



Woodbrook Vale News Sheet

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GCSE MFL

GCSE French and Spanish speaking exams are scheduled for the week commencing **Monday 29 April**.

All students should be learning their speaking test answers. French speaking interventions continue during Monday lunchtimes and on Tuesdays after school in Room 11.

The French exams will be finished by **Friday 17 May** so students will have time to attend interventions as well as revising for other subjects in the remaining French lessons. Any students wishing to revise at any other time should see their MFL teacher. Please note that all 3 themes (all topics) will be covered in the exam so there is no short cut, students need to learn all the answers!

Mrs Kitching, Teacher of MFL

School Catering Service Vacancy

Are you looking for employment whilst your child is at school?

Would you like to join our team as a Catering Assistant? Hours are from 11:45am - 2:00pm during term time (£9.00 per hour). If you are interested please contact Mr Green, School Business Manager on 01509 557560 ext 103.

Attendance

The highest attending registration group last week was 11IS with an excellent weekly attendance of 98.97%. 11IS enjoyed a reward breakfast this week. Congratulations to all members of 11IS.

Mrs Moreton, Attendance Officer

Word of the Week

'Inevitable'

(Something that is certain to happen)

Can you use the Word of the Week in a sentence?

Mr Sandhu, Teacher of English

Sport

There are no sports fixtures scheduled for the week commencing **Monday 1 April**.

Personal Development Lessons

PD lessons scheduled for the week commencing **Monday 1 April**:

Year 7: Careers-Achievement

Year 8: Rights and Responsibilities-Human Rights

Year 9: Economic Wellbeing-Personal Banking

Year 11: Growth Mindset/ Dealing with exam stress/ Mindfulness

Please discuss the topics we are covering in PD lessons with your child.

If any issues are raised that you would like us to be aware of, please contact your child's form tutor.

World Autism Awareness Day

On **Tuesday 2 April**, Woodbrook Vale will be involved in World Autism Awareness Day. We will be holding a cake sale in the drama studio at breaktime and raising funds for Leicestershire Autistic Society who provide lots of support to local families. Please drop off cakes to Mrs Smith's office and don't forget your money to buy cakes!
Mrs Burton, Learning Support Assistant



GCSEPod

Woodbrook Vale School recently received a certificate from GCSEPod confirming that our students have achieved ruby standard due to accessing 50,000 podcasts during this academic year.



Top GCSEPod Users

Year 11: Ben Morris, Louis Perrin and Ella Swatton

Year 10: Rosie Barber, Adam Brewin and Anna Byham

Year 9: Chaturvedi Baddam and Jack Walker

Year 8: Hemani Visavadia and Adam Waez

Year 7: Emma Abel and Anton Wignall

Congratulations to the top ten GCSEPod users and to all students who have helped Woodbrook Vale achieve the ruby standard.

Mrs Kell, Head of Year 11

Year 11 GCSE Drama

A HUGE congratulations and 'Well Done' to the Year 11 GCSE Drama class who had their final practical assessment on Friday 22 March where they had to perform two separate pieces in front of a visiting examiner. The standard of performances were exceedingly high - proving the candidates a credit to the school as well as to themselves. After weeks of rehearsing and preparation, the hard work clearly paid off and students can now enjoy a short break before the final written exam in May.

Great job Year 11! Your endeavours deserve to be applauded - I couldn't be prouder of such a talented class.

Mrs Hopkinson, Teacher of English and Drama

tellbytext

Woodbrook Vale offers a system for students to report bullying called tellbytext. If a student would like to report that they are being bullied, they may:

- text 21153 and their message to 07781474660
- leave a voice message at 0845 2258230
- report online at www.tellbytext.com



Year 11 Yearbooks & Hoodies

Year 11 parents/carers, please remember to return the consent forms for the yearbooks and hoodies. We need these forms to comply with GDPR legislation. We will need to know if you consent (or not) even if you do not plan to purchase the items. Thank you for your support.

Letters

All letters can be viewed on the school website: www.wbvs.co.uk

Forgotten Items

We continue to have instances where parents/carers have handed in forgotten PE kit, homework and cooking ingredients during the school day. There is no guarantee that these forgotten items will reach the student on time. It is the overall responsibility of all students to remember to bring in their homework, PE kit and cooking ingredients. Subject teachers will also be informed if a student has forgotten any of the aforementioned items.

