

# Weekly Newsletter

# Issue 253: Friday 23rd April 2021

## Message from The Editor, Miss Barker

Welcome back everyone and we hope you had a wonderful Easter break! We are looking forward to an exciting Summer term together which we missed out on last year!

#### **Key Dates for the Summer Term: Week B**

Monday 3rd May

Bank Holiday School Closed

Wednesday 5th May

Year 8 Parents Evening

# **Warblington Virtual Tour**

Since the end of last year Warblington School has had the privilege to work with Enable Ability to create a virtual tour of our school to support our prospective students, parents, carers and staff. It has been an absolutely amazing experience which we have loved being part of and we are so excited to be able to now share this with you all!

Enable Ability work in partnership with disabled children and adults, their families and their carers, to provide a range of high quality, inclusive, professional and confidential services. Please use the links below to find out more about their work:

Enable Ability Website - https://www.enableability.org.uk/

Enable Ability What's It Like? - <a href="https://www.enableability.org.uk/whats-it-like">https://www.enableability.org.uk/whats-it-like</a>

**Warblington Virtual Tour -** Here is the link to view our virtual tour, just click on the school logo and we welcome any feedback! <a href="https://www.whatsitlike.co.uk/">https://www.whatsitlike.co.uk/</a>

Massive thank you must go to Steve, Alex and Paul and the rest of the team who it has been a privilege to work alongside and I can not express how pleased we are with the results! It really

does showcase
Warblington School. We
look forward to
welcoming you on site
soon!

Mrs Gregory, Assistant Headteacher & SENCO





# **Duke of Edinburgh Award**

Year 10 & 11 Students

Provisional dates for day walks/expeditions are:

29-30th May 2021

26-27th June 2021

These dates may change due to COVID restrictions and keeping safe. Please contact Mr Crowe, DofE Manager for further information.



### **Postcode Publications**

Each quarter we feature in the Postcode
Publication however this quarter we were
lucky enough to be picked for a front page
feature too for their Opening Up edition
April 2021. Hard copies are available in
local shops, supermarkets and cafes. View
the latest edition of Postcode Publication
using this link: <a href="https://issuu.com/">https://issuu.com/</a>
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#### **Year 6 Transition**

Congratulations and thank you for confirming your child's place here at Warblington School for September 2021! We are looking forward to starting our Transition process with you and welcoming your child to Warblington!

From Monday 26th April we will be sending out a Transition task each week for your child to complete from personal to subject based to help us to get to know your child better. These tasks will be emailed to you and uploaded to our website on our dedicated Transition page <a href="https://warblingtonschool.co.uk/parents/transition/">https://warblingtonschool.co.uk/parents/transition/</a> which also contains lots of useful information for you and your child. Completed tasks will need to be emailed to our Head of Year 7, Mr Barnard using our dedicated email <a href="mailto:year6@warblingtonschool.co.uk">year6@warblingtonschool.co.uk</a>.

If you have any questions or queries about the process please email the school using the email address above, we are here to support your child as they Transition from Primary to Secondary.

#### **Outdoor Classroom**

Over the Easter holidays a group of staff came in to work on our developing Outdoor Classroom.

A huge thank you to Mrs Phillips, Miss Horne (and her Mum), Mr Davies, Mrs Devine and Ms

Parker. Brilliant work and thank you for giving up your time! Mrs Rason, Science





#### **Tech Block Mural**

As you are aware and can see in the 'Outdoor Classroom' article above, our Art and Sensory Garden and Outdoor Classroom are really starting to take shape. These will be brilliant spaces to learn in. To complement these spaces we would like to create murals on the 8 sections of the tech block wall using paint and spray paint to re-create designs from our students.

We would like ideas and designs to be based around nature, wildlife, flowers, plants, insects and birds and we are looking for 5-10 students per year group to help.

This week students were shown a PowerPoint to explain the challenge and ask them to get involved in this creative project. They were shown a variety of examples of murals from various artists to get their creative ideas flowing and to show them what can be achieved. Some students have already handed in some great ideas as a lockdown homework but they can develop these further if they wish.

