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Message from the Principal

It was wonderful to welcome prospective students and parents to Ashlawn last night. With over 1000 tickets booked through Eventbrite, we knew it was going to be a busy evening, and it was!

Our students and staff drew lots of praise from our visitors, with our student tour guides being commended on their confidence, enthusiasm and good manners. Our students are invariably our best ambassadors and we are so appreciative of the hundreds of students who volunteered to support the evening by offering to help in subject specific areas, act as tour guides, manage parking or make speeches.

Our students have been showcasing their success in other areas too, and we were delighted that three of our students have been selected to represent Warwickshire at the English Schools Athletics Championships next month. It is an enormous achievement to be selected as one of the top athletes in the country and we wish Ava (Year 10), Robbie (Year 9) and Lucy (Year 9) the very best as they compete in Manchester next month.

Closer to home, we have been delighted to note that our students have earned almost 400,000 achievement points across the school this year – an incredible reflection on the positive attitudes to learning and enrichment opportunities that most students at Ashlawn show day in, day out.

Vincent Van Gogh once said that "Great things are done through a series of small things brought together." Every achievement point and every step of progress in sport, skill or learning that our students make all adds up to great things.

Siobhan Evans

	Webb Ellis	Evans	Brooke	Ruddock	Livermore
Year 7	Sadie L	Alfie H	Pratap S	Shivam P	Sophie S
Year 8	Oliver S	Ava W	Ethan H	Saffat P	Daniel H & Daniel R
Year 9	Robert D	Alec R	Caitlin M	Sophie B	Ethan W
Year 10	Lola D	Joshua B	Sebastian R	Farihah HJ	Emma G & Robyn M
Year 12	Mitchel S	Emma P	Jake L	Jessica E	Dara A

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











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Billy Elliot Theatre Trip

Would you like to come to the theatre?

When: Tuesday 19 July 2022 (Evening leaving school approx 5.30 pm)

Where: A coach trip to Curve Theatre, Leicester

Who: Any student from any year group can apply for a place

How: Come and collect a letter from Mrs Ballinger in Drama Room 2 and return your reply slips back to Drama.

13 tickets are still available: first come first serve. Please collect a letter if you are interested.



Gardening Club

Your opportunity to flourish! What?

- · Growing of fruit, vegetables and flowers
- Garden maintenance
- · Learn about sustainable gardening
- Pond development and maintenance Looking after wildlife

When?

Monday - early lunch (years 7, 9, 11, 13) Thursday - after school (all year groups) Friday late lunch (years 8, 10 and 12)

Miss E Woodhouse

odhousee@ashlawn.org.uk

Gardening is great for mindfulness and can have benefits for nental health

All gardening tools and resources will be provided and edibles and owers can be taken home



- Year 12 Exams - Tuesday 21 - Thu 30 June
- Sports Week - Commencing Thu 30 June
- Sixth Form Induction Days - Mon 27 and Tue 28 June

Year 13 Prom - Friday 1 July

COLLEGE CHALLENGE

Create a mascot for your house. This can be drawn, painted or made out of recycled materials.

Upload individual entries to your college Google Classroom or be sure to bring them into school

2 Achievement Points will be awarded per entry and winners will receive 5 Achievement Points & a love to shop voucher

Athletics Sporting Success

Following on from a successful Track and Field Cup competition, students from Ashlawn have continued to succeed in Athletics this summer.



The following students all competed fantastically with some amazing performances which they were extremely proud of

Jacob V- Hurdles - 1st Nigel N - 100m Robbie D - 300m - 1st Josh M - Javelin - 2nd Leon F - 400m - 2nd Carum B - Long Jump Will G - Long Jump - 2nd

Daniel R - 400m/800m Harry B - Javelin - 2nd Thomas B - 800m/1500m - 2nd Maia T - 300m - 2nd Lucy B - 300m - 2nd Scarlett S - High Jump Ava R - 1500m - 2nd

They will be representing East Warwickshire and of course Ashlawn.

Students that finished 1st or 2nd were selected to represent Warwickshire Schools at the Masons Cup held on Saturday 18th June in Stoke on Trent, competing against schools from all over the country.

Ashlawn School had the second highest number of representatives for the team after Rugby School, an achievement that Gwil Price, the County organiser, said was a phenomenal achievement.

The success doesn't stop there. Based on their achievements at the Mason's Cup, Lucy B, Robbie D and Ava R have now been selected to represent Warwickshire at the 'English Schools National Track and Field Championships' at Manchester on Friday and Saturday July 8 and 9 2022.











