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Prime Minister Honours School's Success

Mr Satchwell and the Chairman of the Governors, Mr Wakeford, attended a reception at 10 Downing Street in March in honour of the 36 most improved schools in England. Secretary of State for Education, David Blunkett said: "All the schools invited to Downing Street have shown real progress over the past four years. Staff, students and parents can be proud of what they have achieved and deserve this recognition." The Prime Minister added: "The work you do for your schools and your country is every bit as important as what happens in business."

Before the Reception, Mr Satchwell and nine other heads were involved in a seminar with the Prime Minister and Education Secretary. Mr Satchwell commented: "It was a tremendous honour to have the opportunity to put forward our views on education and both Mr Blair and Mr Blunkett were very receptive to our comments. They were highly complimentary about TTS and what we have achieved and clearly interested in the way we do things." Mr Satchwell added: "Since our visit to Downing Street, it has been interesting to note that both Mr Blunkett and Mr Chris Woodhead, HM Chief Inspector of Schools, have highlighted the School in speeches and interviews."



The Prime Minister, Tony Blair, with Mr Satchwell

First Win for Under 13 Boys in Regional Cup Competition



*Back Row (l-r): Mr Wilderspin (Team Manager), Elliott Charnock, Tom Pennington, Michael Prosser, Andy Monger, James Fellows, Adam Welsh, Wayne Davies, Rob Egginton, Luke Matthews and Giles Harvey
Front Row (l-r): Andrew Birks, Alex Warburton, Henry Goh, Danny Guthrie, Jonathan Read, Alex Gribble and Richard Birks*

The Under 13 Boys Football team made history when they won the B & I Midlands Cup. This is the first time that the School has won a regional cup and it is also the first time that a Shropshire school has won the B & I Cup which is contested by teams from Staffordshire, West Midlands, Shropshire, Warwickshire and Worcestershire. The boys beat Great Wyrley 2-1 in the Final which was held at Shrewsbury Town's football stadium, Gay Meadow.

The Under 13 team also won the County Cup in a convincing fashion, beating Belvidere 3-0 with Adam Welsh scoring a hatrick!

Year 11 Achievement Evening 1999



*Guest of Honour, Mr Michael Wakeford OBE, pictured with outstanding students (l-r):
Ria Johnson, Jordan Sidaway and Kelly Hayward*



Sarah Warren (Ron Tupper Award for Geography) with Mr Wakeford

An evening of celebration was held in November to recognise the achievements of the students who sat their GCSE examinations last Summer.

Chairman of the Governors, Mr Michael Wakeford OBE, was the Guest of Honour and he praised the hard work of the students and the wonderful support they had received from parents and staff. The students received a standing ovation as they received their examination certificates.

The Tarmac Award for the Most Outstanding Student went to Ria Johnson. Mr Satchwell commented: "All of our students produced wonderful examination results but Ria's 14 A grades including ten at A*, places her up amongst the top achievers across the country. This is made all the more remarkable because she sat her examinations a year early."

Three students received awards for outstanding progress - Michaela Smith, Jordan Sidaway and Kelly Hayward.

