







| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May   | Monday Clubs   |
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| <b>BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY – NO SCHOOL FOR BOYS</b>  | <b>BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY – NO CLUBS</b>  |
| Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May  | Tuesday Clubs  |
| LAMDA Exams – all day<br>Chamber Choir – 8-9am<br>Games for <b>Year 7 and 8</b> – 9-11am<br>Swimming & PE for <b>Year 5</b> – 9-11am<br>Games for <b>Years 3 and 4</b> – 1:30-4pm<br>U9 Franchise Round 2 – 2:15pm<br>U8 A & B vs. Orchard House (A) – 2:30pm<br>U9 A-D vs. The Hall (A) – 2:30pm<br>SLT Meeting – 3pm<br>5T and half of 5S (Ali Hussain-Goetz) Parents' Evening – 5-8pm | Running – 7:45-8:30am<br>Arts & Crafts – 4-5pm<br>Chess – 4-5pm<br>Year 5 Fencing – 4:15-6:15pm @ Hannah House<br>Chamber Choir – 4-5pm<br>Photography – 4-5pm<br>Swimming Development Dolphins – 4:15-5:15pm and 5-5:45pm<br>Table Tennis – 5-6pm                                       |
| Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May  | Wednesday Clubs  |
| LAMDA Exams – all day<br>Year 7 Rowing at Putney – 8am<br>Physical Education for <b>Year 7</b> – 9-10:30am<br>Swimming & PE for <b>Years 3 and 4</b> – 9-12pm<br>Games for <b>Year 7 and 8</b> – 1:30-4pm<br>Senior Franchise Round 2 – 2:15pm<br>U13 A & B vs. Falcons (A) – 2:30pm<br>U12 A vs. Falcons (H) – 2:30pm<br>Mr Baker to Harrow Prep School Heads' Dinner – 6pm             | Elite Chess – 8-9am<br>Chelsea Quavers – 4-5pm<br>Classical Greek Civilization – 4-5pm<br>Detectives – 4-5pm<br>D&T/ Engineering – 4-5pm<br>D&T – 5-6pm<br>Lower Code – 4-5pm<br>Fencing – 4-5pm @ Bryanston Square<br>Maths Games and Puzzles – 4-5pm<br>Lower Swim Squad – 4:15-5:45pm |
| Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> May  | Thursday Clubs   |
| LAMDA Exams – all day<br>Year 8 Rowing at Putney – 8am<br>Physical Education for <b>Year 8</b> – 9-10:30am<br>Games for <b>Years 5 and 6</b> – 1:30-4pm<br>U10 Franchise Round 3 – 2:15pm<br>U10 A & C vs. Falcons (H) – 2:30pm<br>U10 B vs. Falcons (A) – 2:30pm<br>School Management Meeting – 4:30pm<br>5K and half of 5S (Govi-Toon) Parents' Evening – 5-8pm                        | American Football – 3:15-5pm<br>Drama – 4-5pm<br>Upper Code Club – 4-5pm<br>Years 6-8 Fencing – 4:15-6:15pm @ Hannah House<br>Forensics – 4-5pm<br>General Knowledge Quiz Club – 4-5pm<br>Lego Building – 4-5pm<br>Maths Revision – 4-5pm<br>Upper Swim Squad – 4:30-5:45pm              |
| Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> May  | Friday Clubs   |
| Staff Meeting – 8am<br>Whole School Assembly at Bryanston Square <b>LIVE</b> – 8:30am<br>Mr Baker to Prep School Heads' Dinner at Eton – 5pm<br>Fencing Tour departs – 6pm   | Whole School Clubs – 2:30-4pm<br><b>No Homework Club – school closes at 4:30pm</b>   |
| Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> May  |  |
| IAPS Fencing Tournament  |  |
| Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> May  |  |
| Wellington College Golf Salver – all day<br>Year 8 Rowers Eton Dorney Ball Cup Regatta – all day<br>Fencing Tour returns   |  |



