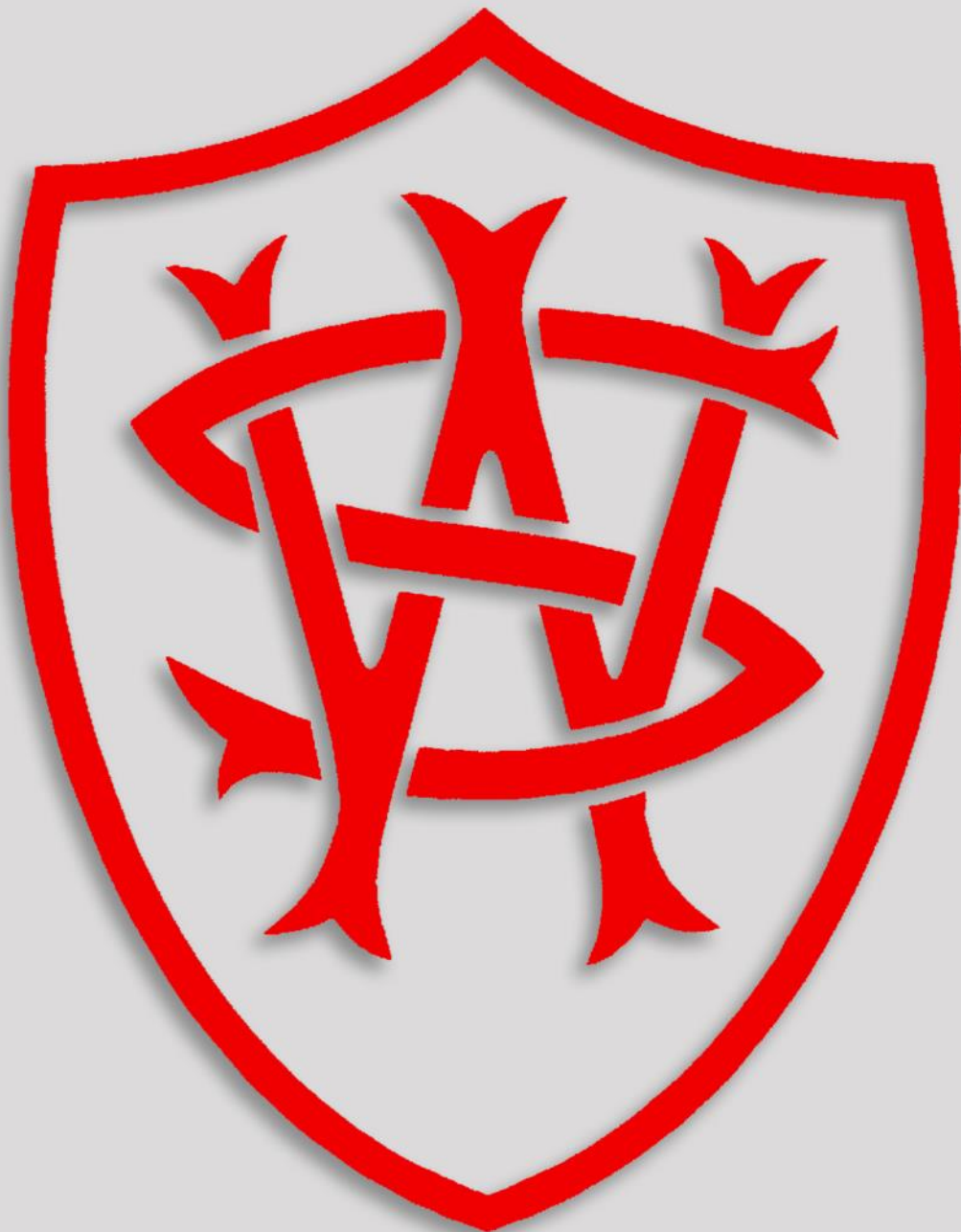


WETHERBUZZ

2018/19 | Autumn Term | Week 5



WEEK 5: Monday 1st - Sunday 7th October 2018

Monday 1st

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Swimming for **Year 3, 4 and 5C** – 9-12pm
- Games for **Year 6** – 1:30-4pm
- U11 Franchise Football Round 3 (H) – 2:15pm
- U11 A-D vs. North Bridge House (H) – 2:30pm
- Mr Baker to Wetherby Senior School Heads' Dinner – 7pm