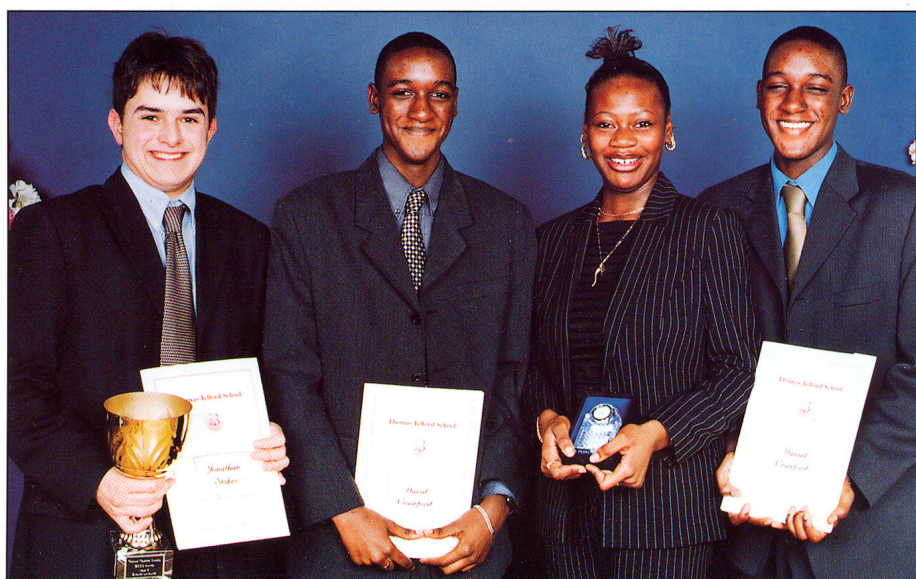
Thirty Special prizes were awarded for outstanding performance or improvement in a wide variety of subject areas. These awards were generously sponsored by Governors, industrialists and friends of the School.



*Karen Babel (Wilde Award for Business)
and Alasdair Fawcett
(Jean Hickman Award for Chemistry)*



*Ian Monckton
(Award for Sporting Excellence)*



*Jonathan Stokes (BOSS English Language Award), David Crawford,
Michaela Smith (Outstanding Progress Award) and Daniel Crawford*

Sportsmark Gold Distinction Award

French Exchange



Amber Quick, Mr Topper and Jonathan Read with the Sportsmark Gold Certificate

Thomas Telford School has been awarded a Sportsmark Gold with Distinction by Sport England in recognition of the quality and range of the Physical Education and sport provision at the School. This is the second time that TTS has achieved Sportsmark Gold and, for the first time this year, schools whose work far exceeded the criteria for Gold, were awarded a Distinction. TTS was one of only seven schools in England to receive a Distinction.

Students, Amber Quick and Jonathan Read, together with Mr Dickenson and Mr Topper, represented the School at an event held at Edgbaston Cricket Ground in Birmingham to celebrate the success of the Sportsmark Schools. During the day, Amber and Jonathan had an opportunity to participate in cricket coaching in the new indoor centre at the Ground and also to meet a number of stars from a range of different sports. Mr Dickenson and Mr Topper attended seminar sessions on sport and excellence, coaching elite athletes and sport in the community.

Mr Satchwell commented: "Physical education and sport make a major contribution to the education and health of the students as well as to the ethos and life of the School as will be evident from the many sports related articles in this edition of the Newsletter."



Pictured with their French exchange partners, Severine Cocket & Arnaud Turttschi are Year 10 students Richard Marshall & Laura Bailey (photo courtesy of Shropshire Star)

Prize Draw Winners

Three delighted prizewinners in the Parents' Advisory Council Christmas Draw received their cheques from organiser, Mr Cyril Plant. Top prize of £300 went to Mrs Pearson while Alex Brady won £200. Mrs Barlow received a cheque for £100 as third prize winner.

The Annual Draw, which this year made a profit of £1,800, is just one of the fund raising events organised by the Social Development Committee of the Parents' Advisory Council. Other events include Quizzes, as well as a Summer Fayre and a Christmas Fayre.



Pictured (l-r): Mrs Barlow, Mrs Pearson and Alex Brady

Performing Arts

Fame - The Musical



Some of the cast of 'Fame' (l-r): Daniel Crawford, Kenny Smith, Kelly Page, Vicky Wakefield, Vicky Davies, Esther Clarke, Tasheka Brown, Becci Kilvert, Carron Dawn Wright, Amy Clarke

'Fame – the Musical' was the popular choice for the Annual School Production this year. The story highlights the sometimes hidden talent of young people and shows their ability to succeed in a highly demanding profession. Ms Caroline Crawford, Teacher in charge of Dance and Drama, commented: "The students worked incredibly hard to increase their fitness and stamina levels to cope with the requirements of this show. With five sell-out performances over five days, we decided early on to double cast most of the major roles. They were all terrific and I was very proud of them."

Performing Arts News

***Sixth Form student, Maria Eleftheriou, has won a place at the prestigious Italia Conti Stage School. Maria has been dancing since she was three and hopes to follow in the footsteps of her mother who travelled the world during her career as a dancer.*

***Jaivant Patel is the first TTS student to win a place at the Northern School of Contemporary Dance in Leeds.*

***Talented actress, Sophie Bould took the lead role in a production of '42nd Street' at the Grand Theatre in Wolverhampton earlier this year. She auditioned for four top stage schools, was offered places at them all and has chosen to study at Mount View Theatre School in London.*

***Sarah Hurd has won a place at a top theatre school - the London Studio Centre.*

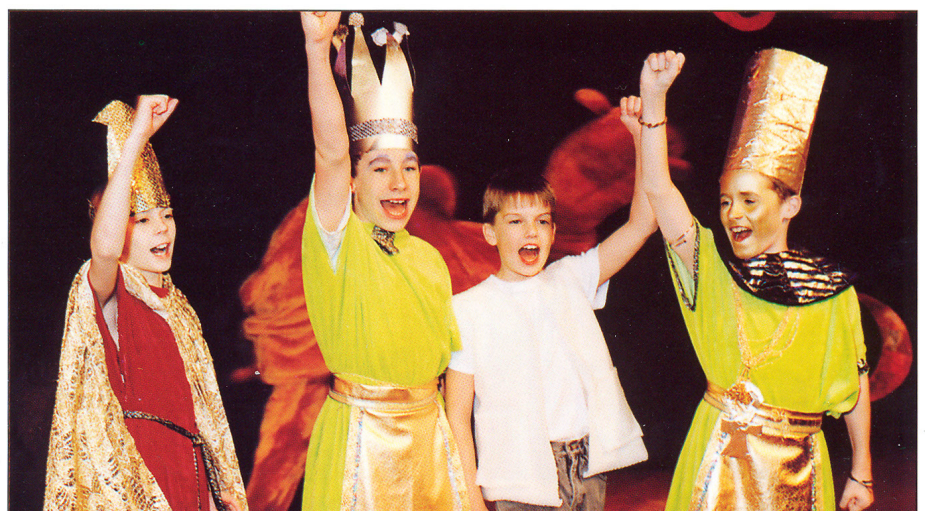
***6.1 BTEC Performing Arts students are working with the charity, Relate, to present a fund raising Cabaret Evening in Wolverhampton.*

***6.1 A Level students are touring local primary schools as part of the Theatre in Education Project. They have created a performance on the theme of 'Communications' and will also hold workshops with Year 5 pupils.*

The Shepherd's Story

Key Stage 3 students put on their own production at Christmas when they retold the Nativity through the eyes of a young Shepherd boy, David. The show provided an opportunity to highlight the singing, dancing and acting talents of the younger students. As well as two evening performances for friends and family, the students held a special Sunday performance for older members of the local community. Mr Charles McDonagh from Lawley Parish Council said in a newspaper article: "It was a great evening and as well as the play, the residents were served with mince pies and wine!"

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Pictured (l-r): Matthew Somerville, Lee Brown, Alan Hughes and Thomas Dutton

African Football Shirts



Boys from the Orphanage in Milindi proudly wearing their football shirts

Video technician, Mr Steve Yates, received a tremendous response from students and staff to his appeal for unwanted football shirts. Mr Yates said: "When I visited the orphanage in Milindi in Kenya it was wonderful to see how much the boys enjoyed their football despite the lack of good equipment and facilities. As you will see from the photograph, we have been able to provide the lads with shirts and I am delighted that we have been able to help in this small way." A similar appeal is planned for later in the year so Mr Yates urges readers to "hold on to those unwanted shirts."

