

Staff Newsletter

Merry Christmas everyone

Thank you to everyone for all the hard work and commitment shown by staff across College during an extremely challenging 2020.

Your support in continuing the learning and care of our students at home and in college has been outstanding.

This will be the last staff newsletter for 2020. We wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



A warm welcome to ...



Welcome to new starters:

Ian Artlett (left) – Support Practitioner
Peter Jones (right) – Support

Goodbye and good luck

Jen Harris – Support Practitioner
Tarja Pekkari – Support Practitioner

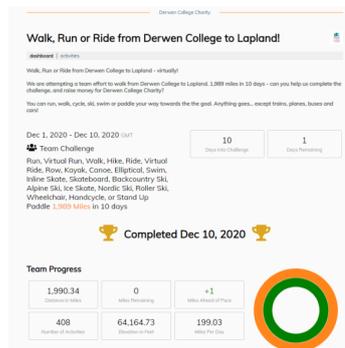
We made it to Lapland!

Thanks to all the staff, students, family, friends who together covered an astounding 1989 miles to Lapland from Derwen College over 10 days for Derwen College Charity.

It was a brilliant joint effort with some staff and their families covering a phenomenal number of miles by foot and bike.

The fundraising total so far is £1,146. There is still time to support them with a donation to Derwen College Charity.

Go to <https://bit.ly/LaplandDerwenDonate>



Festive fun fund

Retail and Horticulture staff used their fun fund to enjoy a socially distanced chippy lunch which included a bottle of wine each as a gift and festive snacks!

Covid updates

Staff are reminded to have regular Covid-19 tests, particularly before returning after Christmas leave. Please keep HR informed of results.

Staff who are GP registered in Shropshire or Telford are able to register for the Covid vaccine. An attachment explaining the process is attached. You will need your NHS number and employee number to register your interest.

We have not received information about Welsh-based staff, but will update you as soon as we know more.

Thank you from a parent

We wanted to pass on this lovely quote from a letter we received from Pam and Lloyd Gough, Carter's parents.

"When we look back at Carter's last three (and a bit) years, we can't help but smile and feel an overwhelming sense of pride. Our little boy has become a confident, independent, hardworking, self-assured young man, and that is down to the relationships, experiences, education and training he has had with all of you."

Christmas holiday hours:

From Monday, 14th December, holiday working hours are 9am-4pm. College closes on 23rd December at 3pm.

Normal staff working hours resume on 4th January. Residential students return on 6th January, with day students returning on 7th January.