



Woodbrook Vale News Sheet

4 October 2019



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Contacting Staff

Please be aware that in most cases the form tutor or the relevant subject teacher will be the first point of contact for parents/carers. If this member of staff is teaching, we will ask them to make contact as soon as possible and usually within 24 hours.

Where necessary, the relevant Head of Year or Head of Faculty will also be made aware or will oversee parent/carer communication.

As a result of teaching commitments, email is often the best form of communication.

Emails can be sent directly to a member of staff or to the school office email address:

office@wbvs.co.uk which will then be forwarded on to the relevant member of staff.

Mrs Anderson, Deputy Headteacher

Sport

There will be no Year 7 football training on Monday 7 October.

Cross Country

Well done to the Year 7 boys who ran the first schools' cross county race of the season.

Dan Glover made an impressive start to the season, finishing 2nd.

Joe Straker also ran well, finishing 21st.

Well done to everyone who ran in the race.

PE Kit

Please ensure that students are bringing the correct PE kit to their lessons.

Students cannot wear their school shoes/trainers for PE lessons.

Clean indoor trainers are required for the gym and the sportshall and appropriate trainers or studded boots that are suitable for use on the ball court or field for outdoor lessons. This is vitally important as we approach winter for the safety of students during lessons and the cleanliness of the school and the sports facilities.

Fixtures

Tuesday 8 October

Year 11 Boys' Football vs Castle Donington College at Castle Donington College, 4:00pm - 6:00pm.

Year 11 Girls' Netball vs Castle Donington College at Castle Donington College, 4:00pm - 6:00pm.

Thursday 10 October

Years 7, 8 & 9 Girls' Netball vs Charnwood College 4:00 - 6:00pm at Charnwood College.

Year 7,8 & 9 Boys Football Vs Charnwood College 4:00pm - 6:00pm at Charnwood College.

Anti-Bullying Training

On Wednesday, Mr Burt and Miss Woodcock took 10 students from Years 9 and 10 to become trained as Anti-Bullying Ambassadors. The scheme, run by the Diana Award, aims to improve wellbeing and respect within school whilst supporting students and staff in promoting anti-bullying.

The students who attended the event took part in activities where they defined different types of bullying, looked at scenarios that might happen in school, and begun to create a campaign to implement at Woodbrook Vale School. The students even managed to handle the pressure of being filmed by the BBC for their Lifeline Appeal programme which is promoting the Diana Award's 20th Anniversary. The event has given the students lots of ideas of ways to raise awareness around bullying at Woodbrook Vale, and it is important that these Ambassadors lead the initiative to make it successful.

One of the Ambassadors is Abi Brooks (9MP), who said that 'it was a very inspiring day. I have learnt how to support the victims of bullying, as well as how to be proactive with campaigns to reduce incidents of bullying for students at Woodbrook Vale'.

It was great to see the Ambassadors working together on such an important issue, and you will no doubt hear about their campaigns in the coming months and years.

This year's Anti-Bullying Week has the theme Change Starts With Us and is happening from **Monday 11**

November - Friday 15 November 2019.

Anti-Bullying will feature in our assemblies, personal development and curriculum lessons during the week.

Mr Burt, Teacher of Geography & Miss Woodcock, Lead LSA



Attendance Reward

The highest attending registration group last week for Year 10 was 10JM with an excellent weekly attendance of 97.69%. 10JM enjoyed a reward breakfast this week. Congratulations to all members of 10JM.

Mrs Moreton, Attendance Officer



Lunch Money Accounts

Keep your thumb topped up !!

We are having to deal with an increasing number of students' lunch money accounts not having sufficient funds. Please ensure that your child's account remains in credit to allow them to use the canteen facilities. Payments can be made through the revaluer in the dining hall or ParentPay.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Woodbrook Vale Finance Office

Woodbrook Vale Alumni

Calling all past Woodbrook Vale students!! Would you like to help to inspire our current students with a brief account of your career story so far since leaving school?

We are aiming to create an alumni display board in school for past students. The aim is to keep in touch and update us as to where your journey has taken you for example, college, apprenticeship, employment, university, travelling.

Also, congratulations to all 2017 Woodbrook leavers who will shortly be starting University or going into employment and apprenticeships. We are very proud of your achievements and would love to know how you get on in your chosen area.

Please send an email to the school office with a quick account of your first few days at University or employment for our display board in school. A photo would also be great!!

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Mrs McSwiney, Careers Coordinator

Word of the Week

"Nuisance"
(If something or someone is a nuisance, then they are very irritating.)

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

Mr Sandhu,
Teacher of English



Woodbrook Vale's Post 16 Evening

Parents/carers of Year 10 & 11 students are invited to attend Woodbrook Vale's post 16 information evening on **Thursday 10 October, 5:00pm to 7:00pm**. Students will have the opportunity to talk directly to FE organisations and apprentice providers. We look forward to seeing you all.

Mr Hynes, Deputy Headteacher

Retirement

We were sad to say goodbye to Mrs Whelband, Student Welfare Officer last week after 23 years at Woodbrook Vale. We are extremely grateful to the contributions made by Mrs Whelband and wish her a very happy retirement.



MacMillan Coffee Morning

A big thank you to Woodbrook Vale staff who provided an abundance of delicious cakes and made donations for a MacMillan Coffee Morning Cake sale on Friday 27 September. £155.01 was raised.



Let's All Wear it Pink!

Let's all wear it pink.

Date: 18th October £1
Non uniform + items of ↑ pink
Break time: cake sale
Lunch time @ Drama Studio
↳ staff vs students
↳ 50p to watch.

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Trip to East Midlands Airport

The Year 10 Travel & Tourism students went on a trip to East Midlands Airport to experience their newly refurbished 'Aerozone' classroom space. The day was arranged to provide an experience relevant to the course in the areas of transport and tourism and also give an experience of the range of careers associated with the airport. During the day, the students experienced the landside areas of the terminal (check-in and arrivals hall) through a fact-finding activity as well as an opportunity to speak to staff in their different roles in those areas. The students also had a presentation from the Airport Academy coordinator who talked about the work of the academy in training ground staff and cabin crew. Also as part of the day there was an opportunity to try out the new air traffic control simulator (as featured on BBC East Midlands Today) and speak to representatives of Border Force, Airport Security and the Airport Fire Fighters.

Mr Hynes, Deputy Headteacher