Wrekin Charity Climb



*Pictured (l-r): Jennifer Vernon, Joanne Lowe and Emma Millward
(Photo courtesy of Emma Millward)*

Three intrepid Year 9 students undertook a tricky fund raising venture recently when they climbed the Wrekin. Joanne Lowe and Jenny Vernon together with Emma Millward and her sister were roped together in pairs for a three-legged ascent of the famous landmark. The girls were sponsored by friends and family and have raised around £100 for the Mozambique Disaster Appeal.

The trio commented: "We were so shocked by the television pictures of the devastation caused by the flooding in Mozambique that we wanted to do something to help. We came up with the idea of all four of us being tied together to do the climb but we soon found that it was too difficult like that so we ended up in pairs. It took us a couple of hours overall and despite some sore legs the next day, it was well worth the effort."

Euro Football Tour

TTS Footballers took part in their own version of Euro 2000 when they competed against teams from Britain and Europe in a tournament organised in Holland over Easter. The Girls Under 14 7-a-side team won their competition and the boys performed very well against strong academy teams and club sides, finishing fourth overall.

The students also had plenty of time for relaxation, visiting the Duinrell Theme and Water Park, taking a canal cruise in Amsterdam and visiting the Ajax Stadium.



*Back Row (l-r): Bethan Shaffery, Laura Watton, Thea Osmund-Smith, Kim Atkinson, Leanne Jones
Front Row (l-r): Eleanor Ralph, Anna Perks, Amber Quick, Sara Evans*

Government Ministers Visit School



Minister for School Standards, Ms Estelle Morris MP, chats with student Oliver Fikeis

Estelle Morris MP, the Minister for School Standards at the Department for Education and Employment, visited Thomas Telford School in November during the launch of the Telford and Wrekin Education Action Zone which will receive £3 million from the Government to boost standards of learning across the town. TTS is working in partnership with local schools, businesses and industry. During a tour of the School, Ms Morris spoke with students and staff. She was accompanied by Cllr Mrs Sue Davies, Chair of the Education Committee at Telford and Wrekin Council.

Charity News

Well over £1000 has been raised so far this academic year for a variety of charitable causes.

Mufti Days are held once a term and in October £200 was raised for the Jeans for Genes appeal. During the Spring Term, the Mufti Day raised £300 for the Liver Cancer Ward at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital in Birmingham, in memory of the father of one of the students who was a patient there.

A badge sale raised £134 for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust and £274 was donated to Shelter following a collection at the Christmas Carol Service.

Last summer, Sixth Form students organised a superb Leavers' Ball which also made a small profit of £210. This money was donated to a breast cancer charity, the Snowdrop Appeal, at New Cross Hospital in Wolverhampton.

In addition, the plight of the people of Mozambique, whose lives were devastated by terrible floods earlier this year, moved the hearts of everyone and collection boxes were set up in the Restaurant. So far £350 has been passed to the Disaster Relief Fund.

Michael Wills MP, Education Minister with responsibility for ICT, visited the School in December to receive a donation of £20 million worth of specially developed Art Cam Pro software from Birmingham-based company, Delcam. Delcam have provided software for every school in the country. TTS was closely involved with Delcam in the development of this specialist software. In July 1998, new PCs were installed in the Technology Department and staff needed to find new CAD (computer aided design) software.

Mr Mark Hudson, Director of Technology explained: "Through the Internet, a number of products which could meet our needs were identified, the best of which was available from Delcam. Following discussions with the company, it was apparent that we shared a vision for the promotion of engineering and CAD/CAM and the software was made available for our staff to explore its use with students. Delcam also provided training for our technology staff. The software provided a huge range of possible projects and was easily usable by students of all ages."

"Award winning Technology teacher, Mr Boyle, was closely involved with Delcam in modifying the software as it was used by the School. As a consequence of this joint work, Delcam became involved with the Education Department's CAD/CAM initiative which has linked Delcam's software donation with high quality training for schools from the Design and Technology Association."



