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## **Parent Bulletin - Friday 19th April 2024**

### **Headteacher Update:**

Dear Parents & Carers

I hope that you have had a good week. Whilst the temperatures certainly make it feel a little more like Autumn term we are certainly in summer term mode here at school. I must start this week's bulletin with a huge shout out to all those families of our wonderful Year 11 students who have made me extremely proud this week with their attitude, motivation and approach to their learning with the start of the exams just under 3 weeks away. We have commenced a new wave of intervention across all subjects, modified the curriculum plans to ensure those lessons are plugging any remaining gaps in knowledge, added additional maths into form time, the list is endless and the majority of pupils have hit this head on. Attendance for Year 11 is always high and we hope that this continues. Mrs McCarthy has posted final details around the prom tariff system which has been running all year and those final invitations to prom will be given the week beginning 12th May. Students who are still below the 500 point threshold have plenty of time to increase their total by attending additional intervention, demonstrating those Aspire virtues in lessons, being on time for lessons etc. It is important that Parents continue to speak to us if they have any questions or concerns. I am confident that all students are going to be highly successful this summer.

As I have already mentioned, Year 11 attendance this week has been high however, we have seen another dip in attendance across all year groups particularly in Year 8 and 10. Attendance at this point in the academic year is as crucial as any other point. Missing lessons means missing vital knowledge, this leads to gaps which means that students make worse progress than their peers overall. This is proven time and time again when we compare outcomes to attendance for our summer leavers. Absence from school also has a detrimental effect on children's ability to build and maintain positive relationships. When your child is ill, sometimes it can be difficult to decide whether or not you should send them to school. The NHS guidance makes it clear that there are very few instances where they would be medically unfit to attend school especially for minor ailments such as coughs and colds. The guidance can be found here <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>. I will continue to stress every week that if you have any concerns about your child's attendance, then please make contact with your child's form tutor and we will support you and your child however we can.

I will leave you to read through the rest of the bulletin, I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs K Moore  
Headteacher

## School Events for this week:

### English Update:

Some students this week were chosen to take part in focused English intervention by an outside agency, PetXi. This has proven to be highly beneficial for the students involved as they have had the opportunity to work on weaknesses identified from mock exams.

In addition, there has been an abundance of revision materials added to both Padlet and Google Classrooms to aid students in their English revision. Please encourage your child to make use of these in the run up to exams!

Finally, the final round of after school intervention is taking place each Tuesday for the next 5 weeks - please ensure students attend these where possible.

As a department we couldn't be prouder of the efforts demonstrated by our year 11 students - they are working relentlessly to achieve and exceed target grades - keep up the great work!



### Careers in Maths resources:

Tassomai in collaboration with WISE have produced for maths careers, This guide offers advice for all students who are looking to pursue a career in mathematics. We hope you find it useful as you make choices about your future!

Please click on the link below to access this guidance [📄 Maths+careers+guide.pdf](#)

**House competition update:** As you can see we have already held 2 rounds of house competitions since the start of the term.

The tables below show the held results & upcoming competitions:-

8th April	PE	Mrs Fielder	Athletics Obstacle Course	Quickest time
15th April	Science	Mr Tindall and the Science department	Create an animal habitat/ bug house	Most creative and effective habitat
22nd April	PE	Mr Phillips and the PE department	Rounders tournament	Round Robin competition in Year groups.
29th April	P.E	Mr Phillips and the PE department	Rounders tournament continued	Round Robin competition in Year groups.
6th May	Art and DT	Mrs Down	TBC	TBC
13th May	Social Sciences	Mr Toulson	TBC	TBC
20th May	English	Miss Goodman	TBC	TBC

## Athletics Obstacle Course Results.

### Year 7 Girls-

**First Place- Darcey Wootton (Lions).**

**Second Place- Nicole Jackson (Lions).**



### Year 7 Boys-

**First Place- James Hayward (Warriors).**

**Second Place- Riley Brooks (Warriors).**





## Science Department- House Competition.



Who can create the **best animal habitat/ bug house?**

Create an animal habitat/bug house that we can use in one locations around school such as the pond or forest school areas.