Monday Clubs:

- Chamber Choir – 4-5pm
- Creative Writing – 4-5pm
- Debating – 4-5pm
- Drawing – 4-5pm
- Fencing (Years 3 & 4) – 5-6pm
- Indoor Football Club – 4-5pm
- Reasoning – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Table Tennis – 5-6pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Tuesday 2nd

- Swimming for **5B, 5K and 5S** – 9-11am
- Games for **Year 6** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 1:30-4pm
- U10 Dulwich College Tournament (A) – pm
- U9 Franchise Football Round 3 (H) – 2:15pm
- U9 A-D vs. The Hall (H) – 2:30pm
- U8 A and B vs. Arnold House (A) – 2:30pm

Tuesday Clubs:

- Architecture – 4-5pm
- Arts & Crafts – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Fencing (Years 6-8) – 5-6pm
- Photography – 4-5pm
- Running – 7:45-8:30am
- Table Tennis – 4-5pm
- Wetherby Choir – 4-5pm
- Wetherby Voices – 8-9am
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Wednesday 3rd

- **Year 5** Science Trip to Royal Observatory, Greenwich – all day
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 1:30-4pm
- 1st XI vs. The Hall (A) – 2:30pm
- U12 A vs. The Hall 2nd XI (A) – 2:30pm
- U13 B vs. The Hall 3rd XI (H) 2.30pm
- U12 B vs. The Hall 4th XI (H) 2.30pm
- Mr Baker to Colet Court Dinner – 5:30pm

Wednesday Clubs:

- Code Club – Lower School – 4-5pm
- D&T / Engineering Club – 4-5pm
- Detectives – 4-5pm
- Elite Chess – 8-9am
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- General Knowledge Quiz Club – 4-5pm
- Harry Potter Club – 4-5pm
- Maths Games and Puzzles – 4-5pm
- Music Club – General Musicianship – 4-5pm
- Music Scholars Club – 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing – 4-5pm
- Swim Squad – Upper School A&B – 7:45-8:45am
- Swim Squad – Lower School A – 4:15-5pm
- Swim Squad – Lower School B – 5-5:45pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm


Thursday 4th

- Rowing at Putney – 7:45am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 5** – 1:30-4pm
- U10 A-D vs. Thomas's Battersea (H) – 2:15pm
- U10 Franchise Football Round 3 (H) – 2:15pm
- School Management Meeting – 4:30pm
- 6J and half of 6L (Abbosh to Greenwood) Parents' Evening – 5-8pm

Thursday Clubs:

- Bowed Strings – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Code Club – Upper School – 4-5pm
- Drama Games – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Horse Riding – 4-5:30pm
- Lego Building – 4-5pm
- Maths Revision – 4-5pm
- Science Club – 4-5pm
- Young Philosophers – 4-5pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

Friday 5th

- SLT to APG Conference – all day
- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Whole School Assembly at Church of the Annunciation – 8:30am
- **THIS EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON INSTAGRAM** 
- Lower School Poetry Recital at Church of the Annunciation – 9:15-10:30pm
- WPS U13 6-a-side Tournament (H) – pm

Friday Clubs:

- Whole School Clubs – 2:15-4pm

Saturday 6th

- SLT to APG Conference – all day
- Fulham Prep School U10 B and U11 B Team Tournament (A) - am
- Surbiton High U11 A Football Tournament (A) - am

Sunday 7th

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

Over the holidays, it became evident that Joseph was starting to squint when looking at things far away. I conducted some completely unscientific eye tests on him and, as he could see far better than I could without my glasses or contact lenses in, I assumed that all was well with his eyesight.