## From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

Long-time readers of this column will appreciate that sometimes, but only sometimes, it can get to a Friday afternoon and I'm struggling for inspiration as to what to write. Last week, I knew I wanted to communicate in a more formal way about such a huge change to our weekly practice with the changes to Friday Clubs but it wouldn't be the Wetherbuzz without some offbeat nonsense, so I relayed the changes to my dietary programme for these weeks leading up to the London to Paris bike ride. A relatively flippant remark, I thought, but a remark that, this week, has been met with probably the most powerful response to any comment I have made in all these years; thank you for your support, encouragement, recognition and, in one parent's case, some delicious grain-free muffins to make up for my peanut and cheese abstinence!



This week, I knew the topic on which I was going to write but yesterday was slightly scuppered by famed educationalist and long-standing friend to our school, Dr Antony Seldon, who spoke most eloquently on television about the dangers of and over reliance upon mobile phones by young people and the adults they become. He said, quite rightly, that people today can't read maps and the danger is that modern media could render us 'infantile'. I agree completely. Eleven years ago, Mr Bayes, Mr Morrison and I competed in the Original Mountain Marathon (OMM) in the Lake District. This is a testing race of endurance and orientation and, though called off halfway through, due to the apocalyptic weather conditions, we managed to navigate our way across several peaks and checkpoints, using our traditional map and compass skills, recognition of the features of the landscape and no little determination. Fast forward then to yesterday, when I attended a very useful security briefing for schools hosted by the newly built (and extremely impressive) US Embassy. As usual, I took a Boris Bike but rather than navigate intuitively through a city I have grown, worked and lived in, I checked in with 'Google Maps' beforehand to find the 'best route' - which it turns out I knew anyway: head to Sloane Square, straight on, over the bridge and then hang a left and it will be somewhere along there. I didn't think I'd miss it.

So, as much as I agree with Antony and am clearly in danger myself of the perils he identified, you will now understand it is with a certain amount of trepidation that I announce that this time next week, our Friday Assembly will be LIVE from my office and available only as a live feed on Instagram. I doubt that Antony reads this column but, if he does, I know he would let out a massive sigh in the light of this. However, as the Church of Annunciation is still out of action and the Hall at Hannah House is given over to our friends at Wetherby Senior for their GCSE exams, we will try something very modern indeed.

Boys will attend school as normal on Friday and go to their form rooms. At 8:30am, all the whiteboards will log in to the LIVE broadcast feed via the school's Instagram account. The broadcast will take place from my office and will have all the normal features. I will read out the Headmaster's Good Shows and expect boys named to stand in their form rooms; we will sing a hymn by moving the 'inside broadcast' to the Pioneer Hall, where Mr Brawn will accompany the Chamber Choir; Citizen of the Week and Sportsman of the Week will come down to my office; Mr Gascoine will present the Maths Challenge winners; Mr Thorne the Figurative Language of the Week award and so on. And you, the parents, can also join in. Just log in, find and follow <https://www.instagram.com/wetherbyprep/> and enjoy the show!



It might be chaotic but it will definitely be a first and, bandwidth permitting, I am sure it will be a lot of fun. Look forward to seeing you virtually next Friday - might well be our most attended Friday Assembly yet!

Have a great Bank Holiday weekend,



### School Questionnaire

Thank you so much to those parents who have answered our questionnaire. It is the comments that are most useful and we take everything on board - love the "SAVE OUR FRIDAY CLUBS!" comment in particular. Having said that, with my ISI Inspector's hat on, our current parental response of 22% is not substantial enough to have the currency needed and it is only with a higher percentage that the views are adjudged to be representative of a school's parent body. Please do take time to respond - it will take no longer than 10 minutes. The link is: <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/UDTSU/>



### School Council Minutes—Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018

**Attendance:** School Council Representatives and PLT

**Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:**

**Break time games** – The boys asked if Hyde Park duty staff could bring portable goals/more footballs/Frisbees to break so that the boys can play with these.

