

Personal Development

Newsletter



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Personal development helps our pupils grow into confident, kind and well-rounded individuals. Through a wide range of experiences including school trips, sporting events, productions, enrichment activities and special events pupils develop confidence, teamwork and valuable life skills beyond the classroom. The Summer Term has been packed with exciting opportunities that have supported the personal development of pupils at The Telford Langley School. Take a look at some of the fantastic events and experiences that have taken place.

Celebrating Cultural Day

This term, we celebrated Cultural Day, providing pupils with the opportunity to explore and celebrate the rich diversity of cultures from around the world.

Throughout the day, pupils took part in a range of activities during tutor time and lessons, learning about different traditions, customs and cultures. At breaktime, they enjoyed the chance to sample a variety of foods from different cultures, which proved to be a huge success.

During lunchtime, pupils visited a vibrant cultural exhibition in the theatre and took part in a range of interactive activities, including Chinese cultural experiences and African and Afro-Caribbean music, food and celebration activities. The event encouraged pupils to learn, participate and appreciate the diversity within our school and wider community..

Student Spotlight

Congratulations to Darcy Price on winning a gold medal in the long jump at the 140th Wenlock Olympian Summer Games on Sunday 12th July. Representing Telford Athletics Club, she achieved an impressive jump of 4.53 metres to claim the title. Well done, Darcy!!



Langley's Got Talent

The excitement is building as Langley's Got Talent returns during the final week of term! This popular event gives pupils the opportunity to step into the spotlight and showcase their unique talents, whether it's singing, dancing, comedy, magic, music or something completely different.

We can't wait to celebrate the confidence, creativity and courage of our performers as they entertain the school community. Good luck to everyone taking part—we're looking forward to another fantastic showcase of the incredible talent we have at The Telford Langley!

Performing Arts in the Community

This term, we have been incredibly proud of our Performing Arts pupils, who have represented Telford Langley at a number of community events.

One of the highlights was our school choir's performance at Dawley Day. Performing in front of a large audience was a fantastic achievement, and the pupils represented the school with confidence, enthusiasm and professionalism. They demonstrated a real sense of belonging, not only to our school but also to the wider community.

The choir received many positive comments from members of the public, and it was wonderful to see other Telford Langley pupils attending the event, showing their support and joining in the community celebrations.



Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition

Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh participants successfully completed the expedition section of their Bronze Award.

The expedition took place over two very sunny days, with temperatures that were challenging at times. Pupils demonstrated resilience and determination as they navigated the Shropshire countryside, carrying their own equipment and pitching their tents independently.

Throughout the expedition, our pupils took every challenge in their stride, worked exceptionally well as a team and represented the school with outstanding behaviour and exemplary manners. The staff who accompanied the expedition commented on what a credit the pupils were to the school and how proud they were of everything they had achieved. Congratulations to all of our Year 9 participants on this fantastic accomplishment.



Physical Education

Athletics Competition

This term, a team of 50 pupils represented the school at an inter-school athletics competition, competing against a number of local schools in a range of track and field events.

Throughout the afternoon, our athletes performed exceptionally well, demonstrating determination, resilience and a fantastic team spirit. Whether competing on the track or in the field, every pupil gave their best, encouraged one another and showed excellent sportsmanship throughout the competition. The team represented the school with pride, displaying a positive attitude and supporting each other from start to finish. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the way they embodied our school values while competing against other schools. Well done to everyone who took part on a fantastic afternoon of athletics.

Year 9 Rounders Success

Our mixed Year 9 rounders team recently travelled to Thomas Telford School for a friendly fixture, where they delivered an outstanding performance from start to finish.

After a strong opening innings, The Telford Langley led 9 rounders to 5. The team continued to build on their success throughout the match, showing excellent teamwork, determination and skill to secure an impressive 17½-10 victory.

Every player represented the school with pride, demonstrating fantastic sportsmanship, commitment and a positive attitude throughout. We are incredibly proud of the team and congratulate them on a well-deserved win and an excellent performance.

Sports Day

Sports Day took place on Monday 6th July, with glorious sunshine providing the perfect setting for a fantastic day of competition—perhaps even a little too warm at times! Our Key Stage 3 pupils took part in a wide range of track and field events, demonstrating determination, resilience and enthusiasm throughout the day. There were personal bests to celebrate, a few disqualifications, and countless examples of excellent sportsmanship and teamwork, making for an exciting and memorable event. The competition was closely contested, with a thrilling battle for second, third and fourth place. However, Chetwood pulled away to secure a well-deserved victory.

A huge well done to everyone who took part and represented their house with pride.

Overall Results

-  1st – Chetwood: 317 points
-  2nd – Ellis: 275 points
-  3rd – Webb: 264 points
- 4th – Springwell: 260 points

We love celebrating our pupils' achievements both in and out of school. If your child has enjoyed a sporting success that you would like us to share in a future newsletter, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at:

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Community Champions Making a Difference

It has been another busy and rewarding Summer Term for our Community Champions, who have continued to make a positive impact across the local community.

On Wednesday 3rd June, 16 Community Champions attended Great Dawley Town Council's Celebrating Our Volunteers Afternoon Tea. They were invited by the Council as a thank you for the outstanding contribution they have made throughout the year, supporting events such as the Remembering Our Veterans service, Tea Dances, intergenerational projects and the Big Clean Up litter-picking initiative. It was a well-deserved recognition of the time, commitment and enthusiasm they have shown while representing The Telford Langley School.