Once term had started I, like a broken record, asked him how school was today. The answer, yes, you've guessed it was, "Fine - same as yesterday" but, when I pressed him on his English homework, he replied that he didn't know exactly what it was as it was written on the board and he couldn't read it to copy it down. Now that is an excellent, albeit only-to-be-used-once, excuse but the next day we duly took him to the opticians.



And indeed, it was determined that he, like his father, is short sighted, though only mildly so. As someone who has used glasses/contact lenses/gone without, since I was his age, this diagnosis was neither here nor there to me but, as the optician took Joseph over to choose some glasses, his bottom lip started to quiver and I decided to leave it for another day, once we'd digested this new information.

He wasn't happy about it but by the time we went to Specsavers at the weekend, he had got over the fact that he had to wear glasses and we picked out some cool (and unbelievably expensive) Nike specs. It's not easy to 'name' glasses and of course, they were lost on the first day (but found the next) but I wasn't cross as this is clearly a new routine that Joseph has to get used to.

And, believe or not, he has started to feel more positive about them. He reports that, "It's amazing! I can see everything in such detail," he declared and fortunately, just as I had constantly reassured him, his classmates weren't bothered that he wore them and didn't tease him as a result. He still claims that he wants to explore contact lenses when he's old enough but, as much of a faff as they are, I get it. I was exactly the same at his age. I still am.

It was his 11th birthday this week and wife Brigid, who has never embraced fully the art of present-giving (I once discovered a pair of trainers that I had chosen, ordered and paid for wrapped up under the Christmas tree) and I sat down to discuss potential birthday gifts for him. "Well he's only just had those expensive designer glasses," she explained, "What could be better than the gift of sight?" Luckily I stepped in and bought him a computer game and V Bucks...

Therefore, as I have kept telling Joseph these past few weeks, to any Wetherby boy who currently wears or has to wear glasses, you're in good company; loads of great people wear glasses. Nothing wrong with them and they are just another facet of the individuality that makes you who you are. Look no further than Mr Thorne who, though now in adulthood, has recently had his eyes tested and needs prescription glasses too. Welcome to the Club, Joseph and Mr T!

Have a good weekend,

Nick Baker

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nick Baker'. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping 'N' and a cursive 'Baker'.



Playing the Wethergirls!

As many of you know, the female staff of Wetherby Prep and Senior come together to form the formidable 'Wethergirls', playing and defeating all before them in netball leagues in the Central London district.

Last year, at Wetherby Senior's Headmaster's Ball, one of the auction 'lots' was the chance to play for the Wethergirls in one of their games. What a prize and what an honour and what a winning bid from Mr Jeremy Drax (Sebastian, 7M) who declared that he wasn't interested in playing for the Wethergirls but was very interested in forming a team to play against them in a charity fundraiser.

And so, last Friday, after a couple of training sessions, being taught the basics from Jeremy's daughter, Cordelia, and her friends from South Hampstead, we took to the court. It was a tough game and we kept on unintentionally breaking the rules in the early stages but, once we got the hang of it and I had (again unintentionally) stepped on Miss Sharp's foot, we started to put a few moves together and score some points. We then brought on Cordelia and her extremely talented friends and started to take control of proceedings, finishing the match 32-30 victors! I actually wasn't that bad and was praised by a number of the Wethergirls for my height and thus ability to get the rebounds (not sure that was a compliment but I'm taking it anyway).

It was a great event, with conviviality, good humour and genuine friendship amongst all present, creating a most fitting atmosphere with which to remember some dearly missed old Wetherby friends.



From the Senior Mistress

Wetherby Water Bottle

Mrs Furnell writes...

I am delighted to see so many boys carrying around the new Wetherby water bottle and lots more have been asking where they can get one from.

The Wetherby water bottle can be purchased from <https://activebottle.co.uk/collections/wetherby> and this can also be personalised.



Notices

School Travel

As a notice to new parents and a reminder to those that have been with us for some years, please do not park on George Street or in residents' bays on Bryanston Square itself. Please park legally in the surrounding streets or in the clearly signed NCP car parks at Bilton Towers or Portman Square.