**House points** will be awarded for participation and the best creations.

Entries must be given to **Mr Tindall in S6 by 3pm on Friday 19 April.**



### **Maths Paper Society**

Not sure of how to start revising for maths?

We have the answer. Why not come along to the Maths Paper Society on a Friday lunchtime where you can practise maths papers. There are maths teachers on hand to help you and you get a free lunch!

To book please fill in the google form on the year 11 classroom.

### **PE and Sport**

#### Year 8 Boys Football:

After holding a strong 2-0 lead away at Cardinal Griffin, unfortunately lack of fresh legs and a few unfortunate errors lead to a 3-2 loss on Wednesday night. However the effort and attitude of the Year 8 boys was again outstanding.

#### Extra Curricular:

Next week our sports clubs start up again.

Mondays we will have boys Football, Tennis and Rounders

Wednesdays we will have Athletics and Gymnastics.

After May half term we will also bring in Cricket and other summer sports (we are just waiting on better weather!)

## GCSE Maths Revision - How can Parents get involved?

Start by asking which group your child is currently in. They should know, if not, this is on the year group google classroom

### **Secure a 4!**

Use this independent resource to steer your own learning, in order to improve your maths grade. Watch the video on classrooms for more information on how to use the website.

This is set out in a weekly schedule to ensure you have the basics right to get a grade 4.

The link to access this resource is below:

[Secure a 4!](#)

### **Secure a 5!**

Mrs Rayson-Leese from Windsor High School has produced a series of screencasts for students to watch which model the worked solutions to some of the grade 5 style questions that commonly occur on both the foundation and higher papers.

This is an amazing resource for both higher and foundation students wishing to focus on grade 5 material.

The link to access this resource is below:

[Grade 5 Screencasts](#)

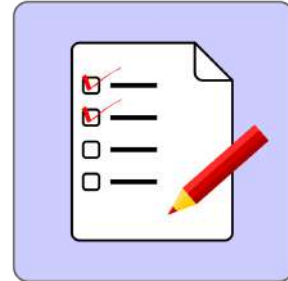
Please click here to go to the [News and blog page](#) of the website

## Curriculum Updates for this week:

### Year 11 Intervention:

This week year 11 started a new wave of intervention. Students have been placed into groups with other students that have similar weaknesses identified from the most recent mock exam.

Students have been working hard during registration, PE and after school to make sure they achieve their target grades! We are so proud of you all and as a thank you we be issuing extra prom points to all those that attended this week!



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### Where are we in Cycle 3?

We are moving into the 3rd week of teaching for Cycle 3. The Threshold Concepts are being covered lessons and the students will be assessed at the end of the 10 week teaching cycle.



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### Turn and Talk



Students are being asked in lessons to 'Turn and Talk' when thinking about questions they have been posed by their teachers. This ensures that all students are engaged in the lesson through talk. The students work in pairs with person A speaking first and person B speaking second. The teacher will then ask the question to individuals afterwards. Please speak with your child about this when you are talking about their day.

### Homework Club

We will be running a lunchtime club in Q23 to allow students access to computers and a quiet area so they can complete their homework. This will be starting from next week. The following Years will have the following days

Year 7 and 8: Tuesday

Year 9 and 10: Wednesday

A HUGE thank you to Mr McFarlane for offering this opportunity.

## Curriculum Updates for this week:

### Century Tech Spring Challenge Week 4 Results

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
1st	Amber Raybould	Leah Cartwright	Milly-Grace Sephton	Chloe Lewis
2nd	Evie Copeland	Jayden Element-Stretton	Amari Hamilton-Morris	Liv Price
3rd	Taliah Bowes	Layla Spink	Callum Standing	Ashley Dawkins

The overall leader for the school is Layla Spink

The Spring Challenge ends on the 24th March. There are few days remaining to make the lead change at the top or even a last minute surge from another student!



### Where are we in the Cycle?

When we return after Easter we will be beginning Phase 1 of Cycle 3. This is a 10 week period of teaching of the curriculum to cover the Threshold Concepts.



