



# WEEKLY BULLETIN FRIDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER 2019

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

12th Sept	Y13 MMU Trip
12th Sept	UTCW Open Evening
19th Sept	Y11 Duke of Edinburgh
26th Sept	Y13 Careers Fair

# COLLEGE DAY (MON - THURS)

8.30am - 8.50am	PAT
8.50am - 9.50am	Period 1
9.50am - 10.50am	Period 2
10.50am - 11.10am	Break
11.10am - 12.10pm	Period 3
12.10pm - 1.10pm	Period 4
1.10pm - 2.00pm	Lunch
2.00pm - 3.00pm	Period 5

# COLLEGE DAY (FRI)

8.30am - 9.30am	SMSC
9.30am - 10.30am	Period 1
10.30am - 11.30am	Period 2
11.30am - 12.00pm	Break
12.00pm - 1.00pm	Period 3
1.00pm - 2.00pm	Period 4

# CADETS

Joining the cadets sets you out from the crowd, with teambuilding, leadership and resilience qualities. The cadet force meet every Tuesday at 3pm. There are regular training camp residentials and all activities are supported by the 75 Engineers. Please speak to Mr Beggs or Mr Varey about joining!

# NOTICES FOR NEXT WEEK

In order to accomodate open evening, the college will close at the earlier time of 2.00pm on Thursday 12th September. All year groups will follow the standard Friday operational day.

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#### **RESULTS SUCCESS AT UTCW**

UTC Warrington students have been celebrating their best ever set of results. At GCSE, there was a notable improvement in core academic and technical results across the board. In sixth form, Year 13 leavers benefitted from another year of 100% pass rate in BTEC Level 3 Engineering and the average grade increased to a Double Distinction award. We have also seen a number of students leave the UTC to begin their careers in the field of STEM. Moneka Duffy will begin a Degree Apprenticeship in Mechanical Design Engineering with Sellafield Ltd, whilst Jack Davenport will work with BAE Systems to begin a Degree Apprenticeship in Aeronautical Engineering. Will Arnold, one of our Year 11 leavers, has joined Wood PLC to begin an apprenticeship in Project Controls. We wish all of our students the very best of luck in their careers!



### **OPEN EVENING - THURSDAY 12TH SEPT**

Open Evening takes place next Thursday 12th September. We would be grateful if you could help share the message of our events via our Facebook and Twitter pages. The college will close at 2.00pm next Thursday to accommodate this event and students will follow a standard Friday operational day. If your son/daughter would like to take part in open evening, either supporting a department or showing visitors around the building, please speak to subject staff or Jack Jevons on the 2nd floor.

#### WELCOME BACK

We are looking forward to working with all parents and carers in the coming months. We will be communicating a full list of key dates for the academic year, including parents evenings and events. Following parent feedback, we will also confirm details of a whole college homework policy in the coming weeks. If you have any questions in the coming weeks, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

## DISRUPTION FREE LEARNING UPDATE

We have made a number of changes to the Disruption Free Learning policy to reflect the start of the new term. Any students who are removed from lessons will now receive an automatic same day 1 hour detention which will take place after college. The procedures in the classroom remain the same for all students. We have seen a significant improvement in engagement across the college since the introduction of this policy in January 2019, as recognised by Ofsted. We are keen to continue this hard work in delivering an excellent experience for our students.

# ATTENDANCE

For those Key Stage 4 students who arrive after 8.30am, they will be issued with a lunchtime detention of half an hour. Failure to attend this will result in a same day 1 hour detention which will take place after college. Good attendance is important across all year groups. Being in college everyday allows students to maximise their learning, make new friends, sample new experiences and provide them with the best possible approach to their future career path.

# PARENT PAY

UTC Warrington is a cashless site. This means that lunch items, trips and uniform are payable via our online portal called Parent Pay. You should have received an activation letter to log in to your account and top up dinner money if required. If you are having issues with this, please ask your son/daughter to speak to Mrs Bush in the 5th floor office. If students are in debt on Parent Pay, they will be asked by canteen staff to request a lend slip from the 5th floor principalship office.







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#### BOOK AND BRUNCH FRIDAY

Visit the LRC at brunch each Friday! A different book will be read each half term. There will be a **free brunch** for all those who stay! Any student who attends all half term will be able to attend the UTC film club in lesson time during the last week of term.

## YEAR 10 DRESS CODE

- Employer Branded Shirt
- Blue Soft Shell Jacket
- Black Trousers or Skirt
- Black Smart Shoes

### YEAR 11 DRESS CODE

Students can continue to wear their business dress, consisting of a suit with a UTC tie. Outdoor coats, jumpers and trainers are not permitted. Students will be asked to remove these items.

#### SIXTH FORM DRESS CODE

Dress code for Year 12 and Year 13 consists of appropriate business dress attire.

# WHO TO CONTACT?

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## ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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### READING AT UTC WARRINGTON

We are continuing to develop our students' literacy skills by encouraging reading both in and outside of college. Mrs Rigby has devised a new challenge for all students to complete!

## READ ONE BOOK PER HALF TERM

Students must complete a short review of the book and email to Mrs Rigby - jrigby@utcwco.uk.

Students who submit a book review will be offered the opportunity to attend film club during lesson time in the last week of term.

Any student who reads 6 books over the course of the year (at least 3 from the UTC reading list) will be awarded a £10 shopping voucher!

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

Any Year 11 students enrolled on the Duke of Edinburgh award need to return their letter, medical form and pay the £15 for the trip on 19th/20th September. Please speak to Mr Gee if you have any questions.

## **UNIFORM ORDERS**

Year 10 uniform can be made via ParentPay. You will be notified when they are ready.

## SIXTH FORM BURSARY

Applications for the 16-19 bursary need to be completed and returned to the finance department by Friday 13th September. The bursary is a fund that the government use to help support 16-19 year olds access education and training. If eligible, some students may be entitled to a bus or rail pass. Complete the attached bursary application form and return to UTCW as soon as possible.

	DID YOU KNOW?
Aluminium	A non-ferrous metal. Weak in pure form, stronger when used with copper as an alloy, light, resists corrosion, used for pans, engine components, medium cost.
Polymer	Long-chain molecules. The main structure of plastics.
Design Criteria	A set of performance characteristics against which a product might be judged. This will be a list of rules that your design must meet (specification).
Sketching	Drawing ideas in a way that helps you to record them, but which may not be very precise.
Secondary Research	Research drawn from existing sources such as books and magazines.
Primary Research	Original research, done by you, such as discussion, interview, survey or experiment.

THE MORE THAT YOU READ, THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL KNOW. The more that you learn, the More places you'll go.

- DR. SEUSS

# RECORD OF ACHIEVEMENT

Students have been issued with a Record of Achievement file this week. This is to document all of the positive things your son/daughter has achieved and is a great tool to take to interviews for jobs, colleges, universities and apprenticeships. If there are any awards your son/ daughter would like to add to it, please encourage them to add them to their Record of Achievment.