



Keeping in Touch

A message from Mrs Neofitou:

It has been great to welcome students back after the Easter break. We are fast approaching the end of this academic year and the excitement around us moving into our new build is growing. I am now in a position to confirm that we will be starting the new academic year in September 2023, in the new building. Over the coming weeks we will be able to take students on a tour of the new building so that they can experience it first-hand. I have also shared with students this week as part of my assembly that all students at WCA will be issued with an iPad during the next academic year. Exciting times ahead!

My assemblies this week have focussed on reminding all students of our 4Rs, which are fundamental to our school community. I have included a document about the 4Rs for you to read. I know that you will support us in ensuring that your child understands the 4Rs and also takes pride in demonstrating how they apply them in school every day.



Student Progress and Go4Schools to keep up to date with your child’s progress, reports are now issued on a system called Go4Schools. We are also rolling out real time progress data as student’s complete assessments. Log in to Go 4 Schools here: <http://go4schools.com/sso/account/login?site=Parent>

Logging into Go4Schools for the first time? Download our guide on the ‘Monitoring Progress’ page on: https://www.westcoventryacademy.org/learning/monitoring_progress/default.aspx

NEU Strike: As you may be aware from the news, the National Education Union are planning two further strike days on Thursday, 27th April and Tuesday, 2nd May.

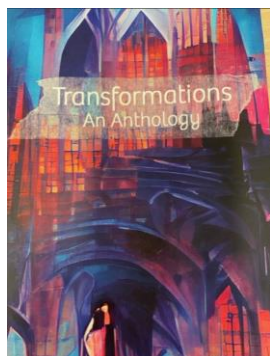
Upcoming Bank Holidays – Please note there are two bank holidays in May: 1st May and 8th May (King’s Coronation)

Boundless Outdoors: A mixture of Year 8 and Year 9 students travelled to Bell Heath at the beginning of the week for a three-day residential trip to Boundless Outdoors. They took part in a range of exciting and exhilarating outdoor pursuits. Staff who attended have commented on their Resilience as they took part in activities that were completely outside their comfort zone.



Year 8/9s came back on Wednesday afternoon with more Year 8 and 9 students departing from WCA on Wednesday morning. They will spend three days on the residential trip and will be due to return on Friday afternoon.

2023 Musical Performance of Annie: Thank you to all parents, staff and students who came to see the musical performance of Annie. It was a resounding success with students of all ages coming together to put on a brilliant performance. Thanks too to all our Performance Department staff who worked tirelessly to put together the show.



Transformations A small group of Year 10 and Year 11 students have been undertaking supplementary English lessons with undergraduates and postgraduate students from Warwick University to produce short stories or poems based on a Gothic theme. Their participation in Transformations was their own decision and their work is a reflection of their dedication, independence and individuality. The final fourteen stories have been published by Warwick University. Many congratulations go to Ramatoulah Touray, Cocoa-Bee Gliwa (School Finalist), Brooke Baker, Cindy Awuah Bennah, Samiksha Vishwanatha Rao, Lola Snee, Agija Lazdina, Iulia Birsan (School Winner), Vanessa Disorsi, Rahab Noor, Laurence Willcox, Mia Withers, Aissoun Ayo (School Finalist) and Tegan Austin. Congratulations to all participants.



Our 4 Rs...

Respectful Responsible Resilient Ready to Learn



Week beginning 24th April is **WEEK B**

What's happening this week:

Year 7	<p>Reminder notice: Year 7 students should be wearing shoes to school.</p> <p>Reminder notice: Y7 Assembly – Friday 28th April – Assembly on Autism Awareness</p> <p>Reminder notice: After school clubs are run each Wednesday (Boys’ football and netball)</p> <p>Reminder notice: Duke of Edinburgh bronze & silver practice on Friday, 28th April</p> <p>Year 7 cumulative attendance this week was: 85%</p>
Year 8	<p>Reminder notice: Y8 Assembly – Thursday, 28th April – Assembly on Autism Awareness</p> <p>Reminder notice: After school clubs are run each Wednesday (Boys’ football and netball)</p> <p>Reminder notice: Duke of Edinburgh bronze & silver practice on Friday, 28th April</p> <p>Year 8 cumulative attendance this week was: 86%</p>
Year 9	<p>Reminder notice: Y9 Assembly – Wednesday, 26th April – Assembly on Autism Awareness</p> <p>Reminder notice: After school clubs are run every Tuesday (netball) and every Thursday (boys’ football)</p> <p>Reminder notice: Duke of Edinburgh bronze & silver practice on Friday, 28th April</p> <p>Year 9 cumulative attendance this week was: 86%</p>
Year 10	<p>Reminder notice: Y10 Assembly – Monday, 24th April - Assembly on Autism Awareness</p> <p>Reminder notice: After school clubs are run every Tuesday (netball) and Wednesday (boys’ football)</p> <p>Reminder notice: Duke of Edinburgh bronze & silver practice on Friday, 28th April</p> <p>Year 10 cumulative attendance this week was: 84%</p>
Year 11	<p>Reminder notice: Y11 Assembly – Tuesday, 25th April - Assembly on Autism Awareness</p> <p>Reminder notice: Macbeth Production on Tuesday, 25th April from 1:45 – 3:15pm in the Theatre</p> <p>Exam notice: Mandarin speaking exam on Monday, 24th (pm only) and Friday, 28th April (am only)</p> <p>Exam notice: French speaking exams on Wednesday, 26th April (all day)</p> <p>Exam notice: Spanish speaking exams on Thursday, 27th April (all day)</p> <p>Exam notice: BTEC Media controlled assessment (all day)</p> <p>Advance notice: Prom Date is Friday 30th June; 7.00-10.30pm – tickets are still available.</p> <p>Year 11 cumulative attendance this week was: 82%</p>
Post 16	<p>Advance notice: A Level exams start on 15th May.</p> <p>Year 12 Social Science students to take part in a Forensic Workshop on Friday, 28th April</p> <p>Year 12 cumulative attendance this week was: 90%</p> <p>Year 13 cumulative attendance this week was: 83%</p>





The 4Rs Student Expectations

The 4Rs are central to the ethos of West Coventry Academy. They enable us to develop a common language and set of expectations across the school community.

The 4 Rs involve being

- **Respectful**
- **Responsible**
- **Resilient**
- **Ready to Learn**

In practice, this means that we expect students, staff, parents and governors to model these core values.

Student Expectations – Respectful

- Students show respect for themselves, their peers, staff and the community.
- Communicate with others in a calm and respectful manner
- Listen and respect other people's views
- Have respect for the school site and learning environment
- Have a healthy, active and proactive lifestyle, with self-respect and self-discipline
- Recognition that respect for effort brings reward

Student Expectations – Responsible

- Students are responsible for their own behaviour and their consequences.
- Students are responsible for their own learning
- Students are responsible for wearing the correct uniform, bringing the correct books and equipment to school.
- Students are responsible to complete their work (including homework)
- Students are responsible to attend/complete any sanctions issued due to inappropriate behaviour or missed work.
- Students are responsible to report any inappropriate behaviour to an appropriate adult

Student Expectations – Resilient

- Students become more resilient when they realise that it is important to make mistakes and learn from them
- When finding work difficult, students should not just give up
- Re-read the work, look at previous work, have another go!
- Only ask for help when the above has been done
- Have high expectations of yourself
- Learn from experiences, in order to become stronger and better at tackling the next challenge

Student Expectations - Ready to Learn

- Students attend school in correct uniform, on time and with the correct equipment books
- Be punctual for all lessons, enter rooms calmly, take out equipment and start the Do Now in silence
- Make sure all home and prior learning tasks have been completed
- Have the right attitude to learn and actively engage in lessons

