Foxford Focus

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Update from the Headteacher

Dear Parent / Carer

At last, the sunshine is upon us, and the students have had a fabulous term of being involved in various trips, experiences and of course increasing their learning whilst in lessons.

The next term will consist of Year 11 and Year 13 students completing their examinations, which we wish them much luck. They have worked incredibly hard preparing for their futures and I know they will do their very best. Staff have prepared revision lessons and resources for these students after Easter to prepare them.

Enjoy reading this term's newsletter and have a lovely Easter.

Mrs Gallagher

Calendar

Monday 5 May	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 6 May	Year 10 Geography Urban Field study Trip
Wednesday 7 May	GCSE Spanish speaking exams
Friday 9 May	GCSE Spanish speaking exams
Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15 May	Year 9 Say Yes to Learning
Thursday 22 May	Year 7 Parents Evening
Friday 23 May	Year 13 Leavers Assembly
Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May	Half Term

Programmes and Courses for Parents and Carers in Coventry

Coventry City Council are offering a number of free classes for Parents / carers, full details can be found at www.coventry.gov.uk/parenting

Examples of courses available are:

- Talking Teens 5 week programme 10-18 years or 25 with SEND
- Positive Family Foundations - Secondary 11-16 years
- Online courses for parents of teenagers and teenagers themselves
- Programmes for parents and carers of children with special education needs
- Understanding your child's behaviour workshop
- Understanding your own trauma

Positive Parenting Team
You can contact us Monday to Friday 8.30am – 4.30pm with any enquiries
Address: Coventry City Council
PO Box 7097
Coventry
CV6 9SL
Telephone: 024 7678 6949
Email: parenting@coventry.gov.uk

England V Latvia Trip

On the 24 March we organised a trip to watch the England Men's football team against Latvia at Wembley. 28 students across all year groups enjoyed their first trip to the national stadium in London. After expressing an interest, they were chosen based on good behaviour, attitude and attendance.



Thomas Tuchel secured a second successive victory as England head coach with 3-0 win - but it was a slog rather than a thrill ride before they made their superiority count. The pick of the goals, came from Chelsea captain Reece James who celebrated his first England start since September 2022 by curling in a superb free-kick from 20 yards seven minutes before half-time.



England V Latvia Trip

Students were a real credit to the school. Whilst soaking up the pre match atmosphere they were able to walk along the famous 'Wembley Way', have photos next to the Bobby Moore statue and grab a bite to eat. A huge thank you to Mr Copson, Mr Rogers, Ms Pattison and Mr Ward who supported our students such a fantastic opportunity.



Tech She Can

Changing attitudes towards females in science and technology industries has been the main focus of our work with Tech She Can this year. All year 7 students have experienced assemblies to explore the variety of STEM careers, whilst 30 year 7 girls have been selected to participate in a series of workshops, spanning the academic year. The workshops are designed to provide a hands-on experience and exploration of the STEM industry. Students have explored themes such as technology for connectivity, working in space and cyber security. Students have participated in active learning through programming robots and presenting innovative ideas.

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Creative Technology Spring Showcase

On Wednesday 2 April. The Creative Technology Faculty held their Spring Showcase with the aim of allowing students to immerse themselves into the whole experience of taking part in an event, from performing to choreographing to roles backstage. Once again, the students made an amazing account of themselves working closely with all creative technology staff to ensure the event went smoothly. Backstage, we had the collective help of Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12 Media students taking photos, manning the lights and ensuring music was played at the appropriate time for the different acts.

The evening was compered by Mickayla Gawman and Aiva Caulfield and they beautifully introduced the acts with clarity and enthusiasm. The evening opened with the Year 10 drama group followed by a stirring performance by Raisa singing Amy Winehouse's song Back to Black. This was followed by Vocal Vibes, the choir run by Miss Myers performing two songs and then a first-time performance on piano by Kaiden Westhead. After this Year 10s performed a dance routine to Billie Eilish's Wildflower. This was followed by a collaboration between Year 9 band The Spires with experienced guitarist Zoe Boyle on lead guitar. It was only hours earlier that they had worked together to bring this performance to life. Due to illness, Year 10 student, Esmee Grantham stepped in and gave a powerful vocal performance of 'No One But You' from the musical We Will Rock You. The final performance as from the current Year 10 GCSE group, performing a dance routine to the song 'Why Am I So Single' by Jo Foster.

As always, our performers were exemplary in their professionalism and conduct but this was aided by our wonderful backstage team who collectively made this an immersive, real life and enjoyable experience. As a faculty we are immensely proud of every student that took part in the Spring showcase. We look forward to seeing you and others perform and take part in our Summer Showcase and future events.

