

Wadham School

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



Tuesday 7th May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Headteacher's Update Letter 07.05.24

My update this week is simply to give thanks for such a positive turn out at our recent Year 8 and Year 10 Parents' Evenings. Both were really well attended and the cakes on sale were a welcome addition to the conversations being had.

Without doubt the quality and strength of any home-school partnership has a direct influence (and impact!) on how well a student feels able to settle and thrive.

With this in mind, I would also like to commend students for their exemplary response to our lockdown and evacuation practice earlier today. Our goal was to educate our community as to the purpose, process and expectation of any future lockdown – consider these objectives well and truly met!

Bells sounded at 10:10am this morning to trigger our lockdown practice, and:

- all buildings confirmed entrances were secured within 5minutes.
- all staff confirmed spaces within buildings were secured within 10minutes (most in under 5minutes!)
- the entire site remained silent and safe until 10.25am, when we then evacuated to the field.
- all students returned to lesson 2 ahead of schedule, able to continue learning before break.

Today was about calming nerves and giving guidance to help everyone in the event that we do need to trigger lockdown in the future.

<u>I hope that we never have to</u>, but it is something we will keep practicing so that if needed, we have confidence and experience of how we all work together to keep ourselves safe.

I have already met with senior staff to review our practice today so that the care and safeguarding we provide continues to be of the highest quality we can achieve.

Heavenly Father,

Thank you that you love and care for me, that you want me to be the best version of myself May your Holy Spirit, inspire me to be the best version of myself Thank you for your patience and encouragement, your assurance that all will be well Please help me to know the joy of victory already won and reflect that to those around me Amen

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Burgas Headteacher









Top Performing Students

3 weeks in and I'm delighted that new names continue to appear on our leader board. Well done to everyone mentioned below!

Week Commencing 29.04.24

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
1	Matilda L	Storm R	Emily H	Michael P	Sian H
2	Frida Q	Oliver N	Eli C	Sonny T	William R
3	Rita P	Tom M	Xavi C Lewis T Isabelle W	Abigail B	Maddie S

Keep Hydrated – Bottle Filling Stations are Up and Running!

5 bottle filling stations have been installed and are up and running. They can be found at the following locations:

- Gibson Foyer
- Cooper Foyer
- Berry Foyer
- Outside the Food Hall
- In the New Sports Hall

Students and staff are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school which can be filled and used to keep everyone hydrated.



- *** There was some proper sunshine this afternoon students and staff are reminded to bring a refillable bottle and use the filling stations to keep cool and hydrated ***
 - *** Fingers crossed the warmer weather is here to stay a while! ***

Richard Burgas 07.05.24