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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this message finds you well as we approach another eventful week at school.

On Friday, 15th November, we'll be supporting Children in Need with a non-uniform day. We're looking forward to joining in on this important cause and hope to see lots of creativity and spirit in everyone's attire.

Next week is also Anti-Bullying Week. Throughout the week, we will deliver assemblies to reinforce the importance of kindness, respect, and standing against bullying. On Tuesday, 12th November, we're encouraging all students and staff to show their support for the Anti-Bullying Alliance by wearing odd socks. This simple act is a great way to celebrate individuality and remind us all to embrace what makes each of us unique.

In addition to these events, we're wishing our students the very best as they prepare for their upcoming mock exams next week. This is a valuable opportunity for students to test their knowledge and build confidence ahead of future assessments, and we're here to support them every step of the way.

Finally, I want to acknowledge the incredible respect and dedication shown at our annual Remembrance Day Parade, which was held this morning. As always, our students were absolutely amazing. I was deeply moved by the commitment of those in service uniforms, who performed drill exercises in front of the rest of the school. We also enjoyed a wonderful performance of the Last Post by Ewan Harrison-Payne, accompanied by heartfelt readings from our Year 11 Head Student Team – Tanwen Warren, Mia Kirk, and Dylan Chaffer. A special thank you goes to Mr. Askham for organising such a respectful and meaningful event.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Pete Leatherland—Principal

Year 7 Biology Club

For the last two weeks we have been collecting items for the Leicestershire Wildlife Hospital in Kibworth. Thank you so much for all the donations and to all the students who have carried large, and sometimes



heavy, items into school. We have been blown away by the generosity of both staff and students from across the school.

All of the donations are being delivered to the Hospital this afternoon.

Mrs O'Connell—Science



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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 ***



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.



Yesterday we welcomed Dr Priti Bhombe and Sarah Rastall representing the UK arm of the Snehalaya Charity in India. Our Head Student Team took them on a tour of the school and answered many questions about their lives and opportunities at Welland Park. At lunchtime students also had the chance to buy small gifts which the children in India had made. Huge thanks to the students who came along.

We have had links with the charity for almost ten years and we been

involved in supporting teacher exchanges and a number of fund raising activities. Snehalaya works towards ensuring a life free from inequality, cruelty and discrimination for every woman and child in the Ahmednagar District in India. This year they are celebrating 10 years of Snehalaya UK. Over the last decade Snehalaya UK has provided support the vital work that Snehalaya India does to protect, advocate for and rehabilitate vulnerable members of its local community.





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How?

Mediation can, at times, be a difficult process, but it has proven to be often successful in improving home life and relationships. It is future focussed, looking at how to move issues forward it is not about focussing on what has happened in the past.

We will help you by listening to how you are feeling, what you feel the issues or problems are and how you would like to progress.

We then support and empower you to decide what realistic and achievable changes you would like to make in order to achieve a positive outcome.

Where?

Appointments can happen wherever you choose - at home or in the community. But, for young people, school or college is a good option for appointments.

The process

1. An appointment with the mediator to talk about what you feel the issues are, how you feel about things and to identify how you would like things to be. Explore how things could move forward and what changes are needed. 2. If you wish to have an appointment with other individuals involved, like a parent, the mediator will make contact with them. An individual appointment will then be offered to them. Each individual must have had at least one individual appointment before a joint appointment is made. Everything remains confidential and won't be shared with other parties.

What can it help with?

> Relationships Boundaries Behaviour Physical Aggression Substance misuse Verbal Aggression Poor communication Mental Health Rules

When?

A Mediator can work with you for up to six months. Appointments are flexible, and can happen outside normal working hours - which is convenient for parents appointments and joint sessions.

Who?

A young person can have Mediation alone, a parent or family member can have Mediation alone, or Mediation can happen as a joint appointment. It is an optional process to engage with.

Our Mediators are specially trained and appointments are confidential.



3. If all parties are wanting to move forward, the mediator will arrange a joint appointment. The mediator facilitates the

appointment to ensure that each individual has time to talk. The mediator will help each person to talk through the issues, how they feel and what they want to happen moving forward.

4. If each individual is in agreement, an agreement will be made. This is not legally binding but made in good faith. It will outline what each individual is willing to work on in order to move things forward.

5. The mediator will arrange regular reviews to see how things are working and whether any amendments need making to the agreement.

There is no requirement to move forward past stage 1 at any time. Individual mediation appointments can still provide an opportunity to explore issues and find positive ways of moving forward. As mediation is voluntary, each individual decides how far they would like to go.



What is it?

talk²sort Mediation works with young people aged 11-19 across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland, and their families, who may be experiencing conflict in their relationships, leading to a breakdown of communication.

It can help you work on:

- Understanding each other
- Exploring ways of resolving conflict
- Agreeing rules together
- Agreeing how to move forward
- **Different perspectives**
- Improving communication
- Managing behaviour triggers
- Feeling supported to make changes

It is free, impartial, non-judgemental and confidential. Mediators do not advise or make suggestions. Mediators empower and support individuals and families to explore what the issues are, how they feel and how they would like things to be.

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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 <u>burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com</u>



LOST PROPERTY

We do have a large collection of lost property If your child has lost anything at all—uniform, trainers, water bottles etc—please ask them to come to the front office so as they can have a look.





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Welland Park Academy Learning For Life

Welland Park Academy Lunch & Deli Menu Week commencing 11th November 2024

WEEK 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Concept	Indian	American	Best of British	Eastern	Fun Friday
Option 1	Chicken Tikka Masala	Spicy Beef Burrito	Sticky Red Onion Sausages	Meatballs in Bharat Tomato Sauce	Chicken Breast Nuggets
Option 2	Butternut Squash Pasanda	Crispy Topped Mac n Cheese	Veggie Bangers	Cumin Chickpea & Vegetable Bake	Vegetable Burger
Sides	Wholegrain Rice / Kachumber Salad	Chunky Tomato Salsa / Coleslaw	Cheesy Chive Mash / Roasted carrots	Moorish Cous <u>Cous</u> / Green Salad	Chips Beans
Authentic Italian	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar				
Hot Deli	Cheese & Tomato Panini	Tuna Melt Panini	Cheese & Onion Panini	Roasted Veg Panini	Cheese Panini
	Jacket & Topping	Jacket & Topping	Jacket & Topping	Jacket & Topping	Jacket & Topping