

WLD HIGH SCHOOL BULLETIN



Friday 19th January 2024

Headteacher's Message

Over the past few weeks, we have observed an increase in the number of students answering back, and worse, verbally abusing teachers in our school. Respectful communication is a fundamental aspect of the learning environment and it is crucial for the well-being of both students and staff. If you notice a comment on Classcharts, or if you are contacted regarding such an incident, we kindly request your support in reinforcing the importance of respectful behaviour. We appreciate your partnership in fostering a respectful and nurturing learning environment for all our students.

We have received several concerns from our neighbours regarding the parking situation at the end of the day. Some of our neighbours have reported litter being dropped and drives blocked. The nursery in particular are concerned about the volume of cars parking on their car park. I am sure you will appreciate that it is imperative that this area remains safe for the safe pick up of very young children. We would appreciate your support in ensuring our good reputation within the local community is upheld.

We are experiencing fewer problems at the back of school, however please can I remind you that the turning circle is for the use of school buses <u>only</u> and not for the use of parents dropping or picking up students, or for turning vehicles around. This is a health and safety risk to the students.

Mrs V Ardern Headteacher

Whole School Messages



SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR INSET DAY

Just a reminder that school will be closed to students on **Monday 22**nd **January** for Inset Day and will open as normal Tuesday 23rd January.

STUDENT ABSENCE REPORTING

Please see the link to our website <u>here</u> where you will find information on reporting student absences "How to report student absences using Classcharts". We only use Classcharts and Schoolcomms as the only two methods of notification. Please do not ring or email school. If your child has a medical appointment, please upload a copy of this evidence onto Classcharts.



Please could we remind all parents and carers that medical appointments should be input onto Classcharts along with supporting evidence. Without evidence we may have to mark this as unauthorised.

Whole School Messages

Year 9 DTP/ACWY Vaccinations E-Consent Link

The Immunisation Team are due to visit school on **Tuesday 27th February** to administer Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio and Meningitis ACWY vaccinations to Year 9 pupils.

Please complete the form to CONSENT or REFUSE the vaccinations by following the link below, which will close at midnight on the 1st February. If you have made an error or are unsure whether you have already completed a form, please contact us on the telephone number below. Please do not attempt to complete another form.

Link: https://nhslmms.azurewebsites.net/session/439d31f5



IntraHealth Immunisation Team. Telephone: 0333 358 3397, opt 2, opt 1

Uniform

As we further build on the high standards at Walton-le-Dale we have been working hard to make sure all students are READY to learn. You may have received communication regarding uniform not being worn correctly. Please see the <u>uniform policy here</u>. Parents are responsible for making sure students have the correct uniform, which can be purchased on Parentpay. Difficulties with uniform should be emailed to your son/daughter's HAL, school will then lend students uniform when needed.

Stationery Shop

Expectation assemblies have taken place all week to explicitly outline to our students that to be READY to learn they need to be in school, in lessons and on time. As part of this we will be starting to have an equipment shop each morning in registration.

Parents can add money using Parentpay to students accounts for "Stationary shop" in the shop the equipment will be sold and taken from the balance in a similar way to lunch money. We would encourage parents to add some equipment money to their child's account ready for when they need it. Item will be sold at low prices and any amount from 5p upwards can be added. An example would be: pen, pencil, ruler and rubber would cost 30p in total.



School Nurse Drop ins - Carol Williams

Our school nurse will be in school on the following dates:

- 29th Jan 2024 D2 meeting room
- 20th Feb 2024 D2 meeting room
- 25th March 2024 D2 meeting room

If you wish to contact our school nurse, please scan the QR code below or contact Mrs Sheridan in school.



Well Done Year 11!

After a full on, intense 2 weeks you have successfully completed your mock exams! A big well done to you all – It's been a busy time for everyone but **you did it!**

I hope this has given you an insight into how the exams will run in the Summer (although it will not be as many per day, maximum of 2!), the structure, expectations and timings.

We will be organising a "Mock Exams Results Session" so this will mirror what the actual Results day will be like – more details to follow on this.

Parents, we would like to get some feedback from you around how you feel the Mock Exams went. Please complete this short 5 question feedback form to help us understand what went well and what went not so well.

https://forms.office.com/e/5A8tB0tqs6 - The form closes at 9am Thursday 25th January.

(Please do not use this form to report an urgent or safeguarding issue - please contact school in this instance.)

Year 11's you'll also get chance to give feedback - details shortly.

Have a fantastic long weekend and chill out because you all deserve it!

Mrs Crozier Exams Officer

Whole School Messages

Results of the Interhouse Quiz – Whose pet is it anyway?

Winners are Apollo with 23,936 points – A6 highest form 2nd Endeavour with 20,348 points – E2 highest form 3rd Challenger with 19090 points – C6 highest form 4th Discovery with 16,803 points – D4 highest form 5th Voyager with 11,998 points – V6 highest form







Fragility of Freedom

Each form needs to select an element of Freedom listed below. They then needs to collectively produce a collage of images to represent what the theme means to them. ALL entries will be displayed as part of the memorial day and winning entries will contribute to the Interhouse competition

- · Freedom of religion
- Freedom to self-identify
- · Freedom of reproduction
- Freedom of movement
- Freedom of expression
- · Freedom to live



Homework

Homework Club Please be aware that homework club is currently not on due to staffing changes. We hope to offer this service again soon.



