great achievement for the boys to be champions of such a competitive league.



Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Shenfield High	13	8	2	3	8	26
2	FITC1	12	8	1	3	10	25
3	Harris Academy Chobham	12	8	0	4	7	24
4	USP 1 (SEEVIC)	11	7	0	4	10	21
5	Roding Valley	8	4	1	3	3	13
6	Harris Academy Chafford 1	10	3	0	7	-7	9
7	Sigma Sixth1	8	2	1	5	0	7
8	SEC 1	12	0	1	11	-31	1

Essex College Coomer Cup Runners Up

The Academy boys also made the Essex Coomer Cup final played at Aveley FC. They narrowly lost the game 3-2 having been 2-1 up with only 7 minutes to play!

Another great achievement for the boys making this final. Goals from Max H and Jarnail B.

Team:

Alfie R, Dylan B, Harry S, Max H, Ramsey M, Charlie P, Sam C, Max H, Jarnail B, Emeka O, Sam A, Rocco M, Kye O, Charlie J, Leo M.



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English College National Premier League Runners Up

The girls' Academy had another very successful season finishing second in a very strong English Colleges National League making the play offs. They also narrowly lost in the ESFA National Schools Cup semi-final 5-3 against eventual winners Blenheim.

A fantastic season for the girls' Academy and we are very proud of all of them.



TEAM	PLD	W	D	L	+	-	+/-	PTS
East Norfolk Sixth Form College EN Women's Football Team 1	12	9	0	1	43	18	25	27
Shenfield High School SFA Women's Team	12	9	0	3	46	27	19	27
Milton Keynes College Women's Team 1	12	7	1	3	42	30	12	22
Varsity Nine Academy Varsity Nine Academy	12	5	0	5	38	27	11	15
Sigma Sixth Colchester Women 1	12	4	0	8	25	41	-16	12
Cambridge Regional College Women's 1	12	3	1	7	29	45	-16	10
Hills Road 6th Form College Hills Road Women's 1st team	12	0	0	10	5	40	-35	0

U13 Boys Essex Cup Champions

Our Year 8 boys football squad were looking to defend the Essex Cup title they won last season and in progressing to the cup final again this season, they remarkably did so, without conceding a single goal.

This year's County Cup final was against Woodlands School, Basildon. Our opposition applied early pressure but as they started to tire our passing football enabled us to gain more control of the game as it progressed. Jude L produced some scintillating skills to break free down the right wing before rattling a half volley against the crossbar from twenty yards. Woodlands created one good chance and Finley C produced a great block to deny them.

The second half saw Shenfield maintain their control of the game and it was Tom A who scored the opener five minutes into the half, Egor causing a nuisance at the near post getting the flick to Tom who scored at the back post. Emmanuel O came on at that point and he was too powerful for the Woodlands defence. He created a few chances and was fouled on two such occasions to stop his from breaking free in the box. With 10 minutes to go Emmanuel broke free of the defence before setting up Jude to smash the ball across the keeper and into the net.

Shenfield's defence were impeccable in dealing with Woodlands' direct approach as the game towards its conclusion. As the final whistle went they were proud to defend the Essex Cup title (having also defended the Essex Cup Basketball title in March) but also to go the whole campaign without conceding one goal.

This year group are producing incredible results in a wide range of sports. It is no coincidence that they have impeccable attitudes and an excellent work ethic which makes them a real pleasure to teach and coach.



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Shenfield Girls Football on Fire



Shenfield's girls football has long been highly regarded both across the county and the country but the achievements of our girls this season has superseded anything that has gone before.

Our girls teams reached every Essex Cup final that is competed for. Our U16 girls finished runners-up to Fitzwimarc having missed key players through injury but the U13 girls got the ball rolling, winning their final 6-0 against Redden Court.

The U14 girls got revenge on Fitzwimarc winning 6-1 with Lucy E scoring a hat-trick, Maisie B scoring two and Poppy H also on the scoresheet.

This final was immediately followed by the U12 girls final with our Year 7 girls also facing a strong Fitzwimarc side. That game followed a similar pattern as the U14 final with Shenfield dominating the early exchanges and scoring early through a fine finish from Elsie S.

Elsie scored her second five minutes later when she finished first time from a Sophia G corner. Sophia added the third goal herself just before half-time.

The second half was a more even contest with Shenfield's defence put under more pressure, especially from long kicks and long throw-ins but the Shenfield defenders and keeper Mimi W dealt so well with the direct approach used.

Sophia smashed home her second and Shenfield's fourth with ten minutes left to seal the win and make it a hat-trick of girls Essex Cup football titles.

