

**Science Day at WPS** 

Our Reception and Year 1 learners took part in a science day as part of Science Week on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

Reception and Year 1 learners had a great day taking part in science themed activities. Science Week co-ordinators at Unilever joined our learners and enjoyed putting on their lab coats and goggles to watch volcanoes explode, make slime and checking for germs on our hands.



## **The Learning Bus**

The Learning Bus unfortunately was not able to attend school as planned.

The learning bus was due to visit school last Thursday however due to unforeseen circumstances they were unable to attend. The learning bus will be rearranging this and we will keep you updated.

## **Intergenerational Project**

A group of Year 7 & 8 learners took part in a skills swap community event on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March at Hunsbury Library.

10 learners took part in another Intergenerational Project as part of our community work with East Hunsbury Parish Council. Learners developed their communication, leadership and interpersonal skills through playing classic board games with local seniors. The session was a huge success, with several members of the seniors group commenting on what a fantastic first impression the learners had made.



### **Enrichment Clubs**

## Enrichment Club letters have been emailed to all learners and a paper copy given out.

All our learners here at Wootton Park School are encouraged to take part in enrichment clubs. Primary learners have a choice of clubs after school Tuesday to Friday. Secondary learners have a range of clubs both after school and at lunch times on these days too. Please return your forms to the school office as soon as possible as places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Primary learners have had their choices back, if you have any further questions, please pop to the office.

Secondary learners will receive their choices next week.

### **Term Dates**

#### The Easter holiday is nearly here!

Just a reminder that learners will finish school on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March and return to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018.





## Year 8 Football

### Manor School Sports College 8 vs Wootton Park School 3

WPS played well against Manor although the team lost 8-3. Goals from Jaidon T, Liam and Bobby. Player of the Match - Bella K

## Year 7 Football

### Wootton Park School 7 vs Northampton International Academy 4.

Goal scorers; Shaun 3, Jonathan 2, Alan 1 and an own goal.

Man of the Match went to Taylor. Well done to all that played!

## **Rugby Coaching at Wootton Park** School

Over the past 7 months, learners in Year 7 and 8 have had extra help in their Rugby lessons from Rugby coach Paul Russell. Paul is part of the RFU's All Schools Rugby Programme and has helped teach the Year 7 and 8 learners in their Rugby lessons. His advice has helped all learners to progress drastically in this area of the Physical Education curriculum.

7DC girls were the last group to be taught by Paul this year and the learners were on hand to present a gift and cards to Paul from all of the learners.



# **New School Rugby Kit**

#### Wootton Park School's new rugby kit!

Wootton Park School has a brand new rugby kit courtesy of being part of the All Schools Rugby Programme. Fin is modelling the new kit alongside Lucia, Sarinah, Natalia and Emily who designed the Rugby kit last year.

The rugby players are extremely excited to wear the kit for the first time. The Year 8 team have a friendly match arranged against Northampton International Academy next week at Northampton Casuals so they will be wearing it then.



## Four more netball victories for Wootton Park!

The Year 7 and 8 netball teams have had a busy schedule this week with two games in two days.

On Tuesday, they travelled to Thomas Beckett where they played some of the best netball they have played this year. The Year 7 team had a close game, with the Thomas Beckett team testing them all over the court. Holly played excellently in defence and some fine shooting from Jahnyah allowed them to win 6-3. The Year 8s played some superb flowing netball all over the court, with Amber and Tali having an outstanding game in the centre court. Wootton Park built up a big lead and finished as winners of the game, 21-3.

Twenty-four hours later, the girls were back on the court, this time at home against Duston. The Year 7s had a good game with both teams having a fair share of the possession. Phoebe made some fine interceptions to limit the Duston attack and Melisa's support across the court enabled Wootton Park to take advantage of their opportunities. The final score, 6-2 to Wootton Park. The Year 8 team had a close first quarter with no goals being scored at either end but took the lead 2-0, Gee scoring both goals. The second half was a more one sided affair with Wootton Park having most of the possession and any chance of a Duston attack being dealt with effectively by Joy in defence. Some excellent shooting from Bella in the second half meant the score at the end of the game was 6-0 to Wootton Park.

Well done to the girls who played and thank you to the members of staff and parents who came to support.





## **Sports Relief**

**Sports relief encourages the nation to get active and raise money**. The Primary phase has taken part in daily physical challenges, including a walk-a-thon, hula hooping, skipping, dancing and jumping, as well as a sports competition on Friday. Secondary phase learners have taken part in challenges during their PE lessons as well as carrying-out inter-form PE events. They have also helped primary learners with their run.

Primary and secondary learners came home with a sponsor form for this event; please can you return the form and any monies raised to school as soon as possible. So far, we have raised £1270 and are still counting! Thank you to everyone that has taken part.



## **Car Parking**

**Parking safely on the school site is important to keep all of our learners safe.** Could we please remind all parents/carers dropping off and collecting learners to park safely. Parents can park in the car park at the sports pavilion. This is well sign posted as you enter the site. Please do not park in other car parks around the school site as these belong to our neighbours!

## FOWPS Update – Friday 23rd March

### **Time for a Spring Clean**

### Next Bags 2 School Collection - Friday 21ST April

After a successful last collection, we have received a new batch of bags and ask that when you clear out the winter woollies during Easter, you pop them into the Bag 2 School bag. We aim (with the much-appreciated help of the school office) to bag drop all the learners early next week, so that the bags are available for the Easter holidays. If you need extra bags, please let us know at pta@woottonparkschool.org.uk. Let us aim to break the 400kg mark this time and hopefully the £200 barrier.

#### Term 3 and 4 Events Review

We have had another good couple of terms for events, raising a profit of around £250 in the process.

Six Nations Quiz – saw the Teachers retain their titles with a narrow victory despite a surprisingly poor popular music round. Thanks to all the teams involved.

We aim to hold a second quiz near the end of Term 5. It is time the teachers' winning streak comes to an end.

The School Disco was also a resounding success for both the primary and secondary phase. It saw fantastic support from the parents and all learners in attendance had a great evening. Thanks to all those involved and especially to the learners for their impeccable behaviour.

### **FOWPS Funding Requests**

We are currently reviewing a number of funding requests from the school and hope to bring you news of our new commitments at the start of Term 5. A number of these items will include ongoing support, where the Friends of Wootton Park School promise set funds for the school year. This is similar to our undertaking with supporting the school mini-bus. We will also be announcing one-off purchases of equipment and resources that the learners will be able to benefit from immediately.

With all this in mind, we continue to thank all parents, family members and learners for your ongoing support at FOWPS events.

We aim to be sending out details of the upcoming events for Terms 5 and 6 after the Easter break. In that will also be details of how you can help support the Summer Fair, which this year will take place on the 30th June.

