

AMBITION, RESPECT, RESILIENCE

This week: Year 11 mock timetable; Year 9 options; strikes next week; World Book Day; Mental Health online webinar for parents

It's a very busy time of year for school, with so much going on.

Here's an update of some key information:

- ❖ **Year 11 will be sitting their mock examinations** next week in school. Could we also remind parents of Year 11 students to encourage their children to attend after school revision sessions which are available every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday after school. The timetable for Mocks and revision is [here](#).
- ❖ **Year 11 Prom** A letter has been sent via edulink to Year 11 parents and carers regarding this year's formal prom. Prom will take place on the 5th July at Edgeley Park. Please ensure that you visit ParentPay to pay for your son/daughters prom ticket before the deadline of 5th May. Please refer to the letter for further details.
- ❖ Thank you to families who attended last night's **Year 9 Options Evening**. It was good to see 130 families in school to speak to teachers. Options booklets will go home today via Edulink along with a link to a google form to complete, they are due for return by Monday 27th March. A reminder that there is an email options@wernethschool.com if you require any further information or have any questions about any aspect of this process.
- ❖ There are two **national teacher strikes next week**, on Wednesday and Thursday. Letters were sent home via edulink explaining the details yesterday, and you can also see those on our website [here](#). This includes details of which students are in school on which days, and arrangements for vulnerable / free school meals children.
- ❖ **Attendance Matters**: Improving attendance is everyone's business and we all need to be obsessed with it! The rewards of attending school punctually EVERY day are enormous. It isn't just valuable, it's essential. Going to school is directly linked to improved exam performance, which should in turn lead to further learning opportunities and better job prospects. Every day matters because days off have a negative impact on learning. Even having 8 days off since September means that your child has an attendance percentage of 91! This means they are only 1% off being a Persistent Absentee. If your child is too ill to attend you should call the school by **8:30am** so we can have a conversation with you about this. Medical evidence will also need to be provided. Please talk about the importance of attendance with your child, to make sure that they attend school every day- they will reap the benefits! Many thanks for all your support.
- ❖ We have been celebrating **World Book Day** in school, and form tutors have been decorating their doors with reference to a variety of books. Winners this year were 1st - Miss Carr with George's Marvellous Medicine, 2nd - Mrs McLaren with The First to Die at the End and 3rd - Dr Burrows with A Monster of Voices



- ❖ **FREE live workshop designed to help adults understand the unique mental health challenges facing children, teenagers, and students** If you interested please open the link and complete the form. When? March 23, 2023 Time? Lunchtime 12:00 to 13:00 (GMT) Where? Online [Lily Jo project](#)

Have a good weekend!