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### PEER SUPPORTERS

*by Miss Davey*

Peer Supporters have been trained by our wellbeing team to listen, talk and give advice to peer learners.

Alongside helping learners in Primary they will be in the Quiet Room 1.02, this is a comfortable space for new and existing learners alike to relax at Lunchtime.

New learners might find rooms 1.02 or 1.08 a great space to visit in their first few weeks at Wootton Park School to meet new people and talk through any questions they may have.

Drop In sessions in Room 1.27 are always available at lunchtime where a Wellbeing Staff Member will be there to listen to any concerns, worries or queries too.

(Illustrations by Julietta K)



### Peer Supporters

Talk to or play games with another learner.  
Meet new people  
Offload worries  
Get advice on a situation

Room 1.02 and 1.08  
1:30pm – 2:10pm - Tuesday  
Peer Supporters are trained learners who are here to listen, chat and offer advice.

The Team:





# LIBRARIES SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2022

by Mrs Collard & Mrs Jones

Get curious and inventive this summer with Gadgeteers, Summer Reading Challenge 2022. The Reading Agency are excited to introduce Gadgeteers, Summer Reading Challenge 2022; a celebration of science and innovation, in partnership with the Science Museum Group.

There's not long to wait. Join the Challenge for free at your local library 9 July – 10 September 2022.

The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the summer holidays. You can sign up at your local library, choose your reading goal (we recommend six books), then read any library books of your choice to collect special stickers and rewards along the way – all for free!

How the Challenge works:

- Children sign up through their local library and receive a Gadgeteers collector poster.
- Children set a reading goal and borrow and read library books of their own choice during the summer, collecting special stickers to complete their poster and extra incentives along the way.
- Children who complete the Summer Reading Challenge are presented with a certificate.
- The official Challenge website hosts digital rewards, author videos, games and more for children to enjoy all summer: [www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk)

By championing the Summer Reading Challenge, you will be continuing to support learning during the holidays, ensuring learners return ready for a great start to the new academic year.



## YEAR 9 TRIP TO MOULTON COLLEGE

by Mrs Jeffery

Our first cohort of GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition learners spent the day at Moulton College Bakery, touring the fantastic facilities and learning more about Post 16 courses that are available in Food and Drink.

They also undertook a practical cooking activity to make brownies which were a huge success!

In the afternoon, learners spent some time looking at the business opportunities around promoting and selling a unique brownie product.

A fantastic day had by all!



# BOOK OF THE MONTH

by Miss Brough

## Floodland

A girl survives on an island after a catastrophic flood separates her from her family.

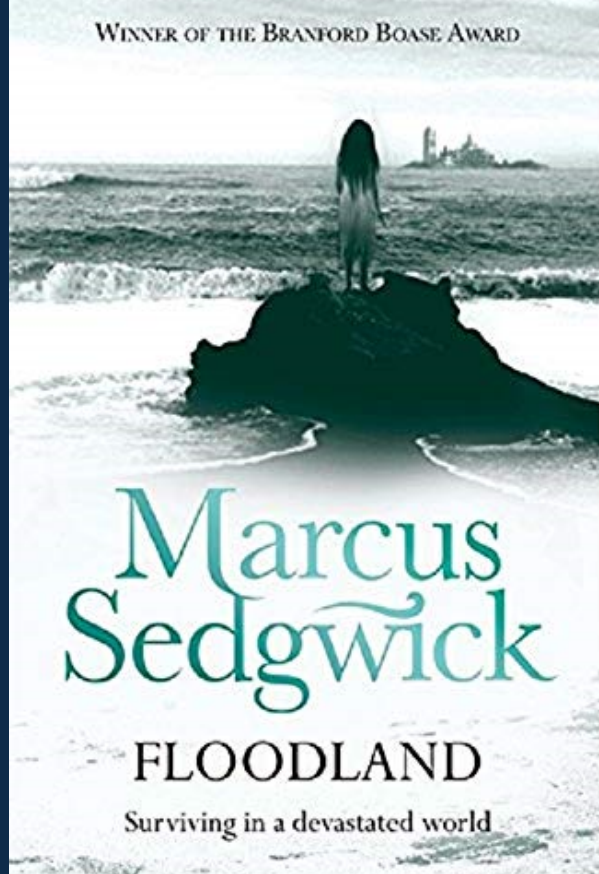
Imagine that England is covered by water, and Norwich is an island...

