



WOODBROOK VALE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 28th March 2025

CONGRATULATIONS



We would like to congratulate all of our students who received a Headteacher's Commendation this week.

Your hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence have truly shone, and this recognition is well-deserved.



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CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Morgan Meijer and Jenna Lawton-Devine who are March's Futures Award Superstars. Morgan has recently completed his Futures Award and has multiple pieces of evidence in each category. Morgan has shown respect for his community through taking part in Remembrance Parades, has shown resilience and environmental awareness through recycling materials and he has also shown strong Leadership skills through his participation in Army Cadett away weekends. Jenna has demonstrated the virtue of patience and determination through learning to Surf for her resilience section. Jenna (and all of 9JD!) have been experiencing the calming and focussing effect of weekly Tai Chi and Jenna has shown her leadership through her work with the Scouting Association. Both Morgan and Jenna have submitted work which shows a great understanding of what it means to develop your character and their associated virtues and we are certain you will see the benefits both inside and outside of school. Huge well done to everyone who has submitted work to their Futures Award this month

SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS COUNTY FINALS

On Monday 31st March, 10 Sports Leaders attended the Sportshall Athletics County Finals at Loughborough University. It was a fantastic, well organised event with around 500 pupils from schools across Leicestershire competing in the primary and secondary competitions. The organisers praised the leaders highly for their accuracy and efficiency in their roles which included timing track races, logging results, scoring speed bounces, and measuring throws and jumps. It was also noted how they asked lots of questions to check their understanding, something which the organiser said only the best Sports Leaders do! The leaders had the responsibility of selecting a school to win the Spirit of the Games Award for the primary and secondary competitions, and they also got involved with presenting the medals and trophies. On what was a very long and tiring day, the leaders did a brilliant job! Well done to everyone involved!



YEAR 9 ARTS AWARD TRIP

SOCK GALLERY

Two groups of Year 9 Arts Award students made a visit to Loughborough Sock Gallery, at the Town Hall last week. The visit helps students to complete Part B of the award, which requires a visit to an arts events and writing a review.



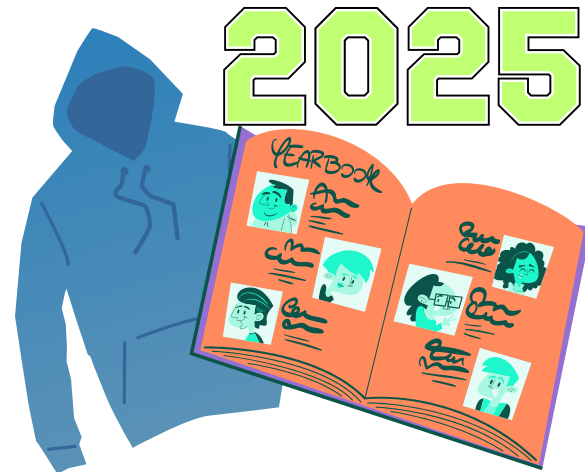
The exhibition is called **Through Their Eyes: Portraits in Detail**, a solo exhibition by Sarah Cowley. Students enjoyed looking at and sketching some of the drawings and paintings by the artist. Back in school next week the groups will be writing up their thoughts about the artwork and including the drawings and reflections made at the Gallery.



NOTICES FOR YEAR 11

LEAVERS HOODIE AND YEARBOOK

The final date to purchase a leavers hoodie and yearbook will be Sunday 6 April, please note we CANNOT accept any purchases after this date as they are made to order with external companies. If your child wants one of these items please make sure you log onto your ParentPay account to purchase them to avoid disappointment. The prom tickets will still be on sale until the 13th June.



YEAR 11 DINNER MONEY

After Easter, Year 11 accounts will not be allowed to go into debt. Please ensure you keep a regular check on your child's account as we cannot serve without sufficient funds. Any unspent amount will be either refunded or transferred to a sibling.

