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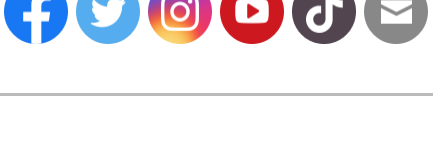


Hello and welcome to this week's edition of the Wildern Weekly. My name is Mr Kinnaird and I am the Director of Progress and Achievement for Year 8.

Having joined Wildern in September, it has been a pleasure to get to know all of the students and tutors within year 8. I have loved being able to hear about the plethora of talent within the year group; my favorite time of the week is celebrating student success in assembly. The motto of the year group is "You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending". The tutor team, Miss Wiley as ADOPA and myself have been working with students to help them embrace each day as a new opportunity.

The students in year 8 have such an exciting year ahead with the 'Pathways' process being launched in assembly last week, students are able to cast their minds to the future and have the opportunity to choose their options which will be taken for the next 3 years as Wildern students.

I also teach Physical Education here at Wildern and I am passionate about all students developing a lifelong love of sport. Sport and exercise has given me so many opportunities, happy memories as well as supporting my health and wellbeing. I strive for all of the students at Wildern to have a positive memories of their Physical Education lesson by the time they leave us.



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Dates for your diary

Date	Activity	Year Groups
Monday 23 January - Wednesday 1 February	Year 10 practice exams	Year 10
Monday 30 January	Week A	All years
Monday 30 January	Natural History Museum trip	Year 7
Wednesday 1 February	School closed to Year 7, 8, 9, 11 due to Strike action. Remote learning will be on Google Classroom	Years 7-9 & Year 11
Thursday 2 February	Year 8 Parents evening	Year 8
Friday 3 February	Year 11 Dance practical assessment	Year 11
Monday 6 February	Week B	All years
Monday 6 - Tuesday 7 February	Year 10 practice Art and Photography exams	Year 10
Wednesday 8 February	Year 8 Speed networking (Careers event)	Year 8
Thursday 9 February	WINK - Supporting your teenager	All years
Monday 13 - Friday 17 February	Half term	All years
Monday 20 February	CPD day (school closed to students)	All years
Wednesday 22 February	Dance Live!	All years
Thursday 23 February	Box Clever performance of Romeo and Juliet	Year 8
Thursday 23 February	Soundbites evening	All years
Friday 24 February	Teenage Booster Vaccinations	Year 9

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Communications

All Years
[Mrs Oakley letter about strike action](#)
[Miss Litton's letter about strike action](#)
[WINK E-safety video and 3 question evaluation](#)
[Fire drill letter](#)

Year 7
 There are **no** letters for Year 7

Year 8
[Pathways information letter](#)

Year 9
 There are **no** letters for Year 9

Year 10
 There are **no** letters for Year 10

Year 11
[Leavers hoodie letter and order form](#)
[Yearbook letter](#)

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Message from Mr Russell: MFL sentence builders and how to support your child



Wildern asks...
 Did you find this video helpful?

 If we were to include more information videos like this in future, what subjects would you like them about?

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Reminders

All Years
Uniform: Over the past couple weeks we have noticed an increase in the number of students wearing or bringing hoodies into school, leggings, fluffy socks, excessive jewellery and a no tie. Next week we will be speaking to students who are not maintaining our standards of uniform and ensuring that this is corrected. Thank you for your ongoing support in helping your child(ren) to get this right.

Catchup Flu clinics for Year 7-9:
[Catch up Flu vaccination clinics](#)

MFL play opportunities for Year 8-10:
[French play opportunity](#)
[German play opportunity](#)
[Spanish play opportunity](#)

Year 7
[History residential trip to Ironbridge 14-16 July 2023](#)

Year 8
[Year 8 WAD: how to discuss this with your child](#)
WINK Pathways - here is the video. Please tell us your views on this by answering a three short questions [here](#).
Art club: Due to a clash with the Year 10 Art and Photography exam, there will be no art club on 7 February.

Year 9
Vaccinations: Diphtheria/Tetanus/Polio and Meningitis ACWY on 24 February
Consent info for vaccination and School Age Immunisation Service information
 To give your consent, please click [here](#) and use the school code **SH136654**.