As part of work experience week, six Year 10 Community Champions volunteered at Dawley Town Hall to help prepare the community garden for the warmer weather. Working alongside Great Dawley Town Council and local volunteers, they harvested potatoes, collected poppy seeds and tackled the weeds, helping to ensure the garden is ready to be enjoyed by the community over the summer.

We are incredibly proud of all of our Community Champions. Their willingness to give back to the local community, develop new skills and represent the school so positively continues to make them excellent ambassadors for The Telford Langley.



A small group of our Community Champions attended a celebration event at Embers Café after being named one of only five winners of the prestigious Make a Change Award from a field of 20 applicants.

The group developed an inspiring proposal to enhance our school environment by creating a sensory garden, a greenhouse made from recycled plastic bottles and a community fruit and vegetable garden. Their creativity, teamwork and commitment to making a positive difference secured them a £1,000 grant to bring their vision to life during the next academic year.

The project also received high praise from local fire chef Adam Purnell, also known as Shropshire Lad, who has generously offered his time and support to help the Community Champions turn their plans into reality.

Visits

High Ropes Adventure

This term, pupils from Years 7, 8 and 9 enjoyed an exciting visit to the Arthog Outreach High Ropes Experience at Telford Aerial Adventures. This provided pupils with the opportunity to step outside their comfort zones, challenge themselves and have lots of fun while tackling a range of high ropes activities. Throughout the experience, they developed and strengthened key life skills, including teamwork, communication, problem-solving and resilience, as they encouraged and supported one another to overcome each challenge.



Construction Careers Day

As part of our careers programme, a group of pupils with an interest in the construction industry attended a Construction Careers Day at Harper Adams University's Quad.

The event provided a fantastic opportunity for pupils to explore the wide range of careers available within the construction sector through a variety of engaging and interactive activities. Throughout the day, they took part in hands-on workshops led by local employers, learned about different career pathways, toured the Station Quarter development and met industry professionals to discuss future opportunities within the sector.

The experience gave pupils a valuable insight into the world of construction, helping them to develop their understanding of the industry while inspiring them to consider future education, training and career pathways. It was a highly informative and enjoyable day that supported our pupils in making informed choices about their futures.



Regional STEM Challenge Success

A group of our pupils proudly represented Telford Langley at the Regional STEM Challenge held at Shrewsbury College.

Throughout the day, teams competed in a series of exciting STEM-based challenges, putting their problem-solving, creativity, teamwork and engineering skills to the test against students from other schools across the region.

We are especially delighted to celebrate the success of Reagan-Thomas Bradley Hall, Lucy Davies, Kuba Jakubowicz, Callum Ramsey, Joseph Turner and Horatio Hodgkinson who all won as part of a team competitions during the event, an outstanding achievement against strong competition. This is a fantastic accomplishment, and we are incredibly proud of all their hard work, dedication and success.



Visits Continued...

Windrush Day

On Windrush Day, Monday 22nd June 2026, TAARC co-hosted a Civic Windrush Day Ceremony attended by the mayor, several local councillors, community leaders, members of the Windrush Generation, and secondary school students and staff. Five of our pupils proudly represented the school at this special event, which welcomed between 70 and 100 guests. Attendees also enjoyed the opportunity to network over Caribbean-inspired nibbles and drinks.

Year 8 STEM Workshop

As part of our careers and STEM programme, our Year 8 pupils took part in an exciting STEM workshop delivered by In-Comm Training.

The workshop introduced pupils to the wide range of career opportunities available within engineering, manufacturing and business. They also learned about apprenticeship pathways and gained valuable advice on how to prepare for and secure an apprenticeship in the future.

Working in teams, pupils completed a practical engineering challenge that encouraged them to develop key employability skills, including communication, teamwork, problem-solving, planning and organisation. They also explored the principles of lean manufacturing, testing their ideas before presenting their final designs for judging.



Year 11 leavers

This term, we said goodbye to our Year 11 students as they completed their time at school. While many may feel that their five-year journey here has come to an end, we know this is just the beginning of an exciting new chapter.

It has been a pleasure to watch them grow, thrive, and flourish over the years. We are incredibly proud of all they have achieved and wish them every success and happiness as they embark on their future journeys.

Good luck, Year 11 – we know you will go on to do amazing things!

Good Luck!



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Work Experience

Work Experience Week provided our pupils with an invaluable opportunity to develop new skills, build confidence and gain first-hand experience of the workplace. Throughout the week, pupils represented The Telford Langley exceptionally well, demonstrating maturity, resilience, punctuality and a strong work ethic that made a lasting impression on employers.

Across a wide range of industries, pupils embraced new challenges and gained valuable insight into different career pathways. Many took part in practical, hands-on tasks that allowed them to experience the realities of working life. One pupil, who completed their placement at Doseley Motors, impressed staff with their enthusiasm and commitment while carrying out vehicle repair tasks, including removing a car bumper and preparing a van for painting. Their efforts resulted in an offer of a part-time Saturday job, with the opportunity to work additional hours during the summer holidays.

This was not an isolated success. Several pupils were offered part-time employment following their placements, including one pupil who secured a role at Dough & Oil in Shrewsbury. Others were offered summer work and even apprenticeship opportunities, including positions within the social care sector, highlighting the positive impression our pupils made on employers.

We were delighted to receive messages of thanks from several businesses, praising our pupils for their professionalism, positive attitudes and willingness to learn. These comments are a real testament to the excellent ambassadors our pupils continue to be for the school.

Pupils who were unable to secure a work placement took part in a varied programme of employability workshops in school. These sessions focused on developing essential skills for the future, including CV writing, personal statement preparation, interview techniques, and practical life skills such as first aid.