IMPORTANT

GCSE FRENCH AND SPANISH SPEAKING EXAMS

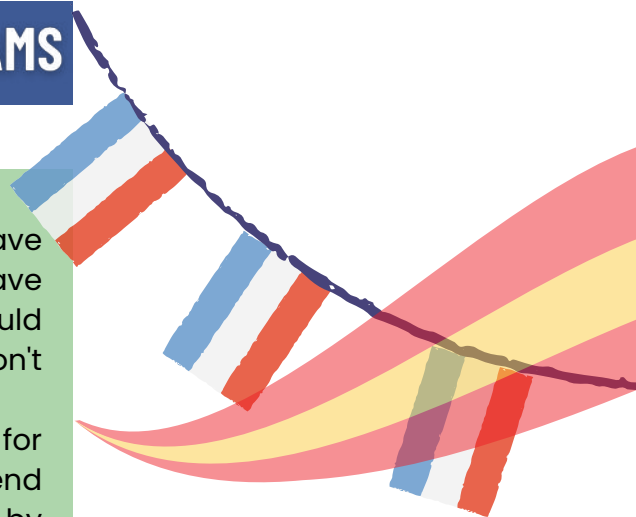
These will take place w/c 28th April.

All students will have an individual time slot and need to have learned their speaking answers on all topics. If students have any medical or dental appointments this week they should check with their teacher to ensure the appointments don't clash.

Thank you to those who attended the information evening for speaking assessments last night. If you were unable to attend and would like an information pack please contact me by email.

fkitching@wbvs.co.uk

Mrs Kitching





YEAR 11 SCIENCE REVISION

Lunchtime revision schedule:

Tues: Physics
Wed: Biology
Thursday: Chemistry

Afterschool revision schedule

We look forward to seeing you there!

Science Department



	Room		Topics
21/03/2025	Lab 3	Lab 2	Bio Paper 1
28/03/2025	Room 25	Lab 1	Physics Paper 1
04/04/2025	Lab 2	Lab 1	Chem Paper 1
11/04/2025	Lab 2	Lab 1	Bio Paper 1
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02/05/2025	Room 25	Lab 3	Physics Paper 1
09/05/2025	Lab 2	Lab 1	Chem Paper 1
16/05/2025	Room 25	Lab 1	Physics Paper 1



Last weeks answer:

What is activation energy - The minimum kinetic energy particles must have for a chemical reaction to occur.

This weeks conundrum question:

What is a metal?



THE WOODBROOK Clothes Swap

Date and Place
of the swap

Thursday,
10th of april
3-4 pm

Dropping off

if you decide that you want to bring clothing from your house and then swap it, You need to give it to Mr.Burt in ROOM 6 between 8 - 8:30 am from Monday the 7th of april to Wednesday the 9th of april .



DRAMA STUDIO

Rules

You are only allowed to bring 5 pieces of clothing maximum. Please make sure the clothes you bring are sensible and not a lost part of ones clothing like one sock or one shoe. DO NOT bring any ripped or broken piece of clothing as it is just disrespectful.

Further information



When you do bring the piece of clothing your name will be put on a spread sheet from which you will get some raffle tickets appropriate to the number of clothing , which you can then swap for clothes if you like . If you would like to know more about this , then Talk To Mr.Burt or any Senior Student Leader that is a part of the Sustainability leadership group.

 **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS** 

There have been concerns regarding the number of parents who have been parking on Grasmere Drive. Complaints have been raised around parents blocking driveways of the local residents, and refusing to move when asked to.

Please be considerate of the residents in our community.

Thankyou for your understanding and cooperation



LOST PROPERTY



We have a number of items in lost property, if you recognise anything please claim from student office. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity

SPORTS CLUB TIMETABLE

UPDATED SPORTS CLUB TIMETABLE AS OF MONDAY 31ST MARCH



Woodbrook Vale Sports Clubs



Day	Club	Year Group	Time	Location
Monday	Badminton	KS3	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
Tuesday	Pickleball	All years	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
	Netball	Year 7 & 8	After school (3-4pm)	Ball court/Sports hall
Wednesday	Badminton	Year 10	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
Thursday	Basketball	All years	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
	Netball	Year 9/10/11	After school (3-4pm)	Ball court/Sports hall
Friday	Badminton	Year 11	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall

SPORTS FIXTURES MARCH 2025



Sports Fixtures

Swimming

All years

Monday 17th March @ De Lisle

Girls Futsal

Year 8 & 9

Wednesday 19th March @ Limehurst Academy

Sports Hall Athletics

Year 7 & 8

Thursday 20th March @ Charnwood College

Boys Rugby

Year 10

Wednesday 9th April @ Charnwood College

Keep an eye on the bulletin for information on how to sign up.

