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Dear Parent,

There is a non-uniform day today and as usual, it causes great excitement in Lower School. The £2 donations will be used to support the Shropshire Age UK charity this term.

Examinations start next week. Year 7 and 8 pupils will require a fully stocked pencil case, preferably clear sided. In addition, pupils will need their own calculator and mathematics equipment.

The Five Choirs event was superb last Friday. Well done to all pupils and staff who contributed. Congratulations are also extended to Harry Hepburn who has recently secured grade one, Associated Board Examinations (Piano). Well done Harry!

Mrs Waddams, Head of Geography announced the winners of the Geography Volcano competition this week. She shared with us that the standard was very high once again this year. Well done to all who took part!

It has been a little frustrating for the cricketers over the past few days. The ground has been particularly wet and a few matches have been postponed. Well done however, to the U13 boys who secured a good win when facing Wem Adams School in the County Cup tournament on Tuesday. Ellesmere now progress to the next round.

Nine swimmers from Lower School qualified for the West Midland Regional Championships recently. They are all certainly racing to a high standard. Parents were pleased to see the swimmers even revising in between their races. This is great commitment all round! We will watch progress over the forthcoming weeks with interest.

The pupils are getting excited about the forthcoming House Shooting Championships. Carmen Kilgannon is doing a sterling job sorting out teams and we await results over the forthcoming weeks. It is pleasing to see the growing number of shooters training with the Regional Development squad. Well done to Anna Maughan, Carmen Kilgannon, Francine Gilmore, James Caldwell, Daniel Scott and Laurence Clark. Some of these shooters will no doubt compete in the Junior International Championships at Bisley in August.

Pupils are busily preparing for a number of events. Lower School Music Concert is in the Arts Centre on 14<sup>th</sup> June starting at 6.30pm. This is a good opportunity to hear pieces from all pupils involved in music. Families are warmly welcome. The Year 7 and 8 play 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' is performed on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June and promises to be fun.

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Lower School Sports Day is also after half term on the 28<sup>th</sup> June. This usually is a super afternoon and invitations are extended to all of the family and friends. These are notable dates for the home diary.

It is a very busy time for our Parents' Society too. The first event is a Coffee Morning in the Tuck Shop on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June– an event for any parent to attend and meet the ECPS members and finding out a bit more about ECPS and what they do. The second event is the Ladies Lunch on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June. This is a lovely afternoon of elegance and fun. Set in a beautifully decorated marquee on the Terraces. Please see the posters on the Lower School Parents' Society notice board or contact ECPS on [contactecps@gmail.com](mailto:contactecps@gmail.com)

We are currently organising the help for Open Day on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May and would be grateful for pupils to help on the day. They are our best assets! I have enclosed another reply slip to assist with this process.

I hope that you have a good weekend and that the weather improves and stays fine.

Yours sincerely

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*Please return to Lower School office*

Name of pupil .....

will / will not ***(please cross out as appropriate)*** be available to help with the College Open Day on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 12.30-4.30pm**

Signed .....