**Fruit** – The boys enjoy their snack time fruit but have asked for a wider variety of fruit at lunch other than the oranges, bananas and apples on offer. They have asked if there could be pears or nectarines or other types of seasonal fruit.

**Community Duty Prize** – One boy suggested that at Prize Giving, there could be a prize for the best 'Community Duty' boy who has helped out above and beyond his duty this year.

**Locker labels** – One boy asked if we could decorate the locker stickers to make them more identifiable but an alternative was suggested in printing the Wetherby house colour crest on the locker sticker labels along with their name.



**Cross-curricular week** – A few suggestions for different ‘themed’ week but the Lower School are particularly keen on having a ‘themed’ week for lessons. For example, they asked for an Entrepreneur Week in Maths/English or a ‘Team Maths’ week for Year 5 as a fun focus for the Summer Term.

**Table Tennis Competition** – The boys are very much looking forward to the Chess Competition organised by Mr Gascoine and are very keen on a Table Tennis Competition running this term too. Milo suggested a ‘sign up’ sheet and for matches to take place during Form Time. Miss Olney will speak with Mr Blundell further about this and how to work this logistically.

**The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 8:30am in the Dining Room.**



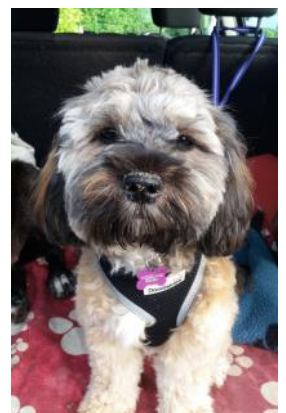
## L2P Training

Miss Ogden writes...

It's been a while since I've done anything mentally or physically challenging (or stupid!) and back in November last year I was saying to a friend that we should look at 'doing something' when, the following week, an email came round the school saying that Mr Lock is organising a London to Paris bike ride for Parents and Staff. Perfect! Whilst I was thinking more along the lines of rambling around a 5k course with my pet pooch this sounded like a much more interesting challenge. Sorry Tallulah, maybe next year! With an encouraging "Come on Ogden if I can do it you can" from the Headmaster I decided to sign up.

There were a few complications. One, I didn't have a bike. Two, I've only cycled on the road once in my life. Three, whilst I am a pro at Centre Parc cycling I have never ridden further than a 10km track in Thetford forest! And fourth, did I mention I didn't own a bike?!

There's also the slight set back that this time 18 months ago I was completely incapacitated and in a wheelchair with a very badly broken foot. After a trampolining accident at the end of October 2016, one bounce, three broken bones, two dislocated bones, two operations, six months in a boot, eight months on crutches and one year of physio, the thought of doing something like this not even two years on was unthinkable. There were times where I thought I wouldn't be able to run for a bus again but the body is an amazing thing!





So after purchasing a beautiful bike and with the British weather finally heating up, (sort of), the training started in earnest about a month ago and last weekend I managed my biggest ride yet with 3 hours in the saddle and at least 20 miles ridden. My app stopped half way round, I'm pretty sure I rode more but I'm feeling modest today. I still have a long way to go but I'm very much enjoying this challenge and, of course, it's all for a good cause.



We're raising money for Wetherby's Charities which this year are Rwanda Aid and Auditory Verbal UK along with the school's own Bursary and Scholarship fund. Please dig deep, your sponsorship is always incredibly uplifting during these challenges, and also makes it a lot harder to back out!

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/charity-web/charity/displayCharityCampaignPage.action?charityCampaignUrl=wetherby12p>



Cycling Thetford



The new chariot!



5. *Samí Kymísís, Y5* - "His heart was beating like a gorilla banging the bars of its cage."
4. *Henry Charles, Y5* - "The opaque shadows were as raven black as the sunless world."
3. *Zachary Wulfsohn, Y8* - "Leaves bled colours of darkness as they fell indefinitely towards a path of loss."
2. *Louis Jaume, Y7* - "Excitement started to rise like bread in an oven as I realised my limitless options."
1. *Ahmed Alshubaily, Y8* - "Darkness had conquered the land and a glimmer of hope would dissolve instantly into the sea of doubt."





