

Another fantastic week at Wootton Park School! This week I am delighted to introduce our new staff who support the teaching at Wootton Park School. These professionals support your children with their learning and are dedicated to providing the very best.

Dan Rosser Principal

Mrs Lydia Wild: Wellbeing Coach

Lydia joins in the newly established role of Wellbeing Coach. As a trained Life Coach, and with 8 years of experience in education, she is looking forward to combining all her skills in order to cater to the wellbeing needs of every learner.

"I feel extremely excited and privileged to be part of the amazing team at Wootton Park School. I am passionate about supporting learners with their wellbeing so that they can be successful not only in their learning but also in life."

Mrs Laura Harrack: Teaching Assistant

Laura worked as a senior nursery nurse for many years. After a career break to bring up her two young children, Laura initially joined us as a midday supervisor whilst studying for her Teaching Assistant Level 3 qualification. Already qualified to Level 3 in Early Years Care and Education, she successfully completed her TA qualification earlier this year. Laura now continues to work for our school as a teaching assistant in reception class.

Away from the busy days at school she likes to spend time with her family exploring the outdoors and swimming.

Mrs Corinna Kerrou: Teaching Assistant

Corinna joined us in April 2017 as a Teaching Assistant.

Corinna graduated with a BA Hons in Drama and Theatre Studies from Royal Holloway University of London before going on to do a PGCE in Drama and English at Warwick University. Corinna completed her NQT year at Walton High in Milton Keynes.

After her daughter was born until she started school, Corinna worked from home as a tutor and examiner as well as volunteering for humanitatian charities overseas and for the National Childbirth Trust. Corinna is also a governor at another local school.

Mrs Toni Wakeham-Moon: Science Technician

Toni started her journey into science at the University of Birmingham, where she gained her BSc in Medical Biochemistry and MSc in Toxicology. From there she spent time as a trainee Study Director in a contract research lab before moving to Unilever as a Toxicologist. Here she was responsible for assessing the safety of skin and hair products as well as mentoring junior colleagues.

Outside of science, she enjoys playing hockey and has previously played National League for teams from the South West and Midlands, as well as representing the Midlands in regional tournaments. When time allows she also likes to push herself by taking part in CrossFit and the occasional cycle charity challenge

Mrs Rebecca Slater: Teaching Assistant

Rebecca studied teaching at Kingston University and has taught in primary schools for over 15 years, specialising in Early Years and has been a member of Senior Leadership Teams. She has also worked as an Early Years advisory teacher. After having her third child, she qualified as a swimming instructor and for the past three years has been doing this. She has taught over 150 children a week, from babies to 8 year olds.

"I am really excited to join Wootton Park School as a teaching assistant in Year 1, I love working with children and have a passion for teaching Phonics."



Mrs Brioney Stubbs: Cover supervisor

Brioney graduated in 2016 from The University of Bedfordshire with BA Hons in Physical Education as well as achieving Qualified Teacher Status in Secondary Education.

Since graduating from University, she has worked in an outstanding school in Towcester as a Cover Supervisor but when she visited Wootton Park School for the first time she fell in love with it and knew she had to be a part of it! Outside of school, she loves spending time with her family and being outdoors.

Ms Michelle Garrett: Teaching Assistant

Michelle is a Qualified Art Teacher with a second subject of Mathematics. Her focus at Wootton Park School is the development of numeracy skills in learners. She also supports in a wide variety of lessons to help learners of all abilities access their learning.

"I am excited about working with such a dedicated team of staff and students who share a goal to be the best they can be and I look forward to helping the learners on this journey. I plan to use my artistic ability to provide new skills and challenges as part of our enrichment programme."

As well as our staff who teach and support in the classroom, we have appointed amazing staff who support the business functions of our school. Each week we will introduce a member of the team.

Mrs Ellie Lavelle, Human Resources Officer

After studying at The University of Derby to gain her BA and MA in Human Resources, Ellie obtained Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) status and relocated to London to join a graduate programme working for Leman Brothers Investment Bank.