Zoë, left behind in the confusion when her parents escaped, survives there as best she can. Alone and desperate among marauding gangs, she manages to dig a boat out of the mud and gets away to Eels Island.

But Eels Island, whose raggle-taggle inhabitants are dominated by the strange boy Dooby, is full of danger too.

The belief that she will one day find her parents spurs Zoë on to a dramatic escape.

Winner of the Branford Boase Award 2001.



# PARENT REMINDERS

by Front Office

## Term Dates

Term 1 - Monday 5th September 2022 - Thursday 20th October 2022

\*1st & 2nd September - teacher training days

## New Uniform

If your child requires any new uniform to be ordered this can now only be done through our new school shop website. Orders can be placed via this [link](#) and items are usually dispatched to your home or work address within 3 days. When using the site for the first time Parents/Carers will need to register a New Account by clicking the "login" button on the top right hand side of the website. Orders over £50.00 qualify for free delivery.

There will be a delivery charge of £4.50 for orders under £50.00. No stock items will be kept at school (apart from Ties and PE Socks). Any queries regarding orders can be emailed to the suppliers: [enquiries@schoolcoloursdirect.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@schoolcoloursdirect.co.uk) please remember to quote the "school name" along with the name on the order and the order number. If you qualify for pupil premium discount please contact the office

## Borrowed Uniform

Please can we ask that any borrowed uniform items including green ties are returned to the main reception before the end of term. Failing to do so may result in a charge on your parent pay account.

## Medication

If your child has medication kept at school please ensure this is collected before 21st July, 3pm should it be needed over the summer holidays.

Emails have also been sent out regarding any medication due to expire during the holidays, if these have not been collected by the expired date they will be disposed of.





## DANCE WORLD CUP

*by Miss Percival*

Congratulations to Sienna (Y7) and her dance group for being World Cup Finalists in the Dance World Cup travelling to San Sebastián to perform and compete.

They finished 4th in the world and were 0.5 of a mark away from 3rd place achieving 3 points towards Englands final score!

A huge Wootton Park well done!

## TOUCH RUGBY COMPETITION

*by Mr Robinson*

The year 9 Touch Rugby team travelled to Moulton College this week to compete in the finals of the School Games touch rugby finals. WPS were drawn in Group 1, competing against Corby Technical School, EWS, Moulton School and Woolaston School.

Our first pool game was against EWS. They were a strong team with fast runners, but outstanding tries from Euan and Harry ensured a winning start - 2 tries to 1.

The second game would be a hard fought tactical battle against a very competitive Moulton team. Sadly two break away tries from Moulton were enough to separate the two teams – with WPS losing 0-2.

A comprehensive 4-0 victory for WPS against Wollaston with tries from Matthew, Rhys, Kai and Harry lifted spirits, before a comfortable 3-0 win against Corby Technical School (tries from Euan and Harry x2) ensured WPS progressed from the pool games and would play a tough game against Sponne school (winners of pool 2) in the semi-final.

Despite their best efforts Sponne were frustrated by WP's strong defense and a clever break away try from Rhys ensured WPS went through to the final where we would meet Moulton school again. In a repeat of the first game both teams appeared evenly matched with WPS going very close to scoring after 5 minutes, but an agonising last minute try from Moulton left Wootton Park picking up 2nd place medals.

Well done to the whole squad who showed great sportsmanship throughout and played the whole tournament with flair, intelligence and maturity.



## ALTON TOWERS

*by Dr Rautenberg, Mr Kilcoyne and Miss Bennett*

Our first Sixth Form students are concluding an overall rewarding first A level year! After their mock examinations, the year group went on a reward trip to Alton Towers on Monday.

Special thanks go to Mr Cooper, Miss Kyne, Mr Fordham and Miss Christadoulou for supervising.