Ideally, no-one would drive to school. It is easier, far more efficient and of course, promotes an environmentally more focused school, if all boys walked, took a school bus or public transport. Over two thirds of our boys take one of our 16 school buses that serve the local area. If you are interested in utilising this service, please contact Yolanda Noval in the school office.

School Council

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 25th September 2018

Time: 8:30am

Attendance: School Council Representatives and PLT

Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:

- **Wetherby Water Bottle** – Lots of boys are asking about where they can purchase the Wetherby water bottle so Mrs Furnell will send the link in the Wetherbuzz this Friday (and attached to these minutes) - <https://activebottle.co.uk/collections/wetherby>
- **School Council 'suggestions' box** – Some brilliant boxes from all the representatives and the boys have put a lot of effort into these. The winner will be announced on Friday and School Council should continue to bring suggestions to every meeting to share the ideas from their form.
- **Wetherby iPhone cover** – The winning design 'Team Wetherby' has been approved by the designer and the prototypes will be sent out shortly.
- **Merchandise Shop** – The boys are really excited with all the Wetherby merchandise and suggested that a link could be given on the Wetherby website to shop some of the Wetherby branded items. Other ideas from the boys included Wetherby branded shinpads, balloons, stationery, dog collar/coat and keyring!
- **PSHE** – The boys are really enjoying their PSHE lessons and have even asked for longer sessions (2 half hour ones) as they love the discussion generated!
- **Wetherby's Got Talent** – A few of the boys in the Upper School have requested a 'Wetherby's Got Talent' for the Upper School. Other charity initiatives they are keen on include mufti day and 'Wetherby MasterChef'!
- **Community Duty** – Some of the boys suggested for those that are outstanding on Community Duty and go above and beyond, that they are rewarded with a Frisbee (as they were a couple of years ago).
- **Disco for Year 8** – The Year 8s are quite keen on having a few discos this year.
- **Clubs** – A few suggestions about new clubs to run include; Inventors Club, Dance Club, Biology Club and even running a Homework Club on a Friday.
- **Wetherby mascot/teddy bears** – The PLT are keen to bring the Wetherby House mascots back and use these more for Inter-House events.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 2nd October at 8:30am in the Dining Room.





Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is **Felix** in 6L. Felix has always been a super citizen but this week he demonstrated excellent maturity when his bus was late. Not only did he listen to instructions and respond appropriately but he went above and beyond, taking the initiative to help others. Well done, Felix!



Sportsman of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is **Nima** in 5C. Nima is a new signing this term and has been a superb addition to the team, having had some immaculate performances so far this season. In this week's game against North Bridge House, he saved a penalty in the final minute to secure a WPS win. Well done, Nima!

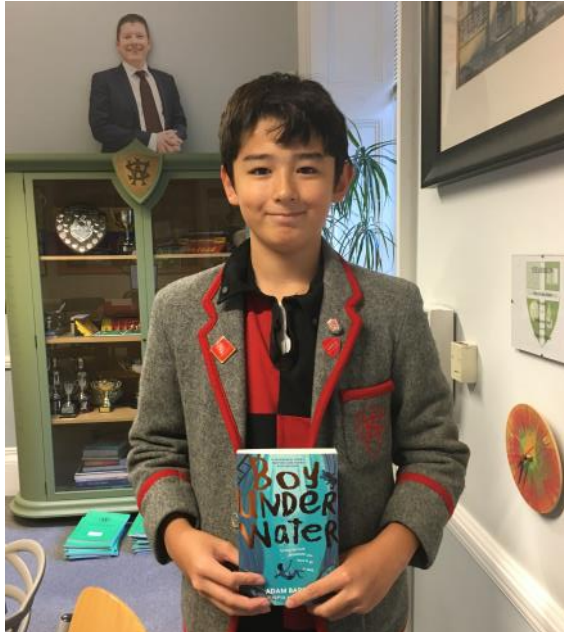


Class-Achievement

Miss Sharp's 4M Science

Birthday Books

Happy Birthday to Jonny who was 12 on the 18th September.
He has kindly donated 'Boy Underwater' to the library.



