

WETHERBUZZ

2018/19 | Summer Term | Week 32



WEEK 32: Monday 10th — Sunday 16th June 2019

MONDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Year 8 Charity Planning Morning – 9-11am
- Swimming for **Year 3, 4 and 5C** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 6** – 1:30-4pm
- U11 A vs. Arnold House (H) – 2:15pm
- U11 B & C vs. Arnold House (A) – 2:15pm
- Upper School Art Exhibition, Pioneer Hall – 5-6:30pm
- Ski Championship 2020 Trials at Hemel Hempstead – 4-8pm

Monday Clubs

- Chamber Choir - 4-5pm
- Creative Writing - 4-5pm
- Debating - 4-5pm
- Drawing - 4-5pm
- Indoor Football - 4-5pm
- Latin – Level 3 - 4-5pm
- Lego - 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing - 4-5pm
- Fencing – 5-6pm in 6L
- Table Tennis – 5-6pm
- Homework Club - 4-5pm

TUESDAY

- Year 8 Paint Ball Trip – all day
- Games for **Year 6** – 9-11:30am
- Swimming for **5B, 5K and 5S** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Years 3 and 4** – 1:30-4pm
- U8 A and B vs. Arnold House (H) – 2:15pm
- U9 A - F vs. Arnold House (A) – 2:15pm
- U9 G and H vs. Tower House (H) – 2:15pm
- New Parents' Afternoon Tea, Pioneer Hall – 2pm

Tuesday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20am
- Morning Running – 7:45-8:30am
- Wetherby Voices – 8-9am
- Art & Crafts – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Latin – Level 3 - 4-5pm
- Wetherby Choir - 4-5pm
- Fencing – 5-6pm
- Table Tennis – 5-6pm
- Homework Club - 4-5pm

WEDNESDAY

- Internet Safety Talks for Year 3-6, the Pioneer Hall – all day
- Games for **Year 3 and 4** – 9-11:30am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 1:30-4pm
- U13 A and U12 B vs. Thomas's Clapham (A) – 2:30pm
- ESCA U12 Cup at Allianz (A) – 3pm
- Summer Recital, Pioneer Hall – 6pm
- Internet Safety Talk for Year 3-6 Parents – 6:30pm in 6L
- Mr Baker to Harrow School for Heads' Dinner

Wednesday Clubs

- Morning Drawing – 7:45-8:20am
- Swimming – Upper School Swim Squad A&B – 7:30-8:20am
- Elite Chess – 8-9am
- D & T / Engineering - 4-5pm
- Code Club – Lower School - 4-5pm
- Detectives - 4-5pm
- General Knowledge Quiz Club - 4-5pm
- Latin – Level 3 - 4-5pm
- Maths Games and Puzzles - 4-5pm
- Chelsea Quavers – 4-5pm
- Reasoning - 4-5pm
- Rock Climbing - 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Swimming – Year 4 – 4:30-5:15pm
- Homework Club - 4-5pm


THURSDAY

- Inter House Cricket (invite only) – all day
- Year 3 Music Performance – 8:15am
- PTA meeting – 9am
- Games for **Year 7 and 8** – 9-11:30am
- Year 8 Maths Trip to the Science Museum – 11:30-4pm
- Games for **Year 5** – 1:30-4pm
- School Management Meeting – 4:30pm

Thursday Clubs

- Morning Mental Maths – 7:45-8:20am
- Morning Running - 7:45-8:20am
- Swimming – School Swim Squad – 7:30-8:20am
- Rowing – 8-9am
- Bowed Strings – 4-5pm
- Chess – 4-5pm
- Code Club – Upper School – 4-5pm
- Maths Revision – 4-5pm
- Little House of Science Club – 4-5pm
- Fencing – 4-6pm
- Homework Club – 4-5pm

FRIDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Whole School Assembly at Church of the Annunciation – 8:30am
- **THIS EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON INSTAGRAM** 
- Inter-house Music Competition, Church of Annunciation – 9:15am
- WETHERBLAST – 11am-2pm
- U8-U11 Ibstock Place Swimming Gala (A) – 4:30pm

Friday Clubs

- Whole School Clubs – 2:15-4pm
- CANCELLED**

SATURDAY

- Year 8 Residential to The Ardeche departs – am

SUNDAY

- IAPS Triathlon at Monkton Prep School – all day

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

This time last year, I remember stopping by the side of the road, 40 miles or so from Paris and saying, all rather overdramatically to Hal in the support vehicle, "I think I'm overheating". No chance of that happening this weekend as 10 of us form the 'Wetherby Peloton' once more and take on the epic cycling challenge of riding from 'Wetherby to Wetherby'. 40-50 miles per hour winds, plus torrential rain are expected along the route tomorrow but, in many ways, I'm really looking forward to it as that weather will only add to the sense of adventure! Do follow our progress on the school's social media feeds over the next two days and excuse us if we are not quite our usual, energetic selves first thing on Monday morning.



I have been saying in Assembly, for some time now, that the current Year 8 have been our most studious and committed group ever and they have certainly kept up those high standards this week. The Common Entrance papers we have marked here have shown clear revision and exam maturity, together with scores that show distinct improvement on mocks from last year and in January. We made a big splash of the CE results in Prize Giving last year and will do so again. Really proud of these boys; they are role models to all Wetherby boys in the years below and standard-bearers for the future successes of all. Well done, boys!

I remember getting in a right panic after my Geography GCSE exam, as I was sure I had messed up the reasons behind the formation of shield and cone volcanoes. I never found out whether I did or not but, even if I did, it mattered not as I achieved well in my final grade. Often with these things, we concentrate on what we didn't do well, rather than on what we did and risk falling into a spiral of negativity, ending up convincing ourselves we have failed miserably. Maybe that's human nature but, hopefully, Wetherby boys have built up a resilience and maturity when it comes to sitting exams that will stand them in good stead for the rest of their lives. I spoke to one senior school registrar this week, who asked me how the CE boys were faring. I replied that they were fine, as Wetherby boys like taking exams, to which he responded, "That's just why we like Wetherby boys!"

Now the exams are over, four weeks of intense Wetherby fun begin, starting with the inaugural 'Wetherblast' this time next week. Seeing will be believing but, trust me, this will be a landmark event in the school calendar. Arrangements for this and the other main school events over the next few weeks do deviate from our normal procedures so I have detailed them below. We are a very open school and welcome parental attendance at these events – look forward to seeing you all there.

Have a good weekend,

Nick Baker

Friday 14th June – Wetherblast

- Assembly as normal
- Boys in games kit all day
- Wetherblast taking place from 11am-2pm – all welcome
- Pick up and buses from Wetherby Sports Ground at 2pm
- No pick up or buses from Bryanston Square

Monday 17th June – Friday 21st June – Residential Week

- All year groups on residential this week
- No clubs or activities after 4pm
- Buses depart at 4pm only
- No Church Assembly on Friday 21st June – boys and buses to come straight to school

Monday 1st July – Sports Day

- Boys can come to school as normal or arrive at Sports ground for 12pm start
- All boys in white PE kit
- All boys and buses depart from Wetherby Sports Ground
- No pick up or buses from Bryanston Square

Tuesday 2nd July – Prize Giving

- Compulsory for all boys in Years 5-8
- Optional for boys and parents in Years 3 and 4
- 6pm start at St Mary's Church Crawford Street (NOT normal Friday Assembly Church)
- School uniform compulsory

Friday 5th July – Last day

- Final Assembly at 11am at The Church of the Annunciation
- All leavers to be acknowledged and Form and Effort termly prizes awarded
- Boys can go home straight from Church
- Collection from Bryanston Square from 12:30pm
- Buses depart at 12:45pm

Staff News

Miss Martin got married!

Mrs Naylor writes...

George and I got married at Holkham Hall in Norfolk on Saturday. A very special place to both of us, and just next to our favourite beach, Holkham. We had the most wonderful day, surrounded by our family and friends and the weather was extremely kind to us!



Kindness Cup



Lachlan (6J)

Please can I nominate Lachlan for his fantastic attitude this morning. During our running club, Lachlan spotted an empty can on the grass and picked this up to pop it in the bin. He then continued to pick up other pieces of rubbish, and noted how sad it was that people littered, and the amount of plastic there was in the park. During these times of environmental issues, Lachlan demonstrated a brilliant awareness and maturity.
Miss Preece

Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

♦ **Oliver (7W)**

I was carrying lots of English books from Drama and I had a really bad foot. Oliver spotted this and helped me take all the books up to 8G which really helped.
Taymour

♦ **Harry (5S)**

At break, Harry gave me his tennis racket when he saw I forgot to bring one. **Lucas**

♦ **Nima (5C)**

I would like to nominate Nima for giving me two sheets of his Science paper to me. I thought this was really kind and thoughtful. **Benett**

♦ **Jonah and Shaan (4A)**

A massive stack of books fell down in 4A as someone left the room, both Shaan Rahman and Jonah Green jumped straight up to pick them all up and put them away without being asked at all. **Mr Brawn**

♦ **Mrs Auchi**

On Saturday, Mrs Auchi had organised to travel back from the chess finals in Wales on the train so that Taymour could make his race at the IAPS national swimming finals. Once he had finished his swim, they then boarded the train back to Wales to continue the chess competition on Sunday. She has also offered her pool and coach this week for all boys to prepare for the finals, picking them up from school and dropping them off after the session. Commitment and kindness personified. **Mr Bayes**

♦ **6L**

For being a wonderful support to each other during the exam week. There have been some ups and downs and I have been very impressed at how well they have comforted each other and shown great compassion for the pressures of testing. **Mr Lock**



Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is Junyi in 4S. Junyi has made such a positive impression on us all at Wetherby Prep. He is superbly organised and always takes care at the end of the lesson to help leave things just as they should be for the next class to arrive. Well done, Junyi!



Sportsman of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is Kasra in 5C. Scoring 35 runs off 10 balls; successfully taking a boundary catch, then running someone out in a single match is a remarkable achievement, testament to this fine young cricketer's all round skills. Well done, Kasra!

English Department

Figurative TOP 5

#1

"The unrelenting waves were like wild horses, rearing up before cascading down towards the deck, pounding the boat with their white foam hooves."

Nicolas, Y7

"Looking into the endless cerulean blue of forever, Mike sat at the edge of the cliff which was his house of freedom."

Taymour, Y5

"Grey clouds sky stood above the tree, a dark canvas, watching, waiting, blanketing the earth with a void of grey."

Reuben, Y6

"Dull demonic waves of soot and dust blasted fiercely over the city that was so loud it was utterly silent."

Oliver, 6J

"Zaps of lightning struck the ship. The ship crashed to the deep depths of the dark, inky, enormous ocean."

Romell, Y3

MATHS CHALLENGES!



LOWER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Daniil
Taymour
Laith
Taymour
Nathan

UPPER SCHOOL BRAINIACS

Elias
MMM (Nadhmi)
Burrito-Pug
Kilian

Mr Gascoine writes...

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

LOWER SCHOOL CHALLENGE

14

Daniil

I am thinking of five whole numbers. Here are some statistical clues:

they have no mode
their median is 6
their range is 9
their mean average is 5.

What are my five numbers?

ANS: 0, 2, 6, 8, 9

other answers: 0, 3, 6, 7, 9

NICE WORK! 5B

UPPER SCHOOL CHALLENGE

and 174 other problems

53

TRY these addition alphametics – they start off relatively simple and then get a bit harder!

HOW + WOW = WACO

US + ALL =

NO + VAN + NO + BANG

FORTY + TEN + TEN + SIXTY

BRILLIANT



Wetherby SPORT

Cricket Term

3/6/19 - Under 11A&B vs. Surbiton Prep & Under 11C-E vs. Devonshire House

Two great wins for Wetherby in the glorious sunshine at Surbiton Prep. After bowling Surbiton's A team out for 52, Wetherby made light work of chasing down the total by only losing 2 wickets. Whilst at Wetherby Sports Ground Devonshire House proved a difficult encounter with the opposition coming away with 3 wins from 3.

Man of the match players: Iskander, Kit, Innes, Philipp, Sid

4/6/19 - Under 9A&B vs. Orchard House

On a day where weather conditions were poor the A and B team managed to get out on to the pitch and play some cricket at Orchard House. Both teams played an exuberant brand of cricket which involved big hitting and accurate bowling.

Man of the match players: Redmond, Dylan

6/6/19 - Under 10A-D vs. Sussex House

A 100% win rate for Wetherby as we sent the Sussex House bowlers to all parts of the boundary, frequently hitting 4s and 6s. A notable mention to Kasra Shirazi for scoring 35 runs from 2 overs in a partnership of 44 with Alex .

Man of the match players: Kasra, Jake, Aran, Beau

Under 10 Franchise

The Cavaliers smashed 232 from their innings which they thought would be enough for victory. The Timberwolves were agonisingly close to chasing the total but fell 3 runs short of the target. In the second franchise match the Warriors had a more comprehensive victory over the Shamrocks whilst the Muggles defeated the Raiders.

Man of the match players: Jack, Oliver, Lucas

Fencing

IASP Fencing Championships 2019

On the 18th May Wetherby travelled down to Millfield School, Somerset to compete in the prestigious IAPS fencing championship. Wetherby has established itself as a force on the fencing circuit over the past few years and with a strong team travelling to the nationals, we had high hopes.

The format of the tournament saw the boys split up into pools of 5 or 6 fencers each fencing each other. After this, the pools were mixed and they did another round robin. After the pool stages, the boys were ranked in order to help seed the knock out stages. Wetherby looked strong from the off and we had the following rankings going into the knockouts.

Top performers for the U11:

2nd – Charles

10th – Riaz

Top performers for the U14:

6th – Chinonso

8th – Luke

After the success of last year, it was going to be hard to follow up but our new stock of U11 fencers did not disappoint. After a tough pool stage Matthew swept aside all competition on his route to the final which he narrowly lost but did Wetherby proud by bringing home a silver medal. The future is bright for Wetherby fencing with some of our youngest fencers doing extremely well despite fencing 2 years up in some cases. Xan, Alex and Charles will, I am sure return the U11 trophy back to its rightful place (our trophy cabinet) next year. I was hugely proud of all of our U11 fencers who performed admirably. A special mention to Innes Adam and Riaz who came extremely close to the quarter finals only losing by one hit.

In a tough year for our U14 fencers, in which many of our fencers are fencing a year up the competition was fierce. With a large field of nearly 40 competitors all which are epee specialist our boys performed brilliantly. The knock out stage started brilliantly with 6 of our boys making the last 16. However, it was not meant to be our year as each boy narrowly lost several of which went in to priority.

I could not be more proud of all of the boys who competed, many of whom were competing a year up. After spending a day watching the best prep school fencers in the country compete, it was clear to see that Wetherby is still a force to be reckoned with.

Final results

U13 Epee

9th	Sava
10th	Luke
12th	Zain
13th	Chinonso
14th	Jonny
16th	Massimiliano
18th	Maximilian
20th	Maximilian
24th	Aidan
28th	Dominique
30th	Nicolas

U11 Epee

2nd	Matthew
9th	Charles
10th	Riaz
12th	Innes
19th	William
22nd	Xan
24th	Alex
26th	Brooks





Out of School Achievements

Romell (3P) - Rotary International Convention

Romell attended a Rotary International Convention in Hamburg, Germany. He was representing Pakistan with his grandfather who is the head of Pakistan Rotary International. Romell learned about the refugee crisis, climate change and polio eradication



Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3P	Samuele	6J	<i>Upper School Exams</i>
4A	Shaan	6L	
4L	Andreas	6T	
4M	Ali	7H	
4S	Nicolo	7M	
5B	Vihaan	7W	
5C	Tristan	8B	
5K	Jasper	8F	
5S	Jack	8G	
		8V	Luke
			Douglas

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Vihaan – 39

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Westbourne	Dawson	Chepstow	Pembridge
372	350	334	243

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Dawson Captain N. Sesson-Farre	Pembridge Captain Z. Roda	Westbourne Captain A. Jayaraj	Chepstow Captain N. Dyer
19,082	17,718	16,233	16,137

Form Class Winners

First Place	Joint Second Place	Joint Second Place	Third Place
Form 3P 300	Form 5B 163	Form 5K 163	Form 5S 160

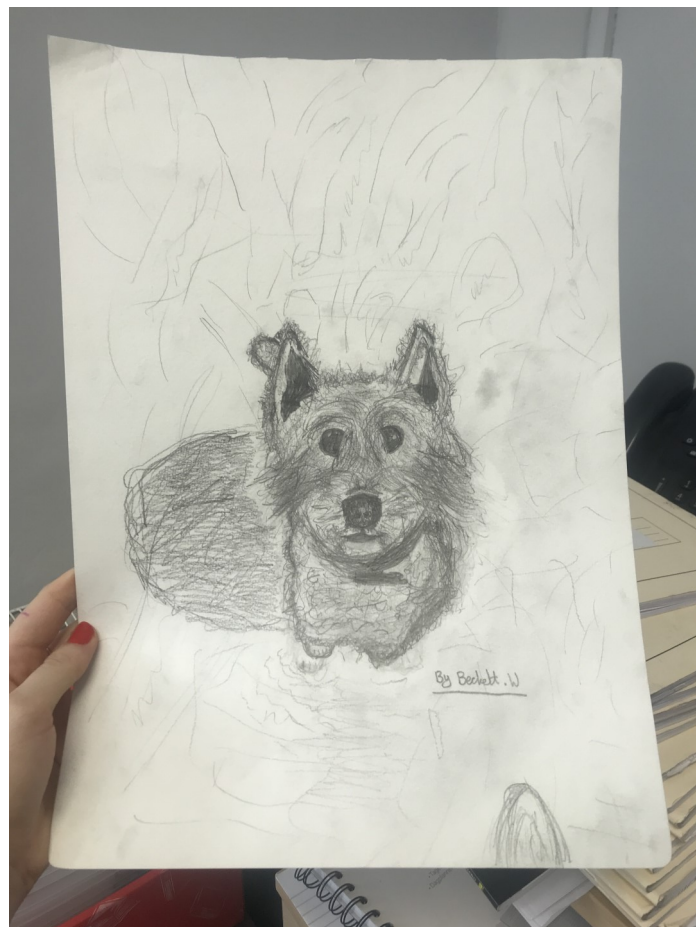


Photos of the Week

Reuben (6J)



Beckett Willis (6T) sketched an absolutely fantastic picture of Miss Orpwood's dog, Finlay over half term. Miss Orpwood can't believe how much it looks like him! Well done, Beckett!



Year 5 working on their David Hockney inspired coloured drawings.



Michael (5C) attended the latest Britain's Got Talent Semi Finals.



Year 8 finish Common Entrance - hurrah!



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