



Newsletter

Friday 9th October 2020

A message from the Associate Principal



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I would like to take a moment to say thank you to all our students, parents and staff at UTC Warrington for the way in which you have overcome the difficulties that the past week has brought.

Overall, the week has gone well in spite of some difficulties with technology. Students' attendance at online lessons has been good, and we have tried to minimise any disruption to learning.

The students have been a real credit to their families and to UTC Warrington.

Please accept my sincere thanks to everyone for your patience and support.

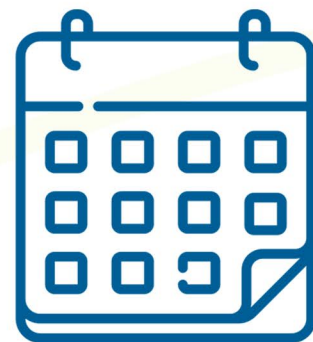


I will be in touch again early next week to outline plans for returning fully to school on Thursday 15th October.

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Amanda Downing
Associate Principal

Upcoming events



Next week is the Year 10 and 12 'Settling in Evening'. We usually invite parents/carers of our new students to meet with their Personal Academic Tutor to discuss how your child has settled into life at UTC Warrington.



However, under the current COVID restrictions we are changing how we will operate this evening. The evening will still commence but your child's Personal Academic Tutor will make a telephone call to yourself between the times of 4pm and 7pm.

To arrange a time, please email your son's/daughter's Personal Academic Tutor with your contact number and a suitable time to call between 4pm and 7pm.

- 10RS Mr Skelland – RSkelland@utcw.co.uk
- 10LB Mrs Brown – LBrown@utcw.co.uk
- 12DP Mr Pownall - DPownall@utcw.co.uk
- 12KP Mrs Pattullo – KPattullo@utcw.co.uk
- 12NG Mrs Graham- NGraham@utcw.co.uk

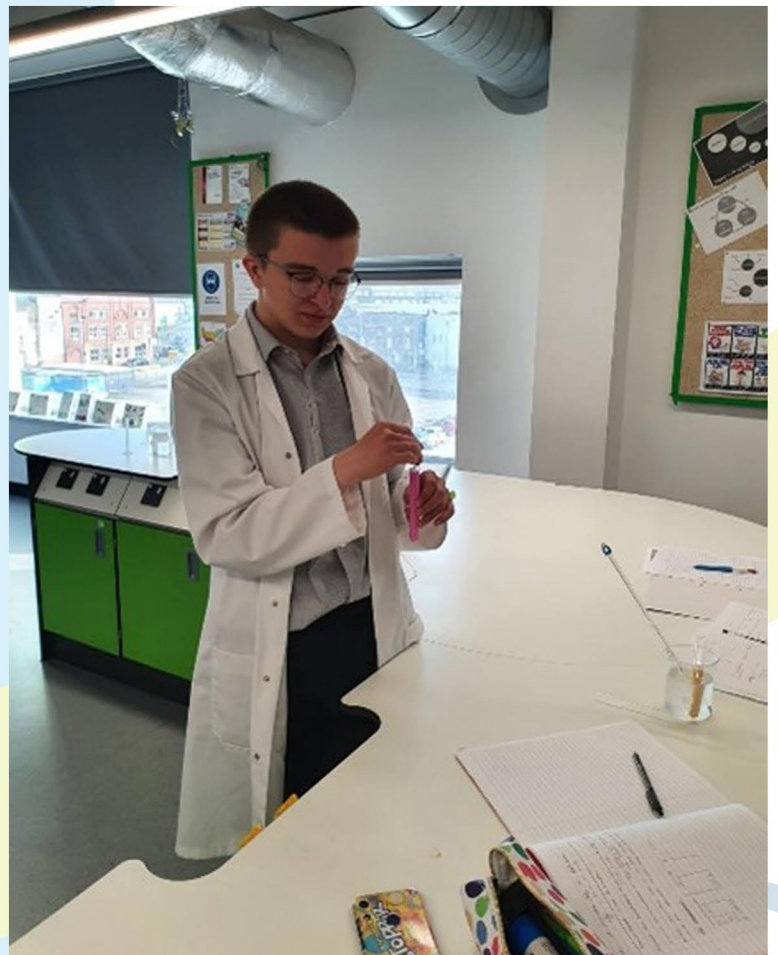
Science



The sixth form Applied Science group have been continuing to develop their scientific knowledge and skills.

