



ASHLAWN SCHOOL

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Message from the Principal

This week our Year 9 students have been working with Humanutopia, an organisation that creates and runs motivational courses for young people with an emphasis on wellbeing and aspiration. The whole course consists of three elements and this week's session started off focusing on the past and finished at the end of the day looking towards the future, the dreams our young people have and the changes they know they need to make to achieve those dreams.

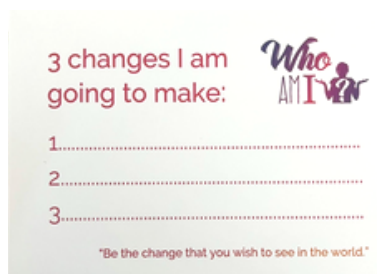
The work our students completed during their first session this week was nothing short of incredible. They allowed themselves to be vulnerable in the way that they expressed themselves and the personal testimonies that we heard were so brave and they were commended by their peers for their bravery and their openness as they considered barriers to their own success and how image and friendship groups can often operate like 'snakes and ladders,' with the 'snakes' influencing you to make poor decisions and the 'ladders' encouraging you to have a positive impact.

So often, young people are concerned with their image and their 'social set' but the dynamic of the day did not allow for this. Working with students that they didn't necessarily know well may have felt strange at first for everyone, but this did not stop our students being engaged with the activities – one of my favourite moments was the opportunity for students to recognise others for showing a different side to themselves and the discovery that beneath the 'image' there was a wonderful, caring person that they just hadn't had the chance to get to know.

Our Year 9s are to be commended for the way that they participated – we were so proud to hear that this year group had been the best group our amazing presenter, Steve, had ever worked with.

Before the end of the session, our students committed their dreams and planned changes to paper and it was very powerful to hear what they have planned for themselves. The year group showed us what incredible potential they have and we can't wait to see what they will achieve in sessions two and three over the next two months.

Siobhan Evans



Congratulations to this week's top scoring pupils from each college!



	Webb Ellis	Evans	Brooke	Ruddock	Livermore
Year 7	Ella-Mai M	Ewan S	Kexin W	Jessica C	Chloe J
Year 8	Miah F	Finley K	James C	Abigail C & James F	Megan S
Year 9	Krishna S	Alec R & Scarlett S	Mark G	Phoebe M	Zack T
Year 10	Lucy B	Benjamin H	Finlay P	Denis I	Alesha B
Year 11	Daniel T	Ailish S	& Ruby S	Amber H	Luke M
Year 12	Mitchel S	Benedict M	James Wi	Naomi D	Joel R
Year 13	Jaime W	Maisy C	Brieze C	Emilia D	Lauren H



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Attendance & Punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality to school is vital if students are to succeed and reach their full potential. Every day that a student is late will impact their learning time in school.

We monitor attendance and punctuality very closely in order to ensure that ALL students arrive at school on time, ready to learn.

We expect ALL students to be in school by 8.40am, ready to start form time at 8.45am. If students arrive late to form time then they will be marked as late regardless of what time they were on site. If students arrive late on 2 occasions or more then they will attend a same day detention for 15 minutes.

Although we want every student to achieve 100% attendance we understand that there are times when they may not be able to come to school as they are really unwell. If this happens it is vital that you contact school via EDULINK or by phoning 01788 532831.

PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL INDIVIDUAL TEACHERS OR THEIR HEAD OF YEAR.

If at any time you feel that you need support with your child's attendance or punctuality then you must talk to us.

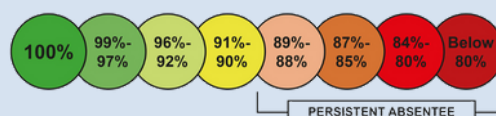
Your child's Form Tutor or Head of Year are here to support you throughout your time in school.

Minutes Late Per Day	Days of Lost Learning
5	3.5
10	7
15	10.5
20	14
30	21

% Attendance	Days of Lost Learning
100	0
95	10
90	20
85	30
80	40 (8 school weeks)

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



English Revision Masterclass Timetable

Turn-up sessions for all Year 11 students starting at 3:30 pm in the East Hall

Teacher	Date	Topic of masterclass
Mrs Hodgson	Wednesday 4 May	Q3 Structure
Mr Chakravarty & Miss Rogers	Tuesday 10 May	Language Paper 1 Q2 and 4
Miss Bryant	Wednesday 11 May	Approaches to an extract question
Mr Rice	Thursday 12 May	An Inspector Calls - dramatic techniques/features in a 3 act play
Miss Campbell & Mrs Currie	Monday 16 May	Macbeth - Building a response
Mr Burkill	Monday 23 May	"Setting reflects Characterisation" and Utterson - Stevenson's Jekyll and Hyde
Mr Washington & Mr Andrews	Tuesday 24 May	Writing articles; language paper

MUSIC FESTIVAL
ASHLAWN SCHOOL

Illustrations of musical instruments: a grand piano, a saxophone, a guitar, and a drum set.

