

WETHERBUZZ

2018/19 | Summer Term | Week 33



WEEK 33: 17th—23rd June 2019

MONDAY

- **RESIDENTIAL WEEK**
- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**
- **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4:00pm**
- Year 3 Residential to PGL, Marchants Hill departs – 9am
- Year 5 Residential to Norfolk Lakes departs – 10:30am
- Year 6 Residential to Windermere departs – 10am
- Year 7 Residential to Castle Head, Cumbria departs – 10am
- Year 4 Detectives and Vikings Experience Workshops – all day

Monday Clubs

- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**

TUESDAY

- **RESIDENTIAL WEEK**
- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**
- **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4:00pm**
- Year 4 Sports Activities at Wetherby Sports Ground – all day

Tuesday Clubs

- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**

WEDNESDAY

- **RESIDENTIAL WEEK**
- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**
- **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4:00pm**
- Year 4 Residential to Mill Rythe, Hampshire departs – 8:45am
- Year 3 Residential to PGL, Marchants Hill returns – 3pm
- Year 5 Residential to Norfolk Lakes returns – 4pm

Wednesday Clubs

- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**

THURSDAY

- **RESIDENTIAL WEEK**
- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**
- **SCHOOL FINISHES AT 4:00pm**
- Year 3 Trip to the Tower of London – 8:30am
- Year 5 Science Workshops – 9am-2pm
- IAPS Golf Tournament – all day
- Year 6 Residential to Windermere returns – 5:30pm

Thursday Clubs

- **NO MORNING OR AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS THIS WEEK**

FRIDAY

- **RESIDENTIAL WEEK**
- **NO FRIDAY CLUBS**
- Year 3 Trip to London Zoo – 9:30am
- Year 5 History Workshop - WW2 Experience – 9am-12pm
- Year 6 Century Tech Workshops – 9am-12pm
- Year 5 Cayley Maths Challenge, Kings College School – 1:30-3:30pm
- Year 4 Residential to Mill Rythe, Hampshire returns – 2pm
- Year 7 Residential to Castle Head, Cumbria returns – 3pm
- Year 8 Residential to the Ardèche returns – 6:30pm

Friday Clubs

- **NO FRIDAY CLUBS**

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

That was a fun afternoon! The rain tried (but failed) to ruin the event yet the Wetherby Gods and Wetherby Spirit held strong and everyone had a great time. Thank you (again) to Heather Rudd, Elena Tsoka and our whole PTA team who organised and facilitated such a magic event. As one parent said to me this afternoon, "This is like Disneyland!" I could now go off on a tangent, comparing Wetherby staff to Disney characters but will refrain from that temptation. At the final PTA meeting this week, I announced the finances where the PTA and Wetherby Schools Charity account currently stands at over 200k. We have a turnover and profit margin some small businesses would be proud of and this is all down to our PTA and everyone's fulsome support of our events. Enormous thanks are due.



Not a PTA or charity event but a great Wetherby event last weekend as the Wetherby Peloton successfully traversed the country from Wetherby to Wetherby. Usually, when riding a bike, fellow cyclists wave or notice each other but on Saturday, in the driving wind and rain, we saw no-one, such were the ridiculous cycling conditions. Even the few cars were looking at us as if to say, "What on earth are you doing?" But we ploughed on... and at around 5pm on Sunday we made it to Bryanston Square. Wetherby families had kindly come to Bryanston Square to cheer us in, including my wife Brigid, but even though I had texted at Borehamwood saying we were an hour out, she wasn't there. 'Stuck' in Selfridges apparently... the thought was there I suppose.

I finish by congratulating our superb Year 8 and, as is tradition at this time of the year, listing our 2019 exit group. I have said it all year and, (Wetherby) boy, have they delivered. We have been brilliant for many years but this time we surpass even our own high standards. Loads of Common Entrance grade showing off to come at Prize Giving but here is our list of leavers. They come from great schools, they attend a great school, they move on to a great school; that's the Wetherby Way...

Have a good weekend,

Nick Baker



School Council

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 11th June 2019

Time: 8:30am

Attendance: School Council Representatives and Mrs Brookes

Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:

- **School Travel Plan** – School Council were very lucky to have a visit from Mrs Brookes about how to raise awareness of our travelling to/from school to help with the current climate change crisis. In the meeting, Mrs Brookes mentioned that 143 boys travel by school bus, which is a brilliant number of boys in the school who share transport but sadly, 90 boys would prefer to travel by car.

In the meeting, School Council discussed how they could raise awareness of this issue by encouraging more boys to try public transport/walk/cycle/car pools rather than adopting the mindset of travelling solely by car. They are very keen on organising a week next academic year where they raise awareness of this issue by organising workshops, creating posters and even getting speakers in to discuss how to best tackle this.

Already, some of the boys suggested the following:

- ⇒ PHSE lessons with a focus on being more environmentally friendly with travel
- ⇒ Workshops/activities linked to travel
- ⇒ Prizes/charts to sign off how boys travel to/from school
- ⇒ Talks from parents who are working on raising awareness for the environment

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 25th June as it is Residential Week next week.



