## **Keeping in Touch Newsletter**

#### A message from the Headteacher, Mrs Neofitou: Open Mornings and Safeguarding

It has been a busy week at WCA this week. I have been proud to show Year 6s and their families round the school. They have all commented on how smart the students are and how engaged they are in their learning.

Next week our assemblies will focus on Safeguarding. Our Safeguarding Lead Mrs Franklin will be reminding students how to keep safe. All students have been issued with a Trusted Adults card. They have been asked to identify two adults in school who they would be able to talk to about any concerns or issues. We have asked all students to keep this with them at all times. Please talk to them at home about this.

Copies of all our safeguarding newsletters can be found on the website. I would also like to direct you to a great resource detailing online courses dedicated to improving emotional health and wellbeing in parents, children, teenagers, adults and grandparents. I would encourage you to have a look by visiting https://inourplace.co.uk/ and using the Access Code SPIRES3.

# All 'Good' at West Coventry Academy!

Our official Ofsted report from our recent inspection has been published and we are happy to confirm that we have been rated 'Good' in all areas,

See the full letter from the head, and the full report on our website:

http://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk



"The inspectors also commented on how proud our students are to attend West Coventry

Academy and how quickly they have settled into the new building.

I too am very proud that inspectors noted the high expectations we have of all students and our commitment to building a school community based around our 4Rs."



### **Clinical Skills for Sixth Form**

Selected Year 13 Health and Social Care students have been out and about at Coventry University taking part in Clinical Skills lab lectures. During their visits they got to learn a variety of medical skills and study alongside first year nursing students. On one of the sessions the students learnt how to take blood pressure using a cuff and stethoscope along with how to accurately measure other vital signs.

Farhat, one student who was lucky enough to be selected to go on the visits, said "It was an excellent experience, and it gave me a taster into higher education, I really enjoyed the lecture, and I am pleased I was able to take part."

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## **WCA Sports Round Up**

Our PE clubs have started with a bang! This week we have seen good numbers at Badminton, Gymnastics, Y7 boys' football, girls' football and fun swim. We look forward to continuing these clubs and hopefully add more soon.

- We also had a Y8 boys football fixture on Monday. They travelled over to Rugby to play Lawrence Sheriff in the National Cup. A close game that they eventually lost 3-2 but some good individual performances with Zeb receiving player of the match.
- We have also participated in the Y11 Netball tournament held at Blue Coat last week
- Our Year 10 boys played in their first football fixture of the year last night over in Redditch. They played Arrow Vale in the National Cup and managed a fantastic 8-4 victory after going 1-0 down.

#### **Careers at WCA**

Follow what you like to find something you love

See more information on Careers on our website: https://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk/curriculum/careers/

#### **BBC** Bitesize

Facilitated by BBC Asian Network presenter Jasmine Takhar, this session was a look at creative industries with the help of three guests for our year 7, 8 and 9 students. They had the chance to hear from:

- John, poet, wrapper and freelance creative
- Jay, product engineering undergrad for JLR
- Daniel, location marshal for BBC show Phoenix Rise

It was a great chance to hear stories of how they got into careers, overcoming obstacles resilience and different pathways they followed to reach their careers.

The website below is also a useful resource when looking at careers with your child.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/careers





Year 10 and 12 students have started thinking about their work experience held next summer!

Could you help Year 10 & 12 students at WCA?
They would like a week placement for the following dates:

Year 12 - Tuesday 25th June – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024 Year 10 - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Please contact Mrs Chris Day: Telephone: 02476 426200 Ext. 1037 Email: staffcrb@westcoventryacademy.org

## **A Manufacturing Celebration**

To celebrate **National Manufacturing Day**, a selection of Y11 and Y10 students were given the opportunity to visit a local Manufacturing company – **Kautex Unipart Ltd**. They were given a unique experience of having a tour of the Production area, seeing how critical Quality is, in the process of Manufacturing. Students learnt about some of the different careers involved and the routes into Manufacturing, i.e. Apprenticeship, Intern, Graduate Entry.

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	Last Week's Attendance	What's happening WC 9th October	
Y7 Y8	92.2% 87.0%	Y7 Assembly – Friday – Safeguarding  Y8 Assembly – Thursday – Safeguarding	<b>Calendar</b> Our new website also has a
Y9 Y10	85.2% 87.6%	Y9 Assembly – Wednesday – Safeguarding Y10 Assembly – Tuesday – Safeguarding	calendar with key dates for the future. Check it out here or on the homepage.
Y11	87.8%	Y11 Assembly – Monday – Safeguarding Monday and Tuesday – Geography Fieldwork Trips	https://westcoventry.atlp.or g.uk/calendar
Y12 Y13	92.9% 88.1%	Tuesday – Sixth Form Welcome Evening 6pm to 7pm	

Lockers will be issued soon! Make sure you've paid the deposit. See more info here: <a href="https://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk/lockers/">https://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk/lockers/</a>

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Winter Term Club Time Table	Lunch	<b>KS3 Basketball</b> , Sports Hall (Week B Only)	KS4 Basketball, Sports Hall (Week A Only) KS3 Fun Swim, Pool (Week B Only)	<b>Basketball</b> , Sports Hall	<b>KS3 Basketball,</b> Sports Hall	Volleyball, Sports Hall (Week A Only)
	After School (3:30pm to 4:30pm)		Badminton, Sports Hall  Gymnastics, Fitness Studio  Y7 Boys Football, Astro	Y8 and Y9 Boys Football, Astro Netball, MUGA	Duke of Edinburgh, 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Common Room  Girls Football, Astro  Table Tennis, Sports Hall	

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