With our U18 girls side also being National Cup semi-finalists and the U13 and U14 girls playing in National finals next week at West Brom it really has been a superb year for the girls, irrespective of the results in these two National finals.

The U13 and U14 girls have certainly done everything possible to be prepared for completing the 'Double-Double'!



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U16 Boys B Football ESFA National Cup Runners-Up

Our Year 11 boys and girls football teams have enjoyed considerable success since they started at Shenfield back in 2019.

The strength in depth, especially amongst the boys, meant the boys B team have been very strong. They lost in the National Cup quarter final when they were in Year 7 to Whitgift (1-0) and to the same team by the same margin at the same stage in Year 9. In Year 10 they lost 1-2 away at Taunton Academy School after reaching the National Cup semi-final.

So this season they were desperate to go all the way. They have certainly come on as players in the last twelve months and progressed more comfortably through the competition up to the semi-final stage where they were again drawn away at Taunton. However, this year the boys played superbly to come away 1-0 winners to defeat the reigning National Champions and progress to their first ever National final.

Our boys met Cardinal Heenan in the final at Stoke City's stadium. Cardinal Heenan have Steven Gerrard as one of their most famous alumni and with a rich history of success in National competitions the game was always going to be challenging. That certainly proved the case in the first ten minutes when Heenan's direct approach caught Shenfield cold. Their skilful and pacy forward C Navarro putting our opponents ahead 1-0. Luke H came off the bench to help deal with Navarro's threat and he made a positive impact as Shenfield got a foothold in the game. Just before half time Albie D did well to hold the ball up before feeding Zack H to set up our skipper Freddy P, who turned three Heenan players with one superb fake, before putting the ball in the top corner from twenty yards with his weaker left foot!

The second half was a close and cagey battle, Shenfield producing the best of the football with Heenan looking to go long at every option to set Navarro free. Twenty minutes into the half Alfie C stayed on his feet when fouled before Freddy P was pushed in the back and lost possession but no call was made. With our team out of shape, Navarro received the ball before setting up his team mate to slot past Aaron B.

Shenfield dominated the play in the last 10 minutes and created several chances. Hawtree was denied when his powerful strike from a corner was well saved, Dylan H was brought down a yard outside the box only for us to miss the target from the ensuing free kick before a blatant handball was turned down by the young referee and his more experienced fourth official who was talking him through the game's decisions on his microphone.

Despite the frustration at losing so narrowly the boys remained disciplined as the final whistle went. They should all look back on a memorable five years of football memories, in which they have grown as footballers and as young men. Not everything in life works out with a happy ending but this squad of boys have shown they are well equipped to be very successful in dealing with what life throws at them.



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National Champions



The U12 boys put in a stellar performance to win the National Cup in their first year at Shenfield. They ran riot first half going 3-0 up with goals from Ed, Alfie and Brandon and went in at half time three goals ahead. It was an unbelievable first half performance and some of the best football played all season by these boys. A penalty decision resulted in a Wright Robinson goal before Shay sealed the National title, adding a fourth to run away 4-1 winners.

These boys have been a joy to coach over the season and their attitudes, application and desire is second to none. So happy for them all! Nine different players scored over the course of the competition and the Year 7 boys have finished their debut season at Shenfield unbeaten in all competitions.



The U13 girls ended an incredible season with a 2-1 win in their ESFA National Cup final. This was an incredible achievement for the girls and met their targets at the start of the year especially after somehow losing in Round 1 last year. This group of Year 7 and 8 girls had a fantastic run only conceding ONE goal in the whole competition to get there, winning seven games in the process and scoring twenty-one goals.

The final was the icing on the cake for the girls starting the game in their typical dominant fashion, taking the game to the opposition and dominating possession of the ball. We were rewarded with a well worked goal with Sophia providing the finishing touch to go in 1-0 at half time. The second half was much of the same and after a rocket of a free kick from Isla which was saved by the keeper, captain Amelie scored from the rebound. We are so proud of these girls and their dedication to girls' football at Shenfield. A shining light for future students to follow in their footsteps.



The U14 boys were looking to defend the 'Elite' Schools Cup (unlimited amount of Academy Players in the squad) that they won last season and met Wright Robinson who the U12 boys had just defeated in their final earlier in the day. Wright Robinson were always a threat, especially through their number 10 who plays at Liverpool. However, it was George C who broke the deadlock from a perfectly flighted free-kick that Daniel O attacked and did enough to put off the keeper so he could not keep the ball out. Minutes later, from an almost identical free-kick, George again flighted the cross over the defence and this time Daniel did get his head to the ball first to guide the ball past the Robinson keeper.

