

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

What an incredible week it has been here at Welland Park Academy! From academic excellence to creative charity events, our students have truly shone in so many ways.

This week marked the beginning of Year 11 mock exams, and we couldn't be prouder of our students. Their hard work, determination, and excellent work ethic have been outstanding, and they are setting themselves up for success. Well done to all Year 11s – keep it up!

Tuesday was Odd Socks Day, and the school was full of bright and mismatched socks as we celebrated individuality and anti-bullying awareness. It was fantastic to see so many students embracing this fun event and spreading positivity throughout the school.

Today, we came together to support *Children in Need*, and what a day it has been! The atmosphere was buzzing with activities, including Splat the Teacher, a penalty shootout on the astro, and, of course, contributions from our non-uniform day. Thanks to your generosity and the enthusiasm of our students, we raised an amazing **£1004.05** for this fantastic cause. A huge thank you to everyone who got involved and donated!

On Tuesday, we also hosted some very excited Year 5 mathematicians from our feeder primary schools for a Junior Maths Challenge training day. Led by the brilliant Mrs. Aslett, these young geniuses came together to prepare for the upcoming competition. It was inspiring to see their enthusiasm and teamwork as they tackled challenging problems and honed their skills.

I had the pleasure of joining the KS3 Biology Club at lunchtime on Thursday, and it was a fascinating experience! Under the expert guidance of Mrs. O'Connell, the students conducted a rat dissection, learning about organ function and anatomy in an engaging and educational session. Their curiosity and scientific understanding were impressive – a credit to the club's ongoing commitment to biodiversity and biology exploration.

Finally, a quick reminder that next Friday, 22nd November 2024, is a teacher training INSET day, and the school will be closed to all students.

As we wrap up another wonderful week, I want to thank you for your continued support in everything we do here at Welland Park Academy. Wishing you all a relaxing and enjoyable weekend!

Warm regards,

Pete Leatherland—Principal





Welland Park Academy Dining Rooms Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 17th December – KS3
Wednesday 18th December – KS4
£4.00

Glazed Roast Turkey
Sage & Onion stuffing balls

Sticky Pigs

Roasties

Roasted vegetables & gravy

Or

Festive Sage & Onion Mac n' Cheese

Snow dusted Chocolate Cake



*** Please order and pay on Parentpay by 12.12.24 ***



CHRISTMAS LUNCH


Our fantastic catering staff will be cooking up a Christmas Lunch for the students.




This is normally very popular so do please get your order in.

Payments via Parentpay please.

New Welland Park Head Student Team

We are delighted to announce the appointment of our new Head Student Team, who were selected after an extremely competitive interview process last week. The team consists of three Year 11 students and three Year 10 students. They will be delivering assemblies to all year groups, as part of anti-bullying week next week, but as an introduction they have produced a short summary below:

	My name is Tanwen and my goal is to represent the students of Welland Park Academy and help make it the best school it can be as part of the Year 11 team. I have a love for the performing arts and enjoy taking part in any related opportunities. I've been an active participant in Debate Club and have enjoyed competing against other schools and colleges. I also take piano and singing lessons, as I find them to be great outlets for my creativity. My plan is to link classrooms around school to famous people and decorate them accordingly.
	My name is Mia. I'm an avid sportswoman and dedicated student. I am proud to be able to make a positive contribution as one of the Head Students of the Welland Park Academy community. For me, individuality is incredibly important, and it is my aim for Welland Park to be a positive, supportive environment for all of its pupils. My plan is to forge closer links with the local community, including visits to care homes.
	My name is Dylan and I am excited to be a part of the Year 11 Head Student Team. Inside the School, I often partake in activities such as Debate Club and have previously been part of the Student Voice Leadership Group and Eco-Team. I would like to help improve our school's sustainability projects as well as introduce social clubs and student tutoring.

	My name is Finn and I am a member of the Year 10 Head Student Team. In my free time I like to play sport , my favourite of which is cricket. I also like to do things like baking and playing on my Xbox. One way I would like to improve our school is by introducing 'Time for Talking'. This would be where 2 forms would swap and have the opportunity to talk to new faces. With your help we can do this.
	My name is Christian and I have been granted the honour of serving the Welland Park Academy community as a member of the Head Student Team. With the help of the SLT Department and my fellow members I aim to get all students involved in a plethora of aspects of student life and create opportunities for students to express themselves through clubs.
	My name is Hugh and I am in Year 10. I really enjoy sports such as basketball, rugby and cricket. Outside of school, I play for Market Harborough Rugby Club as well as Bowden Cricket Club. My favourite subjects in school are German, P.E and History. I am looking forward to forging closer links with local primary schools for sports days and Christmas/Summer fairs.



WELLAND PARK ACADEMY REVERSE ADVENT EVENT THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

Reverse Advent sees us giving something, rather than receiving something, through the days of December.

This year we are asking for any donations of food and health products which we can then collect and pass onto the Jubilee Foodbank to help them over the Christmas holidays.

We will begin collecting on Monday 2nd December and then for the next twelve school days.

Anything you can give, will be gratefully received and passed on but this is a suggested list of requests:

MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER – DRIED POTATO (EG SMASH)

TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER – TINNED CUSTARD

WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER – TINNED POTATOES OR CARROTS

THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER – BOX OF CEREAL

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER – JAR OF CURRY SAUCE

MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER – PACKET OF BISCUITS

TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER – BOTTLE OF CORDIAL / SQUASH

WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER – PACKET OF RICE

THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER – CHOCOLATE BARS

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER – SHOWER GEL / SHAMPOO

MONDAY 16TH DECEMBER – PORRIDGE OATS

TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER – TINNED FRUIT

**For further details of suggested food donations, please visit the Jubilee Food Bank website at www.jubileefoodbankmh.uk/shopping-list
Thank you for your kindness and support.**



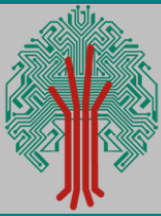
In The Welland Park Family,

We Respect

Persevere

Achieve...with kindness





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ONLY 6 SEATS LEFT.....

Our Christmas Market trip this year is to Winchester!

Winchester Cathedral Christmas Market is recognised as one of the best in Europe. It is renowned for its bustling atmosphere, stunning location and handpicked high quality exhibitors, which attracts visitors from around the world each year who come to shop at the pretty wooden chalets, situated within the historic grounds.

Admission to the Christmas Market is free.

There is plenty of choice when it comes to food and drink at the Christmas Market. Traditional mulled wine, bratwurst, mince pies and stollen mix with mac and cheese, Yorkshire pudding wraps and much more.

There is a British Craft Village showcasing jewellers, painters, glass makers and textile artists selling unique gifts and decorations.

If you fancy a spin there is also Winchester Cathedral ice rink.

If you want to nip into Winchester itself you will find Winchester Castle where you can visit the Great Hall which houses the Round Table of Arthurian legend.

The Winchester College Treasury house's a huge collection of art and archaeology including artefacts from Egypt, Greece and Rome as well as casts of the Parthenon Frieze and Chinese ceramics from the Tang to Qing dynasties.

Winchester centre has a fantastic array of shops from individual boutiques to national chains. There is also an abundance of restaurants and cafes.

The trip will take place on Sunday 8th December 2024 and the cost is £28 per person. This is a PTA organised trip so please feel free to invite family and friends. For further details please email Mrs Burgess burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com



Welland Park Academy Lunch & Deli Menu Week commencing 18th November 2024

WEEK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Concept	American	Italian	Best of British	Indian	No School
Option 1	NY Deli open Chicken Bagel	Beef Lasagne	Creamy Chicken & leek pie	Chicken Ruby Murray	Teacher training day
Option 2	Tex Mex Chipotle sweet potato & lime taco	Vegetable Risotto	Cheese & Onion pie	Vegetable Korma	
Sides	Hand cut wedges & slaw	Garlic bread & mixed salad	Roast potatoes broccoli & cauliflower Gravy	Yellow rice & Mixed vegetables	
Authentic Italian	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar				
Hot Deli	Cheese & Tomato Panini Jacket & Topping	Tuna Melt Panini Jacket & Topping	Cheese & Onion Panini Jacket & Topping	Roasted Veg Panini Jacket & Topping	