

Communicate Chronicles

INTERNATIONAL EFL SCHOOL

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Welcome to our Newsletter!

Contributions from all of you are very welcome. Please speak to your teacher or our Academic Manager David if you wish to take part in the next issue. It is a fantastic opportunity to show off your English skills and the experience may enhance your CV.

Where will English take you?

Turki studied with us at Communicate School earlier this year. He is making the most of his free time now that he has finished his course and is exploring some of Europe's most famous cities.



Above: Camp Nou in Barcelona, Spain. Below: The Arc de Triomphe in Paris, France. Right: do you know the name of this famous painting by Leonardo da Vinci?



"London was the best city – so far! I have also been to Barcelona and after that I will visit Munich"

Turki, Saudi Arabia.



Turki got in touch recently to share his photos and tell us what an amazing time he is having.

Look at his incredible photos! Can you see any monuments you recognise? Have you been to any of these cities? Maybe Turki's adventures make you want to travel. If so, ask other students or a member of staff for some recommendations.



Above: Turki enjoying the sunshine and a beautiful view of the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France. Below: the London Eye on a grey Summer's day.

Do you have photos of a recent holiday? Would you like to share your story about an exciting trip?

We'd love to hear all about it! Email office@communicateschool.co.uk for the chance to see your story in next month's newsletter.



Interview

Interview with your Office Manager Virginia.

Why did you choose to work in the EFL industry?

Because I love English and I am passionate about languages and multicultural communication.

What's the best thing about your job?

I really enjoy hearing stories from people from all over the world – so many different things but at the end of the day we're all similar.

What were you like in school?

I was a good student, I liked learning (I still do!) and I studied a lot.

What do you like to do outside of work?

I like spending time with my friends, going for walks, swimming and talking to my family.

Who is your role model and why?

Any person who remains focused, kind compassionate and positive in the face of adversity.

How would your best friend describe you?

Caring, kind and funny.



What would your autobiography be called? My name is Virginia, like the American state -

My name is Virginia, like the American state -And how do you spell that?

Describe your ideal Sunday morning.

Reading the news and having breakfast in bed, preferably bread and chocolate spread!

If you could describe Communicate in 3 words, what would they be?

Multicultural, friendly, high-quality.

You said, we did

You make Communicate School great! We always listen to you and use your feedback to make school as good as it can be.

Here are some things we have done recently thanks to your feedback:



You wanted a social trip to the Hilton cafe in Beetham Tower so we went and had a brilliant time and saw the fantastic views!



You wanted more space to study so we opened a computer lab on floor two (room 2.02). Log on to the computers using the password communicate.

We have also updated our list of useful websites and apps to help you self-study and practise your English outside of school. Look around school and find the poster for advice, or turn over to see some tips on the next page!

If you have any other feedback, speak to your teacher, a Student Support Officer or a manager and we will be happy to listen.

Be a brilliant language learner!

We asked your teachers for their advice on the best websites and apps to help you practise your English outside of school.

Here are some of their recommendations. Speak to your teacher if you want any more advice on how to be a brilliant language learner!

Do you have any ideas? Do you know any more useful websites or apps? We always love hearing your ideas! Email us on office@communicateschool.co.uk for the chance to see your ideas in next month's newsletter.

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LearnEnglish podcasts

Listen to British council podcasts for free on your mobile to practise your listening skills.



Manchester Evening News

Read the latest news from in and around Manchester. See the weather, and what events are happening.



English Page

This website has free English lessons with lots of different grammar and vocabulary exercises.



Elllo.org

Use this website to practise your listening skills. It has lots of lessons and materials on different topics.

How to...

by Cathy's pre-intermediate class

...make a good impression at Communicate School

1. Show respect

Try to be on time, don't be late. Respect your teachers and school. Please be quiet, don't shout.

2. Represent your country

Speak about good things in your county, you are responsible for sharing positive things from your country (for example share food with students on the international food social).

3. Be positive

Always give positive energy when you are practising language, listening to feedback from your teacher and getting your exam result.

4. The school is your second home

Turn off the computer when you are finished, leave the bathroom clean and leave the classroom tidy.

5. Take good memories home

When you go back to your country, speak about your positive experiences in the UK and at Communicate School.



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...make a good impression at a job interview

- 1. dress formally
- 2. use your body language to give a positive impression
- 3. try to be polite (for example shake hands)
- 4. talk about your experience
- 5. talk about your skills and all of your positive points
- 6. be natural don't pretend to be somebody you aren't
- 7. feel confident and secure about yourself

Student of the Month

Student of the Month for September was Miki.

Her teacher said "Miki is a truly fantastic student - she works hard, gives every task her full attention and brings such positivity to the school. She's progressed so well during her time at Communicate and she'll continue to improve thanks to her great attitude and work ethic".

Congratulations! This is a great achievement – very well done.





Poet's corner

Achtung by Tala I can tell you how I feel When you said "C'mon let's share" I'm sure it's real But I can't make you care So, What's next? I deserve some respect In case you're wondering... It actually DOES leave an effect What do I have to expect? Lhave nothing....I'm just an on going agger! project What can I say! Nobody is per-fect I'm building my escape wheel And I'm fully aware Looking at me...saying let's make a deal Wish I could do that but... I have to go elsewhere

Useful Info



Do you know...



who to call if you have an emergency and need to contact the school out of hours?	Call our emergency number +44(0)7482 660 030
who the First Aiders are in school?	Federica and Virginia
where the fire emergency assembly point is?	On the corner of Dale Street and Paton Street
who to contact when you have a new phone number or new address?	Email your new details to office@communicateschool.co.uk
who can help you if you need to see a doctor but don't speak good English?	Ask a Student Support Officer to go with you
who to ask if you want more homework?	Speak to your teacher after class
who can help you change your timetable?	Academic Manager David
who you can speak to if you are not sure which exam to take?	Academic Manager David

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