## Corbettmaths

**Maths GCSE - 63 days to go...**

Two weeks ago marked a significant milestone for the maths GCSE - there are only 63 days to go until the maths GCSE!

John Corbett from Corbettmaths has started to create a short video every day until the exam. They are only a maximum of 10 minutes long so perfect for revision. Follow the link below to watch an explanation and then choose the correct tier to watch the videos.

<https://corbettmaths.com/100-days/>

## Extra-curricular Clubs Schedule

	Which club?	For which Year Groups?	With who?	Where?	At what time?
Monday	Junior Maths Challenge	7 and 8	Mr Frankham	Q7	3-4pm
Monday	Gaming Club	Invite only	Mr McFarlane/Mr Pattinson	Q23	Lunch
Monday	Netball	All	Mrs McCarthy	PE	3-4pm
Monday	Craft and Chat	All	Miss Chin/Miss Bray/Mrs Friel	B Block	3-4pm
Monday (A)	Year 7 Boys Football	7	Mr Phillips		
Monday (B)	Year 8/9 Boys Football	8 and 9	Mr Phillips		
	Which club?	For which Year Groups?	With who?	Where?	At what time?
Tuesday	Set Design Club	All	Mrs Down	D8	3-4pm
Tuesday	Trading Card Club	All	Mr Perry and Mr Collins	B Block	3-4pm
Tuesday	Board Game Club	All	Mrs Rogers	Q10	Lunch
Tuesday	Ski Fit	Ski Trip students / All	PPH		
Tuesday	Duke of Edinburgh Award	9 and 10	Mr Stephenson	Science	3-4pm
Tuesday (A)	Art Club	All (NOW FULL)	Mrs Crabb	D7	3-4pm
Tuesday	Viva Voce	All	Mr Smith	M1	8-8.30am
Tuesday	Soul Band	Invite Only	Mr Smith	M1	3-4pm
	Which club?	For which Year Groups?	With who?	Where?	At what time?
Wednesday	ADT Homework Club	All	Mrs Down	D8	Lunch
Wednesday	Mindfulness Colouring	All	Mrs Salter	Q5	3-4pm
Wednesday	Girls Football	All (Girls)	Mrs Fielder	PE	3-4pm
Wednesday	Basketball	All	Mr Phillips	PE	3-4pm

Wednesday	Food Club (6 weeks per Year Group)	Y7 Nov-Dec Y8 Jan-Feb Y9 Mar-Apr	Miss Smith and Ms Haddaway	D6	3-4pm
Wednesday	Drama Club	All	Miss Wilson	Theatre	3-4pm
	Which club?	For which Year Groups?	With who?	Where?	At what time?
Thursday	Table Tennis	All	Mr McFarlane	DT Line Up	3-4pm
Thursday	Gaming Club	Invite only	Mr McFarlane/Mr Pattinson	Q23	lunch
Thursday	Tennis Club	7.8 & 9	Mrs Broad-Wood and Mr Toulson	Tennis Courts	Lunch (summer term)
Thursday (TBC)	Food Club	Year 8	Miss Smith	D6	3-4pm (TBC)
	Which club?	For which Year Groups?	With who?	Where?	At what time?
Friday (WEEK B)	History Film Club	All	Mrs Broad wood	Q12	Lunch
Friday	Key Stage 4 Football	10 and 11	Mr Fielder	PE	3-4pm
Friday	Running Club	All	Mr Tindall	Meet S6	3-4pm
Friday	Gardening Gurus	All	Mr Frost	Q6 and outside	Lunch
Friday	Eco Club	All	Mrs Holmes	S8	3-4pm

## Student Services Updates for this week:

Great Wyrley Academy students have received nearly 6000 aspire points this week. The top 3 character virtues and learner skills demonstrated this week are **being respectful, communicating clearly and being responsible**.



