

Students Get Wheely Creative With Car Artist

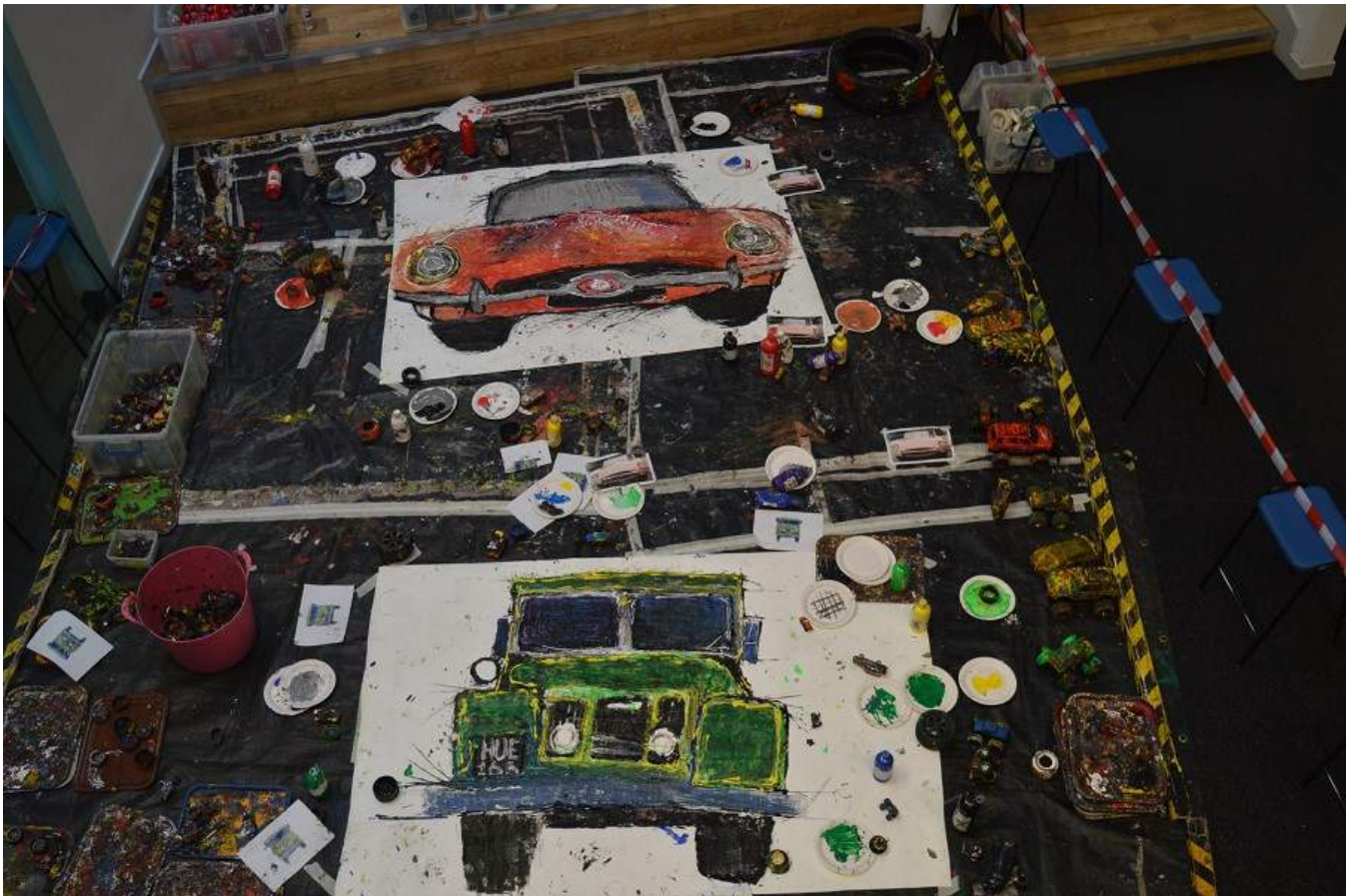


Turn to page 2 to find out how this painting turned into a masterpiece

A contemporary artist visited the academy recently to work with students to create a car-themed work of art. Ian Cook uses radio-controlled cars, car tyres and toy cars instead of paintbrushes to create large-scale paintings with students. Mr Cook is currently working as part of Coventry's bid to become City Of Culture 2021. Take a look at page 2 to see the work created by students involved in the art project.

