



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

We've had an amazing start to the school year this week, and I wanted to share some of the highlights with you.

Our Open Evening on Wednesday was a great success, with many visitors coming through our doors. Our students were fantastic, serving as guides and supporting the various departments. A special mention goes to our Performing Arts team, whose medley of *The Little Mermaid* was nothing short of sensational.

Today, we had the pleasure of hosting a school from Buenos Aires, Argentina. During some lessons and at lunchtime, our students had the opportunity to interact with their peers from another continent. It was both amusing and reassuring to see that, regardless of nationality, children and teenagers share many of the same traits and interests.

This weekend, several of our students are heading to Conover Hall to participate in a netball competition and residential trip. We're confident they will have a fantastic time and create lasting memories.

Looking ahead to next week, we are excited about the Year 7 out-of-school activity trips. These trips are a wonderful opportunity for our new Year 7 students to make new friends and challenge themselves outside of the classroom.

I'd also like to thank all parents and students for adhering to our uniform expectations.

Finally I would like to say a heartfelt goodbye from all at Welland Park Academy to Mrs Meadows. She has been a Teaching Assistant here for 4 years and today moves on to another role for a local charity in Market Harborough. We wish her all the very best.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend!

Pete Leatherland
Principal



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IT'S COMING.....

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.

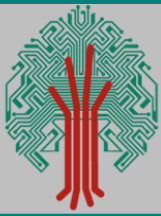
If you want to nip into Winchester itself you will find Winchester Castle where you can visit the Great Hall which houses the Round Table of Arthurian legend.

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





Leicestershire Young Carers
A guide to our service

Young Carer assessment & 1:1 Support 11+
We will work with you to look at your needs and where you need help
Available where there is no other worker from Children and Family Services involved

Young Carer Youth Group 11+
Open to Young Carers only
Fun activities, time to chill & meet new friends

Youth Council - CYCLE 11+
Are you interested in getting your voice heard, influencing decisions about Young Carers and Young People in general? Then you might be interested in our CYCLE group!

Young Adult Carers 15+ - Virtual Group
Advice & support specifically for Young Adult Carers

Young Carer Passport
Available to all Young Carers. Helps with letting health professionals/schools/colleges know that you are a Young Carer and might need support.

For more information, to make a referral, or refer yourself please go to:
www.leics.gov.uk and search 'Young Carers' or talk to your support worker

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE

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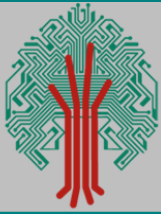
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PRIDE PARK STADIUM
TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2024 | 5PM - 7:30PM



Welland Park Academy Lunch & Deli Menu
Week commencing 16th September 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Concept	Indian	Eastern	Asian	British	Chip Day
Option 1	Chicken Tikka Masala	Pork Souvlaki	Hot Chinese Chicken Wrap	Roast Chicken with sage & onion stuffing	Chicken Breast Nuggets
Option 2	Creamy Cauliflower & Green bean curry	Smokey Aubergine Tagine	Vegetable Stir-fry	Sweet Potato Burger	Veggie sausage
Sides	Yellow rice / Kachumber salad	Cous Cous / Roasted veg	Hand cut wedges / slaw	Roast Potatoes / mixed vegetables and gravy	Chips / Baked beans
Authentic Italian	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar				
Hot Deli		Tuna Melt Panini Jacket & Topping	Cheese & Onion Panini Jacket & Topping	Roasted Veg Panini Jacket & Topping	Cheese Panini Jacket & Topping



Newsletter Issue 2



Dear Parent/Carer,

Our school/educational setting is part of Operation Encompass which is a national scheme that operates jointly between schools and police forces.

Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has experienced domestic abuse.

As a school/educational setting we have ensured that a member of our staff, (Designated Safeguarding Lead) known as a Key Adult, has been trained in the Operation Encompass procedures allowing us to then use the information that has been shared, in confidence, to support the child/ren in our care.

The Domestic Abuse Act 2021 identifies children who experience domestic abuse as victims of domestic abuse in their own right.

On 24 May 2024 Royal Assent was granted to The Victims and Prisoners Act. The Act placed Operation Encompass into Law.

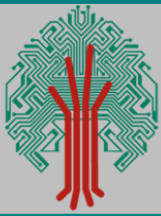
This places a statutory obligation on police forces to share Operation Encompass notifications with schools/ educational settings.

We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our pupils and through Operation Encompass we will be able to provide the best possible support to our children.



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SINGclusive Saturday Choir is an Inclusive music group based around songs for any children and young people of school age in Leicestershire. It is free to join here:

[SINGclusive - Find out more!](#)

This week is our first live session of the school year, online, from 11-12pm so if you would like to have a one off trial with us on Saturday join us on TEAMS directly below! We have lots of fun with music, vocalising, singing and being sociable together.

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NDVhOGMxNjEtZDM5Y00MWMzLTljYjEtNTNhMTI4YjZjNTRI%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%221cf6b4b-21c9-40c2-b753-a29d57017359%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22735e0b80-94db-4acc-bc17-4f6d19f5421e%22%7d

We hope to see you there!

From Anna and Grace – SINGclusive Choir Leaders.

Anna Wolloff
Music Leader SEND

Please note, my working hours are Wednesday and Thursday, 9am – 5pm.

Leicestershire Music
Tel: 0116 3050405



Dear parents, as we enter a new term and for some a new school, it is worth remembering the tools that can help us protect children. One of those is the NSPCC helpline. A service that leads directly to the UK's leading child protection charity. This is a reminder that students always have somewhere to return to. Please follow the link below to be reacquainted with an excellent resource:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/reporting-abuse/nspcc-helpline>



BRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR!!

The cold weather has definitely put in an appearance this week. We have seen many students starting to wear their coats, particularly the black puffa jacket.

As a large percentage of the students tend to wear the same style jackets and we do get quite a few turn up in lost property, could we please ask parents to ensure each item of clothing is named. We can then get items back to the student.