Mr Reid writes...

Dear Parents

Can I please ask that all the boys wear their WPS cricket whites for PE and Games. There are still quite a few in their football and rugby kit.

Many thanks.

#### Cricket term

##### U10 A-C v the Hall

The cricket term began with a tricky visit to the Hall. The boys gave it their all and there were positives to take from the fixture.

**Man of the match A team: Brooks Stevens**

**Man of the match B team: Theodore Daudy**

**Man of the match C team: Chase Donaldson**

##### U10 Franchise cricket

The U10 franchise boys enjoyed their first cricket fixture of the season. The Shamrocks beat the Cavaliers, whilst in the other game the warriors fought well to beat the Raiders!

**Warrior's man of the match:** Leonardo Bertolo

**Shamrocks man of the match:** Emmanuele Tomazos

##### U9 A-D v the Falcons

The formidable U9s hosted the Falcons in their first game of the cricket term and continued their impressive year of sport with 3 wins out of 4.

**Man of the match A team:** Samuel Blumberg

**Man of the match B team:** Oscar Novis

**Man of the match C team:** Ilai Arazi

**Man of the match D team:** Ilya Walker-Haworth

##### U9 Franchise cricket

A fine afternoon of cricket saw three competitive franchise matches. The heat was on fire as they swept passed the Blasters. The other match saw the boys and teachers lose count of the boundaries as the Sixers beat the Elite by 10 runs. The Strikers were in fine form as they beat the Scorchers by 3 runs!

**Heat man of the match:** Charles Paolini

**Sixers man of the match:** Sacha Abecassis

**Strikers man of the match:** Harry Lund





# MATHS CHALLENGES!

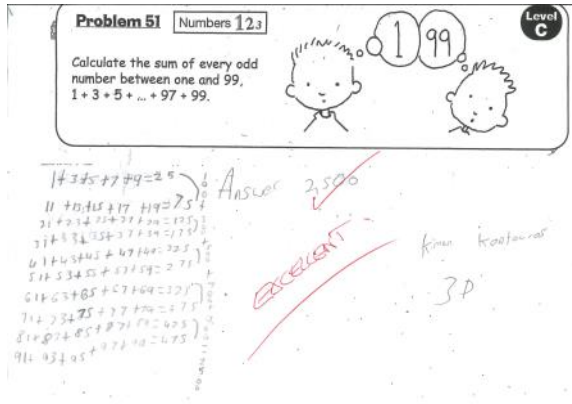
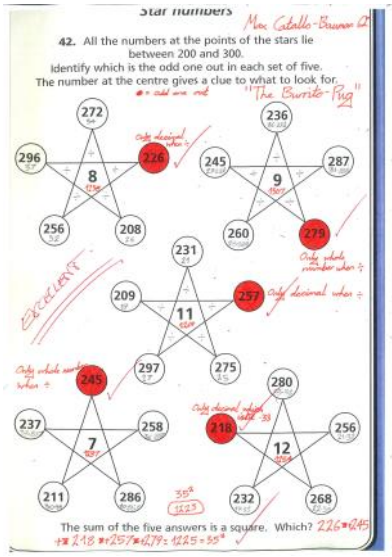
Mr Gascoine writes...