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- Alexis Griffin, Year 11 student



Driven By Creativity: The Finished Product

Above is the finished work of art created by students when artist Ian Cook visited the academy recently. Alexis Griffin (Year 11) said: "The workshop was really insightful and I learnt a lot about a very unusual technique. I created portraits of myself and others in my class using toy cars in the first

session, then later on we created images of cars on a larger scale. These took over two hours but it was definitely worth it." Elliot Caldwell Barker (Year 11) said: "I really enjoyed working on the Land Rover. Using the cars made it feel more relevant to the piece as the tyre marks gave it character."





Sixth Form Open Evening For Year 11 Students

Year 11 students and their families are invited to an open evening to find out about life in the sixth form at WMG Academy.

Staff will be on hand to offer subject information

answer questions and provide details on post-16 pathways, including A-levels, technical qualifications or a combination of both.

Register for the sixth form open evening [here](#)

Messages From Student Leaders

The academy's new student leaders have issued messages as they take up their new roles.

Henri Armstrong said: "In my time as Executive Leader I would like to help communicate the issues that students face and help to find ways of resolving them.

Raihanna Ismail said: "The upcoming year at WMG Academy has the potential to be a year packed full of firsts for the school and opportunity for everyone. Personally I want all the students to be able to enjoy their time and their learning here. This will mean a positive attitude all round."

Alex Adam said: "I would like to assist younger students to fulfil their potential and to ensure all students get opportunities to be creative and innovative."

Fabrice Laws said: "I am excited to be one of the Executive Leaders as I enjoy working with other students and believe that by working together the academy will prosper as students will feel more included and cared for."



Henri, Raihanna, Alex and Fabrice are pictured on the front row

Careers Fair

WVG Academy and Westwood Academy will be holding a joint careers fair. On Tuesday (7th November).

There are currently 40 local providers and employers attending the fair, including Lear, Jaguar Land Rover, Telent, Warwick University, Coventry University, Coventry University College, Severn Trent, Heat of England Training, Civil Service, PET Xi, the local colleges and a range of apprenticeship training providers.

All students will have the opportunity to attend the careers event.

New Careers Platform Launched

The academy has signed up to a new careers platform to enable students to access tools to help them with their future careers. ULAS (Universal Leavers Application Services) provides a portal for students to help them build CVs, create personal statements and search for apprenticeships. Students should register for ULAS [here](#) using the academy's unique code **wmg_2017**.

