



# Wadham School

A Church of England Community School

"Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **RE: Headteacher's Update Letter 04.07.24**

At this time of writing the nation is turning out to vote in the General Election and tomorrow we'll wake to discover how accurate pundits and pollsters have been.

One election campaign I can report on with certainty is the recent appointment of our senior student leadership team for next year. 5 candidates in Year 12 applied and underwent a rigorous interview process, each setting out their personal manifesto and key areas for development they would like to focus on in creating their own personal 'legacy' at Wadham.

As a result of these successful interviews, I am delighted to announce the following appointments:

### **Senior Student Leadership Team 2024-25**

Patrick Cummings	– President
Lara Deakin	– Head of House
Elle Bennett-Martin	– Head of House
Izaak Gregory	– Head of House
Ethan Bailey	– Head of House

I am sure you would wish to join me in congratulating Patrick, Lara, Elle, Izaak and Ethan on their achievements and they have already begun work to remodel and update the 6<sup>th</sup> Form study areas. They are perfect role models and ambassadors for the school, and I also know they are keen to develop closer links and relationships with students across all year groups. I'm sure we'll hear from them directly very soon!

In the meantime, whatever the next government has in store for Education, we will continue to promote our values, celebrate our successes, and keep learning and well-being at the heart of what we do.

### ***Heavenly God***

***Please help me to start where I am and not to worry about where I could be***

***Please help me to use what I have rather than worry about what I haven't got***

***Please help me to do what I can instead of doing nothing***

***Thank you that I can make a positive difference today, where I am and with what I have***

***Thank you that there are others with whom I can share***

***Thank you that I can also share in your love and grace***

***Amen***

Yours sincerely,

Richard Burgas  
Headteacher



## Top Performing Students

Well done to everyone recognised for their efforts last week. With only 2 weeks remaining, you still have time to get your name here before the end of the year!

### Week Commencing 24.06.24

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
1	Ellis R	Caleb R	Holly W	Ellie V-M
2	Wyatt T	Corey W	Michael McE	Noah B
3	Chloe M	Poppy B	Emily H	Harry B

### Non-Uniform Day – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

A reminder that our final non-uniform day this year is Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July. This is also the last day Year 10 will attend school onsite, before they begin their Work Experience Placements.

Donations received will go towards supporting national mental health charity, Mind. [Home - Mind](#)

Thank you for your support of all our charities this year, and a reminder that if there is a particular group of charity you feel we should be looking to support, please let your school council representative know.

### Wadham School Awards Evening – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 5.30-8.00pm

We are delighted to confirm that our guest speaker this year is Dr Justin Turner KC, a former Wadham pupil who left in 1981! We're looking forward to welcoming him back to our school and hearing his key-note speech during the Evening.

My thanks to the Camps Kenya team who will be here upon arrival to sell you cakes and treats! For those attending, you will find the following information regarding timings useful:

Time	Activity
From 5.20pm	Arrival and Sign-In (Refreshments and cakes available outside, under the covered area)
5.50pm	Guests take their seats in the Hall
6.00pm	Awards Evening begins
7.45pm*	Awards Evening ends
8.00pm	Wadham site is closed

### Wadham Sports Day – Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Sign-up sheets have been completed and the field is ready for next Thursday's event. Mr Owen wrote to parents this week to explain how Sports Day will run and the arrangements for the day – very much helping students and staff be prepared and ready for a positive day's events!

His letter is on the website and can be accessed here:

[D71DAC7961842437E045F419CEA39F19.pdf \(wadhamschool.co.uk\)](#)

Richard Burgas 04.07.24