



William Brookes School NEWSLETTER



DIARY EVENTS

Friday, 15 January

Online option forms to be completed and submitted

Newsletter for Mon 30 - Fri 4 Dec

WBS Wishes you a Merry Christmas and a Happy 2021

When 2020 started, no-one could have imagined how the year would unfold.

The pandemic has caused us to miss some major things: at school this has included the Y11 Prom, presentation evening, last day memories, exam results day with proper celebrations for students who have worked so hard at school and even just being at school with lots of people around for many months. at home spending time with wider family, close friends and holidays. Mainly just our freedom to go out and about doing the things we like to do with our chosen friends.

But there have been some gains too:

- Communities – showing care to one another, helping each other out and this includes spending time with close family. We have also found some lovely parts of our local area that we did not know or had forgotten.
- Appreciation of the work/jobs that people do day in and day out that matter but did not get the recognition before the pandemic like NHS workers, care workers, teachers and shop workers.
- Kindness that has been shown including the immense charitable work done by certain people.
- How we developed, changed, and adapted to the new challenges or circumstances that we have faced this year. This is particularly true in terms of the design of treatments for Covid-19.

Everyone has been affected in some way, sadly some more than others but we must try and stay positive. This year, our Christmas might be more simplistic than usual and I hope that you value what your loved ones do for you (cooking, gifts, etc) and that you are able to show your appreciation. We all deserve to have a lovely, caring and peaceful Christmas.

In the new year I want to see students return to school;

- Ready to work hard, catching up on the lost time from 2020
- Demonstrating the best learning behaviour and focused on every task set - energised to tackle all the challenges we will face in 2021 with renewed resilience to stay positive in the latter stages of this pandemic

Be safe, be kind and enjoy your Christmas break.



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100+ & 150+ House Points Achievers YR 7 & 8

Jude	Sydney 1	Year 7	150+
Lacey	Beijing 1	Year 7	100+
Isabel	Sydney 8	Year 7	100+
Ethan	London 7	Year 7	150+
Knox	London 1	Year 7	150+
Isla	London 8	Year 7	150+
Robert	London 5	Year 7	150+
Alexander	Athens 4	Year 7	150+
Samuel	Beijing 7	Year 7	100+
Summer	Athens 4	Year 7	100+
Elizabeth	Sydney 7	Year 7	150+
Olivia	Sydney 4	Year 7	100+
Alicia	Beijing 4	Year 7	100+
Jessica	Beijing 4	Year 7	150+
William	Beijing 6	Year 7	100+
Dominic	Sydney 5	Year 7	100+
Ralph	Sydney 7	Year 7	150+
Joshua	Sydney 9	Year 7	100+
Megan	Beijing 1	Year 7	150+
Topsy	Beijing 6	Year 7	100+
Claudia	Sydney 5	Year 7	100+
Georgia	Sydney 6	Year 7	100+
Rowan	Athens 8	Year 7	150+
Aryan	Beijing 1	Year 7	100+
Isabelle	Athens 3	Year 7	150+
Archie	Beijing 5	Year 7	100+
Sophie	Athens 2	Year 7	100+
Paige	Athens 7	Year 7	100+
Miranda	Athens 6	Year 7	150+
Annie	London 6	Year 7	150+
Charlie	London 4	Year 7	100+
Corey	Beijing 8	Year 7	100+
Cameron	Sydney 9	Year 7	100+
Poppy	Beijing 8	Year 7	100+
Ethan	Sydney 1	Year 7	150+

Ellie	Beijing 9	Year 8	150+
Thomas	Beijing 6	Year 8	200+
Chloe	London 7	Year 8	150+
Thea	Beijing 5	Year 8	150+
Connie	Sydney 3	Year 8	200+
Daisy	Sydney 6	Year 8	150+
Connie	Sydney 5	Year 8	150+
Luc	London 8	Year 8	150+
Ava	Athens 2	Year 8	150+
Marla	Sydney 3	Year 8	100+
Olivia	Athens 3	Year 8	150+
Sophie	Sydney 9	Year 8	150+
Ellie	Athens 2	Year 8	200+
Francesca	Beijing 2	Year 8	100+
Abigail	London 1	Year 8	150+
Layla	London 8	Year 8	150+
Jett	Athens 1	Year 8	200+
Brooke	Beijing 7	Year 8	150+
Ewan	London 1	Year 8	150+
Sophia	Athens 7	Year 8	200+
Sophia	Beijing 5	Year 8	150+
Will	Athens 3	Year 8	150+
Bradley	Beijing 5	Year 8	150+
Wills	Beijing 5	Year 8	100+
Bethany	Athens 3	Year 8	150+
Skye	London 5	Year 8	100+
Elinor	London 5	Year 8	150+
Brooke	Athens 9	Year 8	150+