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Have you got a musical talent, submit it here.
Teachers can submit too, voucher prizes for winners.

**SUBMIT YOUR AUDIO OR VIDEO FILES
TO BAIDOOT@ASHLAWN.ORG.UK**



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Warwickshire County Council's April 2022 edition of Warwickshire SEND. This newsletter brings you news and information on special educational needs and disability in Warwickshire.



The Paper Birds Theatre Company Workshop



On Tuesday 5 April the Drama Department had the pleasure of welcoming The Paper Birds Theatre Company to Ashlawn School.

The Paper Birds
Theatre Company

The Paper Birds Theatre Company are theatre practitioners that influence both GCSE and A Level study, so it was so wonderful to watch 21 of our students interacting in this two hour workshop. They showcased their creativity whilst learning new skills in devising theatre and it was brilliant to see the interaction between students across various year groups.

Georgie Coles, workshop leader was so complimentary of our students, commenting on how they were all so willing to collaborate with such a positive attitude. We were so proud of them and loved seeing their smiling faces whilst working in the studio.

We very much look forward to continuing to forge links with The Paper Birds and other theatre practitioners here at Ashlawn.

Mrs Ballinger and Mrs Garner

Meet Chris Bolton



Hello, I'm Chris Bolton and I am Vice Chair of the Ashlawn AIM Board. I have been a Governor/Partner at the school for 3 years.

I have been involved in education all my working life. I started off as a secondary school teacher of English in Gloucester and then spent 20 years in the world of teaching English as a foreign language overseas and in the UK. Most recently I worked for a number of examination boards including Pearson which owns Edexcel. At Pearson, I was responsible for qualification development and accreditation and also for policy. I am now semi-retired and work as a consultant but that doesn't seem to be working quite as I had imagined as I am busier than ever. I live in a small village a few miles away from Rugby where I am also the Vice Chair of the Parish Council.

At Ashlawn I am the 'link' Governor/Partner for SEND and I also write a monthly education policy and news update for all the Governors in the Trust. I am a passionate advocate for those learners who need extra support and care.

The Ashlawn Board is made up of a wide range of people who are committed to ensuring the school and its learners continue to excel at all levels. However, we are always looking for more volunteers to add their experience to the Board.



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Trampolining

On Tuesday 26 April the Ashlawn Year 9 and 10 Trampoline Team won the Level 2 School Games Competition at Harris Sports Centre. Students competed in the Team and Individual Competitions against Harris and Avon Valley.

Our Team came 1st in the Team Competition, as well as Finn winning the individual competition and Kaitlin as runner up. The Team will now compete at the Level 3 School Games Competition in Coventry next week.

Team above: Finn, Felix, Kirsty, Kaitlin, Lydia, Emi

The Year 7 and 8 Trampoline Team also competed and won the Level 2 School Games Competition at Harris Sports Centre.

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Our Team came 1st in the Team Competition, as well as Isabelle winning the individual competition and Luke as runner up. The Team will now compete at the Level 3 School Games Competition in Coventry next week.

Team below : Priti, Nelly, Sophie, Luke, Isabelle, Kiera.



Summer Term Extra-Curricular Activities

This Summer Term we welcome students of all abilities in Years 7 – 10, to take part in athletics on Tuesdays after school from 3:30 pm until 4:30 pm.

Girls rounders will take place on Wednesdays from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm and once again all abilities are welcome from students in Years 7 – 10, we would love to see some more faces.



On Sunday 24th April, Zoe D competed in a triathlon relay. There were three teams and 90 others that were competing against. Zoe was part of a new all girls team and it was their first triathlon of the season.



Congratulations to Jacob M for reaching the Semi-Finals of the Under 18 National Bowls Competition.



On the 3rd April I got to the semi-finals of the National under 18s Bowls singles (last 4 in the country under 18). Out of the 3 others I had to compete against to get to the semi finals, 2 of them play for England. I drew my first game and then won the other 2 games against the England players. I lost the semi final, and the guy who beat me went on the win. ”



Lila is the new Northampton GC Juniors Masters Champion 2022 shooting a level par gross 73 in the much coveted mixed junior event with 6 birdies, 6 pars and 6 bogeys.

She also made her debut for Northants County Ladies winning her foursomes match and her singles match. This has led to a call up to represent Northants County Ladies First Team at Ladies County Week in June against some of the best female golfers in the Country.

Lila, along with Jenna were crowned Northants FA County Champions with Northampton Town Girls U14s emphatic 5-0 win over Brixworth in yesterday's County Final at Corby Towns Stadium.



