



WOOTTON PARK

'Ipsum quod faciendum est diutius'



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by Mrs Wild

We are proud and excited to once again have taken part in the Link To Hope shoebox appeal.

Thank you to all families that have donated this year.





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by Mr Rosser

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

by Mrs Batchelor & Miss Bycroft

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HISTORY DEPT

To commemorate those who have served in our forces both at home and overseas, the History Department invited learners to take part in a Remembrance Day project. The task was to create a poppy using recycled materials and undertake research of a local soldier whom they then dedicate their poppy to.

This was a fantastic way to develop learners research skills in History and pay respects to a local soldier.

BEST EFFORT AWARDS

by Mrs Page

Arya
Ayman
Ella
Harley
Harvey
Jesse
Kian
Lorenzo
Tom
Amelia
Arianna
Lilly
Wiktorija
Daisy
Daniel
Erin
Isabella
Isla
Jessica
Noah
Erin
Lois
Sebastian
Amelie
Lucille
Victoria
Isabella
Sophie
Adam
Chloe
George
Isla
Austin
Ethan
Harry
Keziah
Olly
Tegan



COVID 19 GUIDANCE

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

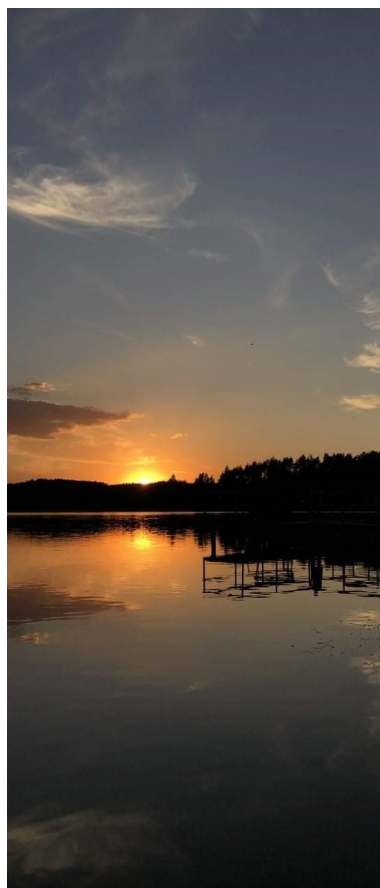
- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
- Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result
- only leave your home to have a test. Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.





PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT

The University of Northampton has designed a photography project to encourage young people to respond creatively to given themes. The aim is for young people to respond to the themes independently by photographing what they feel the theme means to them.

Wootton Park School is one of many Northamptonshire secondary schools taking part in the project. The University will select five winning submissions from each theme and will collate them within an ebook at the end of the project in July.

The first round of submissions dealt with the theme of 'Memories'. Eight learners from across Years 10 and 11 were shortlisted. We are proud to announce that the University has chosen to publish the work of two of our learners.

This is an incredible achievement considering the very high level of competition. We are very pleased to have two of our entries place in the top five.

COMMUNITY PROJECT GRANT

by Miss Bennett

Each year the East Hunsbury Parish Council award small grants to support local community groups and organisations. They are looking to fund projects that will benefit the local area and its residents. A panel of judges review all the applications and decide which ones they would like to support. Last term, two of our year 10 learners submitted an application and we are delighted to say they have been successful in being awarded a grant!

Zeliha and George (year 10) worked alongside Miss Bennett to plan a Community Litter Picking project. They hope to organise regular learner litter picks around East Hunsbury with the aim to look after the environment/wildlife and tidy up the local area. They want to show the wider community how passionate young people feel about the environment, and want to change any negative pre-conceptions other people may have of young people. Zeliha and George want to have a real impact and are keen to inspire and encourage other learners to get involved and make a positive difference. They also feel that litter picks would be a great way to improve wellbeing, as learners will take part in light exercise, get fresh air and the opportunity to socialise with others (as well as feeling really good about reducing litter!).

We have been awarded £420 for this project which will be used to purchase quality litter picking equipment to allow our learners to conduct litter picks easily and safely (such as litter pickers, gloves, bags, high vis jackets etc.).

We are extremely proud of Zeliha and George for helping to plan this worthwhile project. They received some amazing feedback from the East Hunsbury Parish Council:

'Members complimented the learners on their commendable actions and well written application, and agreed that the proposal displays citizenship and empowerment of the learners to take action in this way' Caroline Holgate (Clerk to the Council)

Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions we may have scale down the plans slightly, but we are exploring safe ways to continue with the project. When things do eventually start to get back to normal, the longer term plan is to invite some other local community groups to join us on litter picks as a way to bring the community closer together. Watch this space...

