



Ofsted and other Inspections

As you know, we had our follow up Ofsted inspection in August and we are really pleased to let you know that we now have a clean bill of health and are back to being good with outstanding. The Report can be found on the school website and all staff were commended by Ofsted for their "**strong moral purpose**".

We have had our annual Safeguarding Quality Assurance Visit from Solihull MBC and once again, were found to be excellent. Comments from the report included "**Pupils feel listened to and are safe.**"; "**Personal development, behaviour and welfare is outstanding**". The report praised the School for having an open culture which promotes student welfare. The College was also commended for empowering our young people.

We have also had a Safeguarding and H&S Inspection carried out by our insurance providers which confirmed that we are fully compliant, and are looking forward to our regular Quality Assurance Visit from Warwickshire County Council early in the New Year.

College

The College is going from strength to strength and pupils at the site are accessing a wide range of opportunities including obtaining qualifications at The Herbert Museum, a varied range of work experience and hosting a Team from the National Citizen Service

Following a grant from the Big Lottery Fund, our sensory garden at College is now fully established, complete with pizza oven and an allotment. In the summer, pupils from School will be travelling to the College to enjoy the garden and learn how to cook pizza!

Staff Training Days – Dates for Diary

The current staff training days are as follows:

- 4 January 2017 –school & college safeguarding training
- 13 April 2017 – College only : Studio 3 Training
- 5 June 2017 –school & college staff training

We will notify you as soon as possible of any additional training days

STAFF

We have been really pleased to work with Interserve and other training providers over the past year to offer our staff the opportunity for continued professional development. Course on offer include

- ABA Behaviour Technician
- BTEC Level 2 Team Leading
- BTEC Level 3 Management
- Diploma in Teaching and Learning

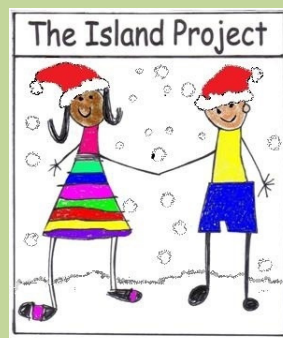
HS2

We are continuing to work with HS2 to identify an alternative site, and as soon as we have confirmation on the new School site, we will let you know. We hope to be moved by September 2017 and will of course keep you posted on developments

Jigsaws

The new Curriculum Jigsaws for the Spring Term 2017 are attached and can also be found on the School Website

If you have any questions, do contact us and we will of course be happy to help



We wish you all a very happy Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing all of our pupils back in School and College on Thursday 5th January 2017

The Island Project

