

# Wadham School

A Church of England Community School "Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### RE: Headteacher's Update Letter 28.03.24

And that was Term 4.

It was also the end of the Spring term, the next time we meet, it will be summer!

My letter comes at the end of the week in part to enable the 'Top Performing Students' report to be run, but equally as a reflection of how busy these last few weeks have been in the run up to Easter.

Easter represents 'new life and new beginnings,' marking Christ's death and resurrection as a foundation for the Christian Faith that many draw strength from in their daily lives. It also speaks of 'renewal' – perhaps best symbolised by the changing of the season, the increase of light over darkness each day and our actions during Lent to give-up something that in doing makes us 'better.'

'Renewal' for Years 11 and 13 comes in the form of their mock results this week – either validating, quietly nudging or outright signposting the level of effort needed from here on in to secure desired outcomes.

'Renewal' for Year 9 is their Options Evening tonight, and it's lovely to hear the chatter and interest taking place outside my office as I type.

Whatever your plans this Easter, do make time to rest and recover. It's OK to say people are tired, and true to say it's because everyone is working so hard to teach, help, support, encourage and care for everyone in our school community.

My sincere thanks to the students, staff and families who are 'Wadham School' for continuing to work together to improve the outcomes and life chances in the communities we serve.

May God bless you with gratitude, Fill your heart with joy and laughter, And grant you all the sweet promises from above. Give you a new song, a new idea, a fresh motivation To return from the Easter break refreshed and renewed.

Summer Term begins for all students on Monday 15th April - it's a Week A!

Until then, I wish you all a positive and peaceful Easter holiday.

Yours sincerely

Richard Burgas Headteacher









#### **Top Performing Students**

A bumper end to the term, with top-three positions again being shared by many students (3)



Well done to everyone mentioned below, particularly the number of NEW names added, which just reminds us that it really is everyone's game - with all to play for!

Have a restful break and we look forward to counting House Points again next term!

## Week Commencing 18.03.24

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
1	Florence R	Judit K	Emily H	Syrus H	Toby S
2	Matilda L	Caleb R	Benny S Millie T	Ellie J	Sean C
3	Natasha C	Georgia P	Esme G	Isobel T	Ruby-Dee C Isobel B

### Week Commencing 25.03.24

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
1	Madison W	Sami M	Owen J	Michael P	Ruby-Dee C Iris L-G Connie M Maddie S
2	Natasha C Ellis R George V	Oliver N	Harry D Emily H Poppy H	Johan N Sonny T	Taylor M
3	Frida Q Mya-Rose W	Gwen T	Josh C Ivy H	Nicole G Alfie W	Riley B Sean C Sian H Lottie H Charlie N

# **Keep Hydrated – Bottle Filling Stations Arriving!**

In anticipation of some much needed warmer (and drier!!) weather, I'm delighted to share that 4 permanent bottle filling stations are being installed over the Easter break.

These will be located in the New Sports Hall, Cooper Foyer, Berry Foyer and outside the canteen, replacing the 'manual' water-jug system currently being used in the canteen.

Students and staff are strongly encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle which can be used throughout the day in order to keep hydration and concentration levels up where they should be!