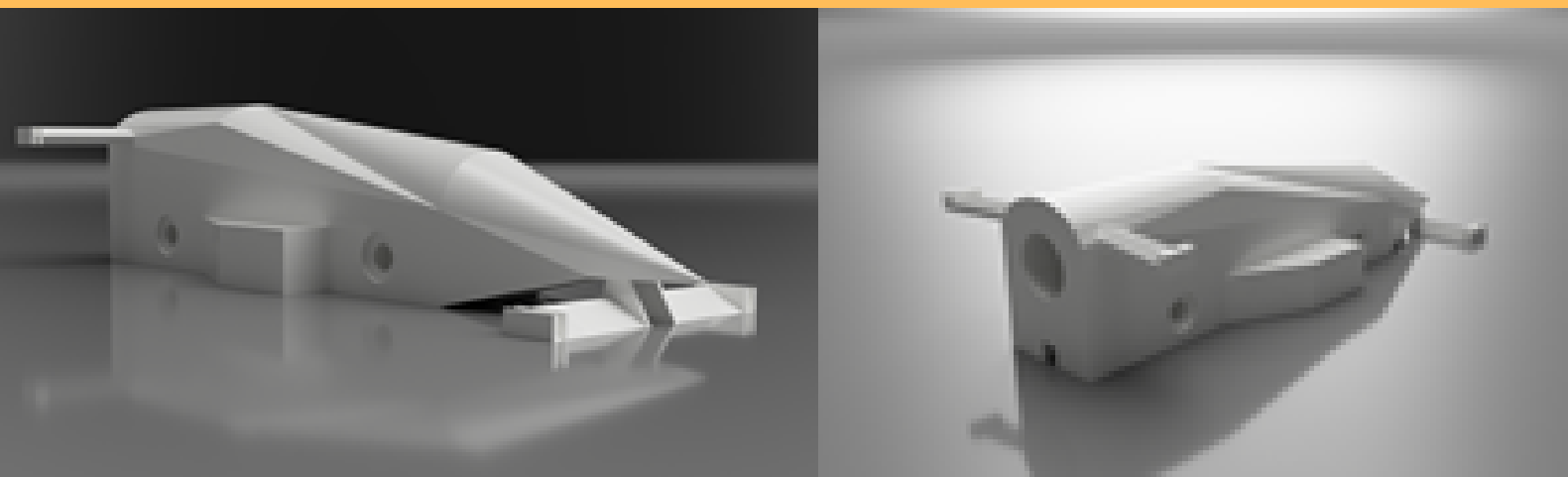
# CAMBRIDGE CHEMISTRY CHALLENGE

*by Mrs Johnstone*

A huge congratulations to Pippa (Y12) who was awarded a Gold Award in the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge, placing her in the top 10% of 8,400 candidates who entered the C3L6 competition this year.

The questions the learners are asked to answer are very difficult, at university level and they are really meant to stretch and challenge them. Schools around the UK usually enter the best learners from their year 12 chemists.

Only around 10% of the entrants are awarded Roentgenium and Gold certificates, so this places Pippa very highly in her year group around the country! Well done Pippa!



# OFFICIAL F1 IN SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

*by Mr Williams*

Over the past 18 months, a group of Year 10 D&T learners have been working hard on the Official F1 In Schools Challenge.

Ryan – Team Manager, Toby – Vehicle Designer, Sophie – Graphic Designer, Ben – Vehicle Engineer & Rufus – Manufacturing Engineer have all worked through challenges, victories and life-changing learning curves to produce a design for the future of F1.

The project – to design and develop a next generation, advanced F1 car of the future this has involved learners using practical, digital, and Scientific knowledge and skills to create an F1 Team & a state of the art car.

This challenging project involved team members working together across multiple disciplines and backgrounds. The use of practical tools, digital CAD/CAM design, Team Management, and Creating a social presence had given the team incredible skills that will develop their skills through the future.

F1 in schools is a project created to engage secondary school students aged 9 to 19 in stem (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) in a fun and educational way. F1 in schools is the only international multi-disciplinary competition for students to collaborate, design, analyse, manufacture, test, and then race miniature compressed air powered cars made from an official f1 model block.

Within the next few months, learners will compete at the regional and national F1 In Schools Finals in order to prove their car's speed, aerodynamics and race readiness.

If the team win the regional/national finals, they will win tickets to the Silverstone Grand Prix in 2023, as well as a grant for Design and Technology equipment.



