



This week's update includes: uniform relaunch; Upcoming Year 8 Parents' Evening and Year 9 Options evening; Snooker Success; Battle of the Bands Success; Anti-social bus behaviour; Stars of the Week; #lookcloser County Lines support for parents; SEND Local Event

Can I start this week by **thanking parents and carers for your support with our uniform relaunch**. It's had a very positive impact on our students, and is something that makes such a difference in terms of positively reinforcing our expectations. The vast majority of our students look very smart again now in school, and we will keep working on those who need the daily reminders and uniform loans.

Thank you to Year 9 parents and carers for your attendance at last night's Virtual Parents' Evening. It's **Year 8 Parents' Evening next Thursday, 17th March** [link to details is <u>here</u>] and then **Year 9 Options Evening "live" in school the following Thursday – 24th March – from 5pm to 7pm**. *Further details to come on Options Evening*.

Mr McKenna is very proud of **James Bradley** in his Form 7C. James recently entered the English Under 15 snooker Championships. He won all his qualifying matches (7 in total) a few weeks back in Blackburn to make it through to the last 28 in England.. Then this past Saturday the competition carried on.. he won his first 3 matches to make it to the quarter finals but unfortunately he lost in the quarter finals against the eventual winner. The fact James made it all the way to the quarter finals out of over 160 who entered was a great achievement and as a school we should be very proud of his achievement. Well done James!

Silver Lining are our resident year 11 rock band. Liam Reeves, Adam Reeves & Ethan Cox with guest Thom Barlow have just won this year's **Stockport Battle Of The Bands** competition. They are now going on to represent Stockport in the overall Greater Manchester Battle Of The Bands competition. It is being held this Sunday (16th March) at Manchester Academy 2 from 5pm. Tickets are £7.70 and are available from this link:

https://www.manchesteracademy.net/order/tickets/13361586/gmmeh-battle-of-the-bands-manchesteracademy-2-2022-03-13-17-00-00

Below are links to see the band in action:

- 1. Stuck In The Middle With You. (Stealers Wheel): https://youtu.be/1jPCC7d0n6c
- 2. We're In The Same Boat (Silver Lining): https://youtu.be/1Jml53UWm-o
- 3. It's Not Over Yet (Silver Lining): https://youtu.be/DtzvucONo5s

Unacceptable conduct on local buses and now a negative section unfortunately. From time to time, we have some students who let themselves down in the local community and show unacceptable behaviour. We also work closely with the police and other agencies to support this. PC Gotts – our School Police Liaison Officer – has been working with the local bus company to address some students who have been abusing bus services in our local schools. A number of students who travel using the bus service at Werneth have been involved

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in anti-social behaviour incidents on the buses. Incidents range from verbal abuse, blocking aisles purposely, vaping and throwing items from the bus or inside the bus. This is not in any way acceptable as I am sure you will agree. Discussions have since taken place between the school, the police and the bus service provider. As a result, steps will be taken to deal with any future incidents and the persons involved. This may lead to banning orders or prosecutions.



CONGRATULATIONS to our

Werneth Stars of the Week [left], nominated by their teachers. And to our overall winner **Isla Sumner!**

Have you heard about the national **#LookCloser campaign by The Children's Society, British Transport Police and National County Lines Coordination Centre** ? It aims to protect children and young people from abuse by encouraging everyone to get to know the signs and what to do when they spot them. The campaign focuses on the fact that any child can be exploited and exploitation can happen anywhere. It can be easier to spot in public places like parks, supermarkets or transport but it also happens online.

Parents and Carers Togetherness Stockport [PACTS] Annual SEND Information Day 2022

Thursday 17th March, 9am - 3pm

... is at Alma Lodge Hotel, 149 Buxton Rd, Heaviley, Stockport, SK2 6EQ. FREE for parents, carers, family members and professionals who work with children and young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities. Registration and marketplace starting at 8.45am. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. See below the provisional programme for the event. You can book your free place online via <u>Eventbrite.</u>

Enjoy the weekend!

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