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Louise	Beijing 2	Year 9	100+	Maia	Sydney 7	Year 10	100+
Eleanor	Sydney 4	Year 9	200+				
Edward	Athens 3	Year 9	150+	Maddie	London 7	Year 10	100+
Charlie	Beijing 1	Year 9	100+				
William	Athens 5	Year 9	100+	Sam	Beijing 9	Year 10	100+
Jazmin	Sydney 5	Year 9	100+	Alexander	London 8	Year 10	100+
				Millie-Mae	London 5	Year 10	150+
Autumn	London 8	Year 9	100+	Harry	Athens 4	Year 10	100+
Jason	London 4	Year 9	150+	Jack	Athens 5	Year 10	100+
Evie	Athens 7	Year 9	200+				
Owen	London 7	Year 9	150+	Rose	Beijing 8	Year 10	100+
Owen	Beijing 3	Year 9	150+	Esme	Sydney 7	Year 10	100+
Daisy	Athens 4	Year 9	150+	Amelia	Beijing 3	Year 10	150+
Isla	London 4	Year 9	150+	Yasmin	Athens 5	Year 10	100+
Neve	London 9	Year 9	150+	Rhys	Beijing 8	Year 10	100+
Maisie	Sydney 5	Year 9	100+				
Leah	Beijing 4	Year 9	150+	Cerys	Beijing 7	Year 11	100+
Harley	Athens 2	Year 9	100+	Samantha	London 8	Year 11	100+
Ophelia	Beijing 9	Year 9	150+				
Archie	London 2	Year 9	150+	George	London 2	Year 11	100+
Skye	Athens 5	Year 9	150+	Abbie	Athens 3	Year 11	100+
				Adam	Sydney 1	Year 11	100+
				Harry	Athens 8	Year 11	100+
				Fernley-Jack	Beijing 5	Year 11	100+
				Penny	Sydney 8	Year 11	100+
				Rose	Sydney 7	Year 11	100+
				Katie	Sydney 6	Year 11	100+
				Katie	Beijing 4	Year 11	100+
				Moya	Athens 3	Year 11	100+
				Alexander	Athens 7	Year 11	100+

**WELL DONE
TO ALL THIS WEEKS
HARD WORK AND
CONGRATULATIONS**



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DROP IT AND READ YRS 7 - 9

Monday 4 January	PERIOD 3
Thursday 7 January	PERIOD 5



WOW – WORD OF THE WEEK

Word of the Week	Ghoulish
Word Type	Adjective
Definition	Suggesting the horror of death and decay; morbid or disgusting.
In a Sentence	The ghoulish mask was a scary Halloween favourite.
Synonyms	Macabre, gruesome, grisly
Subject Links	History, English & Art

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Thank you to all that came in and donated to a fantastic cause on Friday 18 December.

It was great to get into the festive spirit and hope that the students enjoyed all the activities.

William Brookes School wishes you a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year ☺



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SIXTH FORM NEWS



The Sixth Form would like to thank all those parents, students and staff that contributed to our food bank donations. It has been fantastic!

The picture to the left is just a very small amount of what was donated!

Thank you for your generosity 😊



WBS Sixth Form

"Your Pathway to future success"

Our wonderful Sixth Form Students are arranging a Food Bank Collection ready for the Christmas break – please support if you can!

There are collection boxes in all staff work bases, in main reception and outside the Sixth form common room. Please donate what you can.

Thank you,
Chelsie, Emily, Luke, and Ryan (Year 13)

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Newsletter for Mon 21 - Fri 25 Sept

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DofE Certificate of Achievement

We have been very impressed by the dedication of participants who have been working hard towards their goals this year. Participants who have completed their volunteering, skill and physical sections and will receive the 2020 DofE Certificate of Achievement are:

Casey	Rose	Connor	Aja
Phoebe	AJ	Joshua	Amy
Samantha	Mazie	Ellie	William
Abbie	Angus	Skye	Amelia
Jack	Kieran	Grace	Elizabeth
Fernley-Jack	Hannah	Ella	Jess
Grace	Thomas	Katie	Niamh
	Nakita	Harriet	Megan

#DofE with a Difference

If a participant is struggling to find suitable activities for their programme due to the current restrictions, you can find many ideas here www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference/activities

Please remember that any program plan makes needs to be entered into their [eDofE](#) account so that it can be approved before they start the activity. Once they have completed the required time, they need to get their assessor to write an assessor report. This can be done at www.dofe.org/assessor

eDofE App

Participants can access their [eDofE](#) account via the DofE App. The DofE app has made [eDofE](#) more accessible and convenient for thousands of participants across the UK. Participants can now set their activities, record evidence and submit programmes for approval at any time, no matter where they are. The DofE App is currently available for participants to download on Android and iOS.

