

NOVEMBER 2019 EDITION 1 NEWSLETTER





"The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing"

Walt Disney

WELCOME



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you had a good half term. Over the holidays we have been continuing to work hard to resolve our ICT issues. I am delighted to inform you that we have now received the vast majority of our equipment which includes class desktops, learner and staff laptops and iPads as well as specialist music technology and photography equipment.

Last night we held our first extended schools open event. From next week the "Thursday Night Club" opens to Quest Learners from Years 3-7. If you have not yet returned the paperwork and your child would like to attend please ensure that the paperwork is returned to school by Wednesday 13th November.

I look forward to seeing families next Thursday when you drop off your child to the club or simply drop by for a chat and a coffee.

Kind regards,

Nicola Wells.

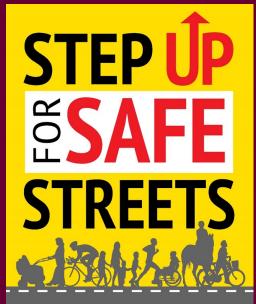
WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE OUR THE STUDENT COUNCIL THIS YEAR IS:

Class Name	Pupil Name
Helen Keller	Jacoby
Rosa Parks	AJ
Albert Einstein	Blake
Shakespeare	Shannon
JK Rowling	Summer
Winston Churchill	Rylan
George Eliot	Lewis
Gandhi	Daniel
Lewis Hamilton	Andrew
Dalai Lama	Jarvis

We are also looking to appoint Equality Champions in the school, which will consist of 2 lower learners and 2 upper learners. Their role will be to support equality throughout the school.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

18th – 24th November 2019



Learners in Key Stage 2 and 3 Road Safety Week will take part in a range of events throughout the week including the BEEP BEEP week on Wednesday 20th November.

Zoo LAB will also run a workshop on Friday 22nd November linked to road safety



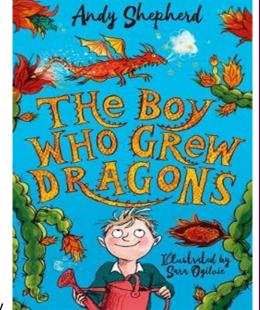
1 Book of the Week

The Boy Who Grew Dragons

Andy Shepherd (author), Sara Ogilvie (illustrator)

When Tomas discovers a strange old tree at the bottom of his grandad's garden, he doesn't think much of it. But he takes the funny fruit from the tree back into the house - and gets the shock and delight of his life when a tiny dragon hatches!

The tree is a dragonfruit tree, and Tomas has got his very own dragon, Flicker.



Tomas soon finds out that life with Flicker is great fun, but also very ... unpredictable. Yes, dragons are wonderful, but they also set fire to your toothbrush and leave your pants hanging from the TV aerial.

Tomas has to learn how to look after Flicker - and quickly. And then something extraordinary happens - more dragonfruits appear on the tree. Tomas is officially growing dragons... The first book in a sparky and utterly enchanting new series.

POST 16 OPEN EVENTS



In establishing our academy within a new local community, leaders have swiftly developed relationships and links with Warwickshire College Group (WCG) that includes Learnington College, Moreton Morrell College and our nearest; Rugby College.

In preparing our learners for life after Quest Academy with Year 11 being their last year, we are working closely with transition staff from WCG to identify opportunities for Post 16 choices and time here will include interviews, taster days, experiential learning and trips and visits. All of this will be designed to allow our learners to make an informed decision about their potential next steps and we are very pleased to be working so closely with local colleges in this way. Should you wish to see for yourself the breadth of provision, facilities, support mechanisms and differences that a college has to offer, then please consider the enclosed list of Open Events as a starting point on this exciting next stage of your child's educational journey.

For more information about each college please go to their website as some open days provide taster sessions and therefore places need to be booked.