Congratulations to the boys below! Please make sure that all answer sheets include workings out, full name and form class. Housepoint for each.

| Lower School Brainiacs |                |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Taymour Auchi          | Matthew Rampin |
| Kimon Kantouras        | Laith Auchi    |
| Elias Rogn             |                |

| Upper School Brainiacs      |                       |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Alex Kabysh                 | Nadhmi Auchi          |
| Zayn Shabeeh                | Christopher Radcliffe |
| Massimiliano Catallo-Bauman | Charles Mennie        |



| Lower School Challenge   | Upper School Challenge  |
|--|---|
|  <p><b>Problem 51</b> Numbers 123 <b>Level C</b></p> <p>Calculate the sum of every odd number between one and 99.<br/> <math>1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + 97 + 99</math>.</p> <p>Answer: 2500</p> <p>Excellent</p> <p>3P</p> |  <p><b>Star numbers</b></p> <p>42. All the numbers at the points of the stars lie between 200 and 300. Identify which is the odd one out in each set of five. The number at the centre gives a clue to what to look for.</p> <p>272, 236, 245, 287, 256, 208, 260, 231, 209, 297, 275, 280, 237, 258, 211, 286, 232, 268</p> <p>The sum of the five answers is a square. Which? 226</p> |

### Top Ten Speedsters

No Speedsters this week. Back next week!

### My Wetherby — Jacob

**Which House are you in?**

Dawson

**What is your favourite club?**

Tennis

**What is your favourite subject?**

English and Maths

**Kit-Kat or Fudge?**

Kit-Kat

**If you were a teacher, what would you teach?**

ICT

**Favourite sport at Wetherby**

Football

**What would you do if you were Headteacher for a day?**

I would take the whole school on a trip to a waterpark, in Spain!

**If you went to Pizza Express with a famous person (dead or alive) who would you want it to be?**

Raphael Nadal

**If you could plan a school trip, where would you go?**

Australia to watch the Australian Open

**Favourite book.**

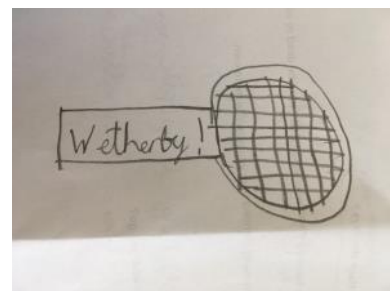
Matilda, Roald Dahl

**Fish & Chips Fridays or Sausage & Mash Mondays?**

Sausage & Mash Mondays



**You have one minute to draw a Wetherby branded item.**



Wetherby Tennis racket

Thank you, Jacob!



## Out of School Achievements

### Andre hits a homerun!

Andre plays for the Milwaukee Brewers in the London Sports Majors baseball league arranged by the American School. He has played with them for about five seasons now and this is the first year in the Majors. There are several other Wetherby boys who play in the London Sports baseball league from various different years and it's great to see the sport growing in popularity amongst the Wetherby boys.

On Saturday 28th his team played against the Kansas City Royals and the Brewers won 11-9 in a tightly contested game. Andre scored 2 RBIs which made all the difference between a draw and the Brewers winning.

On Sunday 29th his team played against the Toronto Blue Jays and the Brewers won 9-7. This time Andre scored 3 runs helping to make all the difference between a loss and winning the game. This was a real success, particularly as Andre is half-Canadian. Well done, Andre!



### Nadhmi's Success at World School Chess Championships in Albania

Over nine full days of matches, each against a different country, Nadhmi (6T) took on the very top players from all around the world. He was paired against the number 1 seed - a boy from Kazakhstan whose FIDE grade is 600 points higher than his. Nadhmi was actually winning that match the entire way but his opponent forced a draw through 3 move repetition - still an absolutely fantastic result against the top seed. He also was paired against seed 3 and 4, and a few others from the top 10, which brought him some great wins - one of his wins was against a Bulgarian Candidate Master!

All in all it was a gruelling tournament with most games lasting at least 4 hours and a few even hitting the 5 & 1/2 hour mark! Not to mention the several hours of game preparation beforehand. A real marathon battle!

Nadhmi was honoured to represent England and did brilliantly, ending up on 5 points out of 9. The winner got 7.5, so this was a very impressive result, particularly for his age range. All in all it was a fantastic tournament, Nadhmi played some absolutely brilliant chess and took on some of the biggest names in the chess world for his age, even beating a fair few of them too! It was a truly remarkable what he has achieved. He's done the England chess team very proud indeed and we are all very proud of him at Wetherby. Well done, Nadhmi!



