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# STUDENT NEWSLETTER: SEPT 8 2017

Hi all,

I can't believe that another week has passed and that it is getting so close to the start of term! I hope that all preparations are going well. I have spent the day in college chatting to a few people about plans for the coming term. The teaching staff are away talking, praying, and planning early next week, after which we will hear more about induction week.

### **Blog**

The blog has gone online! Please do have a look, and consider writing/drawing/creating something to share with the wider church! <a href="https://westminsterstudents.wordpress.com/">https://westminsterstudents.wordpress.com/</a>

### **Youth Assembly**

We need a volunteer for youth assembly 2017! All costs are covered, and this is a great opportunity to represent our college, meet young people who are passionate about being church and have a bit of away time in Staffordshire.

Details:

Pilgrimage: Are we there yet? 19 to 21 January 2018, Whitemoor Lakes, Alrewas, Staffs.

If you would like to attend, please let me know by Monday the 18<sup>th</sup> of September.

## **Clothing**

Would you like some clothes with the Westminster logo on them? This is a valuable way to support each-other/the college. They are also helpful if you want something to wear to lead worship that isn't formal! I am putting together an order, so let me know if you would like something.

Options/Prices: T-shirt - £10, Polo Shirt - £14, Sweatshirt - £15, Hoodie - £18, Zip-up - £20, Long-sleeved T-shirt - £11, Sweat Jacket - £20, Rugby Shirt - £22.

Prices will go down if enough people order.

Drop me an email with your preferred item, size and colour.

### Walking the Way

... is now live! You will find a leaflet and bookmark in your pigeon holes when you arrive for the start of term, but in the meantime, have a look at <a href="www.urc.org.uk/wtw">www.urc.org.uk/wtw</a>. This doesn't need to be 'just another initiative', it can be a starting point for living life, ministry and church differently if we let it. More info to follow on this in Michaelmas term.

### **Important Dates**

- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September Students return from lunchtime.
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September College away day families welcome. It would be great to see as many people there as possible. Clare Priory and surrounding area. This will be a relaxed day, with the chance to retreat or simply enjoy and explore a peaceful, rural town. Lunch will be provided.
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September Morning prayers and official induction activities start.
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 6pm Community Agape Dinner all welcome.
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October CTF Teaching Begins.
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October (and then fortnightly) Federation Worship.
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 6pm New Senatus Inductions.
- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November Open Day. All welcome. More coming soon on how to get involved.

### **Responses to Feedback**

Common Award Timetables are not yet available. Apologies for the inconvenience, but be assured that they will be up soon and that the delay is due, in part, to an attempt to move to longer term timetables so that this problem is gradually overcome!

# **Prayer Requests**

Please let me know if you would like any prayer requests to be included in my next newsletter, which will be circulated next Friday.

Please pray for our tutors as they head to Clare Priory to reflect on the year that has passed and the year that is to come; for LMP students and their supervisors as they recover from the first full week and for the Westminster Support Staff as the busy-ness of Summer draws to an end and the busy-ness of term draws near!

# **Guest Message**

If you would like to write a guest message for one of the 4 student newsletters going out in September, please get in touch. It could be a topical reflection, news, prayer, poetry or art. Let me know your ideas and I will do my best to get them in here.