English: students will be bringing their books home this week for parents to have a look at, in advance of the Year 9 WAD 2 data coming out.

Art club: Due to a clash with the Year 10 Art and Photography exam, there will be no art club on 7 February.

Year 10
[English study support letter](#)

Animal Care: Due to practice exams and half term, the next Manor Farm visit will be 21 February.

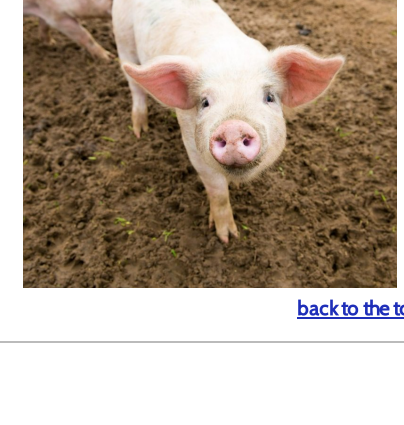
Year 11
[ESP timetable - Spring 1](#)
Monday 30 January: Maths (MN) or Science (PG)
Tuesday 31 January: Spanish / German

Science: PQ Population ESP on Monday 30 January. Invitations will be going out this week if your child is expected to attend. For all other Year 11 students, there is a drop in with the Science team every Monday and Tuesday in room 317.

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90 Years of Wildern

One of the more unusual clubs that the school had was the formation of the Wildern Pig Club during the 1950's. Students from the school cemented the floors and built the sties on the school ground. Ann Hobbs was the first Secretary of the Club and stated that 'The sties will be cleaned out every day and during school holidays some members will be coming to school to feed the pigs'.
 Within a year there were three pigs: Hardcastle, Ramsbottom and Willoughby. They were sold off to the Bacon Factory at Eastleigh for £72 which gave the club a profit of £27.60p. This was a lot of money in the 1950s and equivalent to approximately £1,210 in today!



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Spotlight

Coming up: Apprenticeship Week, 6-12 February

National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) 2023 is the 16th annual celebration of apprenticeships.

The week brings together businesses and apprentices across the country to shine a light on the positive impact that apprenticeships make to individuals, businesses and the wider economy. The theme for National Apprenticeship Week 2023 is 'Skills for Life'. The week will reflect on how apprenticeships can help individuals to develop the skills and knowledge required for a rewarding career and help businesses to develop a talented workforce that is equipped with skills for the future.

Apprenticeships are an exciting option - you get hands-on training and also the chance to put your skills into practice. Apprenticeships are available at multiple levels. From school leavers, people upskilling in their careers and complete career changes. There are hundreds to choose from and some include a qualification, like a degree.

At Wildern, during this week, students will focus in their Education for Life Tutor sessions on Apprenticeships and Local Labour Market Information and there will be additional resources released on their relevant Careers Google Classrooms. Labour market Information is also available on the [Careers Page of our website](#), where you will also find a [Parent's Guide to Apprenticeships](#).



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Keeping Safe

Keeping warm
 With this cold weather continuing it is a good time to remind students of our expectations for uniform, particularly when dressing to stay warm. We have noticed an increase in bright coloured fluffy socks - these are not part of our school uniform and shouldn't be worn at school. Additionally, students should not wear any jumper other than their green Wildern jumper. If needed, we would encourage students to wear thermal layers under their school uniform for warmth and a coat for outside as additional jumpers or hoodies are not permitted.

Student services

Due to the year 10 exams student services are temporarily moving.
Monday 30 January - Friday 3 February
 We will be located in the **SLPP office** (Mr Bateman and Miss Cooper's office) at the top of the block 3 stairs
 We are always open between 8:45am and 3:30pm. The best times for students to drop in are:

- 11:00-11:25am - Breaktime
- 1:30-1:55pm - Lunchtime
- 3:00-3:15pm - After school

[#ineedsupport](#) Remember this online form is also available on the school website if you need support.

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Hot Food Menu

Dan and his catering team can adapt the majority of meals to any dietary needs if they know in advance (your child can speak to them by visiting the kitchen before 8:30am that day). Main/gill vegetarian options are always available - just ask Dan and his team.

