

## Year 9 Commonwealth Games Project 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Wider student enrichment experiences are a vital part of our *Safe, Ready, Respectful* curriculum at the Edge Academy. As part of this pledge, we are very privileged to have been approached by the organisation Writing West Midlands to be part of an exciting project linked to the Commonwealth Games that are being held in Birmingham this summer.

Our Year 9 students will be off their usual timetable lessons on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 to create some very short poetry films as part of the Commonwealth Games 2022 Festival.

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, the students will be supported by Writing West Midlands staff to create poems or other very short form writing, to express their feelings and thoughts about being a young person in Birmingham, or their thoughts about their place in the Commonwealth, or other stories about Birmingham and the West Midlands

Then on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May the students will practise performing their poems, plan their video content, and begin to film the content, either as a voice over, stop-motion animation or video collage techniques before editing and gathering the content created.

The finished student films will be shown in a special screening at school during a future assembly and also are likely to be being shown at the Athletes' villages, possibly at the stadia being used for the games themselves, and also at "Live Sites" around the city, for people to watch the games live as it happens.

Should you have any queries regarding this opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact the school, or myself directly via <a href="mailto:adam.smith@theedgeacademy.co.uk">adam.smith@theedgeacademy.co.uk</a>

Yours faithfully,

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