

Newsletter Issue Date: Friday 1 October 2021

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# Message from the Principal

The first part of term has flown by. We are now over half way through the first half term of the academic year and have much to celebrate.

Our Year 7 students have settled brilliantly, no doubt helped by the excellent summer school that they were able to attend in August. I have really enjoyed speaking to them and seeing their confidence grow. I have also enjoyed monitoring the number of achievement points awarded to students across the school. Year 7 and Year 8 are neck and neck with over 7500 points each - an average of about 30 achievement points per student!

As I mentioned last week, it has been wonderful to see the start of enrichment activities and if your child has not already done so, we would love them to choose an activity and get involved. Enrichment forms such an important part of school and we hope to expand on our offer in the future. The opportunities available to students at the current time have been sent as a separate attachment with this newsletter.

Next week we have the opportunity to showcase our school for prospective parents and Year 6 children. It has been fantastic to have so many students volunteer to support the evening. While many adaptations have had to be made to make our open evening safer for everyone, we have made the decision to continue with this event as it is such an important part of the transition process. Examples of our safety measures include releasing limited tickets through Eventbrite, moving the traditional Principal's address online (sent to ticket holders in advance) and requiring visitors to wear face coverings. Our open evening might be a little different this year , but we know that our visitors will get to know us because it is the people that make a school.

Siobhan Evans

# Mou're invited to... ASHLAWN SCHOOL'S OPEN EVENING 7th October 2021 www.ashlawn.org.uk We can't wait to meet you!

Ashlawn School Open Evening—Thursday 7th October 2021 5.00pm till 6.45pm and 7.00pm till 8.45pm We can't wait to welcome Year 6 parents to our Open Evening. Our online booking system is now live on Eventbrite and can be accessed by the following link: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ashlawn-school-open-evening-tickets-170122046621</u> We will also be holding short tours during the school day between 11 and 15 October. These tours can be booked by calling our reception team.

# Reminder Thursday 7 October early school closure

As has been practice for many years, school will close at 1.25 pm on Thursday 7 October to enable staff to set up their classrooms and activities for Open Evening which takes place from 5 pm that evening. All students will have lesson 4 at 12.25 - 1.25 and will leave site at the end of lesson 4. Please note that lunch will not be served on that day due to the timing change of lesson 4 for students in Years 7, 9, 11 and 13. Students who are eligible for Free School Meals will be able to collect a packed lunch at break or at 1.25 pm in the Dining Room.

Timings of the school bus services will remain the same. Should a student not be able to travel home at this earlier time, please contact Student Services. We will be happy to supervise students in school until normal leaving time if necessary.



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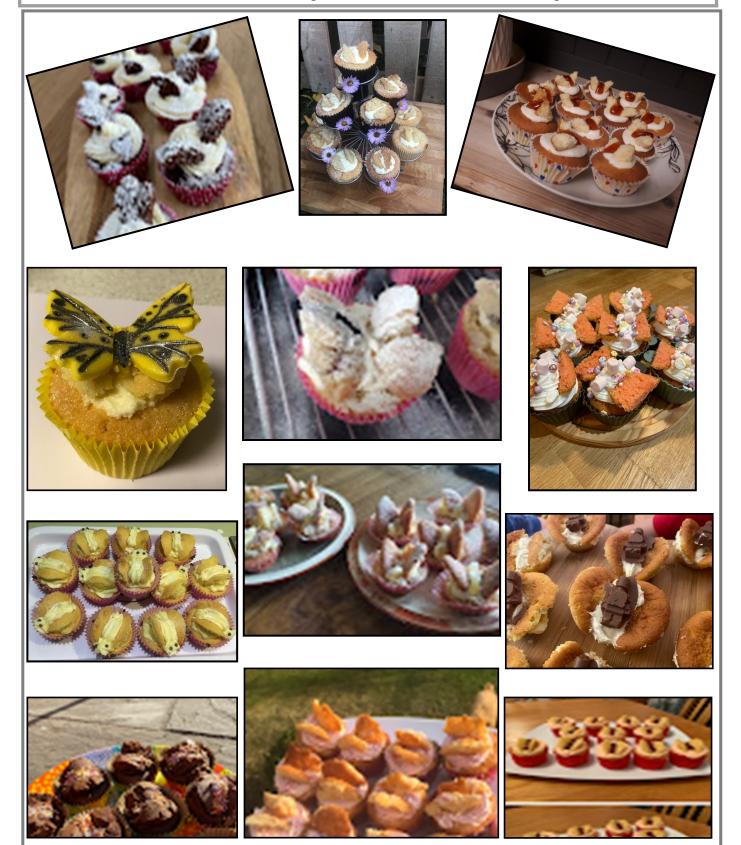
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## **Positive Parenting**

We know how challenging it can be to balance all the demands parents have to cope with. That's why the NSPCC has put together some tips to help. All children need boundaries and discipline, and this guide helps you develop what works for you and your child.

