

## Keeping parents up to date with events at the academy.

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### Key Messages



**Mr Harris will be sending out a series of letters in relation to the wider school opening.**

If you have consented to lateral flow testing for your son/daughter you will receive a registration form. Please complete this as soon as you receive it.

If you need to get in touch, please contact the main office or use the relevant email address:

For safeguarding or welfare concerns: [tellus@bca.warrington.ac.uk](mailto:tellus@bca.warrington.ac.uk)

For ICT support: [ictsupport@bca.warrington.ac.uk](mailto:ictsupport@bca.warrington.ac.uk)

To contact the Year 7 team: [AskYear7@bca.warrington.ac.uk](mailto:AskYear7@bca.warrington.ac.uk)

To contact the Year 8 team: [AskYear8@bca.warrington.ac.uk](mailto:AskYear8@bca.warrington.ac.uk)

To contact the Year 9 team: [AskYear9@bca.warrington.ac.uk](mailto:AskYear9@bca.warrington.ac.uk)

To contact the Year 10 team: [AskYear10@warrington.ac.uk](mailto:AskYear10@warrington.ac.uk)

To contact the Year 11 team: [AskYear11@bca.warrington.ac.uk](mailto:AskYear11@bca.warrington.ac.uk)

### Key dates/events

#### 'Dates for your diary'

- 22<sup>nd</sup> February: Year 9 Options process begins
- 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> March: National Careers week
- 4<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day
- **Parent Evening online sessions** are scheduled for:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> March – Year 9
  - 11<sup>th</sup> March – Year 7
  - 25<sup>th</sup> March – Year 8



### Curriculum updates



**Year 9 will start the options process week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> February.** There will be an assembly for students to explain the process and a presentation for parents which will be on the Year 9 tutor group page on Google classroom.

National Careers Week

# NCW

Monday – Thursday - all year groups	Form time activities based on careers week All subject areas will be covering careers linked to their subjects within lessons across KS3 and 4 this week.
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March Years 7 – 9	<b>'Spring into Careers' event with local employers</b> <b>9.00 – 11.00</b>

<p>Students off timetable for periods 1 – 3</p>	<p>Students watch clips from 34 various employers and participate in live Q&amp;A chat.</p> <p>Students need to use this link to access the event.</p> <p><a href="https://learnliveuk.com/pledge-spring-into-careers">https://learnliveuk.com/pledge-spring-into-careers</a></p>
<p>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Years 10 and 11</p> <p>Students off timetable for periods 4 and 5</p>	<p><b>Pathways into Stem 1.50 – 3pm</b></p> <p>All year 10 and 11 to attend – this session is aimed at post 16 pathways.</p> <p>Students need to register using the link below at 1.50 on Wednesday afternoon.</p> <p><a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6613508978099083536">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6613508978099083536</a></p> <p>This virtual interactive session is aimed at <b>post-16</b>, and will feature a <b>panel of STEM employers</b> talking about their <b>job roles</b>, different <b>pathways into STEM</b> and the <b>skills</b> they have developed along the way. Whether joining from home or from the classroom, students can ask questions via the <b>secure 'chat box'</b> live to the employers.</p>
<p>Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March</p> <p>All year groups off timetable Periods 4 and 5</p>	<p><b>Watch 'A day in the life of...' clips</b></p> <p>Watch the clips to find out about careers in all sorts of industries. Choose three to research in further detail.</p> <p>What are the qualifications required? Where can you study? Why are you interested in this?</p> <p>The file of clips will be available on the Google Classroom page of each year group.</p>

Follow the link to read the Parents' Guide to National Careers Week:

<https://nationalcareersweek.com/parentsguide/#>



**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day:** Years 7 – 9 will have their timetable suspended during lessons 4 & 5 to complete a series of activities to celebrate World Book Day.

**Tutor Sessions:** Regular contact with tutors is probably more important now than it has ever been for students. Each tutor group has its own remote area on Google Classroom. Student should report to their tutor each morning at 8.30 to register their attendance. This is an opportunity to check in and ask any questions that may arise.

## Well-being



As preparations get underway at school for the full return of students it may be time to reflect upon current routines within the home. As hard as everybody has been working at home the move back to a 'normal' school day and a full building may take some adjustment.

We've listed a few things that you may wish to put in place over the next week:

- Try on uniform and school shoes! We know how quickly they grow.
- Ensure that nail and eyelash extensions are removed.
- Top up pencil cases and dig out the school bags.
- Check your balance on SIMS pay
- Review sleeping patterns for the whole family
- Discuss what everybody is looking forward to
- Share any anxieties or worries. Contact school if you feel we can help.

