



West Coventry Academy

Keeping in Touch Newsletter

18th July 2024

A message from the Headteacher

Welcome to the final Keeping in Touch Newsletter for this academic year. It has been a privilege to lead the school this year and I am as always, proud of both the staff and students. Our final newsletter showcases our most recent events, in particular meeting our new Year 7s who we are looking forward to welcoming in September.

We are excited to receive students' examination results in August, I am sure all their hard work has paid off!

Thank you for supporting our school community this year. Have a restful and enjoyable summer!

- Mrs Neofitou



Our 4 Rs...

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Transition Day

We recently held our yearly Transition Day! This is when we welcome Year 6 students who will join us in September to visit the school, get to know their Tutor Groups and get a taste of secondary school life, including Drama, PE and Science!

It's been great to meet all of our new students and we look forward to having them join us in September!

As a reminder you can find parent transition information on our website:

<https://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk/parents/transition/>



Athletics

Recently a handful of year 7 & 8 students competed in the Coventry Schools Athletics Finals at Warwick University after previously achieving in the qualifiers. A group of our year 8 girls did especially well with the following results. Well done to all winners and competitors!

1st place = Tiffany 200m

2nd place = Imogen Shot Put

2nd place = Imogen / Tiffany / Harriet / Ria
Relay

3rd place = Harriet Long Jump

4th place = Tiffany High Jump

4th place = Rebecca 1500m



Swimming Success for Joseph

Another sports star in the making, Joseph, Year 9 had recent swimming success winning two silver medals in 50m backstroke and 50m butterfly. He also made it into three finals in the 14 to 16 age category (racing against National Champions!) and set four personal bests. Well done Joseph! We can't wait to see more swimming wins in the future!



Coaching Cohort!

60 students were given the opportunity to take part in an academic peer mentoring scheme run by Coachbright in partnership with Warwick University. All of the mentors who took part will be accredited with an official Student Leaders award. All students involved attended their graduation at Warwick University to celebrate all of their hard work and effort. We are incredibly proud of their achievements.

Meet our Young Interpreters

Congratulations to 6 of our students who have successfully completed their Young Interpreter qualification! They have learnt how to use their language skills in a variety of ways to help new arrivals access English and feel part of the school.



Brooke Picks Up an Award!

You may remember earlier in the year us sharing our Year 9 student, Brooke, starring in a blockbuster Netflix film 'Damsel' alongside Millie Bobby Brown. Last week she attended the National Film Awards in London and was thrilled that the film won an award for 'Best Thriller'. Well done to Brooke and the cast!





West Coventry Academy Open Evening in September



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West Coventry Academy Open Evening

for Parents, Carers and students of Year 6

Come and experience a variety of activities, meet our staff and the Headteacher Ana Neofitou and tour our first class facilities!

NO BOOKING REQUIRED

Wednesday 18th September
5:00pm to 7:00pm

"The school has high expectations for all pupils"
- Ofsted, 2023

Open Mornings 7th October to 11th October
Booking required, more details to follow.

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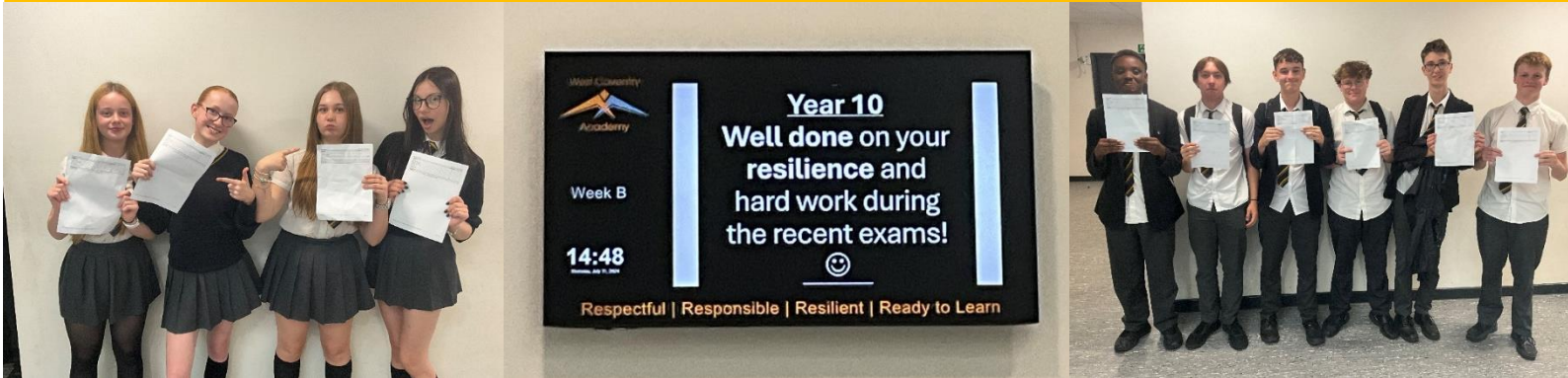




Quick Headlines

- It was great to see our students perform on Tuesday at our Summer concert! Well done to all those who performed and thank you to families, friends and staff who attended!
- Our Year 10 students headed out on their work experience this week. We hope they had a great time experiencing the world of work!
- Information has been published for Y11 and Y13 Exam Results days. You can read more on our website: <https://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk/students/key-exams-info/>
- A reminder the last day of term is this Friday the 19th of July.

Hard Work Pays Off for Y10



There was a lot of buzz in the school last Thursday with lots of smiling faces! Year 10 have received their mock results this afternoon. Year 10 have worked really hard on their mocks and we are really proud of how seriously they took their mock preparation. The year 10 team are looking forward to supporting them into year 11! Well done Year 10!

Well Done to Our Star Signers!

We would like to say a huge well done to all of those in Year 12 who have successfully completed their certificate in British Sign Language. An amazing achievement for all those involved who have worked every week since October in achieving their qualification.



Year 12 Engage and Amaze with EPQ

We were delighted in Post 16 this week to sit through a fantastic array of interesting and engaging talks and presentations as Yr12 students delivered the final element of their EPQ qualifications! EPQ is an A-level standard standalone qualification designed to extend and develop students' abilities beyond their A-level syllabus and prepare for university or their future career.

Students delivered talks on topics ranging from ancient Egypt, miscarriages of justice and racial prejudice, the state and impact of social housing in Coventry, right through to the morality of producing social media on serial killers! It is clear to see students relished the opportunity to study on areas of real personal interest and we can see how much they have extended their personal skillset. Well done to all involved!





This Week's Attendance

Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
91.9%	89.3%	88.5%	89.9%	N/A	91.7%	N/A

Attendance Streak

Monday 8th July – Friday 19th July

All students who have 100% attendance for the final 2 weeks of the half term will be entered into a prize draw to win a £30 Just Eat voucher for their family!



The winners will be chosen in September! Good luck to all of our 100% attendance students!

See you in September!

2024/2025 School Term Dates

Our term dates for next year have been published. Check them out on our website.

<https://westcoventry.atlp.org.uk/term-dates-2024-25/>

September Return

Year 7 Students have their first day on Wednesday 4th September

Year 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 students return on Thursday 5th September

Year 12 induction day 4th September and to return on Monday 9th September

Are you following us on social media? We can't always fit it all in our newsletter, make sure you get all updates from WCA!



<https://twitter.com/westcovacademy>

@westcovacademy



<https://www.facebook.com/WestCoventryAcademy/>

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Community Flyers

These events, activities and other sessions are from our community that may be interesting to our families. Please see the flyers for more info.

COME & JOIN US FOR OUR FREE

SCHOOL UNIFORM POP UP

AUGUST 6TH TO AUGUST 23RD

EVERYONE WELCOME

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN BAGS

We will be providing preloved, donated, good quality items of school uniform

**QUEENS RD BAPTIST CHURCH
COVENTRY, CV1 3EG**

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

Any queries: admin@clothingcoventry.org

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2024

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

- LAS IGUANAS**
Join 'My Las Iguanas' via the App & Niños eat free with every adult main
- ASDA**
Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.
- SAINSBURYS CAFES**
Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.
- PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**
Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm
- THE REAL GREEK**
Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult
- TGI FRIDAYS**
Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)
- PUREZZA**
Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased
- TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN**
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free
- IKEA**
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am
- SIZZLING PUBS**
Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.
- BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!
- PRETO**
Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms
- MORRISONS**
Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.
- TESCO CAFES**
1 Free Kids meal with every 60p Spend. Available from July 1st Scotland and NI - from July 22nd England & Wales
- GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**
Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants
- YO! SUSHI**
From Monday 1st July - Friday 30th August 2024, kids eat free all day Mondays to Fridays at YO! Sushi (min adult spend £10).
- WHITBREAD INNS**
Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased
- BELLA ITALIA**
Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.
- COCONUT TREE**
One child (aged 10 and under) eats free per paying adult. Valid Daily, 12pm - 6pm from Monday 22nd July to Friday 6th Sept 2024.
- DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES**
At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!
- TABLE TABLE**
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!
- HUNGRY HORSE**
Kids eat for £1 on Mondays
- FUTURE INNS**
Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

2024 SCHOOL HOLIDAY FAMILY IN THE WILD WORKSHOPS

by Happy Confident Kids



Family-friendly activities in a beautiful setting. Perfect for all the family age 4-18, with babes in arms, grandparents all welcome too! You'll all leave feeling relaxed, inspired and with keepsakes and lifeskills to remember the day.

BROOKSIDE ECO FARM
SOUTHAM JUST OFF A46
29th & 30th July
1st & 2nd August
10AM - 12AM
£12 per person



**SPENCERS RETREAT
BERKSWELL**
21st & 23rd August
1:15PM-3:15PM
£12 per person



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

MUD PAINTING MINDFUL BREATHING
STORIES BOAT BUILDING
GLIMMER POTION SCAVENGER HUNTS
CONFIDENCE BUILDING LAVENDER BAGS

SEE YOU THERE

happyconfidentkids.com/events



Are you a parent or carer, who would like FREE support with your child?
Maybe we can help.... we are offering the following workshops.

Shine
 IT'S MY TIME TO
 Compass

For further information or to book your place please contact Compass Shine on T: 02475 186206 or E: compass.cype@nhs.net

Wednesday 10th September
 Aspire Family Hub
 10.00am-11.30am
 Understanding Anxiety
 CV1 2SF

Wednesday 2nd October
 Moat Family Hub 9.45am - 11.15am
 Understanding Neurodiversity
 CV2 1EQ

Booking preferred, please use QR or link below

<https://forms.office.com/e/Btw76vzCdf>

Wednesday 6th November
 Mosaic Family Hub
 10am-11.30am
 Understanding Self Harm
 CV4 9PL

Wednesday 11th December
 Mosaic Family Hub
 10am-11.30am
 Understanding BIG emotions
 CV4 9PL



Web: <https://www.compass-uk.org/services/compass-coventry-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-service/>

Find out how to raise happy, secure and well-behaved children

Join our free 11-week online course **'Positive Family Foundations'**

free online course

This course is for
 All parents and carers with children in Coventry.

What you'll learn
 How children develop with practical examples to support behaviour, well-being and mental health.

What we do

- email you a new 30-minute course video each week
- give you digital resources to help your learning
- answer any questions you've got by email

Where it is
 A pre-recorded online course to watch where and when you like.

When it is
 Online, from Monday 16th September for 11 weeks

How to join
 Scan the QR code to enrol.
 View all Family Learning courses and enrol online at www.coventry.gov.uk/adulted

To find out more email kate.steventon@coventry.gov.uk





'It was easy to get online to do this – even with the kids at home!'

Assume you have a place unless you hear from us

Find out how to raise happy, secure, and well-behaved children

Join our free course – **'Positive Family Foundations'**

This course is for
 All parents and carers with children aged 10 + in Coventry

What we do

- share information about child development and parenting styles
- give out practical resources and activities
- provide a friendly, supportive and welcoming group
- have a drink and a snack

Where it is
 Telfer Road Adult Education Centre, 200 Telfer Road, Radford, Coventry, CV6 3DR
www.coventry.gov.uk/directory-record/59527/telfer-road-adult-education-centre-tr

When it is
 Tuesdays - 6-8pm, starting September 17th (for 11 weeks)

How to join

- Scan the QR code to enrol
- Enrol online at <https://coventry.gov.uk/adulted>
- Come along and enrol at the first session





'It was great to listen to other parents. There were lots of ideas on the course - I found the section on Emotion Coaching really helped at home.'

For more information email kate.steventon@coventry.gov.uk

