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Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a busy week at Sir Thomas Boteler. We held our Italy Trip Information Evening (an upcoming residential visit which students and staff are very excited about), attended sports events and held fundraising events for Red Nose Day.

We are particularly celebrating this week after winning the Inclusive School of the Year Award, awarded by Warrington Parents and Carers (WarrPAC). Warrington Parents & Carers Forum work in partnership with local families and organisations with the overall aim of improving the quality of life for children and young people with disabilities and additional needs. It is a voluntary group of parents, carers, grandparents and family members of children and young people aged of 0-25 years with disabilities and additional needs. Their annual 'Working Together' conference was recently held at the Village Hotel. The conference is a celebration of the work done so far and their plans moving forward. During which, there is a special section where awards are presented to those who have gone 'above and beyond' to serve the needs of young people in Warrington with SEND.

Our Inclusion Lead Teacher and Coordinator, Mr Large, attended the conference on behalf of the SEND team. In her presentation speech, Chair Jean Fitzpatrick spoke highly of our SENCo Miss Power. Jean commented that Miss Power "has driven the provision at school forward so significantly. This has resulted in our school, as a whole, being recognised as a beacon of good practice and an institution willing to go above and beyond for the students in its' care."

Mr Large commented "I was exceptionally proud to receive the award on behalf of Miss Power, the SEND Team and the whole of the Boteler family." TCAT CEO Andy Moorcroft commented "Another much-deserved accolade for colleagues at STB. Well done all. Very proud to have you in TCAT."

Have a wonderful weekend.

Beverley Scott-Herron Headteacher



Warrington SEND Information Advice and Support Service

Warrington SEND Information Advice and Support Service is a service available to parents/ carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities aged between 0- 25 years. The support and advice they provide is impartial, confidential and free.

They will listen to your concerns about special educational needs, disability, EHC plans and other educational queries. The service is statutory and is available to all Warrington parents, carers and young people. They aim to build partnerships between parents, carers, young people and the professionals they are involved with.

They aim to empower those parents/carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities so they can take an active and informed role in their child's education and development.

They support by:

- Providing a confidential help line
- Listening to your concerns
- Looking at different options
- Home visits
- Supporting with appeals for Admissions, SEN transport and helping with Parental Requests for EHC plans
- Attending meetings with you in Early years settings, schools, colleges and with the local authority
- Helping you prepare for meetings
- Looking at ways of overcoming differences where there is disagreement such as mediation and disagreement resolution
- Signposting to other services
- Continuing to provide support as long as it is needed
- Delivering training workshops
- Giving talks to parents/carers and support groups
- Providing a web resource for parents searching for information about SEND

They offer information on:

- Your rights and responsibilities
- Who to talk to in school about your concerns
- How your child is assessed and helped in school
- What happens during the preparation of an Education, Health and Social Care plan
- What you can do if you are not happy with a decision about your child's SEND
- Warrington's policies and processes
- National policies and legislation

Who to contact

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You may also be interested in visiting the askOllie website to view Warrington's Local Offer, the services for children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities. Warrington's Local Offer | Ask Ollie (mylifewarrington.co.uk)

GCSE Examinations: ART

Art exam dates are over 2 full days on either

MONDAY 25 and TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2024

OR

WEDNESDAY 27 and FRIDAY 28 MARCH 2024.

Letters have been given to students and communicated home via Arbor.

Students will have 10 hours to complete their exam piece or pieces. For timed Art examinations, candidates may take into the examination room any preparatory supporting studies, work journals, notes or sketches which they have produced and which are to be submitted for assessment along with the work done during the timed test. They will be expected to take all their preparation into the exam. Students must ensure that they have discussed their requirements of materials with their art teacher well in advance. Students will be expected to hand in the preparation work fully finished at the end of the 10-hour exam and will not be able to add to it after this date.

Please arrive at the Art rooms at the start of Period 1 at 8.55am on the days of the exam.

Personal Development

Year 10 and 11 students

For aspiring Doctors: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Medicine conference dates:

Sunday 17th March, 9:30am - 3:30pm Sunday 24th March, 9:30am - 3:30pm

https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9Iwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO

For aspiring Dentists: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Dentistry conference dates:

Saturday 23rd March, 9:30am - 3:30pm

https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9Iwk6/shrBuiR7SBAcC19kE

If you have any students interested in exploring a career within medicine or dentistry, please forward the following information.

These conferences offer tailored advice for medicine and dentistry, covering a range of crucial topics:

- Tactically choosing universities
- Personal statements
- UCAT
- Medical & Dental school interview skills
- Medical Leadership Programmes
- Awards Programmes
- Extracurricular activities
- Work experience
- Building a CV
- Applying for scholarships

By attending, students not only gain knowledge and preparation tips, but they'll also earn a certificate that they can proudly showcase in the 'conferences you have attended' section of their UCAS application.

Please note that parental attendance is required for safeguarding reasons and to ensure parents are also supported throughout the application process.

Work Experience

Good luck to Year 10 students who are out at work experience next week.

Year 10 CV Writing

Year 10 students – don't forget to complete your CV and hand in to your form tutors by Easter. Parents and carers, please support them with this.

Year 9 Immunisations

Reminder that the School Immunisations Team will be in school on Wednesday 20th March for the Year 9 Td/IPV (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio) and MenACWY (Meningitis ACWY) vaccinations.