Apprenticeship Event For Your Diary

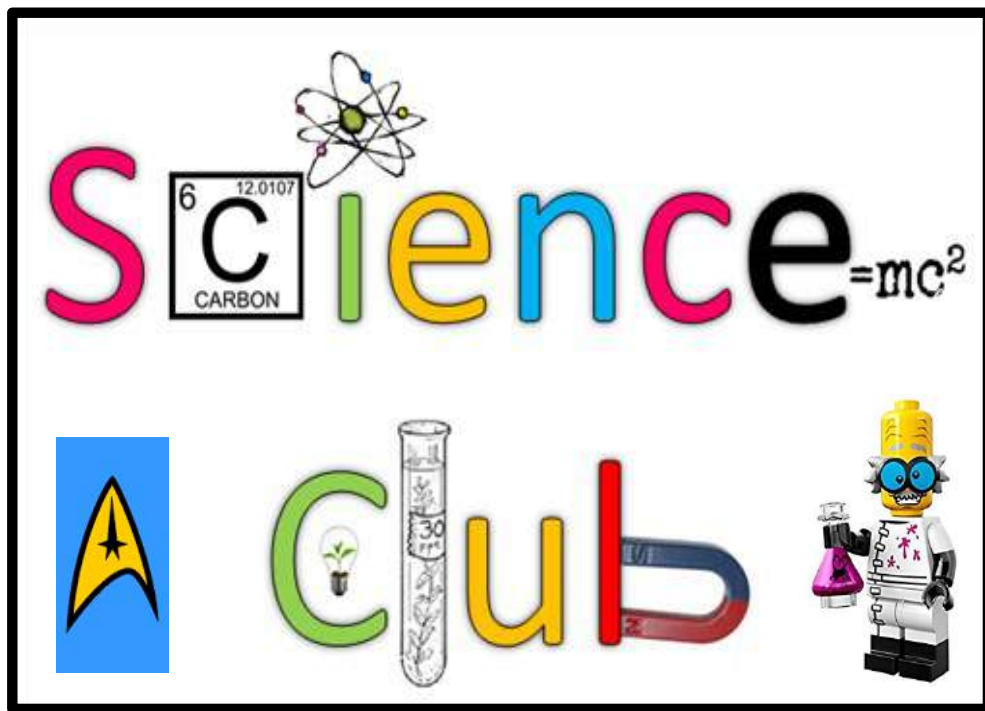
The National Apprenticeships Service is holding an event in the West Midlands this month. The Skills Show takes place at the NEC from 16th to 18th November. The show gives students the chance to meet employers and discover apprenticeship and careers opportunities.

Exam Revision Skills Workshop For Parents



Parents of Year 11 students are invited to a workshop on Wednesday (8th November) to learn how to support their child during exams and mock exams. The event will give parents and carers an opportunity to learn about general revision techniques, subject specific ideas, managing stress,

creating timetables and supporting a child during exams. A letter has been sent home with Year 11 students. Please return the slip to confirm attendance or decline the invitation to the workshop. The event takes place at the academy from 6pm to 7pm.



Who: Dr. Lloyd is looking for people who are interested in, and are enthusiastic about, Science



What: Science Club will be a place where current issues in Science can be spoken about in an informal setting, fun experiments can be conducted, and independent research will be encouraged.



When: Period 8 on a Wednesday.



**Speak to Dr. Lloyd or
ask one of your
Science teachers if
you are interested!**



Important Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 7th Nov	Joint careers fair with Westwood Academy
Monday 8th Nov	Year 11 apprenticeship enrolment—Ask Apprenticeships
Monday 20th Nov	Tour & Explore, - 5pm-6pm
Thursday 23rd Nov	Sixth form open evening, 6pm-7.30pm
Friday 24th Nov	Inset day
Thursday 30th Nov	Annual awards evening
Thursday 21st Dec	Academy closes for Christmas
Monday 8th Jan	Academy opens for spring term
Tuesday 16th Jan	Sixth form open evening, 6pm-7.30pm
Thursday 25th Jan	Year 13 parents' evening
Friday 9th Feb	Inset day
Thursday 15th Feb	Tour & Explore, 5pm-6pm
Friday 16th Feb	Academy closes for half-term
Monday 26th Feb	Academy reopens after half term
Wednesday 7th Mar	Tour & Explore, 5pm-6pm
Fri 9th – Sat 10th Mar	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition



Two Jags Stop By

Two Jaguar cars were driven into the engineering hall yesterday (Thursday) so students could photograph and analyse them as part of their engineering design coursework.



WMG Academy Coventry

Bus Concerns

We've had a number of concerns from members of the public regarding student conduct on both the 18 and 19 buses.

These students were brought together last term for a collective meeting with the academy's leadership team to be aware of appropriate behaviour on public buses.

It appears, however, that a small group of students have continued to behave in a way which is causing concern for our local stakeholders.

We've issued flyers on the route to passengers for help with identifying the culprits.

We would appreciate your support at home in reinforcing the importance of sensible behaviour when on route to and from the academy.

Students who bring the academy's reputation into disrepute on public transport will face the same sanctions in line with our behaviour policy.

Travel Savings

Students aged 16-18 can buy a £10 photocard which entitles them to 50% off public transport fares. Apply [here](#)