



The Wandle Weekly

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Lisa's Inspirational Quote

"I am because we are. We all bleed the same colour. We all want to love and be loved."

- Madonna

First Day Back:
Thursday
3 September 2026

Academic
Year Leaders—
2025/2026

Mathletics

1st—Nicholas

2nd—Eric

3rd—Oscar

KS2—Oliver cross

Car Boot Sale— **Donations Wanted!**

Having a summer clear-out? Please save your unwanted treasures for us!

Our Year 11 pupils will be running a stall at a local car boot sale on **Wednesday 9 September and / or Wednesday 16 September**, and we'd love your donations.

We're looking for good quality:

- Household bric-a-brac
- Games and puzzles
- Kitchenware
- Small household items
- Toys

Please note: we're not looking for clothing donations.

If you have anything to donate, simply bring it into school at the start of the new term.

Thank you for your continued support—we really appreciate it!

It strange to be writing the last message of this academic year and the last one of WVA being part of the PLT Trust.

As of September we move to a new Trust ALT, but do not worry, all that you know WVA for will be the same, just an **A** instead of a **P**.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Angela Barry our present CEO of PLT as without her support over the last few years WVA would not have been able to become the amazing place that it is.

We look forward to now having Angela as part of our Academy Council and we welcome Emma Bradshaw as our new CEO.



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Year 11 Leavers' Celebration – Thursday 9 July 2026

A fantastic evening celebrating the achievements and progress of our Year 11 pupils as they prepare for the next stage of their journey into post-16 education, training and employment.



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photos from the evening—far too many to include—but here is a small selection. A special highlight was celebrating one of our 2024/25 leavers, who was unable to attend his own leavers' celebration last year. It was lovely to finally recognise his achievements. *Congratulations, Year 11—we're so proud of you all and wish you every success for the future!*





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Wandle Sports Day

Last Friday, pupils and staff braved the sweltering temperatures to take part in this year's Wandle Sports Day, and what a fantastic day it was!

Despite the heat, enthusiasm remained high throughout the day, with everyone embracing the opportunity to compete, challenge themselves and,

most importantly, have fun. Pupils took part in a wide range of activities, enjoying traditional athletics events such as the high jump, shot put and sprint races, alongside some more unique and exciting challenges including target table tennis and an

obstacle course. There was something for everyone, allowing all pupils to participate, experience success and demonstrate their individual strengths.

Throughout the day, pupils showed outstanding determination, resilience and sportsmanship. Whether they were competing, cheering on their classmates or helping one another through each event, it was wonderful to see such fantastic teamwork and encouragement across the school. Staff also joined in the fun, helping to create a positive, energetic atmosphere that was enjoyed by everyone. The excitement built throughout

the afternoon as the whole school gathered for the eagerly anticipated sprint finals. With loud cheers and encouragement from spectators lining the track, every runner gave their all in the hope of being crowned Wandle's Sprint Superstar. The races provided a thrilling finale to an action-packed day and showcased the determination and competitive spirit of our pupils.

After all the events had been completed and the final scores calculated, the competition proved to be incredibly close, with two teams finishing in joint first place—a fitting result after such a hard-fought day of friendly competition. A huge congratulations to all of our pupils and staff for making the day such a memorable success. Thank you to everyone who participated, supported and helped organise the event. We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, teamwork and resilience shown by all, and we are already looking forward to next year's Sports Day!

