

Newsletter Issue Date: Friday 22 October 2021

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## Message from the Principal

As we complete the first half term of the academic year, we have lots to celebrate. Enrichment is back and it has been wonderful to see our students getting involved in the wide range of activities on offer. Our students have earned a massive 54,654 achievement points over the past 6 weeks of lessons – a wonderful recognition of their hard work and positive attitudes. Indeed, 70% of all the points awarded to date have been for their positive attitudes to their learning. We are very proud of them.

We are also pleased that cases of Covid 19 have continued to fall within our school community. Our students are being sensible about wearing face coverings and this, along with the other measures in place, have no doubt contributed to the decline in positive cases. We also appreciate the support from the school community for the vaccination programme, which we hope will contribute to a safer environment for all. The vaccination team were, once again, very impressed with the conduct of our students during part two of the of vaccination programme this week.

While cases are currently relatively low in school, we have made the decision to continue with the wearing of facial coverings indoors when we return after half term. We will keep this under review, but need to ensure that our staff and students are as protected as possible following the week off school when it is likely that our students will be mixing more freely with others.

We hope that our students enjoy a good half term break and that they return energised and positive about their learning when we welcome them back to school on Monday 1 November.

### Siobhan Evans





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#### Careers News

Please see below an amazing opportunity for Work Experience within the NHS Allied Healthcare -:

Health Education England has recently completed a discovery report on virtual work experience programmes that have concluded that these programmes are a valuable adjunct to in-person work experience, especially in our current climate where in-person experiences are extremely limited. The NHS Allied Healthcare Work Experience successfully invited 12,000 students to participate in the last academic year, making it the largest programme for students who are specifically interested in the following careers:

Nursing

Midwifery

Paramedicine

Physiotherapy

Occupational Therapy

Dietetics

Radiography

**Prosthetics and Orthotics** 

Speech and language therapy

Pharmacy

Applications for this programme are now open, and they will be open throughout this academic year, with the next virtual work experience day taking place on the 7 November. Please forward these details to your interested students so they can participate in the monthly virtual work experience days. It is suitable for students in year groups 10-13. During the work experience day, students will follow 2 patients from their initial presentation to recovery. Students will observe the healthcare professionals as they interact with the patients and each other. Students will have an opportunity to ask questions and gain knowledge through teaching.

This will help students to make an informed career decision as well as learn about how healthcare professionals work together as part of a multidisciplinary team. Each work experience day is completely different, and students will be able to build on their knowledge of NHS careers as they see different patient cases and healthcare professionals work in a variety of settings, such as hospital and community. Students will also receive certificates as evidence of having participated in the work experience programme. Those that complete the entire 6-month programme will be awarded with Highly Commended References too. Students can register individually through the website link below. Places are £10 a day to cover administrative costs and run the tech on the day.

If you are interested in the programme please visit here: <a href="https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/">https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/</a>

If any students need any help with this please come along to the Careers Hub and Mrs Claire Cooke will be available to assist you, while you apply.



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## Open Events - Colleges

As our Year 11 students are beginning to think about their post 16 choices, we would love for you all to stay with us here at Ashlawn for Sixth Form.

However, if you are looking for more vocational qualifications or apprenticeships - these open days may appeal to you:

Royal Learnington Spa College - Tuesday 9 November 2021 from 5.30pm - 8.00pm

Warwick Trident College - Thursday 11 November 2021 from 5.30pm - 8.00pm

Moreton Morrell College - Saturday 13 November 2021 from 10am - 2pm

Rugby College - Tuesday 16 November 2021 from 5.30pm - 8.00pm

Evesham College - Thursday 18 November 2021 from 5.30pm - 8.00pm

Malvern Hills Centre for Digital & Cyber Technology - Thursday 18 November 2021 from 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Booking is essential for these in-person events, for more information & to book your place please visit www.wcg.ac.uk

#### **Quick Reminder**

Year 12 Work Experience Forms should be handed in by Thursday 4 November 2021

Year 10 Work Experience forms should be handed in by Friday 3 December 2021

Any completed forms should be handed in at main reception or Student Services, if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact the school or Miss Amanda Martin at the following email address: martina@ashlawn.org.uk

### Exams - Instructions for Candidates for 2021-22

This week our latest "Exams Candidate Information Booklet" has been shared with all students in Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 this details what candidates must and must not do when sitting examinations, producing coursework, non-examined assessments and/or controlled assessments. Students have been asked to sign to confirm that they understand and adhere to these rules.