Pictured with Year 8 student, Karen Jinks are (l-r): Mr Satchwell, Education Minister Michael Wills MP and Clive Martell, Managing Director of Delcam UK. (Photo courtesy of Delcam)

Operation Christmas Child



Pictured (l-r) helping to sort the parcels are: Charlotte Burgess-Steele, Lisa Jones (back), Nichola Finch (front) and Amy Noss

Two hundred boxes full of Christmas gifts were collected by TTS students as part of Operation Christmas Child, a project organised by the charity, Samaritan's Purse. Students got together in their Tutor Groups to fill brightly covered shoe boxes with small toys, games, sweets, toiletries etc. The charity distributes the gifts to needy children in Eastern Europe.

Mrs Sue Evans who coordinated the School's response said: "It was a magnificent effort. It provided a wonderful opportunity for the students to convey the real meaning of Christmas and to share in the joy of giving."

News in Brief

****Year 11 student, Bachrun Mason** has become the youngest person at the Shropshire Aero Club at Sleaf to complete a solo flight, following the relaxation in flying laws which allows pilots to fly solo at the age of 16. Bachrun flew a Cessna 152 over Shropshire before making a perfect landing!

****Line Dance champion Lynzey Dillon** won five titles at the Eurodance International Festival in Blackpool in March.

****Samantha Bull, Year 7,** with her brother, David, won the 12-13 age group in the European Rhythmics Dance Championship in North Wales.

****Rebecca Garbett (Year 9)** has published a second book, containing thirty new poems, called 'Decisions, Decisions'.

****Melissa Wolfe (Year 7)** is Shropshire Gymnastic Champion beating girls of all age groups with a brilliant floor sequence and vault.

****Daniel Turner (Year 8)** was one of three TTS Gold Certificate winners in the UK Junior Maths Challenge this year. Daniel had such an exceptional score that he has been invited to take part in the next round of the Challenge. This is the first time a TTS student has reached this second stage of the competition.

The other Gold Certificate winners were Luke Crane (Year 7) and Kate Richardson (Year 8). 8 other students were awarded silver certificates.

Alphabetical Careers

Winning students in the Year 7 A-Z Careers Competition celebrated their success with the help of Town Crier, Mr Percy Simmonds.

All the students in the year took part in the competition which was organised by the Business and Careers Department. The students had to think of a job or career for each letter of the alphabet and then devise a bright, colourful poster to illustrate their ideas under the heading "My A-Z of Careers". The five winners were presented with chocolate prizes and the five runners-up received book tokens.



Pictured (l-r) with Town Crier, Percy Simmonds are: Katie Evans, Katie Carpenter, Ana Myler, Sam Hugh, Katie Pinson, Stephen Gomberg, Miss Williams, Jodie Vaughan, Jodie Mears, Miss Summerfield, Ashleigh Pain and Tom Chandler

Debating Success



The victorious Year 10 Debating Team (l-r): Russell Dady, Hannah Isaacs and Susan Barrow

The Year 10 Public Speaking Team – Susan Barrow, Hannah Isaacs and Russell Dady – put in a fine performance in the Shropshire Schools' Public Speaking Competition to come a very creditable third in their first outing against mainly Year 11 students. Susan Barrow was particularly commended because she handled a difficult subject ('There is no right or wrong, only opinion') so well and survived hostile questioning with room to spare. Mr Birkett, Director of Careers and Industry Links, commented: "I was proud of the team. They produced a quality performance with a minimum of practice time and I think they will be formidable if they enter for the same event next year."

The Sixth Form team of Victoria Wylde, Daniel Tyrpak and Jonathan Stokes won the Telford District round of the Rotary Youth Speaks Competition against good teams from Wrekin College and New College. Mr Birkett said: "Their subject, 'Role models in society with special reference to Kermit the Frog', was expertly handled by the team and I was delighted by their performance. Sadly the team was unplaced in the regional finals in March. This was despite a superb effort from all the team, especially Victoria McNulty who stood in for Daniel with only 24 hour's notice. With an increasing interest in public speaking, it is hoped that a School Debating Society will be up and running in the next academic year."

