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News

Our New Year's resolution in 2023 is to support all students in learning to think, read, write and speak like an expert.

Following our best ever GCSE results in 2022, we want to build upwards so that all current students can look to exceed the achievements of those who went before them.

In order to achieve this, we want students to upskill their language use in writing and speaking to reflect increasing content mastery.

Expect a big focus on subject terminology this year!



Charity

Our charitable works in 2022 culminated in the extremely successful First Give project carried out by Year 8 students and the generous donations made to the homelessness charity Crisis and Sparkhill Foodbank—who commented that the collection they made at SHLA was well above their usual bounty.

This year, our first big venture is likely to be Red Nose Day on 17th March.

Look out for further information.



Puzzle: Which is the odd one out?

Yellow

Green

Brown

Blue

Purple

Pink

Black



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Leadership



Every fortnight, our student councillors meet to discuss the issues that affect you.

The first meeting of 2023 took place on Monday 9th January. Your student voice was employed to debate Reading Wise, Star Read Aloud, different coloured litter bins for different purposes, lunchtime queuing and de-escalation strategies.

If you have issues that you would like your student councillors to present, inform your pastoral leader and they will pass the message forward.

Our next meeting is Monday 23rd January.

Literacy

This week, some students will be retaking Reading Age tests. This is to help us evaluate the progress that they are making and how we can best support students to ensure that all are reading at a level appropriate to their age. Students whose reading ability is below expectation will struggle to access the curriculum and face difficulties in future exams.

Students taking tests should ensure that they try their hardest and answer all questions to the best of their ability. This will enable us to determine who needs support and what form that should take.

Good luck to all taking part.



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