Also, happy birthday to Edward who will be 11 on the 8th October.
He has kindly donated three books.



Happy Birthday Jonny and Eddie!

Charities

Rwanda Aid

Miss Martin writes...

We were lucky enough to have David Chaplin and Janyis Watson from our overseas charity, Rwanda Aid, visiting assembly last Friday, where we were able to present them with a cheque for £20,000. This amazing amount is all down to our brilliant fundraising last academic year. Well done, boys!

We continue to support Rwanda Aid this academic year and our fundraising efforts are going towards development of a programme to support disabled children and help them transition from a school environment to the work place. More details to follow on this in due course!

Last year, we had lots of boys who came up with their own fundraising initiatives which was absolutely brilliant to see. We would love Wetherby boys to continue to do this, this year, to support our school charities.

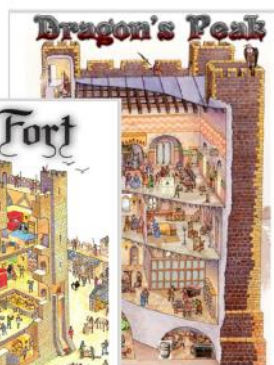
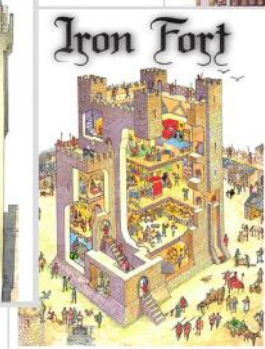
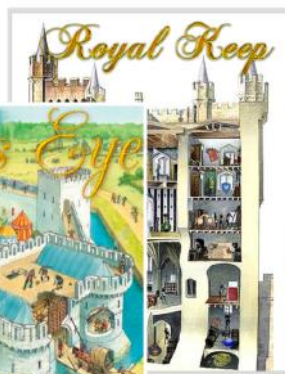


English Department

Spell Seekers

Week 4 Charms and Word Lists:

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
		
Plurals ending -y <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. butterflies 2. families 3. strawberries 4. batteries 5. memories 6. companies 7. enemies 8. discoveries 9. countries 10. centuries 11. activities 12. century 	Plurals: ending -y <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. charities 2. supplies 3. apologies 4. assemblies 5. raspberries 6. allergies 7. enemies 8. injuries 9. celebrities 10. mysteries 11. nurseries 12. busy 	Words end -al <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. signal 2. general 3. mineral 4. natural 5. national 6. thermal 7. eternal 8. classical 9. vocal 10. surgical 11. criminal 12. comical 13. abysmal 14. physical



Figurative TOP 5

#1

"The palm trees waved in the gentle breeze as if they were old friends."

- Samuele Y3

"The world's breath wheezed through the desert – a rattlesnake hissing at an unknown foe."

- Lucas Y8

"The damp, cramped corridors were still engraved with the history of battle."

- Armaan Y7

"The sun was setting and the island was silent."

- Jonah Y4

"I gave the Uber driver a warm greeting; he sat there emotionless, like a cinderblock."

- Toran Y8

"A forest of hands went up in the staffroom."

- Nicky Baker



MATHS CHALLENGES!



LOWER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Suleman	Daniil
Aran	Jai
Beau	

UPPER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

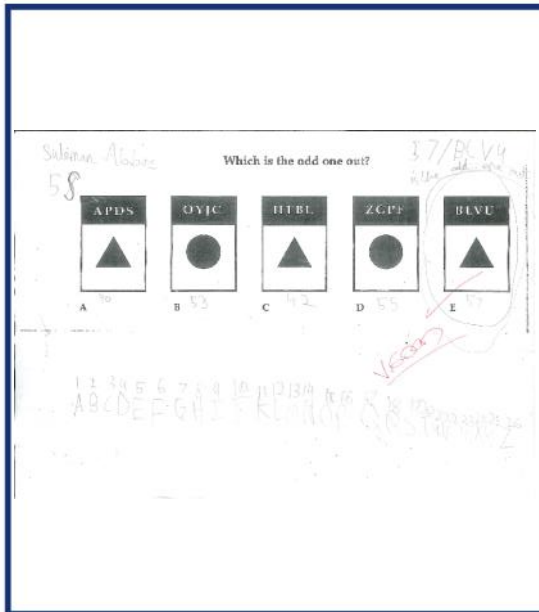
Nadhmi	Adrian
Louis	Nicholas
Lucas	Jonny
Alex	Chinonso
Teo	Elliot
GG	Chinua
Alexander	Teo
Sava	Maxwell
Saverio	Thomas
Josh	Lucas
Max	