England's Under 11, Under 13 and one of the Under 9 boys with their coach Grandmaster Glenn Flear



Well done Nadhmi!



## Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

| Lower School |                    |  | Upper School |                     |
|--------------|--------------------|--|--------------|---------------------|
| 3P           | Maximilian Basirov |  | 6L           | Adam Khan           |
| 4A           | Charles Begg-Smith |  | 6M           | Oliver Bush         |
| 4B           | Lucas Wiedebach    |  | 6T           | Kilian Seidel       |
| 4L           | Jack Johnson       |  | 7C           | Cosimo Johansen     |
| 4M           | Beau Fenichell     |  | 7G           | Alexander Lewisohn  |
| 5K           | Sebastien Dautigny |  | 7M           | Max Charles         |
| 5S           | Elyas Efthimiou    |  | 8B           | Joshua Samek        |
| 5T           | Sami Kymisis       |  |              | Daniel Bjorgolfsson |
|              |                    |  | 8F           | Theo Wright         |
|              |                    |  | 8V           | Luke Barker         |

## Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

|                    |
|--------------------|
| Kilian Seidel – 35 |
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## Weekly Housepoint Totals

| First Place | Second Place | Third Place | Fourth Place |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Pembridge   | Dawson       | Westbourne  | Chepstow     |
| 509         | 385          | 379         | 352          |

## Yearly Housepoint Totals

| First Place                           | Second Place                             | Third Place                         | Fourth Place                          |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Pembridge</b><br>Captain A. Koomen | <b>Dawson</b><br>Captain D. Bjorgolfsson | <b>Chepstow</b><br>Captain E. Jones | <b>Westbourne</b><br>Captain K. James |
| 14,007                                | 13,350                                   | 13,231                              | 13,204                                |

## Form Class Winners

| First Place           | Second Place          | Third Place           |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Form 6T</b><br>213 | <b>Form 6M</b><br>204 | <b>Form 6L</b><br>201 |



Form Class Winners— 6T



Headmaster’s Good Shows

| Gold<br>10 Housepoints | Silver<br>5 Housepoints   | Bronze<br>3 Housepoints        |
|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                        | Marley Leventis – Science | Aran Mehra – English           |
|                        | Philip Maguire – Science  | Antony DeLeon - English        |
|                        | Ethan Chan - English      | Leo Scorer – Science           |
|                        | Louis Jaume – English     | Dominique Lidchi Tombs – Maths |
|                        | Louis Jaume – English     | Max Catallo-Bauman – Geography |
|                        | Felix Crow – English      | Jake Marks - English           |
|                        | Max Charles – English     | Louis Jaume – History          |
|                        | Lucas Wiedebach – French  | Felix Crow – French            |
|                        | Luke Barker – Classics    | Kilian Seidel – English        |
|                        | Charles Paolini – French  | Teo Hasecic – Art              |
|                        | Alfie Askew – French      | Jasper Fritze – Science        |