Foxford Files Podcast: Oracy at Foxford

The Foxford Files Podcast continues to go from strength to strength this term, with our talented Year 7 team leading the way. Created by Year 7, for Year 7, the podcast has become a regular feature of student life – offering news, interviews, fun features, and honest reflections from the people who know Year 7 best: the students themselves.

This term saw a special milestone for the podcast as the team took on their biggest project yet – a whole-school World Book Day episode. Featuring voices from across all year groups, the episode celebrated reading in its many forms, with book recommendations, author shout-outs, and conversations about the stories that have made a lasting impression on our students.

As always, the podcast is fully produced by Year 7 – from planning and scripting, to recording and editing. Their confidence, creativity and teamwork continue to impress, and it's been great to see how the project is helping to build communication skills and bring students together and with more episodes on the way, there's plenty to look forward to.



Mental Health Champions

Eight Year 10 students have had the opportunity to take part in two sessions to become Mental Health Ambassadors.





The programme hosted by the University of Warwick Think Higher team provided insight, support and tips on how to implement mental health support within our school through a variety of interactive workshops and activities.

Year 8 Experience University of Warwick – Subject Taster Day

Twenty eight Year 8 students have had the opportunity to attend the University of Warwick's Academic Subject Taster sessions, where they were able to participate in small workshops that provided an insight into studying at higher education. Subjects included Engineering, Philosophy, Physics, History of Art, Statistics and Drama.

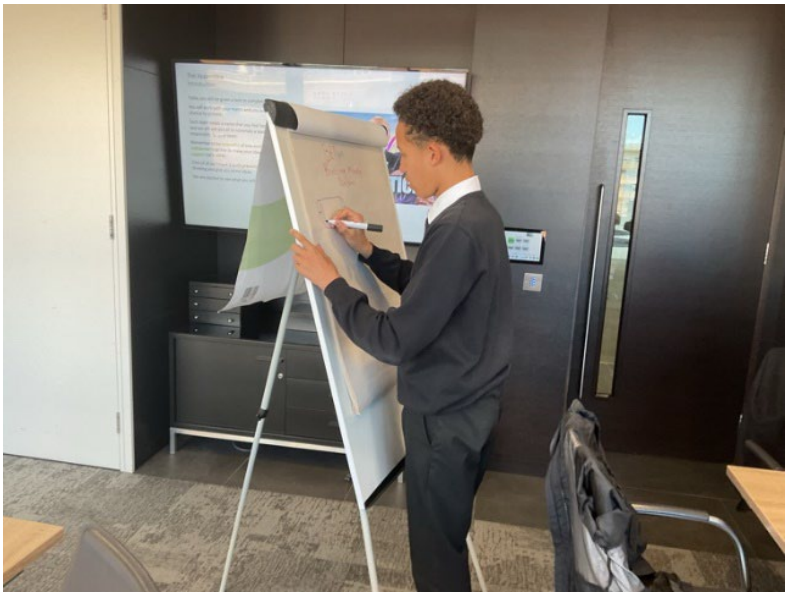






Year 10 Deloitte Workplace Visit

Thirty Year 10 students were able to visit Deloitte offices in Birmingham to learn more about careers in finance and audit. This opportunity, sponsored by Coventry Building Society, provided students the opportunity to speak with current employees within Deloitte, learn more about the different roles available through a careers panel and take part in a Marketing activity designing their own app



Year 10 Brilliant Scholars Club

Thirteen high attaining students in year ten are currently undertaking a 'Scholar's Project' thorough the Brilliant Club. This is an opportunity for these students to take part in weekly seminars with a PhD student from Brunel University which replicates university style learning. The group are researching and creating a project on economic sustainability in plastic manufacturing, which will lead to them each writing a university style essay which will be marked to degree classifications and result in a qualification to be presented in a graduation ceremony at Warwick University. The programme aims to promote and simulate university studying, improve research skills and subject knowledge in a completely new area, foster a love and passion for learning, and has been proven to increase exam results and university uptake.



BAE Roadshow

BAE Roadshow attending Foxford School and delivered a performance showcasing how AI is increasing within our world and the role it plays within different careers. A demonstration was delivered using RoboDog and with audience participation they were able to create a music video using a variety of different AI applications.



Year 10 Experience Warwick

Fourteen Year 10 students got the opportunity to attend University of Warwick 'Student Experience' day where they learnt more about the life of a student at University. They were able to discover more about experiencing university including the accommodations, finance and work opportunities, alongside take part in in a Esports tournament.