# https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/media/1195/positive-parenting.pdf

In addition to this there is lots of help and advice that you can access through the Family Information Service (FIS)

FIS provide information, advice and one-to-one support for families with children and young people aged 0 to 25 across Warwickshire on issues including:

- family relationships •
- finance
- housing
- parenting support •
- special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)
- Childcare
- Health and wellbeing

The phone number is 01926 742274 or why not follow them on social media?

https://twitter.com/warksfis

https://www.facebook.com/WarwickshireFIS

Lorna Pountney **Assistant Principal and Lead DSL** 



# Year 10 Work Experience – June 2022

You may now be aware that all Year 10 students are offered the opportunity of Work Experience. The fast changing world of work puts an ever-greater demand on all of us to support young people in making a successful transition from education to employment, helping them to identify and choose career opportunities that are right for them.

Our Year 10 students will have received their Work Experience packs with all information and consent forms. The Virtual Parents information session was held on Wednesday 29 September at 6.30pm for parents to find out any information and ask questions.

If you would like the chance to watch the following Parents information session, please see the link below:

Click here

We hope that all students embrace this opportunity to experience working life.

If you have any queries please contact Miss Amanda Martin on martina@ashlawn.org.uk

Mrs C Cooke **Assistant Principal** 





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# Ashlawn Sixth Form

Accountancy Firm PWC are running an online session to introduce students to their Flying Start Degree Programme. It is on Monday (4 October) Evening. Details below

Are you undecided on going to university or opting for an apprenticeship? Perhaps you are looking for some fantastic work experience / internship placements. Well we might just have the perfect opportunity for you.

With PwC's Flying Start degree programmes you won't have to decide between one or the other as you'll get the best of both worlds.

You'll get to work with world-class clients and be part of their highly skilled teams, as well as be able to still enjoy that university experience. You'll gain a degree, and hopefully impress them enough to secure a graduate job once you graduate.

On Monday 4 October we'll be hosting an evening event with PwC from as they take us through all of their different Flying Start degree apprenticeship programmes in Accounting, Technology and Business Management, as well as all of their work experience and other student opportunities.

Link:

**Career Days** 

**Click here** 

A company called Career Days is running the following online career days opportunities for students.

- Law Saturday 9 October 2021
- Psychology Saturday 16 October 2021
- Teaching Saturday 23 October 2021
- Business Saturday 6 November 2021
- Architecture Saturday 13 November 2021
- Vet Saturday 20 November 2021
- Performing Arts Saturday 12 December 2021
- Computer Science Saturday 22 January 2022
- Dentistry Saturday 5 March 2022
- Medicine Saturday 22 March 2022

These are organised and run externally and there is a cost attached, however, you may find them useful. Follow the link to sign up.

# **Mr Naylor Head of Sixth Form**

**Click here** 

# Covid -19 Vaccinations

Vaccinations for 12 –15 years will take place on Wednesday 13 October. If you have not already completed the consent form please follow the link below.

https://cvsc.covwarkpt.nhs.uk/form?identifier=603e4e99-3c7e-4381-beb9-d15d084639d0&oidentifier=d92f97f4-5c55-4fc9a213-dade8d7c7cae

Please note that the form needs to be completed by all students even if they are not having the vaccine. The link above will close on Thursday 7 October at 12 noon

If you have any questions please email: CWPTSchoolCovidVaccinations@covwarkpt.nhs.uk.

Please do not contact the school directly as our staff are not trained medical professionals and cannot answer any questions or offer any opinions regarding the vaccination



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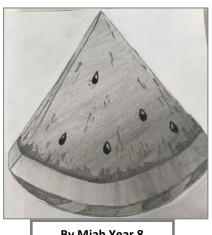
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# Art of the Week



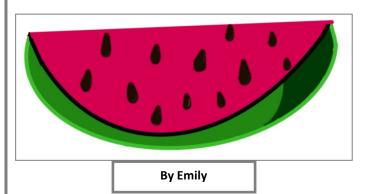
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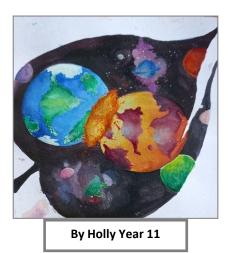