This week they have been working on how temperature affects the rate of reaction in enzymes.

Some amazing work is being completed... well done!



Engineering



In Engineering, Year 11 have been putting their knowledge about Surface Mount Technology and PCB manufacturing into practice. Students have been developing their circuit board knowledge and soldering skills. A big shout to Charlie Barton who mastered the skill set!



Art



Year 11 have been making the most of their time and producing some fantastic art and architecture work.



Tom and Ethan have produced some great tonal drawings, developing their pencil and shading skills. They were so proud they even text a photo to their Mum and their Nan!

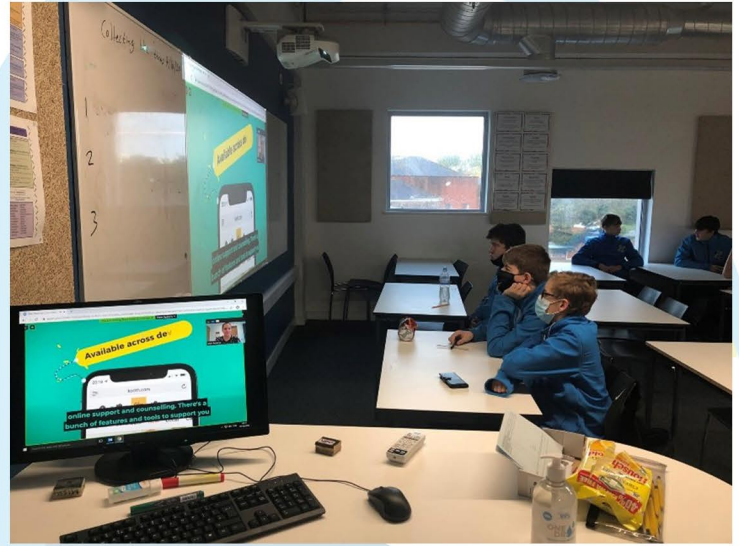
Well done boys keep up the good work.

PSHE

Thank you to Kooth for delivering a virtual assembly to our students about mental health. A very important topic as we approach World Mental Health day.

Our staff and Pastoral team are always there to listen.

For more information students and parents can go directly to the website <https://www.kooth.com/>



Maths

Well done to Year 10 for their online lessons in maths, most of the students have worked really hard.

Robbie Rathbone and Angeliza Robinson have been exceptional in maths this week. Keep up the excellent work!

English



Over a very difficult week, I would like to recognise the fantastic work of some of our students:

Y10 – excellent English work: Robin Middlehurst, Josh Ashton, Taylor Graham.

In Year 11 – Harley Gallop and Nathaniel Humphreys for their excellent contributions in lesson.

Cerys Blair – for being a wonderful Lady Macbeth!

Careers Information Advice and Guidance

Information regarding the opportunity, and an application form, are available on the work experience channel in the destinations 2021 team.



For those students wishing to go to University in the future UCAS are organising and Virtual Expo. This is your perfect opportunity to meet universities, ask questions, speak to subject experts, and compare courses ahead of the deadline.

Enrichment

Take advantage of UTC Warrington amazing enrichment opportunities!

Our Year 12 students will be participating in an autumn National Citizenship Service programme with workshops on Friday 16th and Tuesday 20th October – this is a fantastic opportunity! Students will then complete a social action project over the remainder of the autumn term.



Cadets

It was fantastic to see our Cadets learning drill, an important and vital skill to learn. Drill is a common theme across all of the Services, all CCF cadets learn to march, carry out ceremonial duties, and stand smartly on parade. As cadets move up the ranks, they will have the opportunity to lead a group of cadets in performing a drill sequence, building their confidence, leadership and ability to control a group.



