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More Good News Needed

by Isabelle and Ava, both aged 10

Good news is important because it makes people joyful, but bad news makes people feel sad.

Over the past year the pandemic has meant that much more terrible news - which is bad for people's mental health - has been spread globally. We need good news because it brightens up the world!

Why don't you get involved and spread good news too?

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Students at one of Britain's best Sixth Forms head to Oxbridge

By Joshua, 15

Three of the students at the Highbridge school-based The King Alfred School Academy Sixth Form won prestigious places at Oxbridge universities.

Abbie Bryant (left) will now be studying Biology at the University of Oxford, Natasha White (middle) will study Philosophy and Theology at University of Oxford, while Katie Clarke (right) will study Geography at Cambridge University.

Additionally, Ben Youd will be going to St Andrews University, Grace Thomas will start a Legal Apprenticeship with Burges Salmon while Ben Beard won an Engineering Apprenticeship with QED Engineering Limited.

TKASA is a part of The Priory Learning Trust and attracting students from schools in Weston-super-Mare and Bridgwater.



See the TKASA Sixth Form Prospectus on YouTube or visit the TKASA Sixth Form Website

Meet the teenager cleaning up Weston-super-Mare parks for free

By Virginia, 14

New school Eco President Archie also used lockdowns to do up over 100 town gardens

Remarkable Archie, 14, helps families with buggies, residents and the elderly with stunning Council Park clear up.

New student Eco President Archie has cleaned 100-plus private gardens since Lockdown 2020, in his new business, and is now on UK eco mission to clean up parks and gardens.

Archie, 14, the new Eco President of WCSA, part of TPLT, cleared eight full bin bags full of rubbish, rubble, bushes, thorns and weeds from his local park.

Not only that but he straightened paving slabs and the grass so families with buggies, residents and the elderly could walk in safety.

The big hearted teenager also helped to clean up over 100 private gardens since Lockdown 2020 – paid by local residents through a business he started. Now he wants to be a landscape gardener when he is older.



I was so fed up at looking at an overgrown mess so I took it upon myself to do something about it.



WCSA students target Oxbridge and medical careers after achieving a clean sweep of nine GCSE grade 9s



By Joshua, 15

Three students obtained an incredible total of nine grade 9s; the highest GCSE grade available: Jamie Allard, Olivia Finch and Ben Freeman.

Olivia and Ben (pictured) will both now study the same A Levels in biology, chemistry and maths and also both hope to secure places at Oxbridge in two years time. They both share a passionate desire to save lives through their future medical careers.

Ben was inspired to save lives after watching the Ebola crisis on the news in 2014, when he was only eight years old.

He said: "Ebola in 2014 inspired me to go into medicine. I would like to help design new medicines and help save lives. It has been my driving force. I see how polio was debilitating as an illness and now we don't hear anything about it.

"All of the teachers at WCSA have been incredible in supporting, helping and inspiring me to this and my future. I could not have done this without them."

Olivia wants to be a medical doctor in the army. She was Head Girl last year and student editor of The Jill Dando News. She said: "WCSA has been brilliant. The school has given me so much in the last five years.

"They have helped me to be aspirational. The science department in particular has inspired me towards a career in medicine and given me the confidence to think big."

"Covid-19 also helped me to decide to pursue a career in medicine. I want to change the world for the better. The fact that I can help people in situations like a pandemic has inspired me."

There were remarkable achievements across the year group which also included Chris Royce and Millie Smith, who achieved eight and seven grade 9s respectively.

The results follow a brilliant five years for WCSA since being led by Principal Jacqui Scott and part of the The Priory Learning Trust.

Jacqui said: "Our students have worked incredibly hard and this is a just reward for their amazing efforts.

"Well done to them all. We are delighted also that some of our students such as Ben and Olivia want to go and help prevent future pandemics and to change the world through science and medicine."

DID YOU KNOW...

Our students at WCSA, and across TPLT, are challenged, encouraged and inspired to aim high.



WCSA student gains incredibly impressive clean sweep of nine grade 9 GCSEs plus a Level 2 Distinction

Jamie Allard achieved 9 top GCSE Grade 9s plus a Level 2 Distinction - and is now to do his dream of becoming a qualified accountant.

Jamie said: "I am extremely happy with my results. My time at Worle Community School Academy has been great.