The deadline for mural designs is **Friday 21**<sup>st</sup> **May**. Please hand designs into your tutor or any member of the Art Department. Even if your child doesn't want to design part of the mural, they can help with some of the painting, so please ask them to let Mrs Phillips know that they are interested in taking part. Thank you! **Mrs Phillips, Art** 



# **Operation Water The Trees**

Our trees are thriving here at school but with all this sunny weather and little rain, they are very thirsty. Time for operation water the trees to keep these saplings watered. The most common reason young trees die is through not enough water so our Junior Tree Wardens and staff volunteers are ready to help.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support!

Mrs Rason, Science





# **Earth Day Discovery**

Thursday 22nd April was Earth Day and what better way to celebrate than discovering that we have a black bird nesting in one of our trees! The bird decided to choose the safe and welcoming environment our Junior Tree Wardens and staff volunteers have created here at Warblington. It is exciting to see our hard work is drawing wildlife to our school helping them to thrive.



# **Race to Tokyo House Challenge**

Thank you to everyone who sent in miles over the Easter Holidays! You clearly have been out walking, running and cycling which is great to see!

Send your miles to Mr Chaplin via g.chaplin@warblingtonschool.co.uk Walking, running, cycling... short or long distances... every mile counts... keep recording!

The Race to Tokyo Leader Board							
House	Mitchell	Norris	Paxton	Stowe			
Miles Completed	1770	2563.4	2650.7	762.4			



# **This Weeks Top 10 Students for Pride Points**

WELL DONE!

Well done to all of our students for their hard work this week!

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Amelia T	Chloe T	Latisha S	James L G	Scott M
Sophie H	Rose E	Amy P	Thomas W	Aidan L
Matthew W	Callum C	Ledley H	Finley B	Amelia F
Elizabeth S	Charlotte H	Bradley G	Lily S	Charlie C
Mason L	Nellie C	Sophie F	Lewis H	Tilly T
Rosalind S	Evie-May S	Arthur K	Elizabeth C	Betsy P
Evie S B	Lauren C	Rebecca F	Kayleigh G	Katie D
Anelly D	Lucy B	Jack S	Kealy T	Louis P
Adrian D	Irina U	Jessica T	Rosie-May R	Luci G
Summer M	Megan H	Zach H	Archie H	lmi C



#### PE Star of the Week

**Melissa A Year 9** - For always being fantastic in PE and consistently demonstrating a positive attitude to her learning, and that of her peers. Well done!



#### Weduc

As you are aware we are leaving Parent Mail and moving to a new communication and payment system called Weduc. The change will occur in May but you will be given plenty of notice of when and how the changes will be made and your new log in details. Thank you for your patience and we are looking forward to using this new system.

For more information on the benefits of this system and what you can expect, please see the posters later in this newsletter. We will make the transition as easy as possible.

Mr Sharp, Finance Manager

#### **School Lunch Menu**

#### Monday 26th April - Friday 30th April

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Soup	Soup of the day (GF)(DF)(V)(O)	Soup of the day (GF)(DF)(V)(O)	Soup of the day (GF)(DF)(V)(O)	Soup of the day (GF)(DF)(V)(O)	Soup of the day (GF)(DF)(V)(O)		
Main	Hunter's Chicken (DF)(GF)	Cumberland Sausages With Gravy (DF)(GF)	Chicken Korma With Mango Chutney (GF)(O)	Meat Balls served with Tomato Sauce (DF)(O)	Fish Cakes Served with Curry Sauce (O)		
Vegetarian	Cauliflower Steak (DF)(GF)(V)(O)	Vegetarian Sausages With Gravy (DF)(GF(V)	Vegetable Balti (DF)(GF)(V)(O)	Quorn Meat Balls (DF)(GF)(V)(O)	Vegetable Quiche (V)(O)		
Vegetable or Salad	Ratatouille (DF)(GF(V)(O)	Peas and Carrot (DF)(GF)(V)(O)	Curried New Potatoes And Mixed Salad (DF)(GF)(V)(O)	Mixed Salad (DF)(GF)(V)(O)	Mixed Salad (DF)(GF)(V)(O)		
Carbohydrate	Potato Gratin (V)(O)	Mashed Potato (GF)(V)(O)	Spiced Tumeric Rice (DF)(GF)(V)	Pasta and Garlic Bread (V)(O)	Fried Chips (DF)(GF)(V)(O)		
Dessert	Apple Tarte Tatin (V)(O)	Jam Rolypoly Served with Custard () (V)	Rocky Road Gateau (V)(O)	Apple Pie and Sweet Cream (i) (V)(O)	Chocolate and Orange Brownies () (V)(O)		





## **Food Bank Donations**

There is a collection box in Reception for The Beacon Food Bank. If you are able to offer your support, please bring items into Reception or ask your child to drop them off to help those in need in our community. Donation examples:

Coffee - Tea - Sugar - Rice - Pasta - Pasta Sauce Tinned Meals - Tinned Fruit/Veg - Soup - Jam Puddings - Squash - Cereal - Tuna - Biscuits
Long Life Milk - Custard - Cooking Sauces

Mrs Copeman, Home/School Support

# **Milk Bottle Top Collection**

We are collecting milk bottle
tops for the Solent MS
Therapy Centre! Please
collect and bring your bottle
tops into Reception.
Plastic milk bottle tops only.

Thank you for your support!



Help for those living with Multiple Sclerosis



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# Mr Barnard's 2.6 Challenge!

Last year as the London Marathon was postponed due to Lockdown they created the 2.6 challenge to help raise money for the charities that would miss out on vital funding as they didn't have people running for them and raising money. Our staff got involved with this challenge promoted by Dr Lansley. The challenge was to create an activity based around 2.6 or 26 as the London Marathon is 26 miles long. You could run, jog, walk, hula hoop, keepie uppie and more.



I decided to take on this challenge and my chosen activity was cycling. I decided to cycle 26 miles so I got my bike out of the shed which I hadn't used in 2 years and cleaned and serviced it ready for my challenge. I completed 10 miles a day for 3 days completing the 26 mile challenge and I decided to push myself further and complete 26 10 mile bike rides!

There were some bumps in my challenge which included falling off my bike and having to recover however this didn't stop me and I completed the challenge and kept pushing myself further. To keep up my fitness with the leisure centres were closed I continued cycling as I had really got back into the activity. Since my initial 10 mile bike ride:



I have cycled the equivalent distance from Warblington School to John O'Groats, in northern Scotland. I am currently just south of Edinburgh in Scotland on my way back (1611.69 km / 1007.3 miles).

I have climbed the equivalent height of 1.88 times the height of Mount Everest on my bike (16634m).

I cycled for 69 hours and 33 minutes in total, travelling at an average speed of about 14.5 mph.

I watched my local countryside change over a 6 month period and used roads and visited areas new to me even though they were local to where I live.



#### What has the challenge taught me?

To achieve anything worthwhile requires sustained effort over a long period of time especially if you want to reach the targets you set yourself.

There may be times where the going gets a little difficult and progress slows down and it may even hurt, however as long as you keep moving forward you will overcome these difficult times.

Be prepared to change your end goal, re-evaluate as you go along and set new goals and targets as you reach them.

Try something new, get outside and enjoy the area around you. Mr Barnard, Head of Year 7

# Warblington School History 1959 Inspection

Her Majesty Inspectors arrived on the 5th May 1959 to carry out Warblington County Secondary School's first full inspection. There were 938 pupils on roll, over 300 more than planned when the school opened. The four inspectors spent four full days in school, observing all aspects of school life. The inspectors were greatly impressed with the school and the teachers. They described the Headteacher's ability to manage the timetable and limited accommodation as 'genius'. They praised the dedication of the staff, and their generosity giving up their time to voluntarily run clubs and sports after school, especially with some students staying until 6:00pm. They concluded that Warblington School had more than its fair share of outstanding teachers.

Every department was scrutinised and the teaching observed. They found the staffing was very stable with few teachers leaving. Teachers were relatively young, with more than half under 30 years of age. English was outstandingly led and it received special praise for running a course in handwriting with the Art department for Year 7s, for its reading schemes and for encouraging free writing. Some forms even produced their own class magazine.

Science was taught in two labs but every student got at least two periods a week. There were a wide range of animals, plants, insects, birds and fish kept in the labs, partially supplied by the Rural Science Studies Group and the extremely popular Science, Rabbit and Microscopy Clubs. The inspectors praised the Science staff for believing that the teaching of scientific principles was more important than the accumulation of facts. They identified this as contributing to the high GCE pass rate.

Other departments were singled out for special recognition. PE was recognised for its 'devoted generous staff' who ran sport, swimming and athletics' clubs, the prefects' ballroom dancing classes as well as numerous outings to watch national and international matches in Hockey, Cricket, Netball and Football. The Art department was celebrated for working well as a team and its influence permeated through the whole school. The Rural Studies teacher was highly skilled and did an admirable job.

The inspection did highlight that the lack of space was hampering the development of Needlework and Handicraft (Metalwork and Woodwork) while Geography and Housecraft (Catering) lacked resources. There was much praise for the school's after school clubs, including Film, Chess and Maths and the school production of 'The Insect Play', was the best school play ever seen by the reviewers.

The chief inspector concluded his report saying, '11 terms since the school opened, Warblington is a very good school – a remarkable achievement.' Mrs Rason, Warblington Historian

# **Cosmos Engagement Webinar**

I am pleased to let you know that we are running a range of Cosmos Engagement Webinars across the first half of the summer term designed for students in Years 9 - 13 and those studying Level 2 & 3 vocational courses and apprenticeships. We will be running two webinars each week, one from 8:30am and one in the afternoon for students to tune into after school or college starting at various times. Please see full schedule below:

#### **Managing Your Time**

Wednesday 28 April, 8:30am – 9:00am Thursday 29 April, 4:00pm – 4:45pm

#### Memory & Distractibility

Tuesday 4 May, 8:30am – 9:00am Wednesday 5 May, 4:30pm – 5:15pm

#### **Next Steps & Decision Making**

Monday 10 May, 8:30am – 9:00am Thursday 13 May, 3:30pm – 4:15pm

# The Art of Making a Good First Impression

Tuesday 18 May, 4:00pm – 4:45pm Thursday 20 May, 8:30am – 9:00am

#### **Confidence & Resilience**

Tuesday 25 May, 8:30am – 9:00am Wednesday 26 May, 4:30pm – 5:15pm

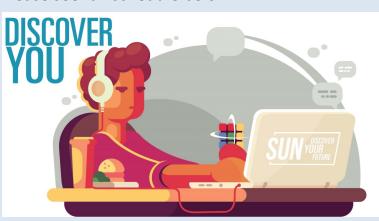
The sessions will be delivered by SUN staff who have been trained by Cosmos Engagement on a range of programmes and workshops.

Use this link to sign up!

https://www.sunoutreach.org/events/cosmos-engagement-webinars/

**SUN - Southern Universities Network** 









## **Summer Career Experiences in London**



As COVID restrictions wind down, we are busy preparing to give students some truly unique in-person summer experiences in 12 of the world's most exciting careers: try hacking a Tesla with cyber experts; attend a sports psychology session at Chelsea FC; or even trade the markets with bankers at the top of an iconic London skyscraper.

Click here for more information and to register a student age 12-14

Click here for more information and to register a student age 15-18

Big names; exciting, interactive experiences; exclusive insider access. Our work experience programmes are unparalleled. Highlights include:

Architecture: Draw a building in a design studio

Computer Science: Hack a Tesla car alongside cyber experts

**Dentistry**: Experience emergency dentistry

Engineering: Dismantle a 'supercar' engine with F1 engineers

Entrepreneurship: Pitch a business plan to top CEOs

Filmmaking: Direct actors on a film set and present at a film festival

**Investment Banking:** Trade the markets in a City skyscraper

Law: Advocate for human rights in the Supreme Court Medicine: Practise suturing in a London teaching hospital Politics: Attend a reception with MPs in Westminster

**Psychology**: Experience a sport psychology session at Chelsea FC **Veterinary Medicine**: Try horse rehabilitation with top equine vets



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# The Careers and Apprenticeship Show

Register now at: www.CAS2021.vfairs.com



# Online Event May 2021

Join us from your classroom or home to support your year 10-13 pupils/students to learn about careers, apprenticeships and training opportunities.

- Attend talks from inspiring employers in real time.
- Navigate the virtual platform to explore career options.
- Talk to employers electronically through their booth displays.
- Parents/carers can explore the event in the evening with their young people.

Free to attend and designed to inspire young people to think about their options after school/college. It will help you achieve two-way interaction with employers during the coronavirus pandemic.

Schools/colleges, young people and parents can register now!

































National Citizen Service (NCS) is an opportunity that helps 16-17 year olds build skills for work and life, embark on new challenges, meet new people and contribute to your local community.

#### NCS SUMMER

We'll help them realise that big, exciting things can come from feeling a little bit overwhelmed! We want them to know how incredible they are and show the world and themselves, exactly what they're made of!

NCS can boost their CVs, college applications and UCAS statements, showing that they have a wider range of skills and experience.

#### WHAT IS IT?

The NCS programme is an outlet for your teenager to come out of their comfort zone and take on new challenges. Your teen will have the chance to stay away from home\* and learn new skills to increase their independance.

#### WHY ARE WE TELLING YOU THIS?

NCS will be presenting to your teen to let them know what NCS is all about and give them the opportunity to take part in this life changing programme.



Visit <u>www.wearencs.com</u> for more information. Full information has also been emailed to parents and carers.

# Access all of your child's school information from your secure, mobile app

View live updates about your child's education such as:

- School News
- Trip Updates
- Learning Activities
- Important Announcements
- Key Dates & Events
- Attendance Information

Never miss a moment in your child's learning journey with Weduc's whole-school communication platform.

# **FAO**



W How do I register for my app?

You will need to follow the instructions sent to you via email/letter. If you haven't received this email/letter yet, speak to your school.

W How do I download the app?

You can go to your preferred app store, search Weduc and the app will appear for you to download. Please note that you will only be able to log in if your school has bought Weduc.

Simply open up your app and enter your login details. You would have created these when you first registered for Weduc.

I am not able to download the app, how else can I log in?

You can access Weduc on any internet enabled device. Speak to your school.

Can I use Weduc without registering?
Unfortunately not. Due to the permissions within the system, only staff members that

have enrolled are able to log on.

I am a teacher and a parent and/or I teach at more than one school, do I need multiple logins?

The good news is, no you don't. Weduc has the ability to allow more than one school to be accessible under one login. As long as your school has set up the right access rights for you, you will be able to flick between each school within Weduc. Please see the training manual on how to do this if you are unsure.







Visit

weduc.co.uk/mobile-app







Please note, you will need to register before you can use the app. Speak to your school to get your enrolment details. Dashboard

See a snapshot of upcoming events, important notices, unread messages and much more...

Newsfeed

Your very own social media-style community that allows you to see information and photos from within

Calendar

View the schools calendar and how it affects you and your child.

Notices

See all the schools important updates separate for quick and easy reminders.

**Forms** 

No more paper forms, quizzes and surveys. Simply fill out online and rest assured that the school has your response instantly.

Digital Library

View files shared with you by the school and it's teachers.

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The Hub

One Login, One Location. Easily view all other systems the school uses and helpful links from one place.

Parent Portal

View all information on your child's attendance and behaviour in school, report absences in advance without needing to call, access to your child's timetable and instant messaging to teachers.

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# Squash Coaching with The Avenue

# Become a 'Hampshire Squash Star'

Learn a new sport combining racket skills, agility, speed and co-ordination in a 6 week Junior Squash course starting the week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> April at The Avenue Lawn Tennis Squash and Fitness Club Located in Southleigh Road, Warblington.

Tuesdays and Thursday's after school from 4:00pm-5:00pm for beginners and 5:00pm-6:00pm for improvers.

Our coaches Mike Philips and Jonathan Grahame are fully DBS checked and England Squash Level 3 coaches.

#### **COME & TRY SQUASH AT THE AVENUE**



#### **Group Coaching – Juniors**

Junior group coaching starts on Tuesday 20th with Mike and Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> April with Jonathan for beginners and improvers. Junior courses are run in 6-week blocks in groups of no more than 6 children.

Tuesday 4-5pm Beginners – 6 Week Term April 20<sup>th</sup> – May 25<sup>th</sup> Coach Mike Tuesday 5-6pm Improvers – 6 Week Term April 20<sup>th</sup> – May 25<sup>th</sup> Coach Mike

Thursday 4-5pm Beginners - 6 Week Term April 22<sup>nd</sup> — May 27<sup>th</sup> Coach Jonathan Thursday 5-6pm Improvers — 6 Week Term April 22<sup>nd</sup> — May 27<sup>th</sup> Coach Jonathan

Junior coaching £36.00 members £42.00 Non-members for a 6-week term.

#### 'New' Mini Squash Stars

Saturday 10-10.45am Mini Squash Stars for children aged 3-6, 5 Week Term April 24<sup>th</sup> – May 22<sup>nd</sup> Coach Mike introductory offer just £15 for 5 weeks.

All squash junior group coaching is booked through the club office.





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For more information please contact Justine in the Club office on 02392 482750 or email office@avenueltsc.co.uk

We look forward to meeting you!









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