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## **Parent Bulletin - Friday 7th July 2023**

### **Headteacher Update:**

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you all have had a good week. I am delighted to share with you some of the wonderful events and activities that have taken place at our school this week. It has been an exciting time filled with opportunities for learning, growth, and inspiration.

Firstly, I would like to commend all the talented musicians and dancers who participated in our Summer Showcase. The event was a resounding success, showcasing the incredible musical and dance talent we have in our school community. The dedication and hard work of our students and teachers was evident, and we are immensely proud of their achievements.

In line with our commitment to promoting STEM subjects, a group of our aspiring young mathematicians recently embarked on a trip to inspire future engineers. The "Women in Maths" trip provided a unique opportunity for our students to explore the world of engineering and its connection to mathematics. This experience undoubtedly broadened their horizons and opened their eyes to the vast possibilities that lie ahead.

Our Year 7 students had an enriching cultural experience as they watched a production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at the theatre. This performance brought Shakespeare's timeless classic to life, fostering a love for literature and the arts among our young learners.

I would like to extend my best wishes to our Year 10 students who will be embarking on their work experience placements next week. This valuable opportunity will allow them to gain real-world insights into various professions and develop important skills for their future careers. I have every confidence that they will make the most of this experience and represent our school admirably.

Lastly, I want to remind everyone that Sports Day for Year 7, 8, and 9 will take place on Monday. Students are expected to come to school dressed in full PE kit, ready to participate in a range of exciting sporting activities. Let's celebrate the joy of physical activity and the spirit of friendly competition.

Once again, I am immensely proud of our students' achievements and the dedication of our staff and parents in supporting their growth. Together, we continue to create a vibrant and nurturing environment for our school community. Wishing you all a fantastic week ahead!

Kind regards,

Mrs K Moore (Headteacher)

## School Events for this week:

### Summer Showcase

On Tuesday 4th July we had our Summer showcase. The evening contained solo and ensemble pieces as well as performances from our year 9 dance groups, Viva Voce, Soul band and a year 7 boo Whicker group.



### A Midsummer Night's Dream

On Friday 7th July Year 7 students attended a live performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at the Stafford Gatehouse Theatre. Students were able to unlock their academic potential in both English and Drama through being immersed into the world of Shakespeare!



### History

Battlefields Tour democratic vote on the choice of hoodie colour has finally resulted in a people's choice of DUSTY GREEN. Pupils will be able to enjoy wearing their hoodies with pride in October as we tour the sites of WW1 on our 3 day residential excursion to Ypres and its environs.



### Memorial Garden

The creation of a memorial garden is moving ahead quite rapidly, especially when we have Year 10 students giving up their time to make it happen, with the help of Mrs Gould, Mr Frost and Mr Stephenson.

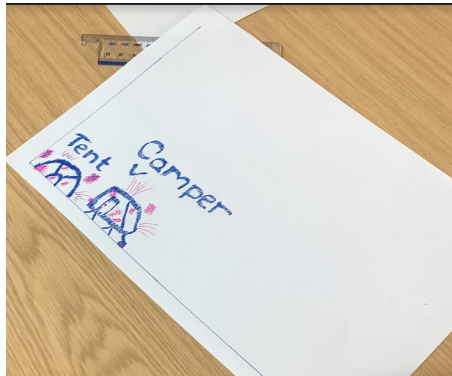
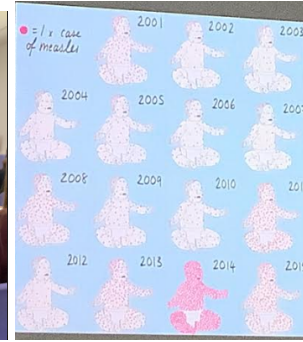


### **Women in Maths trip**

On Tuesday eight year 10 girls went to Keele University to attend the Women in Maths event which was organised by the AMSP.

In the morning the girls took part in some work experience where they helped decide where the CACI's marketing department should advertise their sunglasses launch event. They then learnt about how Florence Nightingale, who was a statistician as well as a nurse, used her statistical background to cut death rates during the Crimean war. The girls also got to learn about the mathematician and artist Mona Chalabi who turns data into illustrations. In the afternoon the girls got a chance to listen to some women in industry and how they use maths in their jobs.