"I am thankful that I have had good teachers and friends that have supported me throughout.

"Whilst it is a shame my time at Worle is over, I'm glad that I have got decent results which will help me in my next step.

"In the meantime my aspiration is to be a fully qualified accountant, something I have wanted to be for a long time. In order to achieve this I am doing an apprenticeship to gain the experience and qualifications I need."



DID YOU KNOW...

At WCSA there are a variety of clubs on offer for all year groups, including football, netball, cricket, rounders, hockey and athletics.





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We are pleased to welcome prospective students and their families to our annual open evening. A relaxed evening where students and families can get a wonderful feel of the fantastic atmosphere at WCSA.

Join us from 4 - 7pm



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Summer Fun Spectacular

Students enjoy tremendous fun action-packed activities

By Joshua, 15

WCSA and PCSA hosted weeks of confidence-building fun, games and activities.

The weeks included axe throwing, archery and outdoor sports, as well as inflatables and skill building activities such as orienteering.

New students coming up to the 'big school' benefitted with boosted self-esteem and confidence, as did those in Years 8, 9 and 10.



I have really enjoyed it. There were so many fun and different things to do.
student



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HIGHLY RECOMMENDED – DON'T MISS THE BLACK WIDOW

By Samara, The King Alfred School Academy



Enthralling... Emotional... Humorous ... Captivating. Those are the four words that I'd use to describe the latest instalment within the MCU cinematic universe – Black Widow.

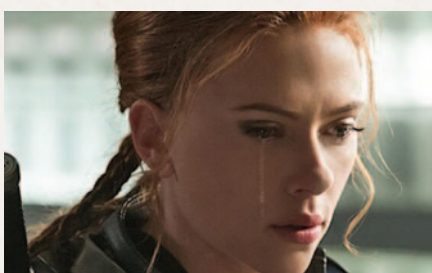
Following the story of the first female hero within the MCU, Black Widow is an action-packed spy thriller that is sure to keep anyone on the edge of their seat.

Natasha Romanoff (played by the incredible Scarlett Johansson) is forced to confront a patriarchal figure of her past – Dreykov (played by Ray Winstone), in her journey to become an avenger.

Dealing with themes of identity, family, sacrifice, and justice, this movie is sure to move you. As per tradition with any Marvel movie, there's a perfect balance of humorous lines which heighten the emotional experience.

Director Cate Shortland has certainly raised the bar with her impeccable work in creating this fantastic movie, which if her backstory or even family, is explored any further will certainly be one to reach.

I would highly recommend this movie to any Marvel Fan.



Diversity inspired dancer Jack wins UK competition

By Students Mark, 12, Tamsen, 13, and Mia, 13.

Jack, 13, of PCSA, and his 30-strong team won a national Hip Hop dance in Bournemouth.

Jack was inspired by Britain's Got Talent winners Diversity. When he met them, Diversity members told him, "keep doing what you're doing" which has always stuck with him.

PCSA Principal Angelos Markoutsas said: "Jack has achieved a brilliant dancing accolade in helping to win this national competition."



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Over 100 students enjoy three week inspirational leadership cricket programme

By Joshua, 15



The fun leadership programme at Worle Community School Academy was held in partnership with Somerset County Cricket Club.

It was open to Year 7, 8 and 9 student girls in a bid to further inspire them into the sport.

The academy also had expert cricket coaches coaching students male and female students across the year groups.

The academy has outstanding sporting facilities and a huge campus which includes floodlit 3G pitch.

Principal Jacqui Scott said: "We want to inspire all our students to try different sports and this was a brilliant partnership with the excellent County Cricket club."

DID YOU KNOW...

WCSA has outstanding sporting facilities including netball, football, cricket and a brand-new £400,000 refurbished sports hall



DID YOU KNOW...

Our school works in very close partnership with parents and carers. There are regular parents' evenings, "Praising Stars" reports three times a year as well as parent information evenings.

Finley, 12, wins prized Masters lifeguard medal

By Jack, 12



Finley Bevan, of WCSA, achieved the Rookie Master Lifeguard Award.

The award recognises Rookie Lifeguards who have achieved an outstanding standard through the Rookie Lifeguard programme.

Finley had to pass through eight different stages to achieve the accolade.

Principal Jacqui Scott said: "This was a superb achievement by Finley."

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