You can download the App by going to the Google Play Store or Apple App Store and searching 'The Duke of Edinburgh's Award'.

eDofE help

Below is [a eDofE helpsheet](#).

Any questions, please email jmccombie@williambrookes.com



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To track your Bronze DofE Award you have an online account. This is where you put in your plans for each section, add your evidence and crucially, submit the Assessor Report once you have completed each activity. Every time that you submit something, your DofE Leader will be able to check and approve it. Once all four sections have been approved you will achieve your Bronze DofE Award.

Bronze (Year 9+)	Volunteering 3 months	Physical 3 months	Skills 3 months	Expedition 2 days 1 night
	Plus a further 3 months in either the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section.			

Here is a quick recap on the section timescales for the Bronze Award. You must commit 1 hour per week over the 3-6 month time period for the Volunteering, Physical & Skills sections.

Logging in to your online account

- To log in please search www.edofe.org you can access this through a computer or mobile phone. Or, you can download the DofE App, which is available for free from the App Store & Google Play.
- Each time you log in you will need your Username and Password. If you do not know your Username ask your DofE Manager.
- If you have never logged in to eDofE before your temporary Password will be your D.O.B: **DDMMYYYY**
- Once you log in you will be able to reset your Password. If ever you forget it then just click: **Forgot Your Password** on the eDofE home page and you can input your username and get a new Password link sent to your email (check your junk mail) you will have 15 minutes to then reset your Password.



Step 1: The first time you log in you will be asked to put in your personal details. Please note every box with a * needs to be completed. We would recommend using your personal email address. Once you have completed your Contact Details, Personal Details and Communication Preferences press 'Continue'. You will receive your Welcome Pack to the address you entered within the next 30 days! This contains important information about your award, your DofE discount card & Assessor Book.

Step 2: Select your timescales. We would recommend that the 6-month section is the one that you are able to access every week and perhaps the one that you think you will enjoy the most. Just click on the option that you would like and then press Save.



Step 3: Putting in your Programme Plans. You will need to do this for the **Physical, Skills & Volunteering** sections: Click edit section or click on the section you wish to edit and fill out everything with a *. Your start date can be put back as far as the Enrolment date, which is in the top left corner of the screen. If you have not started yet, then put today's date or the date you are going to start. Everything that you do from your start date on eDofE can be counted towards your 3/6-month section. The Assessor must be a responsible adult (not a family member) who is able to write your report once you have completed the section. Remember to "Submit for Approval".



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Next steps:

Once you have submitted your Programme Plans for each section you will be able to complete your activities. You can keep track of how many weeks you have done by using the 'Weekly Log Sheet'. These are available from your DofE Manager and are a great way to keep a track of how many weeks you have done. Once you have filled your log sheet in for the 3 or 6 months for the relevant section:

- Take a photo of it
- Log in to eDofE
- Click on the relevant section on the left-hand side
- Add evidence
- Select 'Photos'
- Upload the photo
- Select your leader
- Save and submit

Other evidence that you can upload could be photos of you doing the activity. For example, if you chose cooking for your skills section it may be good for your leader to see a photo of what you have cooked each week. Upload these following the same steps as the Weekly Log Sheets.

Photos and Log Sheets are great evidence but are not compulsory.



Assessor Reports



The key piece of evidence that your DofE Leader needs to see on your eDofE account before they can approve the section is the **Assessor Report**. You will receive your Assessor Report book within your Welcome Pack (sent to the address you put in to eDofE at Step 1). Once you have completed your 3 or 6 month section please take the relevant report to your Assessor and ask them to fill it in full. You can complete the Description, Date started, Completed & Goals (please make sure the start date is not before the one you put in your plan on eDofE in step 3).

Once it has been filled in please take a photo of it (make sure the whole page is visible) and upload using the steps shown at the top of this page. This time, before you press the Save & Submit button you can mark it as your Assessor Report.