	Main	Grill
Monday	Chicken tikka and roasted pepper pizza with mango chutney	Hawaiian flatbread pizza with sauté potatoes (v)
Tuesday	Harissa lamb and chickpea flatie with mint yoghurt	Spicy mac 'n' cheese with garlic bread (v)
Wednesday	Grab and Go options available in Break 1 only	
Thursday	Pizza nachos with jalapenos and salsa (v)	American cheeseburger pizza with onion pickles and spicy ketchup
Friday	Pepperoni flatbread pizza	Tomato & basil with mozzarella cheese stone bake pizza (v)

* correct at time of sending, but may be subject to change

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Sporting Results

Date	Sport	Opposition	Year Groups	Result
23 January	Year 8 Boys Football	St George's Catholic College	8	Cancelled
24 January	Year 9 Boys Football	Oasis Academy Mayfield	9	2-0 win
24 January	U16 Basketball	Wyvern College	10 & 11	32-51 loss
24 January	Year 7 Boys Football	Oasis Academy Sholing	7	Postponed

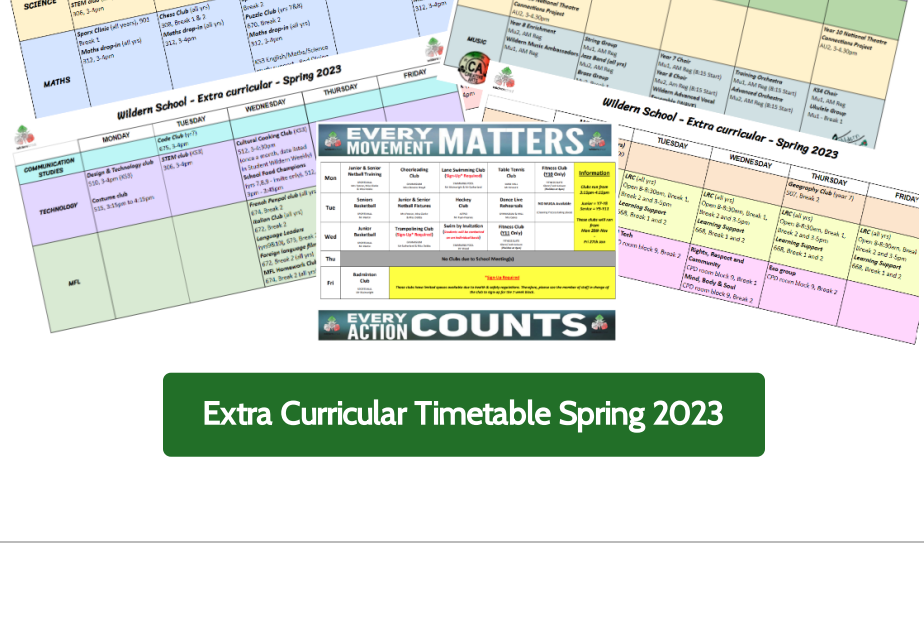
Sporting Fixtures

Date	Sport	Opposition	Year Groups
30 January	Year 7 Boys Football	Oasis Academy Sholing	7
31 January	U16 Basketball	Woodlands College	10 & 11
31 January	U14 Netball	Southampton College	7 & 8
2 February	U14 Hockey	Southampton Sports Centre	9
6 February	Year 10 Boys Football	Medina School	10
7 February	Year 9 Boys Football	Calthorpe Park School	9
7 February	U13 Hockey	Southampton Sports Centre	8

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Extra Curricular

KS3 Cooking Club - February workshop (American Pancakes for Valentines Day - 8/2/23 - 3pm-4pm) sign up is now open. Further details on the students' Food Google Classroom.



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E-Safety

What Parents and Carers Need to Know about Twitter

Twitter is a social media network which allows users to post short messages ('tweets') of up to 280 characters. Tweets can consist of text, photos, videos, audio, links, polls and GIFs - often linked by hashtags if they share a common theme or message. Hashtags receiving high levels of interest are said to be 'trending'. Twitter users can engage with other people's posts by liking, retweeting (sharing) or tweeting back (commenting on). Since the entrepreneur Elon Musk acquired Twitter in 2022 for \$44 billion, the platform has undergone several major changes. In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as trolls and bullying, fixation on view count and interaction with strangers.



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Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts