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Lee Westwood Golf School comes to Cannington

A new and exciting partnership between Bridgwater College, Brymore School and Lee Westwood Golf School has just been announced, which could result in some of the top golfers of the future learning their craft on Cannington's award winning Golf Course.

From September 2012, the partnership will ensure the delivery of a two year full-time programme enabling 14–16 year old students to complete their usual range of GCSEs, together with a Level 2 Diploma in Sport, alongside developing their golfing skills and abilities.

The programme will aim to replicate the success of the Lee Westwood Golf School 16-18 year old programmes currently operating in Essex and Cheshire. This is the first time, however, the project has been delivered for 14–16 year olds; pupils will be based at Brymore School, with sports teaching delivered by Bridgwater College, and golf training delivered by Lee Westwood Golf School, utilising the full range of facilities at nearby Cannington Golf Centre.

Head of Land-based Jeremy Kerswell explains, "This is an incredible opportunity for any young person considering golf as a career path; alongside their mainstream GCSE programme, they will have access to the nine hole, eighteen tee golf course, 10 bay driving range and Academy studios, and will be coached by staff from the Lee Westwood training programme. There are some exciting developments at Brymore School, which is where the pupils will be based, including refurbished boarding facilities and a new gym, sports hall and swimming pool. We are delighted to be one of the partners in this project and feel sure it will bring significant benefits to everyone involved."

The structured golf and education programme will run six days a week over 30 weeks of the year, and will be on a residential basis with pupils living on site at Brymore School. On completion, pupils will have the option to continue their studies at the Lee Westwood Golf Schools in Essex or Cheshire, or explore their options closer to home at Bridgwater College's Cannington Centre, which has an excellent reputation for the delivery of sports courses, and includes golf as a specialism.

World Number 1 golfer in 2010, Lee said of the initiative, "The 14-16 age can be such an important developmental stage for up and coming junior golfers. I'm proud to be associated with this project."

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Note to editors:

The Lee Westwood Golf School opened its first school in 2010 at The MacDonald Portal Hotel Golf & Spa in Cheshire, and its second school at Stoke by Nayland Hotel Golf & Spa in Essex in 2010. It is currently opening its first overseas school location, offering an educational product range for over 18s wishing to continue their golf and education at university level.