

## MEET THE STAFF



**ANDREW MURFIN**

**Director of Sport**

Andrew joined Shrewsbury in 2014 from Victoria College where he was Senior Teacher i/c Co-Curriculum and Housemaster and formerly Director of Sport. Andrew has coached many of our major sports including football, hockey, cricket and athletics. Andrew is a former professional footballer and since starting as a junior at Leeds United has played for Burton Albion and Scunthorpe United, in addition to representing England at Futsal. He has also represented Jersey in athletics at three Island Games – 5k, 10k, half-marathon. Andrew has a keen interest in all sports and making Shrewsbury Sport the best it can be.



**ANDY BARNARD**

**Master in Charge of Cricket**

Andy has 25 years experience of playing cricket at Minor Counties level and 4 years experience of being a Club Professional in Staffordshire and played for Warwickshire, Leicestershire and Somerset. He has organised and coached cricket tours to Australia, South Africa and Sri Lanka. Club Captain at Shrewsbury CC (1993- 2004), currently Chairman of Shrewsbury CC. Andy played first class rugby for Wasps RFC 1981-1987.



**STEVE BIGGINS**

**Master in Charge of Football**

Steve is a former Shrewsbury Town player who in his first season won the old 3rd Division. He also played for Oxford United (also winning the old 3rd Division), Derby County and Trelleborg FF (Sweden). He returned to teaching at The Old Hall School before joining Shrewsbury School in 2009. In 2010 Steve guided the School 1st XI to success in the ISFA Boodles Cup Final which was held at the MK Dons Stadium. He is an FA A Licence coach.



**PETER MIDDLETON**

**Master in Charge of The Hunt**

An extremely talented athlete in his own right, Peter competes for Shrewsbury AC in cross-country, road racing and track. He has represented Shropshire at the UK cross-country inter-counties championships. To date, Peter has competed in 9 marathons and 5 Ultra-marathons (including the 90km Comrades Ultra in South Africa twice). Next year's aim is to qualify for the Championship at the London Marathon.



**SEB COOLEY**

**Master in Charge of Fives**

Seb has been coaching Fives since 1999 and ran the Fives club at Eton for three years before joining us at Shrewsbury in 2011. He is currently the National Fives Champion, a title he has held since April 2011.



**DUNCAN KIRKBY**

**Master in Charge of Rugby**

Duncan has coached rugby at Shrewsbury for 25 years and has been Master in Charge for 22 years. He also coaches junior rugby at Shrewsbury Rugby Club and is currently on the Executive Committee. He played cricket for Shrewsbury and Wroxeter Cricket Clubs and has played in British Polytechnic football and cricket semi finals. A supporter of Sale Sharks and Scunthorpe United but we won't hold that against him!



**MYLES HARDING**

**Master in Charge of Tennis/Squash**

Myles represented the University of Nottingham at both tennis and squash. He also played for "Ghostboosters" in the Nottinghamshire Squash Premier League. At Shrewsbury he coaches the Top Squads in both sports. Myles' own sporting ambitions extend to playing in the Nationals for the over 40's in tennis and squash.



**PAUL PRIDGEON**

**Cricket Professional & Manager  
Neville Cardus Cricket Centre**

Paul played 240 1st class matches for Worcestershire County Cricket Club from 1972-1989. He took 530 wickets and scored 1200 runs. He is a qualified Level 3 ECB Coach. Paul joined Shrewsbury School in 1990, and coaches sport at all levels. He currently runs the Shropshire Emerging Players Programme and coaches Worcestershire Academy players. He is the lead coach for Shropshire U15's.



**ATHOL HUNDERMARK**

**Director of Rowing**

Athol started teaching Geography and coaching rowing at St Benedict's College in South Africa before moving to Shiplake College in 2001. During his time at the College his crews excelled including wins at the Schools Head and at National Schools. In 2005 he moved to Abingdon School and following success with the J14's and J16's he took over running the Boat Club and coaching the 1st VIII. Athol joins us this year having just recorded the Boat Club's second successive Henley Royal Regatta win.



**NICOLA BRADBOURNE**

**Head of Girls' Sport**

Nicola joined the PE department and made history as the first Head of Girls' Games in 2008. After attending university in Leeds and Brighton she worked at Idsall School and Sports College, becoming head of a large sports department after three years. Nicola's sporting love is gymnastics and has coached from the age of 16. From there Nicola developed a love of teaching and coaching a number of different sports, particularly netball and hockey.



# THE SHREWSBURY SCHOOL SPORTING EXPERIENCE



## FOR YEAR FIVE & SIX PUPILS AT FEEDER SCHOOLS

## SPORT AT SHREWSBURY SCHOOL IS A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE



From the very first day at Shrewsbury, the pupil is at the centre of his or her sporting choices and experience. The Sports Staff are there to inspire and support.

The backdrop of the Chapel and the main School Building on the Top Common (home of Senior Cricket, Football and Rugby), the fourteen historic Fives courts, the splendour of the Boat Club on the banks of the River Severn, and the stunning new Cricket Centre and Swimming Pool, all inspire pupils to great things relative to their own ability, either passionately for their Houses or with total commitment for their School team. At whatever level, Shrewsbury pupils experience special things in sport in special surroundings.

The Headmaster and Director of Sport invite you to come for the day and taste the Shrewsbury Sporting Experience. Accompanied by top class coaches, your pupils will be able to explore sports that may not have previously been available to them, as well as sports with which they are more familiar.

Current feedback from schools and pupils about our taster days has been excellent. They thoroughly enjoy their first experience of rowing on the river or getting to grips with the rules of Fives; they are also able to sample our outstanding football and rugby coaching and facilities. Add to these, the opportunity to swim in our 25m six-lane pool, play tennis, squash or run with the Hunt – the oldest running club in the world – and you have all the ingredients for an exciting trip.



We are able to cater for groups of up to 16 pupils. We ask that schools choose three sports from the following selection: *Rowing, Fives, Cricket, Netball, Hockey, Football, Rugby, Cross-country Running, Swimming, Tennis or Squash.*

The Taster Days are aimed at boys and girls in Year 5 and Year 6.



## A TYPICAL TASTER DAY

<b>9.30am</b>	Arrive at The Neville Cardus Cricket Centre  Welcome by The Director of Sport, Andrew Murfin Introduction to the Coaches for the Day
<b>10.00am</b>	Sport One (e.g. Rowing)  Tour of the RSSBC (Royal Shrewsbury School Boat Club) by the Director of Rowing, Athol Hundermark.  Rowing on the River Severn and in the indoor rowing tank.
<b>11.15am</b>	Refreshments
<b>11.45am</b>	Sport Two: (e.g. Fives)  Introduction to Eton Fives (there are many different versions!) by Master-in-Charge, Seb Cooley at the Shrewsbury School Fives Courts.
<b>1.00pm</b>	Lunch in Kingsland Hall
<b>2.00pm</b>	Sport Three: (e.g. Cricket)  Introduction to the Neville Cardus Indoor Cricket Centre and Cricket at Shrewsbury School by Cricket Professional, Paul Pridgeon.  Session in the Indoor or Outdoor nets.
<b>3.20pm</b>	Farewells

Shrewsbury do not charge anything for the experience but your school will be required to cover the cost of transporting pupils here. Refreshments will be available all day.

The sample programme illustrates a typical day that many of our partner schools have opted for. It aims to mix the unfamiliar with the familiar, but we are happy to tailor the day to the particular interests of your school and pupils.