



# WOOTTON PARK

*'Ipsum quod faciendum est diutius'*

## Year 1 Home Learning Projects

**Year 1 have been very busy this term exploring the farthest reaches of the universe!**

They have learnt about a man who was first to step on the moon, what it takes to become an astronaut and wrote stories about getting a letter to the moon. Learners have also completed tasks at home where they have kept a diary of what they have eaten and the exercise they have done, created a space scene through material of their choice and told us a space adventure; too infinity and beyond.



## Year 1 Space Centre Trip

**Our learners are really looking forward to the trip on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January.**

All enrichment clubs will be cancelled on this day. Please ensure your child is here on time to allow them to register and be on the coach ready to leave at 9am. We expect the coach back at school at approximately 4pm. We are sure the learners will be very excited to share details of their trip!

## Recruitment Update

**Another busy week interviewing and appointing the very best teaching staff to join us in September.**

A special mention must go to our year 7 and year 8 learner ambassadors who have represented our school by interviewing candidates.

The feedback from our Learner Panel and tour guides has helped shape the future of our school.

We look forward to sharing details about our new teaching staff as soon as we are able. Support staff vacancies are still live and available to view via our website.

## Attendance Matters

**Absence rate is currently too high. Unless there is a serious medical condition or another legitimate reason that has been authorised by the school, learners need to be in school.**

When a learner is off school it is important for parents / carers to contact the school as soon as possible to inform us of the absence and the reasons for it.

We want to take this opportunity to remind parents / carers and learners that a prize draw for 100% attendance takes place at the end of the year. A second prize draw is offered for all those with 97% attendance or above. Every learner has a 97% minimum target for attendance.



## FOWPS Update Six Nations Quiz – “It’s not all about rugby!”

**Friday 9th February, 7.30pm, School Pavilion**

After nearly a year away, the FOWPS quiz returns with a Six Nations theme. All questions will be related to one of the six countries involved in the annual rugby tournament, which will have started the week before.

Each round will be based on one of the countries involved, but it is pot luck (or my imagination) whether it will be English History, Italian Music or even Scottish Celebrity gossip. As the tag suggests, we are limiting the rugby questions (to 3 in fact), so it will challenge all quiz buffs.

We will be using the school pavilion, with a licensed bar open from 7.30, with rumours of the mulled wine making a reappearance. We will also be serving the legendary Lyon’s Scouse as our food for the evening, with a blind version available for vegetarians.

Teams of six can play, with the price of entry being £5 per person which covers your food and quiz entry.

We have a busy calendar coming up this year, with the quiz your starter for ten. It’s time to take the trophy from the teachers!

Brian  
Chairman,  
Friends of Wootton Park School



## EYFS Story Time

**A real benefit of our school is cross phase working. Both learners and staff enjoy opportunities to work together.**

Our EYFS learners have really enjoyed story time with Mr Cooper, Curriculum Leader of English this term.



## WFC Day!

**Thank you to all our learners that took part in our Wootton Southern Style Chicken last Thursday; it was a great success.**

Due to the popularity of this dish we are offering our secondary learners this chicken option as well as the advertised fish on a Friday lunchtime. Keep an eye out for further promotions in the school canteen in the near future!

## Sporting News

### Year 7 Rugby

#### Moulton 9 v Wootton Park School 1

Wootton Park played fantastically well against a strong Moulton team. Szymon scored a tremendous first half try after Tyler played a fantastic dummy pass. Strong performances from Ellis in the pack and Jonathan in the backs deserve special mentions too.

Squad - Jack, Ed, Aiden, Max, Tyler (Captain), Finn, Ellis, Samuel, Szymon, Jonathan, Jacob, Josh, Taylor, Reece, Antony and Pharrell.

### Girls Football Training with Northampton Town Football Club

The year 7 and 8 girls' football teams have been enjoying some fantastic coaching sessions from Northampton Town over the past fortnight. The girls have been learning about different aspects of football whilst improving their skills they already have. The girls gained these coaching sessions as they won the County EFL Cup hosted by Northampton Town in December 2017 and this was one of their rewards for winning!

If you would like to join the girls' football club please sign up at the office. It runs every Tuesday lunchtime on the fields!

### Mr A Cowdell



## Secondary PE Lessons

When participating in sports such as Hockey and Rugby, learners are expected to wear a gum shield for safety reasons. If a learner is not wearing a gum shield they will not be able to play in the contact elements of the lesson, however, a suitable activity will be planned for them instead.

As parents or carers if you are happy for your son and/or daughter to participate in contact elements of the lesson without a gum shield then please provide a note to the relevant member of PE staff stating you are happy for them to participate without a gum shield.

This academic year 8AB girls and 7AB girls will continue with Rugby this week and next with 8DC girls and 7DC girls starting their Rugby unit of work the week commencing 5th February.

The next academic year all learners will participate in Rugby and/or Hockey therefore gum shields will be needed again next year. Please be aware that if your child is having a brace during this time they may need a specialised gum shield to fit the brace.

Any questions please email Mr Cowdell on [a.cowdell@woottonparkschool.org.uk](mailto:a.cowdell@woottonparkschool.org.uk)

## Music Lessons

**A reminder to our NMPAT music tuition learners.**

Payment for term 3 of music lessons with NMPAT is due by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. Please check your parent pay account to make payment if you have not already done so.