YEAR 11 AUTUMN TERM INTERVENTION 2024/25

Intervention has started for Year 11s to support them in preparing for mock exams and their GCSEs. Well done to all Year 11s who have already been attending. Any questions, please speak to your teacher, or the Head of Faculty in the first instance.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	ADT	Physics	Biology Geography/History /Sociology English (invite- starting after half term)	Chemistry	
After School	Maths (Invite)	French (speaking) ADT Food (Invite)	Spanish	I Media ADT English (invite - starting after half term)	Science (invite)

Health and Social Care - please speak to Mr Moore about completing coursework.

Invited Students - your teacher will inform you if you have been invited. You are expected to attend these. Attendance will be check and followed up. If you are unsure, speak to your teacher in the first instance.

WOODBROOK VALE CLUBS

Day	Club	Staff Member	Year Group (s)	Time	Room	Starting Date	End Date
Monday	Christian Union	Mr Lewney	All Years	12.30 - 1.10 pm	Room 15	September 2024	ongoing
	Art & Design GCSE	Art Dept Staff	Year 10/11	12.30 – 1.10 pm	Art 1/2/workshp	September 2024	ongoing
	Drama Club	Mrs Hopkinson	All Years	3 - 4 pm	Drama studio	October 2024	ongoing
Tuesday	Darts Club	Mr Clargo	KS3 & KS4	12:35 – 1:10 pm	Room 12	September 2024	ongoing
	Wellbeing & Mindfulness Club	Miss Vaughan	All Years	12:25 – 1:10 pm	Room 3	September 2024	ongoing
	Art & Design GCSE	Art Dept Staff	Year 10/11	3 – 4 pm	Art1/2/workshop	September 2024	ongoing
	Homework Club	Miss Roberts	All Years	3 – 4 pm	Library	September 2024	ongoing
Wednesday	Games & Chess Club	Mr Ayres	All Years	12:30 – 1:10 pm	Room 15	September 2024	ongoing
	Arts Award	Mrs Philippou	Year 9	12:30 – 1:10 pm	Art 1	September 2024	ongoing
	Homework Club	Miss Roberts	All Years	3 – 4 pm	Library	September 2024	ongoing
Thursday	Darts Club	Mr Clargo	KS4	12:35 – 1:10 pm	Room 12	September 2024	ongoing
	Homework Club	Miss Roberts	All Years	3 – 4 pm	Library	September 2024	ongoing
	Art & Design GCSE	Art Dept staff	Year 10/11	3 – 4 pm	Art 1/2/workshop	September 2024	ongoing
Friday	Careers Club	Mrs McSwiney	Years 7 & 8	12:30 – 1:10pm	Room 3	September 2024	ongoing

MFL LANGUAGE LEARNING AND HOMEWORK



www.linguascope.com is a useful website for reinforcing vocabulary and students can work on it independently at home if they wish.

For all students the username = woodbrook password = traveltheworld

Students will also be given an individual username and password for the language learning site www.languagenut.com, this password works for both French and Spanish.

For both sites there is an app which can be downloaded.

SPARX MATHS

Homework will be set on a Thursday, and due by Wednesday 8am.

Need somewhere in school to complete your homework? Come to room 13 on a Monday or Tuesday lunch and use the chromebooks there, or attend the usual homework club.

Parents / Carers – Sparx will tailor questions to the level of your child if they complete the homework independently, using the videos to help if needed.

For more information on Sparx, following this link

<https://sparxmaths.com/parents/>

We look forward to students earning lots of XP points by completing their homework on time and achieving 100%!

-Mr Bruce

HOMework CLUB

Looking for a quiet and supportive space to get your homework done? Come along to the Homework Club in the **school library every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.**

Open to students from all year groups, the Homework Club is the perfect place to focus on your assignments, study, or catch up on work. There's no obligation to stay for the entire hour—drop in for as long as you need!

Whether you're looking for a peaceful environment to concentrate or need some guidance with your tasks, the Homework Club is here to help. We look forward to seeing you there!