Sarah's Funday

Sixth Form student, Sarah Cotterill, has raised over £1,000 for the charity Baby Life Support Systems (Bliss). As part of her GNVQ Advanced Leisure and Tourism course, Sarah organised a Football Fun Day in conjunction with the Football Fundsters. ASDA, Shrewsbury Hospitals, Dothill Junior School, Hollinswood Junior School, Fundsters United and Bliss Babes all fielded teams.

Sarah said: "We had a fantastic day and I would like to thank everyone involved for their support."



*Sarah Cotterill (l) with Ms Lesley Gedge from the Fundsters United
(Photo courtesy of Shropshire Star)*

Congratulations!

****Sam Hugh (Year 7) is County Badminton Doubles Champion and also triumphed in the Warwickshire Children's Milk Series Triathlon, winning his age group and making him current leader in the Midlands and Wales series. The triathlon is a gruelling event involving a 200m swim, 4km cycle ride and 1600m run which Sam completed in just 25 minutes!**

****Thomas Jones (Sixth Form) is the Shropshire Junior Men's 400m Hurdles Champion.**

****County Swimming Champions: Leanne Mason (Year 7) - 50m and 100m Breast Stroke; Catherine Stewart (Year 8) - 50m Backstroke and Sara Evans (Year 9) - 50m Breast Stroke.**

****Oliver Kyte (Year 7) won the Under 12 Cycling Championship at Aldersley Stadium in Wolverhampton.**

****Year 9 student, Leanne Jones, is West Midlands 15+ Trampolining Champion.**

****Former student Daniel Mackriel is a Great Britain Under 19 Ice Hockey International. Dan is captain of Blackburn Hawks and is the star of his team according to newspaper reports in Lancashire where he is now studying. Last year Dan was Captain of the victorious England Under 19 side in their game against Scotland and was awarded "most exceptional player" of the match. He was also part of the GB Under 19 team that won a gold medal in the European Junior Championships in Romania.**

High Fliers!



Back Row (l-r): Cadets Sian Mytton, Alison Mayor and Matthew Giles, Flt Sgt Sonia Nevin, Cpl Barry Bligh, Cadet Stacey Nevin
Front Row (l-r): Cpl Scott Gardner and Cadet Christopher Jones

Several Thomas Telford School students are members of 1130 Wrekin Squadron of the Air Training Corps. The philosophy of the Air Training Corps is to develop young people in a variety of ways, for example, building their confidence, team working skills and working with the community. It also offers them the opportunity to experience many activities associated with life in the RAF - gliding, powered flights, annual and weekend camps as well as the chance to work towards a Duke of Edinburgh Award.

During the Easter break, several of the students attended an Annual Camp at RAF High Wycombe when they had an opportunity to experience six hours flying time which included four hours aboard a VC10 refuelling plane and a helicopter flight. They also took part in a night exercise and made visits to other RAF bases.

Sixth Form student, Flight Sergeant Sonia Nevin, led the 1130 Wrekin Squadron Drill Team (including Matthew Giles and Scott Gardner) to first place in a drill competition at the ATC Wing Training Weekend in Wales when approximately 20 squadrons competed. They will be representing West Mercia in the next round.

French Hospitality

A group of Sixth Form Hospitality and Catering students visited France in May. The students had raised over £2000 to finance the exchange visit by organising themed evenings - a Burns Night in January and a Murder Mystery Evening in March - both of which were thoroughly enjoyed by all the guests.

The students stayed with host families in Bellegarde and spent some time investigating the regional cuisine. They visited local vineyards and food producers, including cheese makers. Visits to Annecy and the French Alps were arranged and the weekends were spent with their host families.

Mr Howard Barnes, Hospitality and Catering Course Leader said: "The students returned full of enthusiasm for the area, the beautiful scenery in the Alps and the food. Their language skills were much improved as well."

