

Sixth Form News

Community Service and Volunteering

All sixth form students have been involved in community service activities again this term as part of their enrichment curriculum. Students have volunteered their help in a variety of areas; from the Library's Paired Reading Scheme to assisting in drama, gym and dance clubs. A big thank you to all Post-16 students who have given up their time so readily – you really do make a difference. For the first time this year we also have students from Year 13 actively volunteering within the wider community assisting at the Myton Hospice and RSPCA charity shops.

Rounders and BBQ

September saw the third annual Sixth Form BBQ and rounders tournament. Once again it proved an extremely popular event with teams from Year 11, 12, 13 and staff pitted against each other in a fiercely fought competition. 'Closet' rounders players came sneaking out to grab a hot dog and hit a few balls. The event was a great success despite as always some serious bending of the rules by the staff! Our thanks to Mr Roberts for his tremendous efforts with the catering, Mrs Bagley for some fabulous comedy moments in the field of play and to Mr Pateman and Emily Clews (Year 13) for upholding the rules and spirit of the tournament.

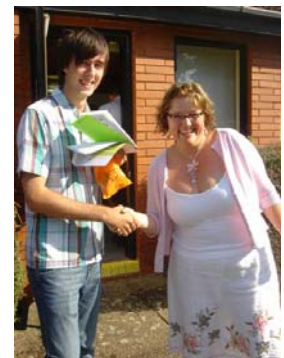


Strictly Sixth Form

Impressive numbers of sixth form students involved themselves in the recent Westwood Strictly Come Dancing charity event. Students became choreographers, dancers, photographers and stage hands to contribute to an impressive afternoon of entertainment. An amazing effort once again by all involved...you did us proud!

Sixth Form and Year 11 Success

We were delighted with the 96% pass rate at A2 level this Summer. All students in Year 13 gained the results required to access their chosen University courses. Selected pathways included...Teaching, Computer Science, Accounting and Finance, Geography, Art and Design and Theatre Studies. Students secured places at a range of Universities including; Coventry, Warwick, Liverpool and Leicester De Montfort. Those students who have kept in touch are already enjoying the challenges of university life!



Growing Numbers

This September saw large numbers of students joining the sixth form at Westwood. We welcomed 35 new students into Year 12 to study a whole range of subjects. The sixth form is a very busy and industrious place to be. Alongside their academic studies students have an active and highly valued role within the wider life of the school. We look forward to seeing all our new Year 12 students achieving their goals in the future.

Ms S Hodge - Director of Post-16

Post 16 News

The Final Hurdle

Year 13 students have now completed their final A2 examinations and face the long wait for results day. Whilst most have secured offers of places at Universities, one or two have chosen to take a Gap Year in which to experience the world of work before continuing on their academic route. Future pathways chosen include primary teaching, business, computer science, geography and sound engineering. We would like to wish all Year 13 leavers the best of luck in their chosen career. We hope to hear great things about them in the future!

Sixth Formers Lead the Way

Year 12 students following the Community Sports Leader Award as part of their enrichment curriculum have been putting their skills to the test. Working with our SSCO Stuart Davoile they have been helping to referee, score and umpire at a series of sporting events. These have included The West Partnership Mini Tennis Finals, The Coventry Schools Swimming Gala and also students organised and delivered a 5 week fitness programme for Our Lady of Assumption pupils. Congratulations go to Emily Clews, Bridget Roberts, Mark Withers and Josh Dickson for being such positive sporting role models.

Aiming High

45 students from Year 11 have been offered places in the sixth form to continue their studies at Westwood in 2008/2009. A wide range of AS subjects have been accommodated from English, Maths and Biology to Theatre Studies, Psychology and Media with some students choosing to study BTEC First Diplomas and BTEC National Diplomas. We look forward to meeting with students on GCSE Results Day and again on Post 16 Enrolment Day.

Step into Sixth Form

After the resounding success of "Step Into Sixth Form", Year 11 students planning to come into the sixth form in September have been invited to come into school and take part in a series of workshops. The focus of the day is to look at the skills and qualities necessary to be a successful sixth former. Workshops will be run by visitors from Aimhigher and Westwood staff. It is hoped that there will be valuable input from current members of Year 12 during the day to help give the "inside picture".