COMETS NETBALL CLUB

MONDAYS AT CHARNWOOD COLLEGE

U9s & U11s: 6–7pm
U12s & U13s: 7–8pm
U14s & U15s: 8–9pm

LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE

**COME AND JOIN
LOUGHBOROUGH'S NEWEST
JUNIOR NETBALL CLUB!**



cometsnetball25@gmail.com



IYC Hub

01530 482782


APRIL 14TH-27TH
11-16YR OLDS

★ **HAF Offer (For Pupil Premium Eligible Children)**

- ✓ 4 FREE sessions over the Easter holidays
- ✓ Includes a food voucher for the Snack Shack
- ✓ HAF codes go out this week – check with your school/council!

💰 **Non-Pupil Premium Offer**

- ✓ £10.50 per session (includes a food voucher)
- ✓ Open to all young people who want to join in the fun!

 **Daily Schedule:**

- 🕒 11 AM – 1 PM | Social Time (chill, games, snacks)
- 🌱 1 PM – 3 PM | Urban Innovators Garden Project
- 🎭 3 PM – 6/8 PM | Regular Hub Activities (crafts, mini gym, movie nights & more!)

🚀 **Spaces are limited! Visit our website for full details & booking info.**

www.inspireyouthcollective.co.uk

50, Market Street,
Ashby-De-La-Zouch
Opening Hours:
11-6 Mon, Tue, Wed
11-8 Thurs, Fri
11-3 - Community
Support Saturdays



TeenHealth Drop in's and Appointments:

Woodbrook Vale School work alongside Teen Health and welcomes Mindy, Young Peoples Wellbeing Officer, to Woodbrook Vale School.

Mindy will be available every Thursday to work with student's on the following:

- Confidence and Self Esteem
- Emotional regulation/self-care
- Mental Health & emotional wellbeing
- Body Image
- Friendships

Arranged drop in's: Period 1 and Period 2 every Thursday

If you would like an appointment with Mindy, please see Miss Briers in the inclusion room.

Drop in's:

Mindy will be available for a chat on Thursday mornings during break time. She will be located in the Head of Year Office between 10:25am-10:45am.

Referrals

Self Referral – Students can access the Teen Health service by completing the [Teen Health 11-19 Referral Form.](#)

Refer your child:

If you would like any further information about Teen Health or you would like to make a referral for your young person, please contact Miss Briers (Student Welfare and Behaviour Assistant) on lbriers@wbvs.co.uk


All referrals must have consent from the young person. Please click the link if you would like further information - <https://teenhealth.org.uk>

SUPPORT SERVICES

All numbers are available 24/7

CENTRAL ACCESS POINT

Call for urgent mental health needs or when you are in crisis. This number can be also used by friends or family.

 **0808 800 3302**

SAMARITANS

A free, **completely confidential** number to call when you need to talk to someone.


 **116 123**

They also have an email service:


 **JO@SAMARITANS.ORG**

SHOUT

A free and confidential **text messaging** support service.

 text **"SHOUT"**
to **85258**

CHILDLINE

 **0800 1111**

The ChildLine website is for young people OF ALL AGES! It has message boards and lots of resources on a range of different topics that can affect your mental health.



 **WWW.CHILDLINE.ORG.UK**

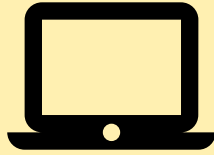
They also have a 1-2-1 counsellor chat feature where you can access support.



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HARMLESS

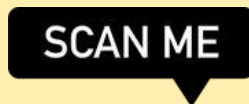
Harmless is a centre dedicated to self-harm and suicide support and prevention.



Their website is full of resources for anyone needing support as well as friends and family members.



WWW.HARMLESS.ORG.UK



They offer face-to-face sessions to anyone in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. They have a self-referral form on their website.

TELLMI

Tellmi is a safe, anonymous **app** where you can talk about absolutely anything.

From anxiety to autism, dating to depression, self-harm to self-esteem.



WWW.TELLMI.HELP

YOUNGMINDS

The YoungMinds website is full of advice and information for young people and family members to help look after mental health.



SCAN ME

WWW.YOUNGMINDS.ORG.UK

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