Homework Champions

- Homework is set on Classcharts.
- Homework is an important way of students learning how to study independently and also of consolidating their learning.
- Each week, Mrs Long (DHT) will award an SLT Classcharts badge for the most homework submitted for students in each year group; these students will also receive a 'golden ticket' for the dining room (HALs will give these to students in assembly).

 Certificates will be awarded in our awards assemblies for homework, as this shows your dedication to your studies and learning

- Before half-term, there will be a reward activity offtimetable- for those completing their homework (Miss Rowson will provide more information)
- Each week, Mrs Long will award an SLT Classcharts badge for the most homework submitted

The Homework Champions for this week are YEAR 8.

Individual Champions are:

Year 7	Lily T (V7) Milo M (E7)
Year 8	Evie F (A6) Blake F (V3)
Year 9	Reaz B (D2) Emily B (C5)
Year 10	Harrison G (A6) Lucy S (C2)

Whole School Messages

Do you have a safeguarding concern? There are lots of services available for you to speak to.

If you have concerns for a child's welfare and you require advice, please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 6720. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 0300 123 6722. For a child who resides in the Blackburn area, please ring the Children's advice and duty service on 01254 666400. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 01254 587547.

If you have immediate concerns for a child, please dial 999 and ask for the Police.

For mental health support services, please see the links below for information and contact details:

• Kooth - all anonymous and over text (there is an app to download)



SCAN ME

- <u>School Nursing Service</u> 11-19 years olds can text their school nurse on 07507330510 or scan the QR code to contact them via Chat Health, for anonymous advice 9-5pm =
- **Shout** Text SHOUT to **85258** (more of a crisis line if struggling to cope)
- Papyrus Prevention for young suicide contact: 0800 068 4141
- <u>Samaritans</u> for support call 116 113 for free or email <u>jo@samaritans.org</u>
- https://www.lscft.nhs.uk/our-services/service-finder-z/children-and-young-

peoples-psychological-services

• Young Minds – Crisis messenger is a free 24/7 UK service. Text 'YM' to 85258

Rewards

Attendance awards

House with Highest Attendance		Discovery			
Form with Highest Attendance	Challenger C5	Apollo A1	Endeavour E3	Voyager V3	Discovery D1

Classcharts Awards

House with Most Positives			Endeavour		
Form with the	Challenger	Apollo	Endeavour	Voyager	Discovery
most Positives	C7	A7	E7	V3	D7
Kindness	Challenger	Apollo	Endeavour	Voyager	Discovery
Golden Ticket	Ellie-Mai C	Harry S	Izabela D	Riley M	Niamh R
Golden Ticket	(C3)	(A3)	(E2)	(V7)	(D5)
Most Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger	Apollo	Endeavour	Voyager	Discovery
	Ollo H	Fariya J	Hayley A	Poppy G	Ellie Y
	(C6)	(A7)	(E3)	(V4)	(D1)
Most Homework	Challenger	Apollo	Endeavour	Voyager	Discovery
Positives	Kian E	Harrison G	Jazmine H	Sophie W	Owen J
Golden Ticket	(C2)	(A6)	(E1)	(V1)	(D8)
Most Improved Student	Challenger	Apollo	Endeavour	Voyager	Discover
	Kian R	Lexie D	Lexie R-S	Ava C	Olivia H
	(C2)	(A1)	(E4)	(V6)	(D3)

Rewards

Science Rewards

Year 7 Awards			
7WA	Ella S (D8)		
7WS	Jade D (V7)		
7WP	Esmae M (C7)		
7DI	Emmelia H (D7)		
7DR	Josie-Jay Y (D8)		
7DE	Alfie C (E7)		
Year 8 Awards	, , ,		
8WA	Ada V (V1)		
8WS	Cody W (V4)		
8WP	Aaron C (V1)		
8DI	Alexandra D (D4)		
8DR	Nathan N (A2)		
8DE	Emmie W (E4)		
Year 9 Awards	·		
9WA	Layla H (D4)		
9WS	Caleb TW (C5)		
9WP	Brogan W (E3)		
9DI	Leon C (V2)		
9DR	Poppy G (V4)		
9DE	Autumn T (V2)		
Year 10 Awards	·		
10WDA	William B (E4)		
10WDS	Amber R (V5)		
10WDP	Xain A (D3)		
	Georgia H (V3)		
	George R (V6)		
10WDI	Joel N (C4)		
10WDR	Hailie W (E5)		
10WDE	Rachel N (A2)		
Year 11 Awards			
11WDA	Connie H (V5)		
	Maizie N (A6)		
	Rosa W (C6)		
11WDS	Todor D (C1)		
	Alesha W (D1)		
11WDI	Izabela D (E2)		
11WDR	Amber B (A5)		
11WDE	Chloe B (D4)		