World Book Day

Over 200 books were purchased by students and staff at a recent lunchtime promotion for World Book Day. Librarian, Miss Sonia Roberts said: "I was delighted with the response. This scheme is an excellent way of encouraging young people to read more books."

Millennium Celebrations

TTS students welcomed older residents from Lawley and Overdale Parish into School as part of a day full of events to mark the Millennium. The celebrations began when the whole of Year 7, together with staff and the School Choir, attended a Harvest Festival at St John's Church in Lawley. The children provided harvest gifts which the Reverend Paul Cawthorne distributed to needy people in the local community.

Local community members also visited the School after lunch for a tour of the School and afternoon tea. Following another Church Service, the residents returned to School for a Harvest Supper prepared and served by Hospitality and Catering students. Performing Arts students then entertained the visitors with excerpts from the musical 'Oliver'.

At the end of the day, each visitor was presented with a commemorative scroll, produced by students in the Art Department, which had been personalised with their name, date of birth together with national and local historical highlights.



Ellen Inglis and Thomas Jobborn unload harvest gifts with the Rev Paul Cawthorne from St John's Church, Lawley
(Photo courtesy of Shropshire Star)

Football



Under 12 Boys CTC Champions

Back Row (l-r): Giles Harvey, Paul Rich, Tom Bates, Chris Edmunds, John Warner, Matt Ratcliffe, Lewis Brown, Shaun Williams, Craig Merrick

Front Row (l-r): Alex Strange, Nathan Gray, Chris Yates, Luke Pepper, Jon Houlston, Scott Mallin

The Under 15 side came very close to reaching their cup finals. In both the County Cup and the CTC Championships, they lost semi finals in games that could easily have gone either way.

The Under 16 Boys won their County Cup, beating Rhyn Park School 2-1 in the final.

Matthew Rutter scored a magnificent free kick to equalise before helping set up the winning goal which was scored by Daniel Bowdler. This was Daniel's first goal for TTS - he normally plays very well as the County Goalkeeper!!



Under 16s - Back Row (l-r): Jordan Perrin, Joe Turner, Daniel Bowdler, Scott Brown, Ben Astley, Chris Waldron, Andrew Cockhill, Warren Brindley

Front Row (l-r): Greg Burgess, Scott Morgan, Dean Lowry, Matthew Rutter, James Mackenzie, Adam Smith



Under 19s - Back Row (l-r): Phil Hurdley, Graham Whitehouse, Chris Waldron, Andrew Farnell, Paul Brookes, Steven White, John Dickenson

Front Row (l-r): Matt Rutter, Carl Johnson, Paul Tyler, Ian Smith, Leigh Such

The football teams have had another excellent season (see front page for details of Under 13 Boys win in the Midlands B & I Cup and page 5 for details of the Football Tour to Holland).

The Under 12s won the CTC Championships beating Brooke Weston 4-3 in a thrilling final. After being 3-0 down in the first five minutes, the team came back to score four goals in the second half.

The Under 14s had a good run in the Heinz Ketchup Cup, reaching the last 128 schools in the country.

The Under 19 boys have made real progress this season, competing against much larger colleges and registering their 'first ever' wins in the Shropshire Colleges' League.

The team lost in the final of the West Midlands Cup to Sutton Coldfield in a tough game but won Division 2 of the West Midlands Colleges North League. Next season, it is hoped that this team will make progress in the English Schools' Cup Competition.

Hockey



Under 14s Back Row (l-r): Sean Hennessy, Greg Evans, Dan Bragoli, Sean Sly, James Whittaker, Mike Aldridge, Adam Brittle.

Front Row (l-r): James Berry, James Pirie, Matt Giles, Edward Proffitt, Craig Hooper, Phil Berry

In the Under 15 final, Liam Hennessy was named Man of the Match. The team beat Wrekin College 2-0 in a repeat of the previous year's final. David Tracey scored both goals. This team remains unbeaten, without conceding a goal, in three years of County Cup matches!