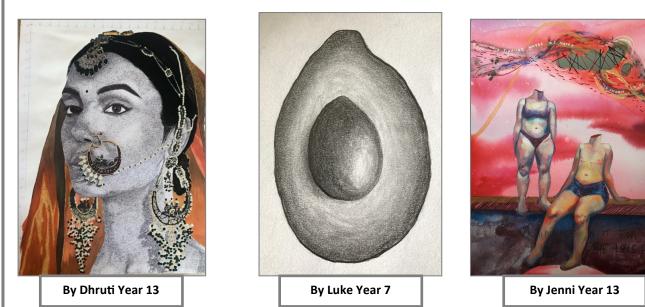
By Robyn Year 10



by Luke Year 7









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# Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series

We're excited to announce that parents of Ashlawn School have exclusive access to Elevate Education's Parent Webinar Series this year. Elevate works with our students, delivering high impact workshops on study skills, motivation, wellbeing, and exam preparation. By tuning into their webinar series you will learn how to better support your children at home through reinforcing the skills they learn at school.

Independent Learning: How to Turn Your Child into an Independent Learner

12 October at 6:00pm

Register for free here

In Independent Learning, Elevate will show you:

- What effectively formatted notes look like;
- Effective strategies for learning and revising those notes;
- How the top students move beyond note-taking when preparing for exams.

"I just want to say I used your techniques in my daughter's last year of her A-Level. She went from A, B, C in the first year to A\*, A\*, A in her final exams this year at her school. We focused on tasks and feedback and improving her marks. Grew in confidence and very proud of her achievement. At uni now. Thank you."

"Very insightful and helpful. Thank you so much."

"Fantastic ideas and great presentation, Thank you very much."

The webinar is run live online from 6pm – 7pm where the presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, and will conduct a live Q&A so you can ask them questions directly.

Register for free here

Should you have questions or would like to contact Elevate directly, their details are listed below.

**01865 987 732** 

charlotte@elevateeducation.com

https://go.elevateeducation.com/e/891981/uk-register-/418ls/132619017?h=RSaUMpNutUZhaoYxvbQbMoWncBMv0P-KwU31Z7GCfA8

www.facebook.com/ElevateParentsUK/

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# Advice for students cycling to school

- $\checkmark$  Ride decisively and keep clear of the kerb.
- Look and signal to show drivers what you plan to do, make eye contact where possible  $\mathbf{V}$
- $\checkmark$  Avoid riding up the inside of vehicles, as you might not be seen.
- $\checkmark$  If a vehicle is indicating to the left hang back at the junction to reduce the risk of a collision.
- If you love to wheelie then do it in a safe place such as the park.
- $\mathbf{1}$ Always use lights after dark or when visibility is poor.
- $\checkmark$  Wear high-visibility and reflective clothing and accessories at all times
- $\sqrt{}$ Wear a correctly fitted cycle helmet that is securely fastened and conforms to current regulations.
- $\sqrt{}$ Rugby Borough council can help you plan your journey by providing maps showing dedicated paths and routes.
- $\checkmark$  Where possible, try to maintain a safe distance when you cycle, for example when waiting at crossings and traffic lights

# Free Bike Marking Event in Rugby

A bike marking event is taking place on Saturday 2 October between 10.00am and 12 noon at GEC recreation ground, Hillmorton Road.

Please take your pedal cycles along and have them marked for free.

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Mild COVID-19









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## 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

# 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

CMD: Coronation Chicken

CMD: Egg and Cress

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.

CMD: Ploughman's

CMD: BLT

CMD: Tuna and Cucumber

### **Mrs Pountney**

### Assistant Principal

CMD: Cheese and Pickle

^	Menu for week commencing 4 October				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	
	HMD: Cold Chicken Bacon and May with Pasta		HMD: Flavoured Chicken with New Potatoes and Salad	HMD: Sweet and Sour Chicken Balls with Rice	
	HMD: Cold Tomato and Cheese Pasta	HMD: Quorn Chow Mein	HMD: Quorn with New Potatoes and Salad	HMD: Sweet and Sour Quorn with Rice	
	Jacket Potato and Tuna	Hot Pasta King Meat	Jacket Potato and Cheese	Hot Pasta King Meat	
	Hot Chicken Fillets	Hot Pasta King Vegetable	Hot Cheese and Tomato Bagel	Hot Pasta King Vegetable	
	CMD: Ham Salad	Hot Chicken Curry Wrap	CMD: Hot and Spicy Chicken with Mango	Hot Cheese and Pepperoni Toastie	

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

Friday

HMD: Fish, Chips and

HMD: Moving Mountain Vegetarian Burger and

Jacket Potato and Beans

CMD: Cheese and Ham

CMD: Cheese and Tomato

Hot Sausage Roll

Mushy Peas

Chips