Communicate clearly	530
Responsible	526
Respectful	340
Become unstuck	261
Be collaborative	242
Self-quizz	234
Be organised	217
Resilient	100
Creative	76
Courageous	55
Give and receive feedback	45
Compassionate	9



## Top 10 Aspire Points

Year 7				Year 8				Year 9			
James	Hayward	7Y	30	Freya	Preston	8Y	28	Callum	Standing	9W	25
India	O'Hare	7Y	30	Elliot	Lunt	8W	26	Samuel	Kayode	9X	19
Jack	Stokes	7Y	30	Grace	Ellis	8Y	24	Freya	Lane	9Y	18
Millie	Tisdell	7Y	27	Emie-Lou	Arrowsmith	8Y	23	Lyric	Taylor	9W	18
Elsie-May	Colley	7Y	26	Judah	de Castro	8Y	23	Tyler	Sheldon	9W	17
Amber	Raybould	7Y	26	Phoebe	Foster	8X	23	A-Jay	Daley	9Y	16
Jessica	Buckler	7Y	25	Elliott	Nye	8Y	23	Jonathan	Homer	9Y	16
Riley	Kerr	7Y	25	Leo	Orme	8W	23	Tegan	Hopps	9Z	16
Daniel	Mills	7Y	25	Layla	Spink	8X	23	Adonai	Munemo	9Y	16
Brodi	Delaney	7Y	24	Leah	Cartwright	8Z	22	Dominic	Stanton	9W	16

Year 10				Year 11			
Millie	Barker	10X	31	Katie	Dutton	11X	18
Amelia	Brotherton	10X	30	Harry	Bowles	11Z	15
Leisal	Collett	10W	27	Eva	Nightingale	11Z	15
Conor	Follett	10W	27	Madeline	Stanton	11Y	14
Lola-Louise	Brown	10Z	25	Abigail	Follows	11Y	13
Rubie	Ward	10X	24	Fiona	Peakman	11X	11
Tye	Daley	10W	23	Lexi	Rochelle	11X	11
Macie	Morgan	10W	23	Holly	Small	11Y	11
Grace	Wiggin	10W	23	Michael	Tehn-Addy	11X	11
Leah	Kelley	10Y	22	Jarvis	Hopley	11Y	10

**Well done to MILLIE BARKER (10X) for getting the most Aspire Points this week and being BEST IN SCHOOL**

**100% Attendance for this Week - Roll of Honour  
(To get on next week's roll of honour you need to make sure you are in EVERYDAY)**

YEAR 7							
LIONS		RAPTORS		WARRIORS		WOLVES	
Abbott, Noah	7W	Andrews, Frankie	7X	Benton, Oliver	7Y	Bayliss, Logan	7Z
Bowen, Caelan	7W	Brooks, Jaquan	7X	Bowes, Taliah	7Y	Carter, Sophie	7Z
Clark, Alfie	7W	Copeland, Evie	7X	Brooks, Riley	7Y	Farrell, Cameron	7Z
Cook, Poppy	7W	Davies, Bella	7X	Buckler, Jessica	7Y	Fitzsimons, Meabh	7Z
Crump, Edward	7W	Dawes, Jake	7X	Burton, Logan	7Y	Gorman, Oliver	7Z
Evans, Harry	7W	Dicken, Logan	7X	Clarke, Callum	7Y	Halmo, Noemi	7Z
Flynn, Grace	7W	Edwards, Preston	7X	Colley, Elsie-May	7Y	Harrison, Lexie	7Z
Ford, Reuben	7W	Finch, Joshua	7X	Delaney, Brodi	7Y	Kerr, Lewis	7Z

Harris, Will	7W	Fletcher, Avary-Lea	7X	Hayward, James	7Y	Lloyd, Ashton	7Z
Hooper, Jensen	7W	Franks, Lacey	7X	Kerr, Riley	7Y	Mohammadi, Leah	7Z
Howell, Oscar	7W	Gradev, Ventsislav	7X	Lines, Cole	7Y	Parker, Frankie	7Z
Landers, Katherine	7W	Graham, Ky	7X	Mills, Daniel	7Y	Plant, Ruby	7Z
Lloyd, Evie-Mai	7W	Gunn, Dexi-Beau	7X	Orme, Teejay	7Y	Potter, Ollie	7Z
Molineux, Ellie	7W	Heath, Isabella	7X	Peakman, Eden	7Y	Rafiu, Yetunde	7Z
Morgan, Rosie	7W	Heath, Olivia	7X	Plummer, Evie	7Y	Randell, Bradley	7Z
Morris, Charlie	7W	Leighton, Gabriella	7X	Raybould, Amber	7Y	Shooter, Aleisha	7Z
Nock, Sonia	7W	Martin, Bailee	7X	Rushton, William	7Y	Slater, Jenson	7Z
Noon, Paige	7W	Mayfield, Rocky	7X	Sedgwick, Eli	7Y	Taylor, Libby	7Z
Sanders, Sienna	7W	Price, Darci	7X	Selvey, Eden	7Y	Telford, Beau	7Z
Shotton, Holly	7W	Rawlins, Hannah	7X	Stokes, Jack	7Y	Wall, Jorge	7Z
Taylor, William	7W	Russell, Louie	7X	Tisdell, Millie	7Y	Walsh, Daniel	7Z
Walker, Jacob	7W	Skelton, Freddie	7X				
Weaver, Emily	7W	Upton, Mason	7X				
Williams, Megan	7W						
Williams, Paige	7W						
Wootton, Darcey	7W						

YEAR 8							
LIONS		RAPTORS		WARRIORS		WOLVES	
Billett, Olivia	8W	Boshell, Kai	8X	Boyi, Eloane	8Y	Arrowsmith, Isabella	8Z
Carter, Megan	8W	Brown, Ryan	8X	De Castro, Judah	8Y	Bingham, Taylor	8Z
Challinor, Lily-Rose	8W	Clark, Ellie-Mae	8X	Gillion, Xander	8Y	Cartwright, Leah	8Z
Dutton, Lydia	8W	Dawkins, Hollie	8X	Hannon, Violet-May	8Y	Delaney, Ollie	8Z
Hunt, Reuben	8W	Elson, Grace	8X	Harman, Faith	8Y	Edwards, Indiya	8Z
Jarvis, Oliver	8W	Evans, Amy-Lee	8X	Horton, Dom	8Y	Element-Stretton, Jayden	8Z
Lloyd, Grace	8W	Foster, Phoebe	8X	Jones, Harry	8Y	Evans, Riley	8Z
Loverock, Alfie	8W	Harrison, Daniel	8X	Mellor, Kian	8Y	Everall, Sophie	8Z
Lunt, Elliot	8W	Hill, Macey	8X	Norton, Oliver	8Y	French, Charlie	8Z
Mansell, Gracie	8W	Hulett, Owen	8X	Nye, Elliott	8Y	Headley, Chloe	8Z
Marston, Olivia	8W	Joshua, Kelvin	8X	Preston, Freya	8Y	Heeley, Lily	8Z
Orme, Leo	8W	Kendrick, Thomas	8X	Summerton, Jonathan	8Y	Jones-Williams, Lexii	8Z

Palmer, Joshua	8W	Kneller, Isaac	8X	Warke, Lacey	8Y	Kelley, Harrison	8Z
Read, Daisy	8W	Leesing, Marley	8X			Niles, Joshua	8Z
Ridgway, Harry	8W	Noon, Megan	8X			Poole, Noah	8Z
Rossiter, Jacob	8W	Spink, Layla	8X			Robbins, Ellie-May	8Z
Seedhouse, Jayden	8W	Taylor, Rain	8X				
Skelton, Ava	8W	Williams, Charlie	8X				
Small, Logan	8W						
Taylor, Isobella	8W						
Trow, Olivia	8W						
Wootton, Poppy	8W						

YEAR 9							
LIONS		RAPTORS		WARRIORS		WOLVES	
Buckley, Nathan	9W	Asbury, Megan	9X	Barnett, Jensen	9Y	Blaymires, Charlie	9Z
Cantello, Noah	9W	Barker, Leah	9X	Brown, Kayla	9Y	Evans, Lola	9Z
Gosling, Katie	9W	Bulai, Cristian	9X	Daley, A-Jay	9Y	Ford, Alice	9Z
Gryska, Aurelia	9W	Dudley-Mowe, Louisa	9X	Delaney, Alex	9Y	Hickman, Joshua	9Z
Hamilton-Morris, Amari	9W	Jones, Maisie	9X	Homer, Jonathan	9Y	Hopps, Tegan	9Z
Heminsley, Chloe	9W	Kayode, Samuel	9X	Lane, Freya	9Y	Kerr, Sophie	9Z
Salter, Chloe	9W	Lane, Jake	9X	Lewis, Zach	9Y	Merrick, Teagan	9Z
Standing, Callum	9W	Leek, Harvey	9X	Munemo, Adonai	9Y	Mohammadi, Ricardo	9Z
Stanton, Dominic	9W	Mills, Paige	9X	Parker, James	9Y	Nutting, Abigail	9Z
Wilcox, Cameron	9W	Rowley, Kielan-Leigh	9X	Pearson, Sophie	9Y	Pearce, Keeley	9Z
		Toyin-Balogun, Champion	9X	Robinson, Jessie	9Y	Shaw, Courtney	9Z
		Turner-Wilkes, Aiden	9X	Stevenson-Daniel, Rhianna	9Y	Stone, Archie	9Z
		Walker, Henry	9X	Westwood, Alfie	9Y	Tehn-Addy, Daniel	9Z
		Willetts, Frankie	9X			Walters, Kirsty	9Z

YEAR 10							
LIONS		RAPTORS		WARRIORS		WOLVES	
Collett, Leisal	10W	Barker, Millie	10X	Burke, Connor	10Y	Bateman, Lauren	10Z
Daley, Tye	10W	Despotaki, Georgia	10X	Burton, Regan	10Y	Brittle, William	10Z
Davis, Zac	10W	Firkin, Owen Junior	10X	Copeland, Katie	10Y	Dawkins, Ashley	10Z
Follett, Conor	10W	Garbett, Conner	10X	Crone, Max	10Y	Hunt, Ethan	10Z
Opoku, Henry	10W	Hardaker, Owen	10X	Dawney, Lyndon	10Y	Parker, Christian	10Z
Oxley, James	10W	Lavender, William	10X	Geddes, Robyn	10Y	Spooner, Benjamin	10Z
Procter, Maddison	10W	Lee-Clarke, Akyla	10X	Hickman, Warren	10Y	Weaver, Jack	10Z
Rawlins, Katie-Mae	10W	Pearson, Thomas	10X	Kanyayi, Aisha	10Y	Weeks, Lily	10Z
Sirrett, Olivia	10W	Seedhouse, Lewis	10X	Kelley, Leah	10Y	Williams, Autumn	10Z
Wiggin, Grace	10W	Sutcliffe, Eve	10X	Lewis, Chloe	10Y		
		Taylor, Kenzie-Jay	10X	Murphy, Joe	10Y		
				Robinson, Billy	10Y		
				Stokes, Amelia	10Y		
				Wilding, Owen	10Y		

YEAR 11					
RAPTORS		WARRIORS		WOLVES	
Allen, Cameron	11X	Akerman, Heidi	11Y	Bains, Connor	11Z
Bolton, Romeo	11X	Babb, Alfie	11Y	Bowles, Harry	11Z
Booth, Tamzin	11X	Ebbans, Lauren	11Y	Coffey, Josh	11Z
Dutton, Katie	11X	France, Lewis	11Y	Tooker, Libby	11Z
Hanrahan, Cameron	11X	Hopley, Jarvis	11Y		
Llewellyn, Willow	11X	Howell, Cam	11Y		
Natanson, Sam	11X	Lewis, Daniel	11Y		
Orme, Harry	11X	Patrick, Hayden	11Y		
Tehn-Addy, Michael	11X	Pearse, Elliot	11Y		
		Small, Holly	11Y		
		Stanton, Madeline	11Y		
		Whitlock, Oliver	11Y		

		Whittle, Taylor	11Y		
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