Medication

There are times when students may need to take medication during the school day. An authorisation form needs to be signed by a parent/carer and these are available from our Main Reception. Please ensure that 'over the counter' medication is in its original packaging. Prescription medication must also be in its original packaging and include the child's name and date of birth on the label. We cannot accept medication that does not follow the above guidelines.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

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Rewards

Year 7 students have taken an active role in various activities around the topic of E-Safety this term. In particular, a massive

Year 7

well done to the following students for showing high levels of maturity consistently throughout our E-safety focus: Maia Brett, Warren O'Donnell, Athan Butcher, Olivia Locke, Michela Marson, Freddie Hewitt, Ibrahim Mughal, Maya Bursill, Aleesha Lakha, Anton Wignall, Keira Butler and Juri Reidenbach. Enjoy your treat! Furthermore, Year 7's efforts both inside and outside of the classroom have resulted in a phenomenal amount of goals received for a year group. Congratulations to 7TB who are the top goal scorers for the spring term, and to all our individual top girl and boy goal scorers for each tutor group. Finally a huge well done to our 100 percent attendees, missing days of school is detrimental to the learning and social skills you develop in Year 7, and your 100 percent attendance efforts have not gone un-noticed. Enjoy your prizes and show off those certificates!

Miss Harper, Head of Year 7

This term Year 8 students have enthusiastically embraced and taken part in various activities around the topic of

Year 8

E-Safety and have taken part in the inter form poster competition this term. Some Year 8 girls chose to take part in the Cyberfirst National Security Competition 2019 where they had the chance to unlock codes and complete challenges. Some of these students were nominated by their tutors for an E-safety award: Drashti Patel, Kerryleigh Hill, Anaya Lad, Salena Patel, Abigail Martin, Emily Hawker, Abi Brooks, Safiyyah Mughal, Eva-Sienna Bagley and Reema Patel. Furthermore, an enormous amount of goals have been received due to the tremendous efforts of Year 8, both inside and outside the classroom. Congratulations to 8MP who are the top goal scorers for the spring term, and to all our individual top girl and boy goal scorers for each tutor group. A big well done to Max Barr for receiving the award for the most improved attitude to learning this term, and Beth Smith for receiving the award for embodying the school's ethos and values. Finally a huge well done to our 100 percent attendees; certificates have been issued during tutor time. Have a lovely Easter and a well deserved break. Miss Limbachia, Head of Year 8

It has been an extremely busy term for Year 9 with the completion of the options process. The year group has been fully engaged in the decision making aspect of their potential next steps. The attendance at the GCSE options evening was well attended and highlighted the growing maturity of the students. Many Year 9's have taken time to discuss their options with myself and their form tutors which has been very pleasing to witness. Congratulations to 9LR who are the top goal scorers for the spring term, and to all our individual top girl and boy goal scorers for each tutor group. A big well done to 9KH who won the attendance award this term with a sensational 97%. It was also pleasing to see how many students have a perfect attendance record highlighting their clear dedication to their studies. Well done to all those who won the goals awards for their tutor groups and received special mentions from teachers across the school. Thank you for all your hard work and have a great Easter.

Mr Thornton, Head of Year 9

Year 9

Year 10 students have been rewarded this term for their efforts way back at the start of the term when they completed their Year 10 mock exams. A number of students who performed well in these mocks were placed in a prize draw for up to £100! The following students won the vouchers: Abigail McEwen (£100), Fred Evans (£75) and Hareese Panesar (£50). They are all fully deserving of their rewards.

Looking ahead to next term, Year 10's have work experience to look forward to; I am sure it will be a week that they will learn a lot about the world of work and themselves.

Mr Grundy, Head of Year 10

Year 10

Year 11 have all had an exceptionally busy term with preparing for round 2 of mock exams, completing controlled assessments and preparing for Art and language speaking exams. Congratulations to 11ED who are the top goal scorers for the spring term, and to Halle Pepper who was selected from the prize draw to win the voucher for top goal scorer. Congratulations also and a huge well done to the

many students involved in the prize draw for 100% attendance over the course of Year 11; Charlie Reeves was picked in a draw as the winner. Attendance has been shown to have a significant positive impact upon results. Well done also to all students who have been rewarded for improving their attendance over this half term. Ben Ellaway, Dan Carter, Sasha Rennocks, Ben Morris, Sophie Moechel, Emma Lafferty and Beth Davies have all been nominated by multiple teachers in order to receive a cinema voucher for their determined attitudes and consistent efforts towards preparing for their upcoming GCSEs. Well done and thank you for your positive contributions in lessons, and also for the positive role models you are for your peers and younger students. Finally, congratulations to Louis Perrin, Tejal Odedra, and Adam Hallam for being the top GCSEPod users of the term. Well done to all in Year 11 and keep working hard in the final push towards your exams.

Mrs Kell, Head of Year 11

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