Work for students who are self-isolating

All work will be set via Microsoft TEAMS. It is vital that students check their chat inbox AND assignments if they are at home.

Teachers will set work which is based on the lesson(s) they have missed.

It is student's responsibility to complete this work to ensure they have no gaps in their knowledge.

English

A link to the relevant work on Macbeth (Y11) or a Christmas Carol (Y10) will be set via TEAMS.

Maths

A link to an Oak academy lesson or Active Learn will be sent via TEAMS.

Science

A link to the relevant work on Kerboodle will be sent via TEAMS.

Engineering & Construction

Instructions with which coursework to continue with will be sent via TEAMS.

Geography

A link to an Oak Academy lesson will be set via TEAMS.

Computer Science

A link to an Oak Academy lesson will be set via TEAMS.

I.T

Instructions with which coursework to continue with will be sent via TEAMS.

Art

A link to an Oak Academy lesson will be set via TEAMS.

Sport

A link to specific work to complete will be set via TEAMS.



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TERM DATES 2020/21

TERM

Autumn Half Term 1

Autumn Half Term 2

Spring Half Term 1

Spring Half Term 2*

Summer Half Term 1**

Inset day

Summer Half Term 2***

DATE OF OPENING

Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Monday 2nd November 2020

Monday 4th January 2021

Monday 22nd February 2021

Monday 12th April 2021

Friday 26th June

Monday 7th June 2021

DATE OF CLOSING

Friday 23rd October 2020

Friday 18th December 2020

Friday 12th February 2021

Thursday 1st April 2021

Friday 28th May 2021

Friday 9th July 2021



Support

The coronavirus pandemic has upended our normal way of life. Schools are now welcoming children back to school – not after a break of a few weeks like normal, but after several months.

Understandably, the return to school may be an anxious or difficult time for children and parents.

Mental Healthy Schools have created a set of practical resources to help make the transition back to school easier for everyone.

They're designed to be social distancing- friendly, and many can be adapted to be delivered remotely in the case of local lockdowns. There are advice and guidance for parents, and activities for students: <http://bit.ly/MHSRebuild>






Keeping COVID Safe



Parents, please continue to support us with pick-up and drop off by:

- Parking away from school
- Wearing a face covering
- Sanitising your hands on entry
- Any appointments need to be made in advance with a member of staff

Do not enter if you have any symptoms of COVID-19 	Sanitise your hands on entry 	Please follow the one-way arrows
Only 1 adult for pick-up and drop-off. 	Keep a safe distance from others. 	

  		
What to do if...	Action needed	Return to school when...
My child has coronavirus symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do not come to school * Contact School * Self-isolate * Get a test * Inform school immediately about test result 	The test comes back negative.
My child tests positive for coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do not come to school * Inform school immediately about test result * Self-isolate for <u>14 days</u> 	They feel better. They can return to school after <u>14 days</u> even if they have a cough or loss of smell/taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection has gone.
Somebody in my household has coronavirus symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do not come to school * Contact School * Self-isolate * Household member to get a test * Inform school immediately about test result 	The Household member test is negative ***If test was positive, see below***
Somebody in my household has tested positive for coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do not come to school * Contact School * Self-isolate for <u>14 days</u> 	The child has completed <u>14 days</u> of self-isolation
NHS test and trace have identified my child as a 'close contact' of somebody with symptoms or confirmed case of coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do not come to school * Contact School * Self-isolate for <u>14 days</u> 	The child has completed <u>14 days</u> of self-isolation
We/my child travelled and has to self-isolate as part of a period of quarantine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Term time holidays, including absence as a result of needing to quarantine, are unauthorised. Returning from a destination where quarantine is needed: * Do not come to school * Contact School * Self-isolate for <u>14 days</u> 	The quarantine period of <u>14 days</u> has been completed
We have received medical advice that my child must resume shielding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Do not come to school * Contact School as required by the pastoral team * Shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	School inform you that restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school

Coronavirus advice and guidance can be found on our website:

utcw.co.uk/coronavirus-update



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