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For week commencing 21st May

The Hive:

Information video for University staff & students: http://www.worcester.ac.uk/your-home/the-hive.html

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'Public' Hive Facebook page	https://www.facebook.com/TheHiveWorcs
Public & University Hive website	http://www.thehiveworcester.org
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Important dates (and actions for YOU)…

From Friday 25th May*	To ensure you've got plenty of books whilst we move to The Hive, from 25th May any item borrowed (except Restricted Loans) will have a return date of 9th July. Students will be able to borrow an additional 3 items taking allocations to 15.
Thursday 31st May*	**Last date for staff to request items to be digitised** Renewals for articles already digitised will be sent to you as normal. Contact digitisation@worc.ac.uk
Bank Holiday Monday 4th June	24/7 access to Social Learning Spaces & PCs at Peirson and City Campus (not staffed), Riverside closed.
Bank Holiday Tuesday 5th June	**Peirson staffed 10am-4pm,** Peirson and City Campus open for 24/7 PC Access, Riverside closed.
Sunday 10th June*	**Last day all stock will be available in Peirson,** you'll need to collect any items from the library that you'll require before The Hive opens on 2nd July.
Mon 11th June – Mon 18th June	Library stock moving from Peirson to The Hive. Some stock will still be available in Peirson before it moves to The Hive, but don't count on it!
Friday 29th June*	**Last day to collect reserved items** which you have been notified are awaiting collection in Peirson. All reservations on your record will be cancelled from this date. If you still require them you will need to reserve them again from 2nd July onwards. You will not be notified as individuals when they are cancelled.
Sat 30th June – Sun 1st July	**Peirson closed.** Access to eResources will remain available, 24/7 access to PCs and the silent study area will be available, Social Learning areas at City Campus and Riverside will be unaffected.
2nd July	**The Hive opens.**

11th July Official opening of The Hive by her Majesty the Queen.

This information is also available on the web, Facebook, posters and flyers.

STAFF - New Virtual Learning Environment – what every tutor needs to know…

As you may have already heard, from September our Virtual Learning Environment will be undergoing some major changes and we want to make sure that everyone is fully prepared for these changes.

There are a number of ways in which you can find out more and we're hoping that everyone will get a chance to attend a session or speak to one of the Learning and Teaching Technology team within the next few months – please don't wait until September to familiarise yourself with the new system as you won't be able to take full advantage of the new features if you're rushing to update.

How to find out more:

- Attend one of our Getting Started with Blackboard 9.1 workshops taking place on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. To sign up, go to the Staff Development Workshop Booking page on the staff portal and sign up for a session.

- If you have a team, or a group of staff who would like a customised workshop, please contact Libby Symonds e.symonds@worc.ac.uk and we can arrange a tailor made session to suit your needs.

- For staff who have used the old system extensively, extra support may be needed to transition to the new system –members of the Learning and Teaching Technology Unit would be happy to come and discuss your needs on a one-to-one basis and provide the support you need to move across.

STAFF - New 'Guest Internet Access' service to be launched on May 30th

The service will be available to guests who are attending University hosted events or visiting UW staff on University business. The service will provide Internet only access via the UW Wireless network and will NOT be available to the general public.

Access Requirements

The University's Internet connection is provided by JANET, the UK's education and research network. JANET is a private network and requires that all users are identifiable; therefore guests must complete a short access request form before being granted login credentials.

Obtaining Login Credentials

Access request forms will be available from the main receptions at St. Johns and City Campus. Upon completion the guest will be issued their login ***Username*** and ***Password,*** and will be prompted for these in their web browser when accessing the Internet via the UW_Wireless network.

Duration of Access

There will be two standard access periods of 1 day and 3 days, with 1 day access extending for a period of 8 hours from the initial login. Guests requiring longer periods of access may renew their request after 3 days.

Research Collections Conference

On 26th May the Henty Society Conference will be running at the University.

The Henty Society was founded to bring together others from around the world who share a mutual interest in George Alfred Henty (1832-1902), author of historical adventures for young readers. The University Research Collections contain a key Collection of works by and about G. A. Henty. The Collection is currently used by researchers, both students and members of the public who are interested. The Society publishes Bulletins three times a year.

The conference is open. The fee is £30 and includes lunch and refreshments.

For more info email researchcollections@worc.ac.uk by Friday May 18th.

STAFF & STUDENTS - Free Activity Days

Libraries and Learning are running some events at County Hall, Worcester as a scoping exercise with a view to doing something similar at the Hive.

26th May Activities day of digital photography, drama, jewellery making, dressmaking and bushcraft.

Friday 22nd June, Saturday 23rd June, 30th June 'Language Learning' activity days for pre-schoolers, primary and secondary pupils.

For details see www.facebook.com/adultlearningworcestershire

STUDENTS – ILS Communications Questionnaire

We're currently running a survey about how we communicate ILS information to you. If you have a spare few minutes we'd love to get your feedback. The link is: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9HH6676 or it's also accessible through the ILS Facebook page: **www.facebook.com/UniversityofWorcesterILS**.