Starting professional work at the heart of the financial crisis, Ellie gained experience in Organisational Change and Employee Relations during challenging times. Ellie continued to remain in the changing finance world and remained in Financial Services working for organisations including Deloitte until starting a family.

Ellie returned to her home town of Northampton in 2012 and enjoys balancing working part time and family life.

"I am excited to be working with Wotton Park school and apply my HR skills to help the school grow, continue its success and help it attract and retain the best talent that already shines."

Ola Year 1! This week saw Year 1 taking part in their first Spanish Lesson with Mr Kilcoyne.

They really enjoyed it. Why not ask them if they can remember any of the words that they have been learning?



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A Few Dates for your Diary

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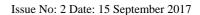
Settling In Parents' Evening for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 7 will be held on Thursday 19th October. Please book your place using our online booking system. This a chance to meet your child's class teacher or form tutor to discuss how they have settled in to Wootton Park School. To book, please visit https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk and enter code d62wd to book. Bookings open on Monday.

Please Note: All clubs will be cancelled on this evening for all learners (Thursday 19th October) along with:

On Thursday 21st September, Wednesday 27th September and Tuesday 10th October we will be holding our open evenings for prospective new learners for Septmber 2018. All enrichment clubs will be cancelled on these dates. Learners are to be collected at the end of the school day and return at 5.15pm if they are helping on the evening.









Absence during the School Day

What to do for any absences.

If your child is ill, please call the school and leave a message on the absence answering machine. Please remember to give the learner's name, class and brief description of the reason they are absent. After a sickness bug, secondary learners are to be away from school for 24 hours and primary learners 48 hours to try and stop the spreading of any germs.

If a learner is unwell at school, they will be sent to the office. We will contact parents directly and ask them to come and collect their child.

We ask that you try to book all doctor, hospital and dental appointments outside of school hours. Of course, there are occasions where this is not possible. If this is the case, please give the school as much notice as possible of the appointment by filling in an absence request form. These can be collected from the school office. We also require supporting evidence of the appointment such as a copy of your hospital letter or text confirmation.

Medication at School

What to do if your child has medication.

All medication must have a medication form filled in and be prescribed. You can get the medication forms from the school office.

If your child has long-term medication like inhalers, please ensure that school has an inhaler we can keep here, and fill in a medication form. Some secondary learners will carry their own inhaler. This is permitted but we still need the form filling in and a record that they will carry the inhaler. If your child has allergies and has medication for this such as piriton and epi-pens, we will also need these in school. Without the paperwork, we will not be able to administer any medication.

We can administer short-term medication such as anti-biotics however only if it is prescribed and you complete our medication forms. Unfortunately, we are not able to administer any medication without the pharmacy label on. Please note that we cannot administer calpol unless the doctor has prescribed this.

It is important that you make the school aware of any changes to medications/conditions so we can keep our systems up to date.

Car Park & School Gate

With the school getting busier here are a few reminders about car parking.

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. Please do not park in other car parks around the school site as these belong to our neighbours!

Keeping the learners safe on their walk into school is important so be vigilant of them and do not block their pathways.

The school gates for pedestrians will be opened by school staff at 8am in the morning and close again five minutes after primary learners go into class. This is to keep the school site safe for the learners. At the end of the school day, the gates will be opened by school staff at 3.10pm and closed shortly after when all learners have left the playground. If you are visiting the school during the school day, the pedestrian gate at the front of the school next to the library bus will be unlocked, but closed.

Milk Homework App

Year 7 & 8 are using MILK to record all their homework.

Our year 7 & 8 learners will be set all homework on this app. It tracks what is set, when it's due and learners can comment and say when it has been completed. Please do ask your children about the app. If they are having any trouble with their login details, they can speak with or email Miss Anger.

White Water Rafting Fun

On Tuesday a group of 8 year 8 learners, Mrs Page and Mr Smith joined the East Hunsbury Seniors group to take part in raft building and other water skills at Nene White Water Centre.

A great time was had by all and we are looking forward to more community projects this year.