Introducing the DofE Certificate of Achievement

The Certificate of Achievement is an official recognition, by the DofE, of just how much you've achieved by completing your Skills, Volunteering and Physical sections. To receive your certificate, you need to have completed your Skills, Volunteering and Physical sections and had them signed off by your Leader. Once you've completed your three sections you don't need to do anything else. We'll email your personalised Certificate to you, using the name and email address on your eDofE profile.

When you complete the Expedition section you will still be able to get your full DofE Award in addition to the Certificate of Achievement!

The DofE have made lots of temporary changes over the last few months to ensure you can still achieve your award. You can check these out here: www.dofe.org/dofewithadifference/

If you need help with eDofE please visit **theDofEUk** on YouTube to find lots of helpful eDofE training videos and guides.



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OPEN EVENINGS

<p>North Shropshire College www.nsc.ac.uk 01691 888000</p>  <p>Walford Campus (Near Baschurch, Shrewsbury) 01939 262100 – Animal care, Agriculture, Equine, Land and Environment and Motor Vehicle.</p>	<p>Walford Campus (Land Based)</p> <p>Saturday 17th October 2020 10am – 12 noon Saturday 6th February 2021 10am – 12 noon Saturday 19th June 2021 10am – 12 noon.</p>
<p>Kidderminster College 01562512003</p>  <p>www.kidderminster.ac.uk/open marketing@kidderminster.ac.uk</p>	<p>Open Evenings on:</p> <p>Monday 12th October 2020 Tuesday 10th November 2020 Thursday 4th February 2021</p> <p>At this stage they don't know if they will be virtual or physical.</p> <p>We are also offering phone interviews for students who apply and as we understand how important it is for students to come into college, we will be offering a campus tour every first and last Wednesday of the month.</p>
<p>Coaching Connexions (Telford ADC)</p> 	<p>For aspiring young footballers. BTEC 1 to 3 in Sports (Football focus) at the Telford United Football Ground.</p>
<p>01952 640064 07766831829</p> <p>Crossbar College of Sport and Physical Activity</p> <p>(Hadley Learning Centre or Lilleshall National Sports Centre) 01952 677965 www.crossbarcoaching.com admin@crossbarcoaching.com</p>	<p>Contact – Edward.thorndyke@coachingconnexions.co.uk</p> <p>BTEC Sport Level 3, PE & School Sport Apprenticeships Sports Traineeships.</p> <p>e-mail or check website for open day dates</p> 
<p>Telford College 01952 642200</p> <p>01952 642237 (Student Services team) www.telfordcollege.ac.uk</p>	<p>w/c 24 November, 4pm to 6.30pm</p> <p>Virtual Open Event telfordcollege.ac.uk/open-events</p> <p>Provisional Dates – book online</p> <p>Wednesday 14th October 2020 Wednesday 18th November 2020 Wednesday 20th January 2021 Wednesday 23rd June 2021</p> <p>Book a VIP tour Telfordcollege.ac.uk/vip-tour</p>



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Harrogate Army College

Each year AFC Harrogate open their doors for people to come along and take a look at what is on offer. If you're interested in finding out more and coming to look around, contact your local Army Career Office and they'll be happy to book you a place. (Open days usually are in February and March).

01743 232678 (Shrewsbury Army Careers Office)

01902 423892 (Wolverhampton Army Careers Office)

Both open 9am - 5.30pm Monday to Friday.

NB Welbeck College is no longer taking applications and closing shortly.

Wolverhampton College
01902 836000
www.wolvcoll.ac.uk

Open Events:

- Wednesday 7 October 2020 4-7pm
- Saturday 28 November 2020 10am-2pm
- Saturday 23 January 2021 10am-2pm
- Wednesday 10 March 2021 4-7pm
- Wednesday 5 May 2021 4-7pm
- Saturday 19 June 2021 10am-2pm

***Online Open Events:**
Wednesday 14 October 4-7pm
Wednesday 2 December 4-7pm



TELFORD COLLEGE

OPEN EVENTS

Explore our vibrant university-style campus, learn about your course and future options and meet your new classmates and tutors at our next open event.

- ✓ Discover our industry-standard facilities
- ✓ Get your first taste of college life
- ✓ Explore your career pathway and future options

DISCOVER OUR VIRTUAL OPEN EVENT

telfordcollege.ac.uk/open-events

DEFINE YOUR
FUTURE

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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