Promising results were also achieved by the Under 12 and Under 13 teams who will be aiming to maintain the School's County Cup record next year.



Under 15s - Back Row (l-r): Alex Herrmann, Craig Hooper, Lee James, Glynne Owen, David Tracey, Chris Dixon, Jason Harvey, Craig Johnson. Front Row (l-r): Sean Hennessy, Ashley Burd, Liam Hennessy, Andrew Benning, Gareth Thomas, Chris Waldron, Chris Leech

It has been another superb year for Boys Hockey with both the Under 14 and Under 15 teams finishing the season as County Champions.

The Under 14 team beat Meole Brace 1-0 in a close final, the winning goal being scored by Philip Berry.

Sean Hennessy was Man of the Match, following in the footsteps of his brother, Liam, who won the award last year.

Netball



Year 9 County Champions

*Back Row (l-r): Kim Atkinson, Thea Osmund-Smith, Rebecca Bullock, Anna Perks
Front Row (l-r): Sam Forrest, Bethan Shaffery, Sara Evans, Nicola Forrest*

Nine teams have competed during the best year yet for Netball at TTS. The Year 9 A team was the most successful, beating Ludlow to take the County Championship. They went on to represent Shropshire in the West Midlands Tournament.

Mrs Dunn commented: "The girls were up against tough opposition but started exceptionally well, beating Cheltenham High School. They eventually came fourth overall."

TTS Sports News

Basketball



The Under 14 West Midlands Cup Finalists
Back Row (l-r): Kim Atkinson, Thea Osmund-Smith, Becky Bullock, Anna Perks, Bethan Williams
Front Row (l-r): Leanne Jones, Bethan Shaffery, Eleanor Ralph, Sara Evans, Kate Button



Under 15 County Cup Winners
Back Row (l-r): Vicky Cornish, Anna Perks, Becky Bullock, Hannah Isaacs
Front Row (l-r): Jo Broughton, Nicola Wall, Lisa Rowley, Lizzie John

The Girls Under 15 team continued their run of success winning the County Cup and reaching the last 16 in the National Individual Schools Cup. In the County Cup final, they beat Abraham Darby 44-32 with Becky Brown scoring an outstanding 26 points. The Under 14 Girls were losing finalists in the West Midlands Cup, going down 39-60 to John Taylor. The Under 19 Girls were County League runners-up as well as County Cup finalists, losing to Abraham Darby on both occasions. The Under 16 Boys reached the finals of the West Midlands 'B' Competition.



Under 16 Regional B Finalists
Back Row (l-r): Sanveer Sandhu, Adam Fellows, Hannes Niehoegen, Jordan Perrin
Front Row (l-r): Warren Brindley, George Bukowski, Sumeet Bhargwaj



Under 19 County Cup and League Cup Runners-up
Back Row (l-r): Anna Perks, Sara Banbury, Jo Leeming, Becky Bullock, Hannah Isaacs
Front Row (l-r): Lisa Rowley, Vicky Cornish, Holly Smith, Hannah Shepherd, Sandra Bartlett, Lizzie John

Congratulations!

****A group of talented Badminton players won titles at the Under 14 County Championships earlier this year. Kim Atkinson and Amy Halford are Girls Doubles Champions; Amy and Michael Aldridge won the Mixed Doubles with Kim and her partner Jonathan Williams runners-up.**

In the Boys Doubles, Michael and Jonathan were runners-up and Amy was runner-up in the Girls Singles competition.

****James Toland (Year 9) has been selected (from 144 hopefuls!) to play Roll Hockey for the Midlands team in the All Great Britain Championships in Sheffield. Roll Hockey for the uninitiated (which is most of us!) is Hockey played on roller skates!**

****Amy Kempton (Year 11) has been selected to play for the England Junior Team in the Ten-Pin Bowling Triple Crown competition in Ireland in August. She is amongst the Top 6 girls in the country.**