



# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 8TH MARCH 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. It has been an amazing week at Higham Lane School, filled with exciting events and outstanding achievements by our students. Here are some highlights:

## **National Careers Week:**

This week marked National Careers Week and the school was buzzing with activities aimed at inspiring and guiding our students towards their future careers. It has been an incredible opportunity for them to explore various paths and possibilities. Thank you to all of the staff who have contributed to putting together these activities.

## **World Book Day Celebrations:**

Thursday, 7th March was World Book Day and we celebrated with a range of delightful activities. From decorating form doors to engaging in "Around the World in 80" read booklets and quizzes, our students truly immersed themselves in the joy of reading. Thank you to our wonderful students and staff for all of their contributions.

## **Nuneaton & Bedworth Sports Forum 50th Anniversary:**

We were honoured to witness the success of some of our past and present students at the Nuneaton & Bedworth Sports Forum 50th Anniversary dinner. Mia, Alice and Lana won prestigious awards for their outstanding achievements in sports. Congratulations to Mia, who earned the Junior Sports Development Scholarship, Alice, recipient of the Junior Volunteer Award and Lana, who secured the coveted Junior Sports Personality of the Year Award.

## **New Praise and Behaviour Policy:**

We are excited to announce the upcoming launch of our new praise and behaviour policy. Staff training is scheduled for Monday 8th April 2024. We will be in touch with parents soon to discuss the changes and we will be speaking to students including assemblies so that everyone understands the new policy. There will be significant improvements to our praise system to further reward and incentivise students to 'be the best that they can be'. The policy is underpinned by 3 principles of 'Work hard, be kind and take responsibility'. In terms of sanctions, there will also be some significant changes and clarification to make the policy clearer and easier to follow.

### **ClassCharts Reminder:**

As we approach the launch of the new behaviour policy, we remind parents of the importance of signing up to ClassCharts. This platform allows easy tracking of your child's data and will be our primary method of communication regarding the new praise and behaviour policy. If you have any questions about logging into ClassCharts, please contact the school and we will be happy to assist.

### **Aspire Talk:**

Students joined us on Thursday 14th March in Coombe Hall from 3:15 pm for an Aspire Talk by Lauren Gregory, an ultra-marathon runner, personal trainer and fitness coach. It was an inspiring session for our students as part of our wonderful Aspire programme to encourage our students to reach for the stars.

### **Student Achievements:**

Congratulations to Ameerah and Nadiya for their outstanding performance at the international Squash tournament in Hamburg. Special mention to Deena in Y12 for winning a place on the World of Words residential at Cambridge University and being selected as a finalist in an essay competition at Northeastern University London. Best of luck to Jacson in Y8 participating in the English School Swimming Association competition this weekend.

### **Higham Mini Marathon:**

The Higham Mini Marathon is less than two weeks away, scheduled for the 18th March 2024. We encourage students to sign up and be a part of this exciting event.

Thank you all for your omnipresent support. Have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes



Michael Gannon  
Headteacher



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## **Year 11 Student Progress Evening - Thursday 21st March. 3pm - 8pm.**

These will be online video appointments. Please see details on how to book appointments in letter emailed home on Wednesday 6th March. Booking opens: Wednesday 13th March 6pm.

**School will close at 2.15pm on Thursday 21st March due to Year 11 Student Progress Evening.**

### **Dates for your diary**

**Wednesday 13th March - All Year 8 HPV Vaccinations /  
Year 12 Rugby School Trip**

**Thursday 21st March - Year 11 Student Progress Evening 2 - online**

**Monday 25th March - EASTER HOLIDAY BEGINS**

**Friday 5th April - EASTER HOLIDAY ENDS**

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## Supported Internship Event

We would like to invite you to attend a special event on Thursday 14 March 2024, 3pm to 7pm at Eliot Park Innovation Centre, Nuneaton to learn more about supported internships in Warwickshire.

Supported internships are work-based study programmes for young people, aged 16 to 24, who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and want to move into employment, but need some extra support.

### This free event will offer a unique opportunity to:

- Learn about the new guidance developed by Warwickshire County Council to improve information available for young people, their parents and carers and businesses and colleges about supported internships, the benefits and what is involved
- Hear real stories of successful supported internships from previous interns and business hosts
- Find out where to access information about supported internships on Warwickshire's Local Offer pages
- Gain valuable information and network with partner agencies including local colleges, Warwickshire Skills Hub and more.

### Who should attend

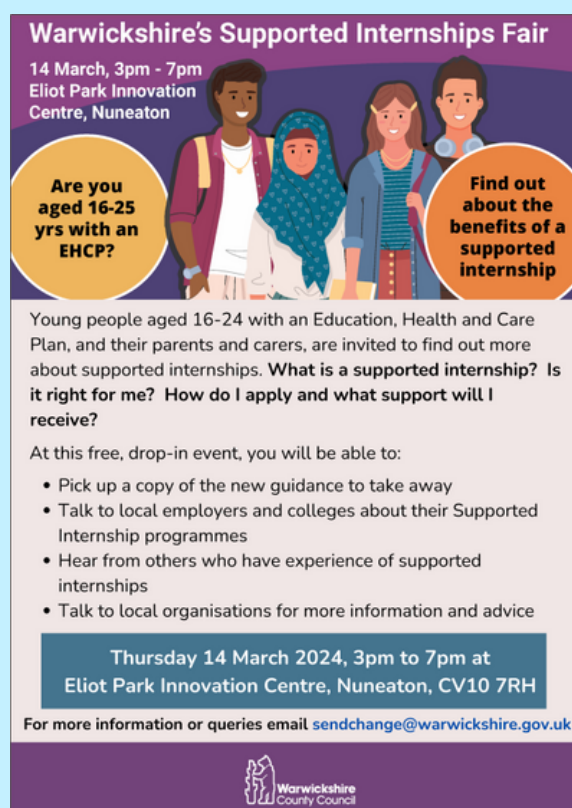
- Headteachers/principals, SENCOs and career leads from education settings in Warwickshire
- Young people aged 16-24 years with an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
- Parents and carers of young people aged 16-24 years with an EHCP
- Local businesses that are interested in hosting supported internships

### When and where

The drop-in event will take place on Thursday 14 March 2024, from 3pm to 7pm at the Eliot Park Innovation Centre, Nuneaton, Warwickshire, CV10 7RH. Light refreshments will be provided.

The event will be held on the ground floor and is fully accessible. There will also be a designated quiet space, for anyone who may need time away from the main area.

There is no need to book as this is a drop-in event, however if you have any queries or would like any further information, please email [sendchange@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:sendchange@warwickshire.gov.uk).



**Warwickshire's Supported Internships Fair**  
14 March, 3pm - 7pm  
Eliot Park Innovation Centre, Nuneaton

Are you aged 16-25 yrs with an EHCP?

Find out about the benefits of a supported internship

Young people aged 16-24 with an Education, Health and Care Plan, and their parents and carers, are invited to find out more about supported internships. **What is a supported internship? Is it right for me? How do I apply and what support will I receive?**

At this free, drop-in event, you will be able to:

- Pick up a copy of the new guidance to take away
- Talk to local employers and colleges about their Supported Internship programmes
- Hear from others who have experience of supported internships
- Talk to local organisations for more information and advice

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