

Warmley Park School and College

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In preparation for the full return to school from the 28th September, we are reviewing our risk assessment and guidance for staff. We have implemented a range of signposting to support the bubble system which is working well. Pupils who have friends in different bubbles have been able to contact them via Microsoft Teams to check in with them. Playtimes and lunchtimes are coordinated so that the bubbles stay separate.



We have put a number of measures in place to keep the school and college clean and protect pupils and staff. Currently there are 4 full time cleaners working all day, every day. We also have Health and Safety Leads who oversee the distribution of PPE and cleaning products.



Pupils are learning about how to keep themselves safe during the pandemic. As part of our Recovery Curriculum, pupils are identifying ways to express their emotions using Colour Monsters. They have also been working on what they are looking forward to in the next year.

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Early Years News

The start of the new academic year has brought some really exciting developments in Early Years; our brand new building has opened, and we have a new class called Ladybirds. The new building comprises a large, open plan teaching space with an adjoining sensory and therapy room. Outside, there is a lovely outdoors learning area and orchard. We have been delighted to welcome seven new children into Ladybird Class; all of whom are settling in well and enjoying their new environment.

Elsewhere in Early Years, Oregon Class have been reconnecting with one another through a range of fun, sensory play activities based on different stories, including 'The Lion Inside'. Here are some photos of our 'roarsome' Early Years children in action...



Welcome Back Primary Parents and Pupils!

We have had a great start to the new term. Pupils are settling well to the new school routines and are enjoying being back in school with their friends. I know the staff are happy to be back teaching students in the classroom rather than virtually!

The Primary Pupils are getting stuck into the Recovery Curriculum which is designed to support children returning to school. Classes have been sharing the story of The Colour Monster, which links emotions to colours. I would like to extend a warm welcome to those new pupils starting Warmley Park in the Primary Department this week. I am sure you will love it here, we are one big family!

Finally, just to remind you that we are here to support you and your child. If you need to discuss any needs or issues please don't hesitate to contact us through your class teacher or myself.

Thank you for all your support during this difficult time!

*Emma Saunders
Head of Primary*



Secondary Department News

What a great start to the new term! I have been so impressed with how mature everyone has been about our new rules and routines. I know that pupils in Chive class have been grilling Ellie about health and safety issues and are looking at ways to make sure the primary children are kept safe in school, as that was a concern for them.

We have been learning new ways of coming together as a department. For example, we have been using Teams video calls for the secondary assembly and the classes have been playing Kahoot against each other online. Great fun!!



Welcome to our new pupils Ella, Courtney and Alaa who have settled in brilliantly this week. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Russell Walker
Head of Secondary Department

News from the College

It has been so lovely to welcome back our College students and to get to know our new students who are joining us in Year 12. All students have returned with enthusiasm, in spite of initial anxieties and should be congratulated on the resilience they are showing. Everyone has quickly taken on board new hygiene routines and the arrows in the corridors have been a great source of fun! Heaven forbid any member of staff who walks down the wrong side - they'll hear a chorus of students telling them off.

We have been focusing on the Recovery Curriculum which is giving us the opportunity to reconnect and rebuild relationships, whilst reflecting on what has happened over the past six months. Students are enjoying using their creative skills and playing games whilst communicating how they are feeling and giving them a safe space to discuss worries or concerns. Going forward, we are excited to work out how we are going to deliver as dynamic a curriculum as possible whilst keeping safe and having fun! Watch this space!

Marian Lovell
Head of College

The Macmillan Cancer Support logo consists of the words "MACMILLAN" and "CANCER SUPPORT" stacked vertically in a bold, green, sans-serif font. The text is centered within a light yellow rectangular background.

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Whilst we are unable to have families in school for a MacMillan Coffee Morning this year, we will happily pass on to MacMillan, any monetary donations that families may like to make to the cause. The MacMillan Coffee Morning would have taken place on 25th September, and although we aren't able to share cake and coffee together this year, they do still need our support, so any donations will be gratefully received. Thank you.

