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Dates For Your Diary

Monday 21 September	⇒	Start of Adult Education Classes
Friday 25 September	⇒	Year 10 Work Experience Assembly
Tuesday 29 September	⇒	HPV Immunisations
Monday 5 October	⇒	Year 9 B Half Deadline for D&T IPL Assignment
Wednesday 7 October	⇒	Parents' Forum Meeting
Thursday 8 October	⇒	Year 13 Parents' Evening
Monday 12 October	⇒	Year 9 A and B Half Deadline for English IPL Assignment
Thursday 22 October	⇒	Prospective Year 9 Parents' Evening

A Good Start

The term has started extremely well and our students are looking very smart. You would be very proud of your sons and daughters if you could see the way they are dressed in their lessons and assemblies. We are also delighted with the way the new Year 9 are settling into Wolgarston. The Sixth Form gets under way this week following enrolment interviews and I am pleased that we will have well over 200 students, with large numbers opting for English, Maths and the Sciences at A Level.



Physics is alive and kicking at Wolgarston! Despite reports in the press that Physics is a dying subject, 38 Year 12 students have enrolled for the AS class here (pictured left). Added to the 18 Year 13 students who are continuing onto A2 level, that makes around a quarter of our Sixth Form

who think Physics is the way to go! Looking at our Science results from the summer, they chose well.

Sixth Form Adventures



High wire, 50/50, trapeze, canoeing and initiative exercises (amongst other things) was how six staff and seventy five pupils from Wolgarston chose to spend the last weekend of their summer holidays. This popular trip saw some current and prospective members of the Sixth Form trying their hand at a range of new tasks and skills in the outdoor environment of a PGL activity centre in Shrewsbury. Plenty of stories of adventure, one cricked neck and many happy moments later saw the trip return tired, but not beaten on Sunday night. This



was the third trip to the same centre by the sixth form and the staff at the centre described the Wolgarston pupils as "awesome".

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Parents' Forum

The next Parents' forum meeting will be held on Wednesday 7 October at 1900hrs in the Library. If anybody who is not already a member would like to join to help Wolgarston develop over the next few years please email Nikki Hastings-Smith on n-hastings-smith@wolgarston.staffs.sch.uk



Lifelong Learning

The following Adult Education classes will start week commencing 21 September 2009 at Brewood CE (C) Middle School.

Monday

- Yoga for Health and Well-being 0915 - 1045hrs £25.88 for the first 5 weeks. This will be followed by another 5 weeks.
- Computing for beginners or to refresh 1330 - 1500hrs £25.88 for 5 weeks. Followed by an introduction to Internet and email for 5 weeks at £25.88

Wednesday

- Yoga for Health and Well-being 0915 - 1045hrs £51.75 for 10 weeks

Thursday

- Trace Your Family Tree* 1330 - 1500hrs £31.05 for 6 weeks
- Upholstery 1930 - 2130hrs £69.00 for 10 weeks
- Make Flyers, Celebration Cards, Tickets and lots more with Desk Top Publishing 1900 - 2100hrs £34.50 for 5 weeks

The course guides, giving full details of all the courses we offer, including classes at Wolgarston High School are available from your local libraries. For further information please 'phone Kathy Parkin on 01785 788407.

*Starts 5 October 2009



Good Luck Ashley!

Best of luck to Ashley Morris (11PY/PJA) who is competing in the final round of the British Under 15 Speedway Championships at Workington on Saturday 19 September. He is currently joint leader as he goes into the final round. We look forward to reporting on his success.

Medical Information

If your son/daughter has a medical condition, please contact Family and Student Services on 01785 788414 to ensure that our information is current and up to date.

Also, please return the consent form for your daughter to have the HPV injection (protection against cervical cancer). The vaccination is given in three doses, with the first one being on the 29 September.

The Late Bus

The late bus will be running again this year on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The bus is free for those students taking part in after school activities and classes. Tickets do need to be obtained from Student Reception and given to the bus driver when the bus leaves at 1700^{hrs}.

Data Forms

Data collection forms have been sent home today for you to update your details. Please complete these as soon as possible and return to Student Reception.

School Photographs

On the first day of term, as part of the induction day, all our students in Years 9 to 11 were individually photographed for our records. Proofs have been sent home with students and if you wish to purchase copies, please ensure your order is returned to Student Reception with the payment no later than Friday 25 September so we can place the order.

ALSO AVAILABLE IN LARGE PRINT - PLEASE CONTACT SCHOOL OFFICE

Don't forget if you want to see the photos from the SNU in colour, log onto our website at

www.wolgarston.staffs.sch.uk

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