North Warwickshire and South Leicestershire College Hinckley Campus

NORTH WARWICKSHIRE & SOUTH LEICESTERSHIRE COLLEGE Tuesday 26th November 5.00pm-8.00pm

https://www.nwslc.ac.uk/events-category/open-evenings/



Hereward College

http://www.hereward.ac.uk/event/open-day-20th-november/



WCG
- Warwickshire College Open day, Morton Morrell College
Saturday 16th November / Saturday 7th December 2019 10am- 13:00

https://www.ucas.com/events/warwickshire-college-group-moreton-morrell-open-day-347186

- Warwickshire College Open day, Leamington Spa

Tuesday 12th November 5.30-8:00 / Saturday 7th December 2019 10am -13:00 https://www.evensi.uk/open-event-at-royal-leamington-spa-college-november-2019/336804472

- Warwickshire College, Rugby

Wednesday 13th November 5.30-8.00

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/open-event-at-rugby-college-november-2019-tickets-71643939953

ANTI BULLYING WEEK

This year's Anti-Bullying Week has the theme "Change Starts with Us" and is happening from Monday 11th November - Friday 15th November 2019.

Learners will take part in a range of activities to help them understand the impact bullying can have and how making small changes can make a big difference.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2019

11th -15th November



12th November



We are supporting Children in Need this year, on Friday 15th November 2019.

We would like to invite staff and pupils to wear yellow to celebrate the event.



Stevie in Year 10 has been supporting our younger pupils in Albert Einstein for one afternoon and a morning this week. He has been an incredible role model to our learners and has supported in every way from reading, to supporting Maths work and supporting socially and emotionally. I hope he continues this fantastic attitude.

James Horne



JOB VACANCY

TEACHING ASSISTANT

FTE Salary £16,648.03 - £20,289.79

Actual Salary £13,071.43 - £15,930.81

Term-Time only, 35 hours per week.

WE ARE LOOKING TO APPOINT SOMEONE WHO:

- Has a passion for making a difference and is willing to go to the extra mile.
- Has a compassionate approach.
- Is an exceptional administrator.
- Is ambitious for the future on pupils behalf.
- Understands the importance of working together with stakeholders.
- Shares the same vision and values as the school.
- Views change as an opportunity to build upon the school's current successes.
- Is innovative and willing to try out new ideas.
- Has high expectations of themselves and others.

THE ROLE

Reporting to the Class Teacher or in their absence the Higher Level Teaching Assistant you will be responsible for the support and delivery of teaching and learning at key stages 2, 3, 4 and post 16. You will model best practice and provide effective communication surrounding lesson requirements.

You will also work closely with internal and external stakeholders to successfully contribute to the delivery of the vision, ethos, aims and objectives of the academy; in turn, enabling successful learning and achievement by young people and sustained improvement in their spiritual, moral, social, cultural, mental and physical well-being in preparation for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of adult life.

Previous experience is not required to apply for this role, however, you must be an effective, confident communicator and able to keep accurate records such as the recording of learning outcomes with excellent attention to detail. You will demonstrate an approach of facilitation and reflective practice within the role.

MacIntyre Academies Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. All positions will require an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check and registration with the DBS Update Service together with all other relevant recruitment checks including obtaining references.

HOW TO APPLY

Full details of this vacancy can be found on the school's website:

www.thequestacademy.org or email quest.office@macintyreacademies.org



TERM DATES FOR 2019 - 20:

Autumn Term 2

Thursday 7th November - Friday 20th December

Thursday 12th December - Parents Afternoon 4-6pm

Christmas Holiday

Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January

Spring Term 1- Monday 6th January - Friday 14th February

February Half Term- Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February

Spring Term 2 – Monday 24th February - Friday 3rd April



The early May bank holiday in 2020 will move from Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day.

Warwickshire school term dates have been updated to reflect this, with Monday 4 May 2020 now designated a normal school day.

Quest Contact details

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How to contact members of staff:

Please contact Reception if you would like to speak with a member of staff. You will either be transferred or reception will e-mail the member of staff to let them know that you have called.

Reporting pupil absence and lateness:

If your child is absent for more than 7 days you will need to provide a doctors certificate. If we do not receive a doctors note and have not seen your child we will have no alternative

Please can we remind parent/carers to call school on 01788 593 112, before 9am if your child may be late or is unwell.