Wright Robinson were not deterred. They got back into the game after 25 minutes when a right wing cross was met on the half volley and Chris L could not get enough on the shot to keep it out. Robinson then equalised from a fine strike from 20 yards to put the teams level going in at half-time. The second half was again equally matched but Shenfield got their noses in front when Daniel scored his second from an excellent first time finish. However, Robinson got back into the game when given a soft penalty and scored to make it 3-3. Despite some nervous moments, Shenfield took the game to penalties and were confident that keeper Chris would be the hero. He certainly was that, conceding only one penalty while Shenfield scored 3 to retain their National title.

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National Champions

Having seen 3 of their fellow school teams win their National titles before them the U14 girls had the added pressure to not be the only side to go home empty handed.

This pressure seemed to show as we started the game with Archbishop Blanch nervously. Their 3 Liverpool Academy players dominated the early exchanges before scoring from a well worked short corner.

Our girls came more into the game with Poppy H causing Blanch plenty of problems down the right wing but we could not get a good strike on target throughout the first half. Just as it seemed like Shenfield were to go in 0-1 Blanch's powerful striker went through one on one with Ellie G, only for Ellie to come out and make an excellent block. The second half saw some changes to the shape and positions and these helped to make an immediate impact.

Captain Maisie B came more into the game and they could only stop one 'Maisie' run by fouling her. She got up and smashed the ball into the top corner. This brought the girls renewed energy. Maisie then dribbled past 2 Blanch girls down the left wing and from the byline managed to somehow steer the ball past the on rushing keeper to put Shenfield ahead. Maisie was then brought down in the box and got up to complete her hat-trick. Between these goals Blanch created some excellent chances on the counter attack and it was only superb defending and a top save from second half keeper MJ that managed to keep them out. After eight minutes of injury time the referee finally blew the whistle and our girls had reclaimed the National title they won in Year 7, and Shenfield's fourth National title in the day!

Special mention to Year 8 girls Lily, Maddie, Isla, Amalie and Daisy-Mai who managed to summon up the energy to play two national finals within the space of 4 hours! Without their incredible drive and fitness, let alone their skills, this title would not have been possible.

The girls also had to deal with playing without our incredible striker Evie W for the last 3 games of this National Cup run following her serious knee injury. The girls were desperate to win this title for Evie as she goes through the long process of rehabilitation for her injury. We can not wait to have her back scoring goals for us in 2025.

Huge thanks to all the Shenfield players and parents for their huge commitment over the season. We have had plenty of great football years in the past but nothing comes close to 2023-24. Hard work really has paid off! Sports Awards Evening is going to be a belter!

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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:

shspa@shenfield.essex.sch.uk

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Your Parents' Association have set up an account with EasyFundraising.org. If you shop online you can earn commission for us by accessing your usual shopping sites via EasyFundraising.

It doesn't cost you anything, or anymore, than your usual on-line shopping and we won't be able to see what you have bought. Over 2000 popular retailers have signed up to EasyFundraising, let's help them to give something back!

Whether you are doing your weekly grocery shop, booking a holiday, ordering flowers or anything else you can help us to help your child's school.

If you order for business please do it via the EasyFundraising site, flights, hotels, equipment, stationery etc., can all earn commission.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shenfieldhighschoolparentsassociation>

Just log onto the above address, register and shop away – it is that easy. Or if you prefer just search for Easy Fundraising, find us there and register.

We are able to offer discounted vouchers to Southend's Adventure Island, Golf and Sealife Centre. Please email shspa@shenfield.essex.sch.uk for more details.

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School Production

Lower School Play "Alice in Wonderland" – 2nd and 3rd July, Main Hall, 6.30pm

Rehearsals are well underway for Shenfield's annual Lower School Play! Students have shown such dedication and enthusiasm in rehearsals these past few weeks, we are sure it will be a huge success!



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



[School Event Calendar](#)

Key dates Summer Term 2

Date	Event
27.05.24 - 31.05.24	May half term
03.06.24	Summer Term 2 begins - Week A
17.06.24	Year 10 and Year 12 Exams start
25.06.24	Sixth Form Induction—External Entrants only
27.06.24	New Entrants Information Evening
28.06.24	Year 6 Induction
02 & 03.07.24	Alice In Wonderland School Production
05.07.24	Sports Day
08.07.24	Art Exhibition
09.07.24	Year 10 Interview Day
11.07.24	Sports Award Evening
19.07.24	Last day of term—students finish at 12:00 noon



Wishing everyone
a wonderful half term



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