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Mr C's BIG Cycling Challenge 2022

Some of you might remember that at the very start of the COVID pandemic, back in 2020, I rode a distance of 1,000 miles 'virtually' on my indoor turbo trainer using Zwift. This challenge took me two weeks to complete, and involved appearances on the radio, as well as in the local press (click to see <u>HERE</u>). Through this I manged to raise over £3,500 for the University Hospital Coventry & Warwickshire Critical Care department. It seems a distant memory now, but the nurses and doctors in Critical Care were treating the most serious COVID cases at that time, when we had very little understanding of how to treat the virus. I thought they deserved some funds to say a massive 'thank you' for their selflessness, bravery and commitment to caring for those who most needed it.

This summer, I will be going one better and taking on the challenge of cycling 1,000 miles in the 'real world' all the way from Lands End to John O'Groats, via Rugby. I plan to complete this journey in just 9 days, starting on 25 July 2022. Training has been going well (I think) and I am confident I will manage it!

Similar to last time, I wanted to use this personal challenge as an opportunity to raise vital funds for a local organisation which does amazing work in the West Midlands and Warwickshire. The 'Lily Mae Foundation' supports parents and families after a stillbirth, neonatal death, miscarriage or medical termination. I know from a good friend's personal experience how amazing this charity was, and continues to be, in supporting them through such a difficult time,I really wanted to do my bit to help provide funds to allow the charity to continue its fantastic work in the future for families who need it.

I have set a target of raising £1,000 (but I know we can smash this!) and have a GoFundMe page set up should you like to donate (click <u>HERE</u> to do so). Every donation, however small, would be hugely appreciated by the charity, and will give me even more motivation to finish the challenge!

I'll be sure to keep everyone posted on my progress both before, and during, my challenge – starting this weekend when I am tackling a '200 miles in a day' sportive in Yorkshire – 'The Yorkshire Beast'

Wish me luck! Mr Chadwick Maths & Economics Teacher



BEKIND

"Kindness is something anyone can give without losing anything themselves." What will you give today?

There is no better way to connect with the world than doing small acts of kindness. You never know how the act can have a snowball effect, encouraging everyone to do the same, translating to a better world for all. In next week's Personal Development Programme we will be exploring "What is the difference between being **nice** and **kind**?". Here are some great examples of acts of kindness that have been in the news.



A barber has been helping to put smiles on the faces of Afghan refugees by giving them free haircuts.



Guinea-Bissau's Braima Suncar Dabo helps Aruba's Jonathan Busby to the finish line during the men's 5,000m heats at the 2019 World Athletics Championships in Doha.



When a father-of-two, who was in his 50s, died suddenly in March 2021, his family's life was turned upside down. After his death, the community rallied around his family – particularly Nikki and their two daughters, Jess and Sam.

Now, on the week of his first anniversary, they are giving back to their community by sharing some of the things that made him smile. The little gifts have been being found around the town, each with a simple message: "An act of kindness in memory of Greg Robinson".



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SPORTS DAY

Are you ready for Sports Day?

What events are taking place? Morning: Rounders and Capture the Flag Afternoon: Athletics Track and Field

What do I need to bring?

- Arrive in your PE kit
- Lots of Water
- Warm Clothes
- Hat and Sun Cream
- Fold Away Picnic Blanket to Sit On

What are the expectations?

Everyone must participate in an event and everyone should show good sportsmanship

When is Sports Day?

Thursday 30 June - Year 9

- Friday 1 July Year 10
- Monday 4 July Year 7
- Tuesday 5 July Year 8
- Thursday 7 July Year 12
- Friday 8 July Finals!

What happens on the day of the finals?

Students/teams who are successful in their heats/league will progress to the finals

- Year 7: Period 1
- Year 8: Period 2
- Year 9: Period 3
- Year 10: Period 4
- 100M and Relay Finals: Period 5

How do we find out an overall winner?

- If you place 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an event, you will be presented with a medal.
- From every event, points will be awarded to your college
- Bonus points will be awarded to students who display good teamwork and sportsmanship

The college with the most amount of points overall will be the winner

By Angelina Year 11

By Mia Year 12









By Becci Year 13



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Invention Lab

10.30am-12.30pm &

2pm-4pm

3D Drawing and

Circuits

Science of Sculpture

Balance Sculptures

10.30am-12.30pm

Stacking Sculptures

Free STEM Demonstrations

10-12pm & 12.30-4pm University of Warwick

Mini Inventors

10.30am-11.30am 3D Bubble wands

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Mini Inventors

10.30-11.30am

Shadows, light and colour

10.30am-12.30pm &

2pm-4pm

Robotics and Circuits

Invention Lab 30

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Relaxed Hour

10-11am

Stop Motion Animation

& Robotics

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Attendance and 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, they will be marked as late regardless of what time they were on site. If students arrive late on two 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 and Head of Year are here to support them throughout their 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	
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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 <u>www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childrenandfamilies</u>
- 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

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.



fis@warwickshire.gov.uk

- Twitter @WarksFIS
- Facebook Warwickshire Family Information Service
- 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.



Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility