



William Brookes School  
and Sixth Form

# NEWSLETTER



## DIARY EVENTS

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Friends of William  
Brookes AGM PTA  
Virtual Meeting

### **9 OCTOBER**

Sixth Form Wear Yellow  
for Young Minds

## WELCOME BACK

I would like to welcome you all to our first Newsletter of this academic year. It is always a special time meeting new Y7 and Y12 students for the first time whilst catching up with familiar faces following the summer break.

This year, with the lockdown due to the Coronavirus pandemic it has been more important than ever to reaffirm the positive relationships required to get us through this tricky stage in our working year. I have written and explained many of our rules required to keep us all safe but the key principle that everyone must follow is personal responsibility. We owe it to ourselves and others in the school community to do our very best to combat this disease whilst allowing high quality learning to take place in each and every lesson as we endeavour to catch up on the time lost during lockdown.

Y11 and Y13 students have returned to school in a year that holds some uncertainty for them and us and we will work hard to ensure that they are prepared for each and every eventuality over the coming months. It is important that we make the most of every opportunity together; identifying gaps in learning that can be recovered as we work through the remainder of the course content. Our students to date have been a real credit to you and us and I hope that we can keep adapting towards a more "normal" teaching environment, utilising all of the specialist facilities that we have available to us. To achieve this, though, requires the full support of us all, working as a team to be the best that we can be.

Mr G Renwick

Head of William Brookes School



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## WELCOME TO THE NEW STAFF AT WBS

### NEW STAFF

We are delighted to welcome the following new members of staff:

#### Teaching:

Mrs McKeivitt, Teacher of English

Miss Hutton, Teacher of MFL (Maternity Cover)

Miss Jones, Teacher of PE (Maternity Cover)

Miss Bate, Teacher of PSHCE & Psychology

Mrs Hennessy, Teacher of PSHCE & Health and Social Care

Miss Thomas, Teacher of Science

Mrs Turner, Teacher of PSHCE (temporary)

#### Non-Teaching:

Mrs Thomas, Teaching Assistant (People Learning Zone)

Mr Swannick, Behaviour Support Manager

Ms Tilley, Pastoral Support Officer (Tokyo)

## SCHOOL NURSE

The school nurse is back! Returning W/C 28 September the nurse will be in ESR on Beijing Floor fortnightly on a Wednesday!

If you have any queries or want to discuss something in a confidential manner please go and drop in – no appointment necessary.

You can also text your school nurse on 07507 330346!

## FAWS PTA AGM ANNUAL MEETING

We would like as many parents as possible to join our meeting via Teams as this year we are going virtual! Please email

[FriendsofWBS@williambrookes.com](mailto:FriendsofWBS@williambrookes.com) if you would like to attend this. We look forward to seeing you!



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**#MOTIVATION MONDAY**



Welcome to New and Returning WBS Sixth Formers! We hope that you are settling well and that you have found a new sense of dedication and focus to overcome the Lockdown of 2020!

Meet the team-

Mrs C Mincher – Assistant Head (Sixth Form Strategic Lead)

Mr J Spilsbury – Sixth Form Manager

Mrs B Steele – Sixth Form Administration

This week the Sixth Form Team gave a message about ambition and seeing the end goal. This links with our value of excellence where students strive to be the best they can be!

**NCS** - During the first week Year 12 students got involved with NCS workshops which helped with their futures!





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**#TUESDAYTIPS**



Mr Spilsbury & Vicky Beacham from Catering Academy gave the top tip of filling out surveys to get free items from Simmills Café!

**#WICKEDWEDNESDAY**



Some top work in Geography and Philosophy & Ethics where students worked hard on their retrieval practice – well done from Mrs Mincher, Dr Williams and the Sixth Form Team.

The hustle and bustle of Rec & leisure returns! Sixth Form students for involved in many different activities.





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## #THIRSTYTHURSDAY



We asked you ‘What colour tie Mr Renwick was wearing?’ on Wednesday which was indeed a blue and silver stripe!

Well done to **Manali** for winning the free drink draw!

## #FRIDAYFEELING

We wanted to give the Friday feeling to our amazing Lunchtime Supervisors! Good that you jumped straight into the Job!

### Meet the Team –

Mr Walker, Hannah, Pippa, Hester, Emily, Holly, Amy, Meg, Alex, Oli, Bailey, Will, Ben, JJ and Charlie.... Also Jeanie, Amelie, Rowan and Travis





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## FURTHER INFO



Year 12 (now Year 13) end of year exams that were missed due to Lockdown have now been rescheduled to be taken W/C 12<sup>th</sup> October.

Look out for further information in due course!

## WEAR YELLOW FOR YOUNG MINDS



On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October Sixth Form Students are invited to wear Yellow to raise awareness for young minds.

Further information regarding this fantastic cause and what to do will be coming out very soon!

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**SIXTH FORM  
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**APPLICATIONS FOR  
STUDENT PRESIDENTS  
& OTHER LEADERSHIP  
ROLES NOW OPEN**

SHORTLISTING - FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER

ELECTION WINDOW -  
MONDAY 5 TO WED 7 OCTOBER

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## HIGHER EDUCATION EVENT

**General information on student finance, student life, courses at Universities, what to put in a personal statement. Hosted by the University of Chester.**

**Wednesday 16th September, 4pm - Outreach@Chester Online Introduction to HE**

A live Introduction to Higher Education talk with Q&A, covering the wide range of courses available at universities, entry requirements, student finance and student life. This live presentation will be hosted on Microsoft Teams, students just need an email address to join the session via the [link on our event page](#)

**Wednesday 23rd September, 4pm - Outreach@Chester Online Personal Statement Presentation**

A live Personal Statement presentation, covering tips on starting your personal statement, what to include, what admissions teams look for and more! Students will have the opportunity to ask our expert team any questions about writing personal statements. This live presentation will be hosted on Microsoft Teams, students just need an email address to join the session via the [link on our event page](#)

**Wednesday 7th October, 4pm - UCAS Decision Making and Application Support**

This online event is for Year 13 students considering Higher Education. Taking place over three days, using Microsoft Teams and the University of Chester Open Day website, students will learn about the fundamentals of the UCAS process and receive support for preparing their university applications. [More information about dates, sessions and registration is available following this link](#)



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### PROVISIONAL DATES

- Wednesday 14th October 2020\*
- Wednesday 18th November 2020\*
- Wednesday 20th January 2021\*
- Wednesday 23rd June 2021\*

\*Please note that these dates may be subject to change

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## VIP TOURS

Visit the campus as part of your own personal tour. You'll get to see any areas of interest to you, chat to us about your course options and preferences, and get a taste of college life.

**KEEP AN EYE ON OUR WEBSITE FOR MASTERCLASSES COMING IN 2021**

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**HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR STATE OF THE ART TRAINING FACILITY IN BRIDGNORTH?**

Would you like to find out more about apprenticeships and whether it's the right route for you? Well we have developed a Pre Apprenticeship Week to allow you to fully explore the apprenticeship route.

Applications are now open for our new Pre Apprenticeship Week. The course is open to students currently studying in Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 who study in either Shropshire or Telford and Wrekin.

We have modified the delivery of the pre apprenticeship week following on from the impact of COVID19, ensuring that we can reduce numbers of students visiting the centre at one time.

The pre apprenticeship week will now be delivered both online and face to face.

TRAINING PARTNER



# PRE APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

During the week you will be involved in a programme of workshops. Part of the content will be accessible online and part face to face at the centre. The units of work are linked to:

- Health and Safety
- Fluid Power
- Engineering Techniques
- Electrical Engineering
- Welding and fabrication
- Advanced Manufacturing Techniques
- Business Development & HR
- Apprenticeship Application Process
- Interview Techniques
- Meet link businesses

By the end of the programme you will have gained key skills, knowledge and understanding to enable you to make a more informed choice. The week will support and develop your skills and knowledge across the range of sectors within Engineering and Manufacturing. It will also give you the key employability skills to enable you to be successful in applying for an apprenticeship, job or training course, dependent on what you decide.



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# PRE APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

## DATES FOR PRE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMMES

The online content will be delivered using an online learning platform. You will be sent an invitation and you will be expected to complete all the tasks at least a week prior to your visit to the centre. You will receive ongoing feedback once you submit the tasks online.

The second part of the week will be delivered at the centre on either of the dates below, given on a first come first serve basis.

DATES	TIMES
<b>OPTION 1</b> 26th - 28th October 2020	Mon - Fri   9am - 4.30pm
<b>OPTION 2</b> 28th - 30th October 2020	
	VENUE
	MCMT Bridgnorth Building 10, Stanmore Industrial Estate Bridgnorth WV15 5HR

## DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

Wednesday 30th September for new applicants. Any applicant who previously applied will be contacted and given priority to the weeks course.

\*Places on the programme will be limited to 10 candidates each week.



If you are interested in applying for the Pre Apprenticeship programme please contact Amy Farley to request an application pack

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