

Warmley Park School and College

Aspire, Believe, Enhance, Achieve

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Well here we are at the end of another school year, albeit a very different one to what we were expecting last September. We are now looking forward to the next school year and hoping, that over time, everything will go back to a more normalised routine.

In the newsletter last week, the arrangements for the first 4 weeks of term were explained. You will also be receiving an individual timetable for the days when your child will be in, along with their end of year report and information about who is in which class in September. We have been planning the Recovery Curriculum and are very excited about implementing this to enable students to reconnect as they return to school and college. Here is some further information about the Recovery Curriculum:

<https://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/trailblazing-programme-launched-ensure-no-4329750>

We will also have our new Nursery open in the building next to the school. We were recently awarded £8,000 from a grant application to develop our own on-site, fully accessible Forest School area in the field and the work on this should be starting during the summer holidays.

Autism and COVID-19

Daniel John, Assistant Participation Officer in the council's Partnerships and Commissioning team, has recorded a video message in which he talks about the challenges that people with Autism have with all the changes that lockdown has brought. Daniel gives some excellent advice on how we can all help people who may be finding the changes difficult: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-jHySV41Lfk&feature=youtu.be>



At this time, we say goodbye to some of our students who are moving on to new settings. Our Year 14 students are going to local colleges, social care provisions, and specialist residential colleges. We also have some students that are leaving us to go to Severndale Academy, Sheilings School, a new school in Paraguay, and Culverhill School. Some of the Year 14s have been at Warmley Park for 16 years! For all of our students, regardless of their age, we send them off with a mixture of sadness because we will miss them, pride as a result of what they have achieved, and hope for their futures. So goodbye and best wishes to:

- * Jasmin
- * Coby
- * Ruby
- * Cassie
- * Enzo
- * Alec
- * Alex
- * Josh

- * Shauna
- * Jack
- * George
- * Kyran
- * Wesley
- * Beth
- * Ellie-Mae
- * Callum

We were very touched to receive this poem written by Wesley and his mum Charlotte.

Life in Lockdown, now there's a phrase,
It's gone on for many days.
Humans like to congregate,
Preferring not to isolate.
Remember when you rode your bike,
When you could do just as you like.
It's not that long ago you know,
Just feels like life is on go slow.

Going shopping, walking the dog,
Out for a run or just a jog.
Watching football, or playing sports,
In this life, it takes all sorts.
But while you're staying in your house,
Try not to fall out with your spouse.
Stay in touch with all your friends,
So we can party, when this ends.

To all the youngsters, play your part,
Do as you're asked, don't be smart.
Help mum or dad by doing tasks,
Work together is what we ask.
Thanks to those who do the shopping,
I'll sit here, just channel hopping.
Trying to keep my brain awake,
It's time for tea, let's take a break.

The glass half full, not half empty,
By the end of 2020
Looking forward, not too long,
Coronavirus will be gone.





This year's Challenge is all about funny books, happiness and having a laugh!

From 25 July, special Summer Reading Challenge Bags* will be available FREE for families to do the Challenge at home. You can order a Summer Reading Challenge Bag for your child using our Click and Collect service www.sglibraries.eventbrite.com or pop by your library to pick one up.

Each Silly Squad Bag contains what you need to get started: a super-duper joining poster, stickers (beware – some are stinky scratch 'n' sniff stickers!), a guide for parents and some great craft activities.

Children can read anything they enjoy to complete the Challenge. Please encourage your child to do the Summer Reading Challenge so you can see the difference it makes to their reading.



For more information about the Summer Reading Challenge, borrowing library books and our great range of free eBooks, eAudiobooks and eComics visit:

www.southglos.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge or like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/sgloslibraries for the latest updates.

*One bag per child. Children 4–11 years can take part. Available whilst stocks last. Please come alone if possible to help keep everyone safe. Library days/times may have changed, please check: www.southglos.gov.uk/librarychanges.

I hope that everyone has a healthy and restful summer holiday and as always, stay safe.

Miss

