

Wadham School

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



Monday 22nd January, 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Headteacher's Update Letter 22.01.24

We are now half-way through the term, with 3 weeks of learning left until the half-term break. Next week it will be February, and for Year 11 this means we are a step closer to the second round of mock exams. They continue to impress with a dedicated work-ethic in this regard — well done!

With reports being published and Parents' Evenings this term beginning with Year 11 on Thursday, my message this week is one of 'Communication.' Positive and trusting relationships are the cornerstone of everything we can and want to achieve in life. Here at Wadham, we know the importance of the home-school partnership in helping our students feel valued, supported and enabled to thrive.

Listening to feedback from parents, we introduced a Home-School Communication Booklet in November that sets out how and who to contact when you need to. A copy of this booklet, along with staff email addresses, can be found on our website here: Home School Information Booklet

We aim to acknowledge your contact within 24hours of it being made, making clear when you can expect a detailed response to your query if one cannot be immediately given. I make this point because on some occasions this has not been the case. If you have made contact with the school and do not receive a reply, it's important that this is followed up correctly so that we have an opportunity to address this.

If, having contacted us, you feel that you have not been heard, please contact your child's Head of Year. Contact information is included below:

Year Group	Head of Year	Assistant Head of Year	Email address
7	Mr Colin Jackson	Mrs Emma Harwood	Cjackson@wadhamschool.co.uk
8	Mr Keith Allington	Mrs Sarah Barrett	Kallington@wadhamschool.co.uk
9	Mrs Sian Gray	Mrs Elaine Mee	Sgray@wadhamschool.co.uk
10	Mrs Jo Osborne	Mrs Helen Patrickson	Josborne@wadhamschool.co.uk
11	Mrs Keri Wright	Mrs Dee Martin	Kwright@wadhamschool.co.uk
Sixth Form	Mr Harri Isack	Mrs Sue McElroy	Hisack@wadhamschool.co.uk

If the concern is about the Head of Year, please contact Mrs Nicky Finch: nfinch@wadhamschool.co.uk I will be reminding staff of our communication protocol and am grateful for your support in following this process so that any concerns or issues can be addressed in a timely manner.

Chair of Governors: Mr C Chapman

Yours sincerely,

Richard Burgas Headteacher











Top Performing Students

Another positive week, and I've already seen the pile of Headteacher Commendations for signing! Many congratulations to the students celebrated below – will it be 'all change' next week though?

Week Commencing 15.01.24

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
1	Matilda L	James P	Esme G	МЈЈ	Sean C
2	Emilio T	Henry M Oliver N	Theo C Liam C	Rian T	Isobel B
3	Bertie P	Tom M Storm R Sophie V	Emily H	Neven G Amber S	Chloe C Cameron S

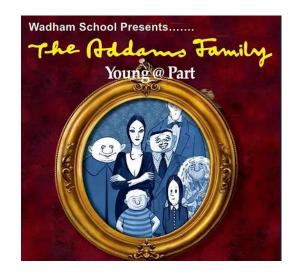
Addams Family Values – Tickets on Sale Now!

Rehearsals continue at pace and we're delighted to announce that tickets are now LIVE and ready for purchase directly from the Warehouse Theatre, Ilminster:

Home | Warehouse Theatre (thewarehousetheatre.org.uk)

Performances take place from 7pm on: Wednesday 28th February Thursday 29th February Friday 1st March

Tickets £8.50 (Concessions £5.50)



Parent Governor Vacancy at Wadham School

Alongside successful recruitment last term, the Board of Governors currently has a vacancy for one further Parent Governor.

The role of a Governor is to:

- Help plan the strategic direction of the school
- Ensure money is well spent
- Support and challenge the school leadership team

If you feel you could contribute, or are interested to find out more, please use this link to read the full invitation and application letter: 0B3655E19C022EB56DE4DF01F661B918.pdf (wadhamschool.co.uk)

You may wish to contact Laura Andrews, Clerk to the Governors, should you have further questions or would like to arrange an informal meeting to discuss this role in more detail.

List of the Tutor groups, tutors and their email addresses

Tutor Group	Tutor's Name	Tutor's Email Address
7DSK	Mrs Dilan Keskin	DKeskin@wadhamschool.co.uk
7JJC	Miss Josie Cross	JCross@wadhamschool.co.uk
7SAW	Miss Scarlett Wells	SWells@wadhamschool.co.uk
7SJB	Miss Sarah Bene	SBene@wadhamschool.co.uk
7VJR	Miss Vicky Richardson	VRichardson@wadhamschool.co.uk
7WLD	Mr William Date	WDate@wadhamschool.co.uk
8AMW	Miss Annabel Whitcombe	AWhitcombe@wadhamschool.co.uk
8KEH	Mrs Kate Hodge	KHodge@wadhamschool.co.uk
8LJM	Mrs Laura Manning	LManning@wadhamschool.co.uk
8PGH	Mr Peter Hopwood	PHopwood@wadhamschool.co.uk
8RJG	Mrs Rose Goddard	RGoddard@wadhamschool.co.uk
8SLG	Mrs Samie Gosney	SGosney@wadhamschool.co.uk
9CLV	Mrs Claire Vickery	CVickery@wadhamschool.co.uk
9CMC	Miss Charlotte Coombs	CCoombs@wadhamschool.co.uk
9CSN	Mr Charlie Straker-Nesbit	CStraker-Nesbit@wadhamschool.co.uk
9JAC	Mr Jake Cox	JCox@wadhamschool.co.uk
9JMM	Miss Jenna Middleton	JMiddleton@wadhamschool.co.uk
9KJG	Mr Kevin Gillingham	KGillingham@wadhamschool.co.uk
10CKO	Mr Craig Owen	COwen@wadhamschool.co.uk
10DTQ	Mr Daniel Quick	DQuick@wadhamschool.co.uk
10HXK	Miss Harriet Kelly	HKelly@wadhamschool.co.uk
10IRT	Mr Ian Tustin	ITustin@wadhamschool.co.uk
10LXR	Mrs Louisa Ridgley	LRidgley@wadhamschool.co.uk
10PAE	Mr Paul Evans	PEvans@wadhamschool.co.uk
11CEP	Mrs Cam Pawling	CPawling@wadhamschool.co.uk
11HLT	Mrs Hannah Trim	HXWilson@wadhamschool.co.uk
11HXM	Miss Hollie Mawdsley	HMawdlsey@wadhamschool.co.uk
11JML	Mrs Jamie Lemon	JLemon@wadhamschool.co.uk
11NPC	Mr Nolan Cassidy	NCassidy@wadhamschool.co.uk
11SDH	Mr Sean Huggett	SHuggett@wadhamschool.co.uk
Sixth Form	Mr Andrew Jackson	AMJackson@wadhamschool.co.uk



A 5 week parenting programme for parents of children 10yrs +

The course can support you to:

- Have better understanding of your teens emotional needs
- Have better communication with your teen.
- Help to prevent problem behaviour and conflict with your teen.
- Have a deeper connection and relationship with your teen.

This course is <u>FREE</u> and available to <u>any parents/</u> carers that would like to attend.

When: January 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st, Feb 7th

Where: Wadham School, Crewkerne

Times: 5pm-7:30pm

Refreshments available from 4:45pm

For more information and to book your place please contact Parent, Family Support Advisors:

Jemma Henwood— 07825054694

Rebecca Larcombe — 07825054695