After lunch was the most exciting event - Dr Jaclyn Bell (one of twelve finalists to take part in BBC two's 'Astronauts: Do you have what it takes') gave an inspiring presentation where she spoke about 'How far can maths take you?' Dr Bell spoke about how maths can open many doors and encouraged everyone to always follow their dreams!



## Y10 Work Experience

Y10 are out on workplace learning this week. We would like to wish them good luck and encourage them to make the most of the placement opportunities they have sourced. We look forward to greeting them back in school for the final week of term and hearing all about the incredible work related encounters that they will share with us.



## Curriculum Updates for this week:

Next week, our year 10 students will be embarking on an exciting journey as they participate in work experience placements. The diverse range of placements reflects the variety of interests and career paths our students are exploring. Some will be immersed in the world of education, spending their time in local schools, assisting teachers and gaining firsthand experience of the classroom environment. Others will be venturing into the business sector, with placements in care homes, hairdresser's, and pharmacies. These opportunities will provide them with valuable insights into customer service, healthcare, and the day-to-day operations of these industries. Furthermore, we are delighted to have secured a placement at Finnings UK, a leading provider of construction and mining equipment. This opportunity will give our students a chance to explore the engineering field and witness the inner workings of a renowned company.



Throughout their work experience week, our year 10 students will have the opportunity to develop essential skills and gain practical knowledge that will aid them in their future careers. They will learn the importance of punctuality, professionalism, and effective communication as they navigate the workplace environment. Engaging with real-life scenarios will help them understand the relevance of their academic studies and allow them to make informed decisions about their future career paths. The experiences they gain will also help them build confidence, foster teamwork skills, and develop a strong work ethic. We are proud of our students for embracing this opportunity and look forward to seeing them thrive and grow during their work experience placements.

## Student Services Updates for this week:

Great Wyrley Academy students have received over 1300 aspire points this week. The top 3 character virtues and learner skills demonstrated this week are being **resilient, respectful** and **communicating clearly**. They have spent a great deal of time communicating their learning this cycle. Well done on all your efforts.



Respectful	350
Communicate clearly	183
Resilient	155
Be collaborative	132
Responsible	129
Self-quiz	101
Creative	77
Be organised	66
Courageous	49
Give and receive feedback	27
Become unstuck	24
Compassionate	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>1313</b>

## Aspire Points: Top 10 Students

Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10	
Isabella Arrowsmith	23	A-Jay Daley	22	Lyndon Dawney	24	Shaian Cele	22
Noah Poole	23	Adonai Munemo	18	Brandon Elkins-Mansell	20	Saffira Webster	16
Leah Cartwright	22	Jorja-Jo Johnston	17	Lewis Haste	18	Sophie Forrester	15
Lydia Dutton	22	Alex Delaney	16	Kasey Ebbans	17	Lexi Rochelle	15
Grace Ellis	22	Cristian Bulai	15	Bethany Robins	17	Megan Willetts	15
Xander Gillion	22	James Parker	15	Lauren Bateman	16	Lexi Jarvis	14
Eloane Boyi	21	Tyler Sheldon	14	Georgia Despotaki	16	Ava Moseley	14
Lily-Rose Challinor	21	Ava Walker	14	Thomas Pearson	16	Hannah Woodhouse	14
Noah Bellingham	20	Kacey Barnard	13	Billy Robinson	16	Marley Dowding-Morton	12
Macey Hill	20	Brandon Collins	13	Eve Sutcliffe	16	Jessica Green	12

## Summer Holidays 2023



### PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023



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#### **ASDA**

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

#### **TESCO**

Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

#### **SAINSBURYS CAFES**

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

#### **BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

#### **THE REAL GREEK**

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

#### **TABLE TABLE**

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

#### **TRAVELODGE**

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

#### **HUNGRY HORSE**

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

#### **PREMIER INN**

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

#### **SIZZLING PUBS**

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

#### **IKEA**

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

#### **MORRISONS**

Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

#### **GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

#### **PRETO**

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

#### **BILLS**

2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

#### **BELLA ITALIA**

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

#### **WHITBREAD INNS**

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

#### **SA BRAINS PUBS**

Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

#### **FUTURE INNS**

Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

#### **PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

#### **YO! SUSHI**

From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

#### **TO BE CONFIRMED...**

M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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