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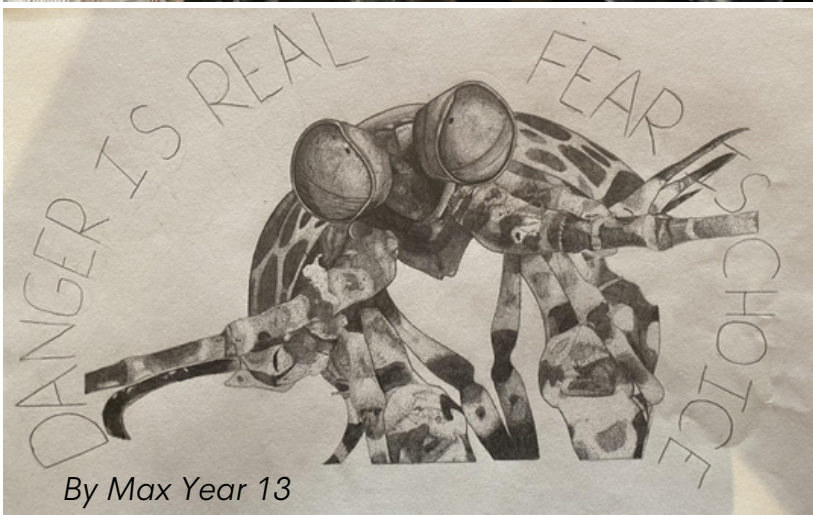
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By Ismay Year 13

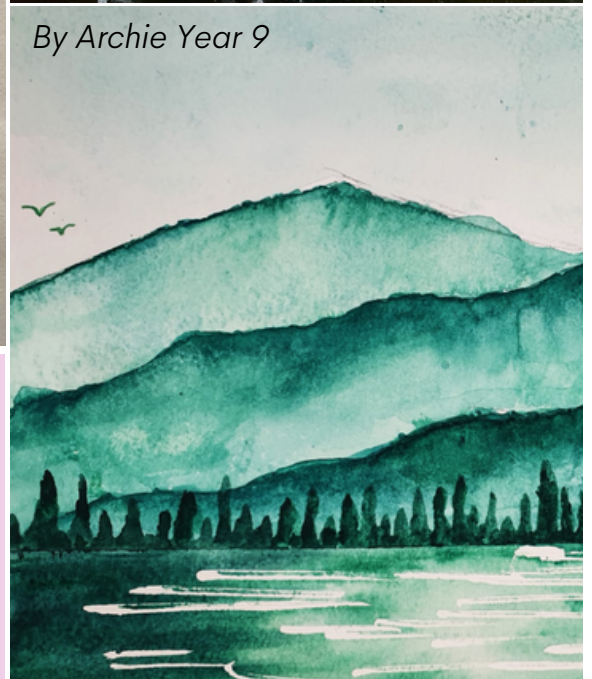


By Becci Year 13



By Max Year 13

By Archie Year 9



By Matthew Year 11

ART
*Of
the
week*



By Demi
Year 11



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Safeguarding Advice

What to do if you are worried about your, or someone else's safety.

Tell a trusted adult at school.

We are here to help, and our team of Designated Safeguarding Leads will provide support. You can also call on the following number: 01788 573425.

If you are in immediate danger then phone 101 or 999.

Here are some other ways things you can get the help you need:

- Tell a trustworthy family member or safe adult who may be able to help you
- Call Childline on 0800 1111 and talk through how you are feeling and your concerns
- Email the Designated Safeguarding Leads at school at safeguarding@ashlawn.org.uk
- Speak to Young Carers if you are looking after someone at home. Tel: 02476 217740
- Look online for support from the Family Information Service at www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies
- If you feel unsafe or in danger call the council helpline on 01926 414144

If you are struggling with your mental health and want some reassurance and advice, then contact your form tutor or Head of Year. They would love to hear from you and they will help alleviate your worries.

Mrs Pountney

Assistant Principal and Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Safeguarding is
Everyone's
Responsibility**

The Family Information Service can provide a wide range of information/support/ referrals for families in Warwickshire either via our helpline or on a face to face basis.

FIS Brokerage Service is a 1:1 early intervention service which can be used to support families with children age 0 to 25 living in Warwickshire to access services where there are barriers and/or complex needs.

To access this service please contact them using the methods below:

fis@warwickshire.gov.uk

- [Twitter – @WarksFIS](https://twitter.com/WarksFIS)
- [Facebook – Warwickshire Family Information Service](https://www.facebook.com/WarwickshireFamilyInformationService)
- <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/children-families>

01926 742 274.

The Family Intervention Service can help you with topics such as:

- family relationships
- finance
- housing
- parenting support
- special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)
- childcare
- health and wellbeing

Please don't hesitate to get in touch. They are there to help!

Mrs Pountney

Assistant Principal



Free Sanitary Items

Students can collect free sanitary wear at school. They are available from Reception, Student Services and the PE changing rooms. Tampons and sanitary towels are available.

Mrs Pountney

Assistant Principal

Food Bank

If you are struggling financially and would like a food parcel or food bank voucher, please contact Mrs Pountney or Mrs Lavery as we have a few food parcels left and we are happy to deliver.