Mr Gascoine writes...

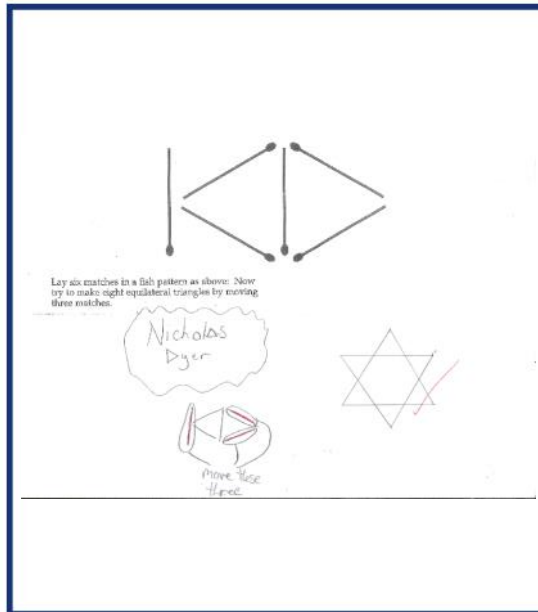
Congratulations to the above pupils and a house-point for each right answer.
Please make sure that all answer sheets include workings out, full names and forms please.



LOWER SCHOOL CHALLENGE



UPPER SCHOOL CHALLENGE



Top Ten Speed Kings 2018-19

1	Miron	Year 5	2 mins 25 sec
2	Samuele	Year 3	2 mins 31 sec
3	Ezra	Year 4	2 mins 57 sec
4	Taymour	Year 5	2 mins 58 sec
5	Max	Year 4	3 mins 01 sec
6	Beau	Year 4	3 mins 19 sec
7	Aaron	Year 5	3 mins 20 sec
8	Arthur	Year 5	3 mins 20 sec
9	Oliver	Year 4	3 mins 40 sec
10	Zehen	Year 5	3 mins 43 sec

Miron cements his place as Number 1 with a five second improvement on his previous PB. Samuele produces the same time this week and Aaron is a new comer to the dizzy heights of the Top Ten Speedsters.

Benett and Marco were unlucky not to be included with great times of 3.50 and 4.05 respectively.

Mr Gascoine



Science Department

New Scientist Live

Mr Tilleray writes...

On Friday, I had the opportunity to go to New Scientist Live which is an amazing festival hosted at the ExCel centre in London. More than 140 speakers and 100 exhibitors came together to create an unrivalled atmosphere, packed with thought-provoking talks & ground-breaking discoveries. My personal highlight was a lecture by one of the consulting Marine Biologists from Blue Planet II who walked us through the process of deep sea dives in the Antarctic and even presented some of the images and videos that didn't make it into the episodes..



Sugar in fizzy drinks

Miss Sharp writes...

This week in Science 3P have been investigating the amount of sugar in fizzy drinks.

3P were shocked to see that Pepsi had even more sugar in than Coca-Cola!

Hopefully this investigation will spur Year 3 into choosing a healthier drink to consume.



Drama Department

Drama Department Announcements

It has been an exciting start to the term with **Year 3 and 4** embracing their inner actor and getting to grips with their Drama skills – here are a few shots of them practising their mime techniques!



I am very excited to see what the future holds for these future stars of the stage!

Year 5 Drama

These boys have exploded into Year 5 with the brand new Circus module to celebrate 250 years of Circus in 2018!