Career Insight Panel hosted by Coventry Building Society



Both Year 12 and Year 10 students attending an employer panel hosted by Coventry Building Society which explored careers. This panel focused on career trajectory not always being linear and provided insights for students to hear about different career pathways experienced. They were able to ask questions and learn more about different careers available and how they got there

Careers Fair

All year groups were invited to participate in our annual careers fair. 32 providers ranging from apprenticeships, colleges, universities and local employers attending to speak with our students about the wide range of opportunities available to them in the future.





All students were given a booklet to complete to encourage meaningful conversations and ensure that their time spent in the fair was worthwhile.



Say Yes to Learning Conferences: Building Skills That Matter

This term, students in Years 7, 8 and 9 took part in our Say Yes to Learning conferences, which focused on developing important skills like communication, active listening, and mindset. For Years 7 and 8, the focus was oracy – learning how to speak clearly, listen carefully, and use talk to explore ideas. Students took part in group discussions and practical activities designed to help them express their thoughts, build on others' ideas, and think critically through conversation. These sessions gave students a chance to reflect on how we use talk in the classroom and how it can shape the way we learn.



Year 7 also explored the idea of a growth mindset – the understanding that our abilities can improve with effort and persistence. Through group challenges and personal reflection, students looked at how facing setbacks and learning from mistakes can actually help us grow. The goal was to encourage more confidence and independence in learning, and to help students feel more comfortable taking on challenges.

The conferences were a great opportunity for students to step back, reflect, and develop useful tools they can carry into the classroom – and beyond.





PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2025

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



BURGER KING

From Monday 7th - Sunday 20th April 2025, Kids Eat Free with every adult meal, via the app.

BILLS

Kids eat free Mondays - Fridays, from Monday 7th - Friday 25th April 2025.

FARMHOUSE INNS

2 kids eat FREE with one paying adult, Monday 7th - Friday 25th of April. Sign Up Required

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

ZIZZI

Sunday 6th - Sunday 27th April 2025 kids eat free with every adult main. (excludes Saturdays)

CAFE EIGHTY NINE @ THE RANGE

Kids eat free Sat 5th April - Mon 21st April 2025

YO! SUSHI

Kids eat free all day (monday - friday) during all school holidays, when dining with an adult

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids eat for £1.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 every, with no adult spend.

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day

WHITBREAD INNS

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

PREZZO

Kids receive a free, 3 course kids meal, everyday at Prezzo between 31st March - 27th April 2025

COCONUT TREE

One child (under 10) eats free every day, 12pm - 6pm from Monday 7th – Sunday 27th April 2025

PIZZA HUT

Kids eat free buffet from Monday 7th - Sunday 27th April, until 3pm daily with a £10 spend

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Sun to Weds. All Day Thursdays

MORRISONS

Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend

LAS IGUANAS

Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App

TABLE TABLE

2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend

SA BRAINS PUBS

Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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- **Potential on the day interviews**
- **CV and interview workshops**
- **Work experience opportunities**
- **Interactive sessions using VR technology**

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- **St. Michael's**
  Monday 28 April
  10am-2pm
  St Peter's Church, Hillfields
  Charles Street, Coventry CV1 5NP
  Victoria Street Square
  Hillfields, Coventry CV1 5LZ
- **Foleshill**
  Wednesday 30 April
  10am-2pm
  Mercia Venue
  Lockhurst Lane, Coventry CV6 5PD
- **Longford**
  Saturday 3 May
  10am-2pm
  Foxford School
  Grange Road, Coventry CV6 6BB

Coventry City Council

Visit: coventry.gov.uk/jobfest

Easter Holiday Activity Timetable

COVENTRY FAMILY HUBS

Looking for fun activities to enjoy with your family this Easter?

Coventry Family Hubs are hosting a range of free activities for children of all ages during the school holidays. From crafts and games to outdoor adventures, there's something for everyone!

The FUN & FREE activities include:

- **Baby and Me:** Special sessions for babies (up to 2 years) to explore and develop new skills while parents connect.
- **Pop-up in the Park:** outdoor fun with physical play and games for all the family
- **Spring Time Family Sessions:** enjoy activities such as planting, Easter cooking, minibeast hunting and Spring-themed crafts
- **Go Walks:** Join us to trial our new walks from each of the Family Hubs and get to learn more about your local area.

SCAN FOR FULL TIMETABLES



For more information

Visit **www.coventryfamilies.co.uk**, **scan the QR code** for full timetable details or email **earlyhelp@coventry.gov.uk**

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