If you have any questions, please contact the School-aged Immunisation Team on 01925 946808

Collective Worship

This week as part of Collective Worship, students have been focusing on the importance of helping others. As we are half way through lent (Mothering Sunday is the half way mark) we are reminded of the importance of making small sacrifices in our lives to support those less fortunate than we are. We have been collecting donations for the local food bank and we are raising money for Comic Relief. We used the scripture from Hebrews (13:16) to discuss the importance of sharing:

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

This scripture also reminds us of our Christian value for this term, *humility*. We are all equal in the eyes of God, none of us better than the other and we should include each other. This is something that we can all relate to, no matter what our faith is. We are supporting our Muslim staff and students who have begun the holy month of Ramadan and we wish them and everyone who is observing a happy, safe and blessed Ramadan. Ramadan Mubarak!

The Worship Ambassadors have been busy planning for our Easter services next week and we are excited to see how this develops.

Sporting Events

Year 10 student Ellie Barker has won U15 club champion again at the Warrington Athletics Club annual awards evening. Congratulations Ellie on yet another accolade!



Our Academy Sport+ Athletes have been working with the Warrington RLFC strength and conditioning team to explore 'what is a winning mentality?', plus the chance to design a strength training session using resistance bands.





National Theatre

CONNECTIONS

2024

SIR THOMAS BOTELER CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL PROUDLY PRESENTS

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19TH & 20TH MARCH 6,00PM MATINEE - 19TH MARCH 1.30PM IN THE SCHOOLHALL

TICKETS £2.50 ADUITS & £1.50 CONCESSIONS TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM THE MAIN SCHOOL RECEPTION







Warrington

SCHOOL UNIFORM NETWORK

come and get your items of quality pre-loved school uniform or donate your old uniform and help it to find a new

Remember all our stock is free! All we ask is for a donation if you can

home reduce

reuse

recycle

Who are we?

We are a not for profit community project that works closely with a variety of other local causes and organisations. We are committed to easing the financial burden of school uniform on Warrington families by providing quality items of pre-loved uniform free of charge.

Based at our shop in Warrington Golden Square, we have thousands of quality checked items of uniform and P.E. kit in store - both school branded and unbranded, plus shoes, all of which has been

BY the people of Warrington FOR the people of Warrington!!!





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WARRINGTON Borough Council







Where to find us

Warrington School Uniform Network Shop Golden Square Shopping Centre Warrington Town Centre WA1 1QB

Opening Hours

Tues - Sat 10am till 2pm









Contact Us T: 01925 552640

Eschooluniform@warrington.foodbank.org.uk

Warrington School Uniform Network



The cost of living crisis is affecting everyone. What money people have is simply not stretching far enough to pay for everything we need. The price of everything is going up including school uniform so why put yourself in hardship to pay for new school uniform when we have thousands of quality checked items in stock? Do you need to buy new? Who cares if your children are wearing used uniform? They don't!

We say Stop The Stigma of second hand uniform! Save your money for the good stuff, the nice clothes, a meal out with the family. We all know that new uniform is only coming home covered in pen and paint if indeed it comes home at all!

Warrington SCHOOL UNIFORM NETWORK

Plus with thousands of tons of clothing going to landfill each year you really are doing your bit to help the environment. Come down to our Golden Square shop and see how we can help you. Everyone is welcome and all our stock is free! All we ask is for a small donation if you can afford it. All donations go to Warrington Foodbank.

Thank You

Donations

We are always happy to receive your donations of used school uniform - in good, clean condition please. You can also donate winter, school age coats and new school socks and tights if you'd like. All of these items are of great help to Warrington families who have used our shop.

The best place to make your donation is at the shop in Golden Square. Our volunteers are always glad to accept donations and also happy to assist you with any uniform you may need. We have thousands of items in stock so please ask if you can't find the size/school you need.

We are also setting up drop off points around the via various community hubs and children's centres. Please check our Facebook page for

always use help with an extra volunteer or 2 or laundry services for our stock.



unwanted items to those in need via our School Uniform Network Shop at Golden Square. To make it as easy as possible to donate your old school uniform we are setting up BOP OFF POINTS drop-off points around the town. From here we can collect and redistribute your Bi FEARNHEAD A50 QUAY **SIFORT** IETWORK **Marrington** ととはのの Gulliver's World OLD HALL and

Bewsey and Dallam Hub Longshaw Street

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Parnhead Community Centre Insall Road WA2 OHD Padgate

Great Sankey Children's Centre Liverpool Road Great Sankey WAS 1SB

[1] Little Stars Children's Centre **Boulting Avenue** WA5 0JG

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Orford Community Hub Festival Avenue WA2 9EP Orford 9

(Tue, Wed, Thurs 10-4) **Pavillion Tea Rooms** Manchester Road St Elphins Park Œ

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Nature Reserve

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🕜 Sandy Lane Children's Centre, Sandy Lane WA2 9HY Orford,

Sandy Lane Community Centre Sandy Lane

Stockton Heath WA5 2HD

Fuesday to Saturday 10am - 2pm School Uniform Network Shop Warrington Town Centre Next door to The Works Golden Square, 0

O'Leary Street WA2 7RQ

Sunshine Children's Centre

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The Orchard Children's Centre, Hilden Road, WA2 0JP The Hub (formerly Orford Youth Base)
Capesthorne Road 01925 442440 WA2 0JF

(E) Whitecross Community Centre Lexden Street Whitecross WAS 1PT

Westy Children's Centre Tinsley Street WA4 1RE

Pleasenote: Warrington Childrens Centres times by calling 01925 443444 may have varied opening times. Please check