Harry Minderides – Science

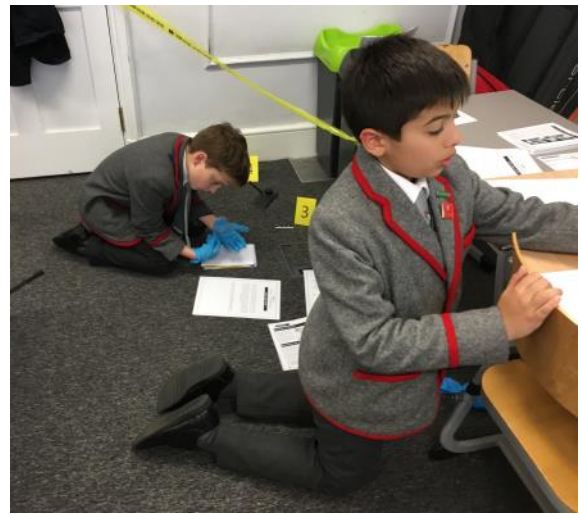
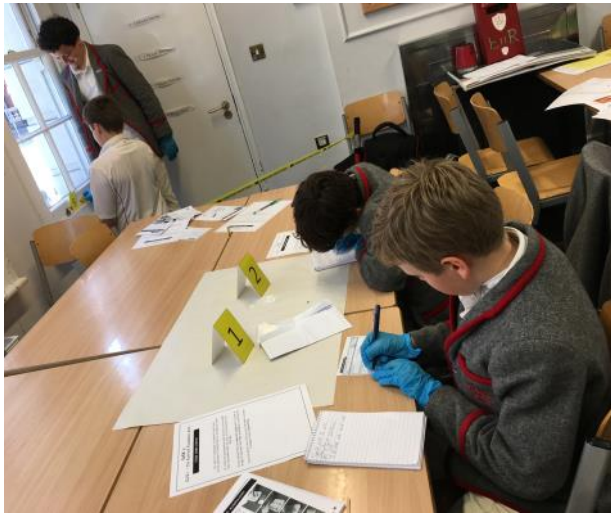
Arty Ratsin – Art

Luke Barker – Drama

Filippo Hurrell – Science

George Sakellariou – Art

Photos of the Week



Who murdered Rob Swift? Wetherby Detectives are on the case.



Lego Club!



Zac and the fabulous new drama board!





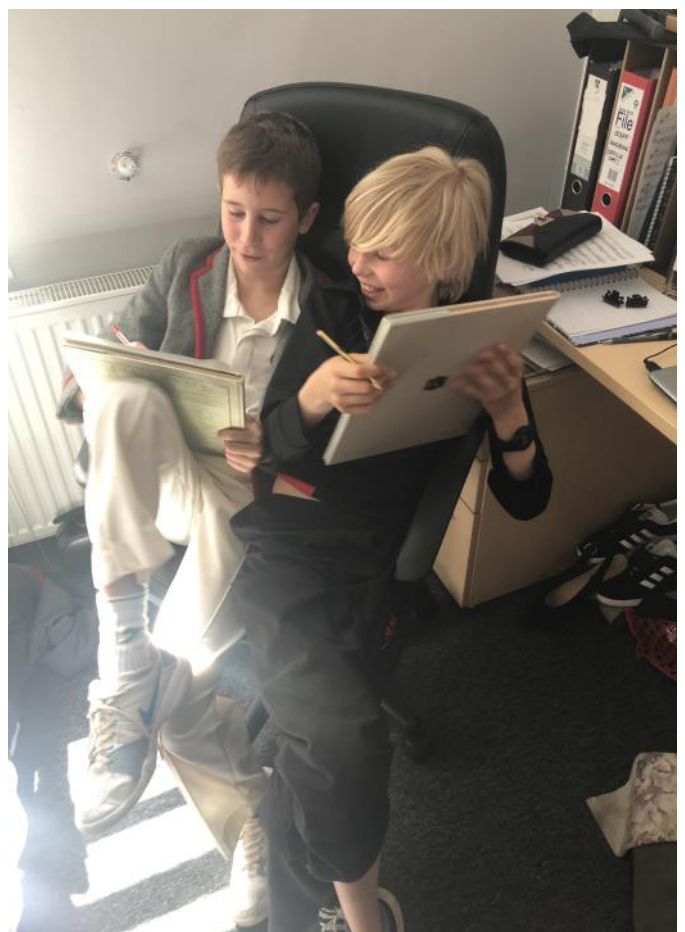
Scootering back from assembly



Excellent walking back from Hannah House



Well done, boys!



Miss Orpwood looks abit different today...





Post –exam fun for the Winchester boys



Airfix!





An action-packed week in drama re-enacting historical scenes for Years 4 and 7



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