

SPRING TERM 2025
7/01/25- 11/04/25

Warwickshire Virtual School Enrichment Newsletter

WHAT TOOK PLACE LAST TERM

Hiking in the Peak district

A group of young people took part in the Hillwalking Introduction to Outdoor Leadership event. Everyone demonstrated impressive leadership and teamwork skills.



Phantom of the Opera Education Performance

Young people were mesmerised by the performance and enjoyed the trip to London. The Q&A session was very informative and gave great detail of the many different jobs within the theatre.



The Talent Foundry

The Talent Foundry has now delivered 3 of its free employability skills programmes sessions for our years 11-12 young people in partnership with the utilities company, Severn Trent.

Please watch this space for further opportunities.



Christmas Arts & Crafts Workshop

Lots of fun was had making cards, ornaments and decorating biscuits. Children created beautiful and unique pieces of art they took home to enjoy over Christmas!



Alice in Wonderland at The Albany

Many families came along to enjoy the Albany's performance of Alice in Wonderland, followed by a Q&A session and backstage tour. They got to see all the work put into the production and how it came to life.



COMING THIS TERM!

Arts



Trash to Treasure

Creative workshop

Date: Tuesday 18th February

Time: 11am - 1pm

Ages: 10- 16 year olds

Venue: Lyng Hall School, Blackberry Lane, Coventry, CV2 3JS



Book now



Les Misérables Educational performance

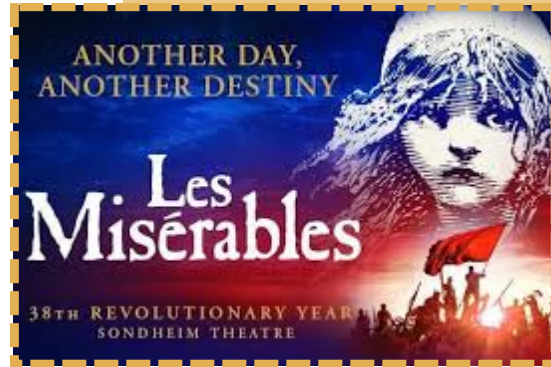
Date: Tuesday 1st April

Time: 1:30pm

Ages: 15+

Venue: Sondheim Theatre,
London

Q&A session with cast and crew
after performance



Email Jaz if
your young
person is
interested.

Did you know?

Did you know that Warwickshire Libraries is

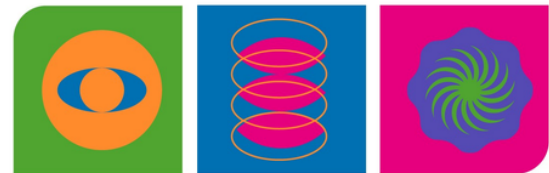
FREE to join? You can join online or go to
any of our 18 libraries across the county.

As a member you can borrow books including eBooks, we
have free Wi Fi, computers, events for adults and children
all for **FREE**.

We can help with **FREE** access to digital devices, we have
tablets for loan that includes a data allowance and IT
support.

For further information pop into your local library or visit

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/libraries



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Sports

Allstars Tag Active

Virtual Reality Sports

Date: Saturday 25th January

Times and ages:

1:45- 3pm

6-10 & 11- 16 year olds

Venue: Tag Active, Stratford Leisure Centre, Bridgeway, Stratford Upon Avon, CV37 6YX



Book now



Allstars HADO

Virtual Reality Sports

Date: Friday 21st February

Times and ages:

10:45- 12pm: 6- 10 year olds

11:45- 1pm: 11- 13 year olds

12:45- 2pm: 14- 16 year olds

Venue: HADO Arena, Unit 2, Wolfe Road, Coventry, CV4 9UP



Book now



Allstars Basketball

Date: Thursday 20th February

Times and ages:

4:15- 5:30pm: 6- 10 year olds

5:15- 6:30pm: 11- 16 year olds

Venue: Sports Hall, Moreton Morrell College, Warwick CV35 9BL

Book now



Allstars Combat Archery & Laser Tag

Date: Saturday 29th March

Time: 10:30am - 1:30pm

Ages: 8-11 years and 12-16 years

Venue: Coombe Abbey Park, Brinklow Road, Coventry CV3 2AB

Book now



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HE & Aspirational programmes

University Explorers

This engaging and dynamic programme offers year 6 children the opportunity to participate in entertaining yet challenging learning experiences, delivered by Warwick University staff and supported by Uni-Explorer Ambassadors and the Virtual Schools.

☆ Free of charge

☆ Lunch provided for participants

☆ Celebration with carers on the final afternoon

UNIVERSITY EXPLORERS

Explore the university, take part in fun activities and make new friends!