They have been learning to hula hoop, juggle and become the greatest of Ringmasters. In a few short weeks they will perform their very own circus shows to the class.



Year 6 in serious Hot Seating Interview mode with Mr Berkali.



Drama Games Club

We have also been having a lot of fun with the lower school after school Drama Club team on Thursdays learning some key improvisation skills and having fun together!



And the moment you have all be waiting for...
The new weekly Drama Award '**STAR OF THE STAGE**' is...

Drum roll please

SAMUEL

For outstanding performance and mature understanding in his Year 8 Emotional Intelligence lesson this week.



Please keep an eye on the Drama Board for next week's Star of the Stage!
Will it be you?

Half Term Drama Club

The Drama Department will be running a half term club at WPS for the boys to enjoy a fun filled week, packed with **drama games, acting, devising, playing some of your favourite characters** and even a chance to do some **singing, dancing, and develop some circus skills** as well.

The boys will work together in their very own theatre company, creating a fun theatrical show which they will perform on the last day of the week for you to come and watch! Please see the letter attached to the buzz for more details.

Have a super weekend!

The Drama Department



Wetherby SPORT

Football Term

20/9/18

Under 10A-D vs. Arnold House

Highlights from the four games were a 4-0 victory for the B's and a 6-2 win for the D's.

Man of the match A: Hugo

Man of the match B: Afonso

Man of the match C: Kasra

Man of the match D: Alexander

Under 10 Franchise Football

Wins for the Hurricanes and the Bulldogs in the opening round of the under 10 competition.

Man of the match players: Aaron, Alex

21/9/18

Under 12A-B vs. Sussex House

Wins for the A's and B's with the highlight being a 5-1 win for the A's.

Man of the match A: Sebastian

Man of the match B: Lucas

24/9/18

Under 11A-D vs. Surbiton High Prep

Wins coming for the A's, C's and D's with the highlight being a 9-2 victory for the A's and the D team winning 4-2 after being 2-0.

Man of the match A: Iskander

Man of the match B: Chase

Man of the match C: William

Man of the match D: Tomaso

Under 11 Franchise Football

Wins for the Giants and the Knights who extend their lead at the top of the table before their clash against each other in the next round of the competition.

Man of the match players: Matthew, Emmanuel

25/9/18

Under 9A-D vs. Caldicott Prep

Wins for the A, C and D's, the highlight being a 10-0 win for the D team.

Man of the match A: Chase

Man of the match B: Ari

Man of the match C: Arlo

Man of the match D: Oscar

Under 8A&B vs. Caldicott Prep

Man of the match A: Lorenzo

Man of the match B: Alexander

Under 9 Franchise

Wins for the Devils and the Penguins in round 2 of the under 9 franchise competition.

Man of the match players: Timothee, William, Ikenna

26/9/18

Under 13A and 12B vs. Wetherby Senior

It's official, the Prep are better than the senior school. The Prep winning 8-1 on aggregate over the two matches.

Man of the match A: Cody

Man of the match B: Oliver

Under 13B and 12A vs. Westminster Under School

The A's done incredibly well to win the game 5-2 after being 2-0 down at half time.

Man of the match A: Rory

Man of the match B: Alani

Senior Franchise

The Storm's second win of the season means they go 2 points clear at the top of the table at the end of round 2.



Under 12 vs. Sussex House



Miss Waters writes...

Year 3 have made an excellent start to the football season – this week playing arch rivals Caldicott with an overall victory of 7 goals to 6 across 2 draws and a glorious win for the U8B team. Well done 3P!



Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3P	Samuele	6J	Harry
4A	Alessandro	6L	Alexander
4L	Benjamin	6T	Oscar
4M	Henry	7H	Nadhmi
4S	Rolof	7M	Alexander
	Johnny	7W	Philip
5B	Ilya	8B	Toran
5C	Jack	8F	George
5K	Jake		Adam
5S	Samuel	8G	Aidan
		8V	Brick

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Samuele - 28

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Dawson	Pembridge	Chepstow	Westbourne
717	653	619	527

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Dawson Captain N. Sesson-Farre	Pembridge Captain Z. Roda	Chepstow Captain N. Dyer	Westbourne Captain A. Jayaraj
2,019	1,895	1,834	1,685

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 3P 241	Form 5B 164	Form 4L 162

Form Class Winners

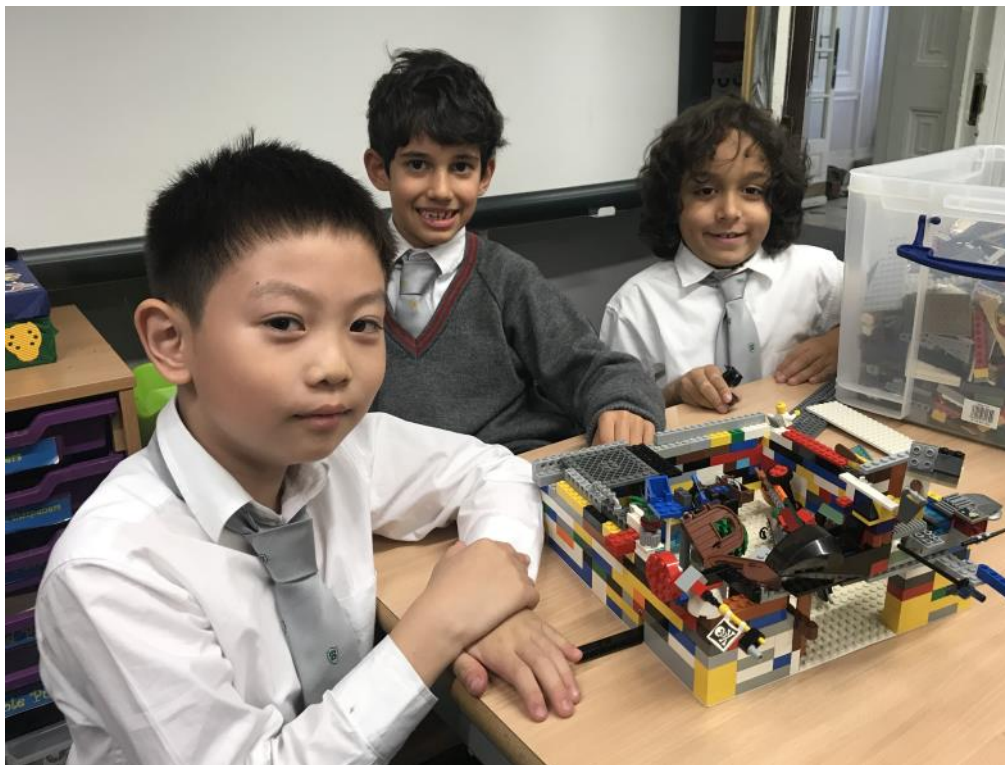


Photos of the Week

Reading Buddies!

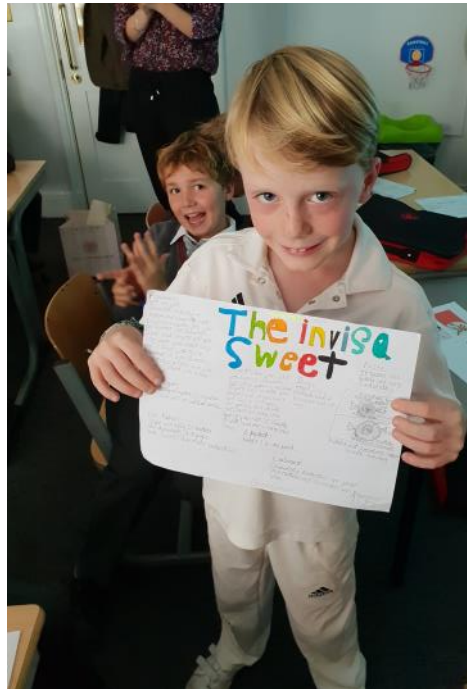






Lego Club





Big Talk Homework — Willy Wonka Sweets Presentations by 4M



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