MEET OUR NEW STAFF



MISS BIRD

Hello everybody! I am Miss Bird and I am one of the year 4 teachers here at Wootton Park. I have always wanted to be a primary school teacher and feel very lucky to be a part of our brand new building. A few things about me, My favorite colour is grey. I have a chocolate Labrador called Millie (she is my best friend). I once fed a gorilla!



MRS ENRIGHT

Laura worked as a primary school office administrator for 3 years before joining Wootton Park in August 2020. She is thrilled to be bringing her skills to the office team and is looking forward to progressing within the team and the school. Laura enjoys being with her family and walking their dog. She loves to run and compete in half marathons.



MISS BROUGH

Katy graduated from York St John's University with a first class degree in Primary Education. Katy has now joined Wootton Park School as the new school Librarian, utilizing her love of reading. Katy enjoys pursuits such as table top games and quizzes. She also enjoys travelling, having grown up in the Caribbean and the United Arab Emirates.



MR CHATERESS

Joe graduated from the University of Birmingham in 2019 with a BA in English. Joe fell in love with teaching and completed his PGCE the following year. When not teaching, Joe can be found writing music with his friends in Birmingham, going on long walks in the countryside with his dog and writing lots of stories and poems.



MRS SEDGEWICK

My name is Mrs Sedgewick, I have just joined Wootton Park and am a teacher in Reception. I always enjoy reading silly stories to the children and being a little silly myself. The groups favourite book so far is 'Bad Cat' because I tell them stories about my cat Minnie who is not best behaved but she is a cat so cannot be controlled.



MISS BYCROFT

I gained a 2:1 (BA) Hons degree in History at the University of Suffolk. After working as a Teaching Assistant at a Special Education Needs School, I decided to train to become a History teacher. Outside of school I enjoy travelling, baking, and relaxing with my family, friends and golden retriever 'Bounty'!

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MRS NEW

Erin has held roles of Head of Year and Head of Department prior to having her son. Following completion of her degree Erin lived in Paris and enjoyed a Management Trainee position in the high-paced international hotel industry. Erin hopes her international business experience will help to bring Business Studies to life for our learners. In her spare time Erin loves to spend time with family and friends and is often found walking her dog.



MRS MCINTYRE

I am currently one of the teacher's within EYFS. I am very excited that I have joined the Wootton Park team as I begin my journey as a teacher. As an EYFS teacher, I love working in the outdoor area and seeing the learner's engaged in activities beyond the classroom. I also enjoy story time and my favourite book to read is 'A Book with No Pictures' as this always makes my class giggle. I feel privileged to be part of the learner's first year in school and I am looking forward to the year ahead.



MRS LOWDELL

Rebecca studied Psychology at the University of Northampton and is currently in her 11th year of teaching. Since having her son she wanted to move back to Northampton to be closer to family so was thrilled to see the job come up at Wootton Park. Rebecca loves to work with young people in her subjects to develop their life skills as well as knowledge in Social Science. She enjoys reading dystopian fiction and watching crime related documentaries that she can discuss with her Psychology learners!



CHILDREN IN NEED

by Acorns

We had a wonderful day on 13th November for Children in Need.

Our Acorn learners decided to contribute by having a friendly competition where they created their very own Pudsey Bear using different materials, as well drawing using bright colours.

Our older learners took this as a chance to practise their scissor skills, cutting different shapes and sticking them to their Pudsey's.

Well done to Year 2 who were the winners!



KEY TERMS

by Mrs Lowdell

Wednesday the 18th of November saw our Social Science Key Terms day!

All learners who take Health & Social Care and Psychology wore a key term stickers around school and were asked by staff and learners alike to explain their term throughout the day.

This was a fun and interactive way for the learners of the subject to study key terms while having to think on their feet in the process!

SIXTH FORM TASTER DAY

by Ms Rautenberg & Mr Kilcoyne

20th October we had the pleasure of hosting our Sixth Form taster day for our current year 11 learners!

Learners received various information about all of the post-16 study options that will be available to them, took part in taster lessons in subjects they were considering and visited a subject stall carousel where they could collect further information on different subjects and Sixth Form life.

An exciting next stage for both learners and staff!

