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## **THE LIBRARY IS FULL!**

*by Miss Brough*

Thank you so much for the incredible book donations we have received over the past few years. We currently have close to 6,000 books in the Knowledge Hub and almost half of those have been donated!

Therefore, I am extremely pleased to announce that the Knowledge Hub is now full! Our shelves have so many wonderful books that I would like to take some time for the learners to enjoy these and discover the books that they love so I am kindly asking that no more books be donated to the library.

Our resources can now be devoted to refining the collection and making sure it works for our learners in the best way possible now that they can use it more freely.



# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

*by Mr Rosser*

A big thank you to all families for their support during this first half term.

The easing of some coronavirus restrictions has allowed us to enjoy the school building together which has been wonderful to see.

I do appreciate that it has been frustrating not to have visited our new build as yet. I encourage you to book a self-tour and be guided around the school by your own child. I am sure they will be very proud to show you where they learn. I am certainly very proud of our school environment.

A reminder that these can be booked via this link <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=HPQIAJ8IMUG9Dsn0I8M74GqXKkTfHJVOfBTWCDiVUMzVOQ003TDRTWDZVWk5YRUNWRDg3Qk5GTS4u>

In addition, Principal drop-in sessions are 9:00am to 10:00am on the last Friday of each month. No appointment is necessary, please stop by the main office and I will be available to answer any queries.

Thank you

Mr Rosser

## WOOTTON PARK WELLBEING

*by Mr Cowdell*

Welcome to Wellbeing at WPS

The Wellbeing team at WPS includes;

Mr Cowdell – Assistant Principal – Learner Leadership and Wellbeing

Mrs Chambers – Curriculum Lead of Wellbeing

Ms Wild – Lead Wellbeing Coach

Miss Grady – Wellbeing Counsellor/Safeguarding Officer

Miss Davey – Wellbeing Coach

If you are ever in need to talk to someone we hold drop ins in 1.27 every lunch-time so feel free to come along.



Mr Cowdell



Miss Grady



Ms Wild



Miss Davey



Mrs Chambers



# GCSE RESULTS

*by Mr Thredgold*

Back in August, our first ever Wootton Park School cohort received the first full set of GCSE results for our school and we could not have asked them for any more! Their hard work and dedication to their studies saw them achieve a truly outstanding set of results.

Huge congratulations to Year 11! Thank you for joining us at the beginning of our journey in 2016; we are incredibly proud of you.



# COVID VACCINATIONS

by Wootton Park School

The COVID-19 vaccine is now being offered to our learners aged 12 to 15. Your child has the opportunity to receive their first COVID-19 vaccine and you may be notified about the second dose later.

Please do discuss the vaccination with your child beforehand and be sure your child wears a short sleeve shirt, eats breakfast and brings a mask on the day. Your child's health record will be updated with vaccine information if you consent, and your child receives the vaccination as planned.

## LATERAL FLOW TESTING

by Wootton Park School

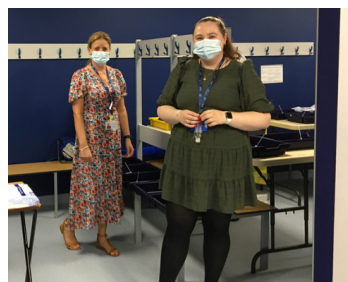
Thank you to all the secondary phase learners that participated in onsite lateral flow testing. Plus a big thank you to staff that supported the process.

Now that we have moved to home testing, a reminder that you need to report each test result to both NHS Test and Trace and the school.

Please log your results here: <https://www.gov.uk/log-test-site-covid19-results>

and to the school here:

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# KS1 SPORTS EVENTS

*by Miss Bennett*

On Friday 24th September, a team of year 1/2 learners attended a Football tournament at Benham Sports Arena. This was the first time they have represented the school and they did absolutely brilliantly! We are very proud to say they came third overall. Well done boys!



On Wednesday 29th September, we took a team of 10 year 1/2 learners to a multi-sport festival. They had the chance to take part in a range of activity stations which were all themed around 'racket sports'. There were a total of 12 schools at the festival. They all had a brilliant time and we are very proud of how well they represented the school.



## BOOK OF THE MONTH

*by Miss Brough*

Fullmetal Alchemist vol 1 by Hiromu Arakawa

This month's book of the month also coincides with the launch of the new 'Manga' section of the Knowledge Hub. This genre has proven so popular that books are gone within minutes of being placed on the shelf!

For those of you who are unfamiliar with manga, it is a style of comic book that originates from Japan and is often translated into Anime (Japanese cartoons aimed at teens and up). This particular manga is part of a series that has become incredibly popular worldwide. It follows two brothers, Edward and Alphonse Elric, and their search for the Philosophers Stone in a world where Alchemy is common place.

This world is richly filled with fantastic characters who are complex but realistic. Alchemy, although it is a form of magic, is treated like more of a branch of science and has strict rules and consequences if you disobey them. The brothers are very well written and incredibly likeable despite their flaws. Overall, I would highly recommend this book as an introduction to an incredible series that will have you hooked from the very first pages.



## PARENT REMINDERS

*by Front Office*

School Photos

School photos will be taking place on Tuesday 2nd November 2021.

ParentPay

Please ensure to check your child's lunch account and top up accordingly and any adhoc fees are paid when requested.

Expired Medication

Reminder emails will have been sent for learners who's medication held in school has now expired. Please get in touch to advise us if your child no longer requires medication to be kept at school or if you wish to bring in date medication to us.

Planned Absences

If your child requires time off school please ensure a leave of absence form is completed and returned into reception for approval. Where possible we do request that appointments are taken outside of school times. Please ensure that a Request for Absence form is completed before taking your child out of school. These can be collected from the school office or downloaded from our website.

Teacher Training Day

Please be aware that Friday 22nd October is a teacher training day. All learners will not attend school on this day.



# FOOD AND NUTRITION

by Mrs Jeffery

A brand new subject has been introduced to KS3 learners this year with Food & Nutrition now part of the curriculum.

All learners in Years 7,8 and 9 will have the opportunity throughout the year to take part in both theory and practical lessons, learning all about nutrition and hygiene and safety in the kitchen.

Here are some of our Year 7 learners who have enjoyed making fruit salad this term to practise safe knife skills.



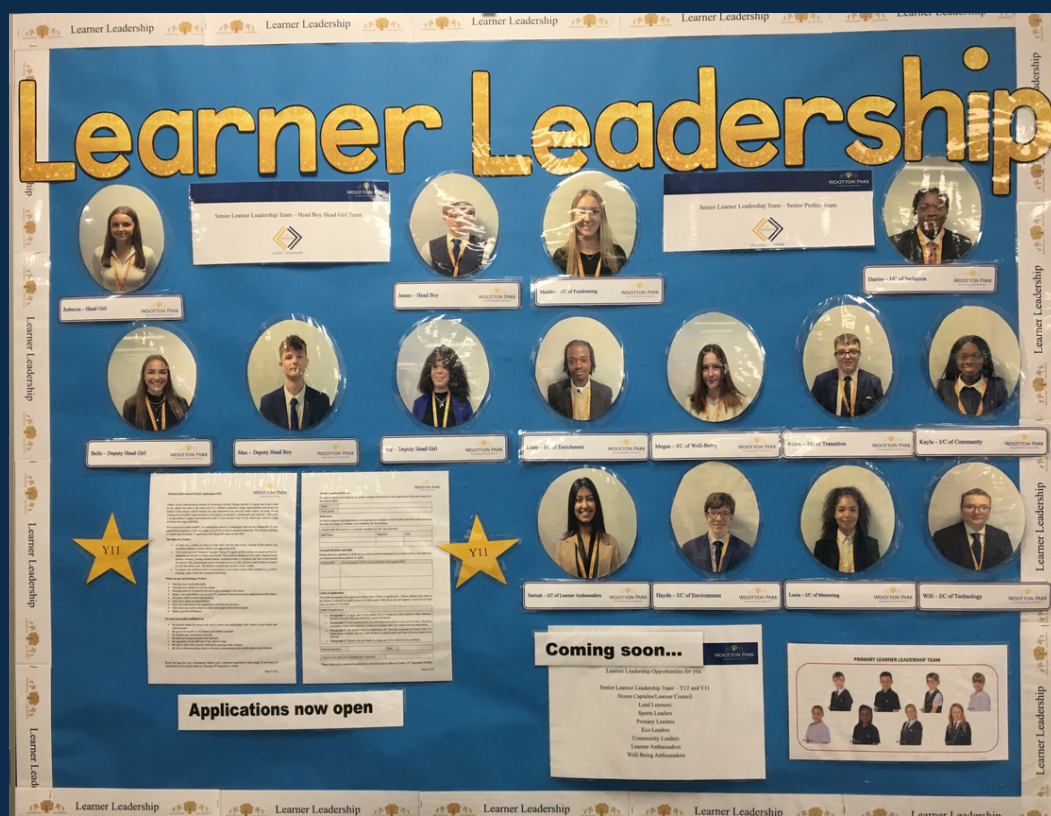
## SCHOOL SENIOR LEADERS

by Wootton Park School

We are delighted that the school's Senior Learner Leadership Team has been formed. Thank you to all applicants, we were extremely impressed by candidates' applications and interview

The aim of the Senior Learner Leadership team is to lead by example to all learners at Wootton Park School and undertake numerous duties throughout the academic year to support with the outstanding provision already in place. All learners within the team have specific roles to focus on and with support from staff these learners can flourish within their specific roles which will benefit Wootton Park School but also enhance their own leadership skills for their futures.

Further Learner leadership opportunities are coming soon! We ask learners to keep an eye on our noticeboard!





# OPEN DAYS

by Wootton Park School

We appreciate that many families would like to visit the school to see our fantastic new build and its facilities. We do understand that families have been disappointed that we have had to postpone whole year group events this week due to rising confirmed cases of coronavirus within our school community.

However, to allow parents and carers to visit our school but to minimise chances of COVID infection and avoid large gatherings, the school will be open to self-tours on the following dates.

## Primary phase self-tours

- 6th October, 4pm-5.30pm
- 2nd November, 4pm-5.30pm
- 4th November, 4pm-5.30pm

## Secondary phase self-tours

- 11th October, 4pm-5.30pm,
- 2nd November, 4pm-5.30pm
- 4th November, 4pm-5.30pm

Your child will be able to show you around the building at your own pace using the space available. Please note that there will be no formal presentation or guided tours.

To manage numbers at school, please click the link below to let us know that you will be visiting school.  
[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=HPQIAJ8lMUC9Dsn0I8M74GqXKkTfHJVOvfBTV\\_WCDiVUMzVOQ003TDRTWDZVWk5YRUNWRDg3Qk5GTS4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=HPQIAJ8lMUC9Dsn0I8M74GqXKkTfHJVOvfBTV_WCDiVUMzVOQ003TDRTWDZVWk5YRUNWRDg3Qk5GTS4u)

We ask that all visitors wear face coverings please and do not attend if experiencing any coronavirus symptoms or required to self-isolate.