A copy is available to view on the school website.

https://ashlawn.org.uk/curriculum/examinations/

## Sixth Form News

Well done to our early applicants who completed and sent their applications for Oxbridge and Medicine at the end of last week - some students have already received offers! It is now time for all other Year 12 students to look at completing their applications for university - many have already started to come through.

We held an evening for sixth form parents and students to explain the details regarding finance for university. If you weren't able to make it, or even if you fancy watching it again, there is a link on the school website here.

# https://ashlawn.org.uk/enriched-education/ks5/

Sixth form open evening - we are pleased to once again be able to offer a face-to-face open evening for prospective sixth form students and parents on Thursday 25 November. The evening will run in two time slots from 6pm - 8.30pm and attendees will need to book their place on Eventbrite. Further details will follow.





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# Art of the week



By Will Year 11



By Dhruti Year 13





By Surita Year 13



By Reuben Year 10



By Rhiannon Year 12



By Ismay Year 13



By Lyla Year 10



By Trinity Year 12



By Elizabeth Year 10



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## Reporting Home Lateral Flow Device Results

We would like to remind and encourage all students to test twice weekly so we can keep our community safe. If your child tests positive follow the link to log the positive home test result: https://ashlawn.org.uk/coronavirus-notification/

## **Facial coverings**

Please could you ensure your children have a face covering to wear in school after half term. Students who are exempt will continue to wear their lanyard.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Reminders for the week ahead

Half Term:

25 October to 29 October 2021

Term dates for this year can be found on the link below.

**Term Dates** 

### Car Parking

We understand that many of you wish to drop off your child close to the school and need to pick them up in the local vicinity. Please could you work with us and be mindful that Windmill Drive and the surrounding area of Little Morton are private drives and should not be used for parking or waiting for students.

Thank you for your assistance.

Mr N Taylor

**Key Stage 4 Leader** 

### Menu for week commencing 1 November 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HMD: Lasagne, Sweetcorn and Garlic Bread	HMD: Sausage and Mash with Vegetables	HMD: Chilli and Nachos	HMD: Sweet and Sour Chicken Balls with Rice	HMD: Fish, Chips and Mushy Peas
HMD: Vegetable Lasagne, Sweetcorn and Garlic Bread	HMD: Veggie Sausage and Mash with Vegetables	HMD: Vegetable Chilli and Nachos	Quorn Sweet and Sour with Rice	HMD: Cheese and Onion Pasty with Chips
Jacket Potato with Beans	Pasta King: Meat	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Pasta King: Vegetable	Jacket Potato with Tuna
Hot Sausage Roll	Pasta King: Vegetable	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Pasta King: Meat	Small Flavoured Chicken Baguette
CMD: Chicken and Stuffing Sandwich	Cheese and Ham Toastie	Pepperoni Pizza	CMD: Ham Salad Sandwich	CMD: Cheese and Ham Sandwich
CMD: Egg and Cress Sandwich	CMD: BLT	CMD: Hot and Spicy Chicken Mayo Sandwich	CMD: Cheese Salad Sandwich	
	CMD: Cheese and Pickle Sandwich	CMD: Tuna and Cucumber Sandwich		

Please note that all meal choices are subject to change at very short notice due to supply chain issues. Refunds will only be possible in the case of known dietary needs such as allergies.



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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 <a href="mailto:safeguarding@ashlawn.org.uk">safeguarding@ashlawn.org.uk</a>
- 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** 

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
- 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** 

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility