

This week's update includes: Home Learning; Vaccinations; Duke of Edinburgh Exhibition; GCSE Geography fieldwork visit to Edale; PE fixtures; Attendance Matters; Post-16 Evening; GCSE Visual Arts educational visit; Star of the Week; Man Utd Foundation trip; Tesco Community Grant *and more ...*

Home Learning on Google Classroom

Everyone - teachers, parents, students - is used to the term "homework" over generations! It's being replaced these days by the term "home learning" as we have come to realise even more than ever - after our COVID learning - the difference it can make for students to be working independently at home. So, **the purpose of home learning is to allow students to deepen their understanding around the learning taught in classrooms.** Homework activities are being set by teachers and these are published on your child's Google Classroom. Your child will need to log into their Google Classroom to find the Homework Home Learning tasks. They will appear in the individual Classrooms of each subject. Your child logs into google classroom by going to www.classroom.google.com

They use their school email address as their login name and their school network password. It is the same process as logging in to a computer at school. If there is an issue with logging in or with their password students would need to see their Form Tutor. The following link gives further details on how to access Google Classroom and the work listed: [Parents Guide to Google Classrooms](#)

Vaccinations: We have been asked by a few parents to confirm that the **HPV vaccination** is **not** related to the COVID vaccine. I can confirm that they are totally unrelated. The HPV vaccination is for Year 8 students only, and will take place for **Year 8 boys on Monday 27th September**, and **Year 8 girls on Tuesday 28th September**.

We have had an **initial meeting with the NHS about the COVID vaccine**, and they have provided us with a consent form to distribute to parents. The NHS are rolling out the national programme for 12-15 year olds to receive a single dose of vaccine. This will be rolled out across schools with Stockport's NHS school nurse team, and we are hopeful that these will take place before half term over two specific days, so expect that form asking for your consent soon. It is your choice, and the nurses won't vaccinate if you don't give consent. If you do give consent, please return the form as soon as you can ... it's all about trying to reduce the

spread of the virus. It's still here in Stockport amongst secondary age pupils, and we want to minimise the risks of spread as much as we possibly can.

Last weekend, 15 year 11 pupils embarked on their **Duke of Edinburgh expedition** as part of completing the Bronze award. Students set off from Lyme Park on Saturday with the challenge of covering close to 9 miles to Hayfield campsite. They set up camp for the night, cooked themselves a hot meal and ensured that they got plenty of rest for day 2. On Sunday morning they had the pleasure



of having to pack up in the rain but worked extremely well as a team with both walking groups leaving the campsite before 10.00am. Day 2 had them walking another 8 miles to Marple via New Mills. Needless to say, there were some very tired people at the end of it!

All 15 students completed their expedition and should be very proud of the resilience they showed over the course of the weekend. A big thankyou to Mr McKenna who leads the Duke of Edinburgh programme in school, and to the staff who supported the groups over the weekend. The school will be opening up Duke of



Edinburgh for year 10 later in the year, if this is something your child would be interested in taking part in. Contact james.mckenna@wernethschool.com if you have any questions.

Our **GCSE Geography** students in Y11 went up to Edale in the Peak District this week to complete their river field studies. All 75 of them were a credit to the school and worked really well all day. Mr Nicholls, Mr Willis and Mr Parker were all very happy with the data we recorded and we will now be writing this research up as a project in class. Our Y10s are due out next week

so let's hope they can live up to the same high standards.

PE Fixtures - It's been great to return to meaningful PE fixtures between schools again ... so important as a part of children's education. Well done to ALL of our teams on their first results in a while.



FOOTBALL	HOCKEY
Y7 lost 6-3 v Marple	KS3 Team 0-0 v Marple
Y8 lost 3-0 v Marple	KS4 Team won 3-0 v Marple
Y9 Won 5-1 v Marple	
Y10 Won 6-3 v Marple	
Y11 Won 3-2 v Marple	



Special congratulations to our Year 11 football team, who have progressed in the National Cup after a 3-2 win against Knutsford Academy. A last minute Lucas Maugham winner sends the lads through to the next round. Well done Year 11!

Attendance Matters: Firstly, many thanks to you all for ensuring that your child attends school punctually every day but a special WELL DONE to Year 7s who have the best attendance year to date (closely followed by Year 9s)! Our two dedicated Attendance & Family Outreach Officers spend many hours daily chasing up families who have not let us know why their child is

off. **PLEASE** can you ensure that if your child is too unwell to attend school, you phone the school or email the reason to absence@wernethschool.com by 8.30am- as stated in our attendance Matters brochure - [Attendance Matters](#). That way, we can promptly add the appropriate codes to our register so we know that your child is safe and well.

Our **Post 16 evening** was held on Thursday evening at Werneth. The evening included a host of various colleges, apprenticeship companies coming in to school to offer advice and answer any questions from our current Year 11 students, parents/carers. It was a successful evening and very well attended by 110 families. The external visitors were very impressed with the students' questions and attitude towards their future careers.



WERNETH STARS OF THE WEEK

KAITLIN WHITEHEAD
SAM PIETRZYKOWSKI
OLIVIA FLOOD
TYLER MORRALL
OLLY RYAN
MILLIE FORSTER
JOSHUA PRIESTNALL
CHARLOTTE WRIGHT
OLIVIA GORDON-WEARING
JAKE PARKER
WILSON BIRTWISTLE
TED FORSTER
KIAN WILKINSON
BAILEY NAPIER
RIO NEWBURY
CLAUDIA UMEJIAKU
JAKE MOORE



ZORAH DODD
MICHAEL O'DONNELL
ANDREW TOPHAM
TOBY WATSON
LENNON CONNOLLY
KIAN NORTON
JESSICA HARGREAVES
JESS RYDON
LANA MANDIC
ISABELLE WATERS
MAX SHELDON
THOMAS SPENCER

PATRICK BEAUMONT
LEAH EVANS
TYLER CAWLEY
LUCA ROBERTSON
FREYA WILD
XIANNA CLARE
CAITLIN RENSHAW
ELIANA NAPOLETANO
HARRY GORDON-WEARING
CHLOE KENNEDY
CHANTELLE RISDALE
LEWIS SUTTON
ASMA IDRIS-SALIH
ETHAN LU-HILSON
NEAVE MURPHY
OLIVER KILLINGBECK
DAN MALLINSON

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Congratulations to Ruby Hart in Year 10, who was the first recipient of our £10 gift voucher as **Star of the Week** last week. 45 students were nominated by their teachers, and Ruby was the lucky winner from the draw. Here are this week's 45 Stars of the Week, and the overall winner this week was Ethan Lu-Hilson. Well done Ethan!

Other news:

- **Thursday 4th November Visual Arts Exam Trip to Alton Towers:** Year 11s in Visual Arts are visiting Alton Towers for their exam preparation to photograph interesting images of structures and shapes of the rollercoasters, motion pictures and branding in a theme park. All details are now on parent pay. In order to give permission for your child to attend the trip, please can parents fill in this information as soon as possible. Mrs Holden.
- On Wednesday morning, our SEND staff held a **coffee morning** in the local community for Werneth **parents whose children have a diagnosis of Autism**. It was a wonderful opportunity for parents to meet, share experiences and ideas but also for parents to discuss anything they needed from our staff. Already parents have commented on how successful the morning was and we hope to organise another one later in the school year. Contact olivia.darlington@wernethschool.com for more information if this applies to you. Miss Darlington is our Specialist SEND teacher supporting Mrs Burke, and both are qualified SENDCOs.

- Through our partnership with the **Manchester United Foundation**, Werneth were able to take 42 Year 10 students to the Carabao Cup game at Old Trafford between Man United and West Ham. It was a great evening, with every student representing Werneth brilliantly.
- **Do you shop at Tesco? If so, please support our bid for a Tesco Community Grant** ... Tesco works with community charity Groundwork to run its community funding scheme, which sees grants of up to £1,500, £1,000 and £500 awarded to local community projects. Three groups in every community have been shortlisted to receive the cash award and shoppers are being invited to head along to Tesco stores to vote for who they think should take away the top grant. **Werneth School is one of the groups on the shortlist. We would like to provide a Computer Hub in the School Library to enable students to access online learning in a quiet environment using the latest technology.** Voting is open in all local Tesco stores in October, November and December and customers will cast their vote using a token given to them at the check-out each time they shop. Many thanks for your support.

Have a good weekend!