# SHINING BRIGHT PROJECT

*by Ryan & Dan, Year 10*

This D&T project has been awesome!

We have learned so many things along the way and have discovered many new talents. I have loved the team effort of this build, It wasn't just a sit in a corner and fiddle around, we had to work as a team. We all worked together to make the outcome brilliant, we discussed our opinions and helped each other. No one was left out and we have had a lot of fun.

Our project involved soldering and carpentry and other STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths) Practices. Overall, this was an amazing topic and I learnt lots.



## THE BIG RIG

*by Sam, Year 10*

On the 8th July 8 members from the Design and Technology department took part in the Northampton collage "The Big Rig" challenge, where teams will compete against each other to design and install a low carbon, environmentally friendly shower and electrical installation to generate hot water supply to a shower. They also had to manage their team by giving each member roles such as:

Lead Manager, Assistant Manager, Technical leads and health and safety representative. The learners could also earn points based on various criteria such as, Planning, Rainwater harvesting and project management.

The learners also had to understand technical information relating to generation of hot water and electricity, working as a team to develop problem solving and thinking skills to overcome design installation problems and to develop communication and leadership skills while working on the installation. "It was a great team building exercise and lots of real-world experience was gained" - Sam (Year 10)

At the end of day, the Wootton learners were able to produce a system which collected rain water, the water was then pumped to a thermal solar panel, then it was sent to a water collector and from there it was sent to the shower where 30 degrees water was produced. The students not only learnt valuable life lessons but also had fun along the way as Charlie Willets stated (Year 10) "It was so much fun whilst being educational at the same time"

"Such an enriching and real challenge providing our learners with essential and sustainable skills for like" - Mr Williams.







We are delighted to announce that we, Wootton Park School, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2021/22 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward and recognise school Wootton Park's engagement (provision and uptake) in the School Games against a national benchmark and to celebrate keeping young people active, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

We are extremely proud of our learners for their dedication to all aspects of physical activity and school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our events possible.

We are committed to using the School Games to try and engage those young people who haven't previously been active or represented our school and to try and ensure that all our learners have a positive experience and want to try out new activities beyond school too in our community.

We believe in the power of physical activity and school sport as a school and give opportunities to those young people that need it most either as a participant, leader, official or volunteer.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas linked to the five School Games outcomes and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

We look forward to applying once again in 2023!

## **BAKE CLUB PARTY**

*by Mrs Jeffery*

At the end of term, learners from our after school Bake Club, have the opportunity to bring in their favourite bake from home for all the learners to enjoy.

They then rate all the bakes on presentation, flavour and texture until we have an overall winner.

There were some amazing examples of homemade baked products. This time, the learners voted for Beatrice in Year 7 as their overall winner with her Biscoff Cupcakes.

Bake Club will be back next year for anyone in KS3 interested in joining us.





**SPORTS DAY**  
*by Mr Cowdell*





# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

*by Mr Rosser*

Although this academic year has seen many disruptions due to the pandemic, there have been so many successes and achievements. I am immensely proud to lead such an amazing school and I thank parents and carers for their ongoing support.

September 2022 sees the marking of a significant milestone for our school. It has been an incredible journey from the school opening in 2016 with just two year groups to reaching full capacity of 14 year groups ranging from Reception through to year 13.

Our year 6s in September will be the first Wootton Park learners to transition into our secondary phase. Our full All Through School becomes a reality.

Next academic year is an exciting next step for our school and I look forward to welcoming all learners back on 5th September to see our full school in action!

Wishing you a restful Summer break.

Kind regards,  
Dan Rosser





## EQUALITIES AWARD

Wootton Park School has been successful in achieving Gold Status for the Equality Award.

The Equalities Award recognises schools that effectively promote equality, diversity and inclusion and showcase their commitment to equality. As a Gold achieving school, we have been successful in creating a school that is a beacon for others; where the positive impact of best equality and diversity practice is clearly visible.

We are delighted to have gained this prestigious award and recognise the positive impact this has and will continue to have on our school community.

Thank you to Miss Garrett and Miss Percival for leading our school with the assessment.



Enjoy the  
**SUMMER**  
**BREAK!**



**WOOTTON PARK**

*'Ipsum quod faciendum est diutius'*