Dates for 2025
 Thursday 6 March
 Wednesday 12 March
 Tuesday 18 March
 Friday 28 March
 10am - 2.30pm

On campus at the University of Warwick

Invitations and forms will be sent out through Virtual Schools

“There’s more to uni than studying.” 2024 participant

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Open Studio Art sessions

Herbert Art Gallery & Museum



Calling all UASC/ Young people
Ages 16- 18

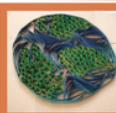
Open Studios launch session
Thursday 27th February 2025
12- 2pm

Herbert Art Gallery & Museum
Jordan WI, Coventry CV1 5QP

Lunch and drinks provided
We can help with transport costs



- Come and explore your creativity.
- Art sessions throughout Feb, March & April (dates tbc).
- Learn new skills and play with different materials.
- Make new friendships
- **Come along and find out more about the open studio art sessions at this launch event.**



We hope to see you there!

[Book Here](#)
Or scan the QR code



Open Studios for Social Wellbeing

Calling all UASC Young people
Ages 16- 18

Come along to our open studios launch session.

Find out more about the ‘open studio’ programme consisting of sessions throughout March and April, where young people will be able to express themselves through art, while making new friendships and learning new skills!



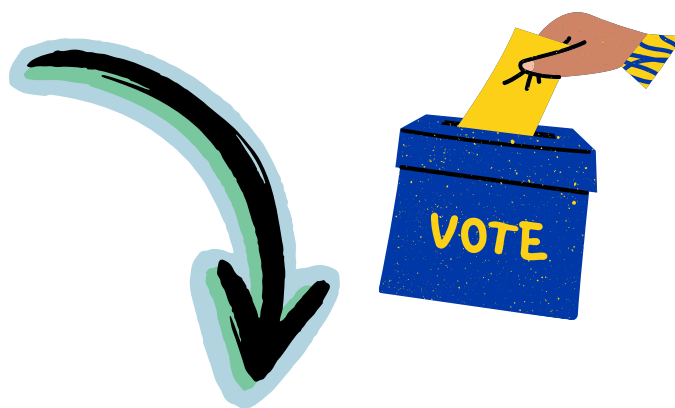
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HE & Aspirational programmes

History Study Day

Thursday 20 March 2025
10am-4pm

Politics & Protest



Frequently Asked Questions

What does it involve?

The theme of the study day is *Politics and Protest*. Students will take part in academic workshops to explore this theme from different perspectives. Students will also get the chance to learn more about admissions, chat to current students, tour Mansfield, and have (free) lunch in our dining hall.

How do I apply?

Please complete our [application form](#) by **noon Monday 24th February**. Applicants will be notified about the outcome of their application by Monday 3rd March.

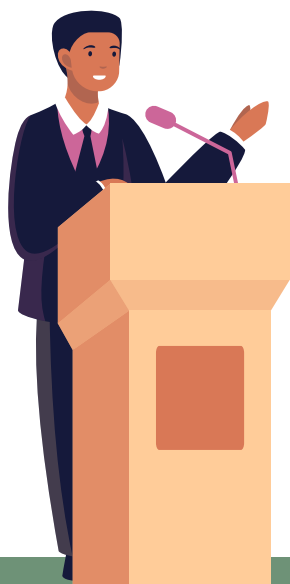
How much does it cost?

The study day, including lunch, is completely **free**. Contributions towards your travel costs may be available, especially for those travelling further distances. Those travelling further distances can also access free overnight accommodation on Wednesday 19th March.

Who is this for?

The study day is open to Year 12 students attending a state school in the UK who are interested in studying History at university. Students must be studying History A Level or equivalent and be on track to achieve AAA or above (or equivalent). Priority will be given to those who are receiving or have received Free School Meals, are or have been in care, will be the first in their families to go to university, live in areas with high levels of socio-economic deprivation and/or in areas with low rates of progression to higher education.

Any questions? Email access.office@mansfield.ox.ac.uk



Coming Soon:

UniFest 2025: Coming soon!

It seems like summer is a long way away with the wintery weather we are having, but we are already looking forward to another exciting summer school in 2025! **UniFest 2025 is a free Year 10 summer school, delivered by AimHigher**, with five options to choose from at our partner universities in the West Midlands. With residential and non-residential events on offer, **UniFest gives learners the chance to discover university life, gain new skills, explore their options, make new friends and most importantly, have fun!** Learners do need to meet certain criteria but if you are interested then please contact Sabina-sabinamarsh@warwickshire.gov.uk for more details

Application deadline 21.3.25

Educational performances

Hamilton

Date: Tuesday 5th August

Time: 1:30pm

Ages: 13+

London

Phantom of the Opera

Date: Tuesday 4th
November

Time: 1:30pm

Ages: 13+

London

Q&A session with cast and crew after performances

Get in touch:

All our enrichment programmes are available to children/ young people currently in care. Any questions/ queries or for more information, please email Jaz or Sabina.

Arts & Sports- jasminegillett-ohagan@warwickshire.gov.uk

Higher Education & Aspirational programmes- sabinamarsh@warwickshire.gov.uk