Kindness Cup

Noah (8F)

During a busy home time, a parent came to ask me if I knew where her son's school bag would be as she'd come to collect it for him. Noah could see that I was busy with home time and quickly jumped up and said, "I will show you where to go". He then took the parent down to the lockers to help find their bag. He did not expect anything in return and was just really happy to help out. **Mrs Garvey**

Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

◆ Marley (5C)

I nominate Marley for the Kindness Cup for being a great friend and helping me in French because the teacher was busy. Also because I once fell at break and he helped me up. **Oscar Li**

◆ Charlie and Shaan (4A)

I would like to nominate Charlie and Shaan for the Kindness Cup for being very supportive of me when I was upset. **Louis**

◆ Sholto (5B)

At the ski trials, I had to carry lots of ski gear and even thought I didn't ask for any help, Sholto asked if he could carry my skis to the bus. **Charles**

◆ Oscar (5C)

I would like Oscar for the Kindness Cup because when I tripped over on the stairs and banged my head, Oscar told me to stay there and went to get Miss Saddington to help me. **Oliver**

◆ **Nima (5C)**

I would like to nominate Nima because he helped me to spell a hard word whilst the teacher was busy with another student. **Marley**

◆ **Filippo, Miron and Taymour (5K)**

For helping me in form time with the collection of housepoints for boys who were absent, as it can be quite difficult. **Miss Kroiter**

◆ **Maximillian (4L)**

For helping tidy my room after maths class. He was the only boy to stay behind.
Miss Kroiter



Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is Ardavan in 7H. A really great boy, who puts his heart into everything he does at Wetherby, Ardavan receives this week's award for having the confidence to approach the Headmaster and ask if it would be acceptable to set light to him as part of a Science experiment. Well done, Ardavan!



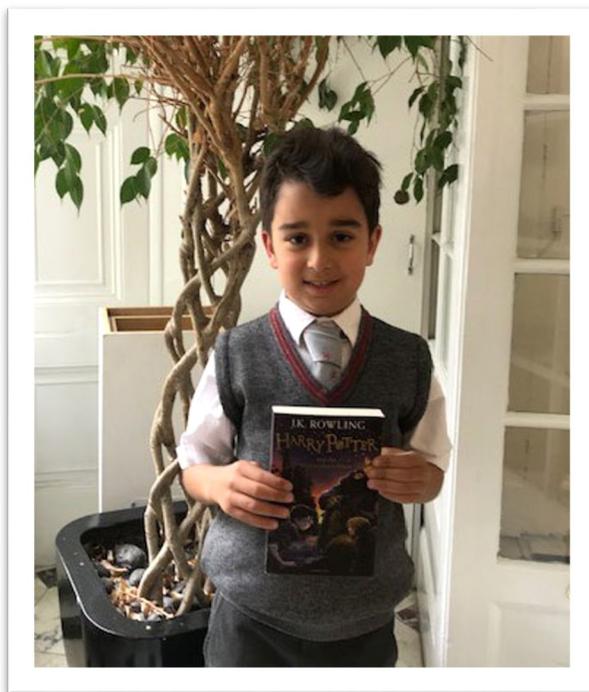
Sportsman of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is Oscar in 8B. Having experienced a rugby injury, Oscar has returned to cricket with such energy and talent. He really understands the concept of being "on tour" and demonstrates both excellent play, whilst on the pitch, and impeccable manners on the boundary. Well done, Oscar!

Birthday Books

Roman (4L) celebrated his 9th birthday on the 5th June, while Kyu (6L) celebrated his 11th birthday on the 6th June! Both boys donated wonderful books to the school's library.

Happy Birthday, boys!



MATHS CHALLENGES!



Top Ten Speed Kings 2018-19

1	Samuele	Year 3	1 mins 41 sec WWW
2	Taymour	Year 5	1 mins 48 sec
3	Oliver	Year 4	1 mins 56 sec
4	Sam	Year 5	2 mins 02 sec
5	Ezra	Year 4	2 mins 09 sec
6	Max	Year 4	2 mins 13 sec
7	Miron	Year 5	2 mins 17 sec
8	Jonah	Year 4	2 mins 21 sec
9	Diego	Year 4	2 mins 26 sec
10	Jake	Year 5	2 mins 27 sec

Mr Gascoine writes...

Stop the press! A Wetherby World Record has been matched! Samuele has equalled Esa (St Paul's bound) record of 1 min 41 sec.

What an achievement and one that has been coming. Congratulations to Samuele. Other movers and shakers this week are Jonah and Diego who have forced themselves into the top ten with two excellent times. Phew, what a week.



Wetherby Chess Team goes to Wales!

Mr Niccoli writes...

At the weekend the Wetherby Chess Team traveled all the way to Prestatyn in North Wales to take part in the semi final stages of the National Primary Schools Chess Championships. We arrived late on Friday in what can only be described as wicked, wet and windy condition- at one point we were worried that Arthur might blow away!

With over 400 teams competing in the preliminary stages of an event that started back in January we knew it was going to be a tough weekend ahead of us. We had 24 schools competing in our semifinal and our reputation proceeded us with various schools and coaches scared to play us before even a pawn had been pushed. The children would need to battle hard all day Saturday and Sunday and needed a top 3 finish to make the finals. Did we make it? We sure did and we even managed to show the locals some top notch football and cricket skills in between and managed an incredible BBQ once the weather finally cleared up! A massive congratulations to the boys who now look forward to the finals in July. Top 8 schools in the country for the fourth year in a row. Go Wetherby!

Taymour

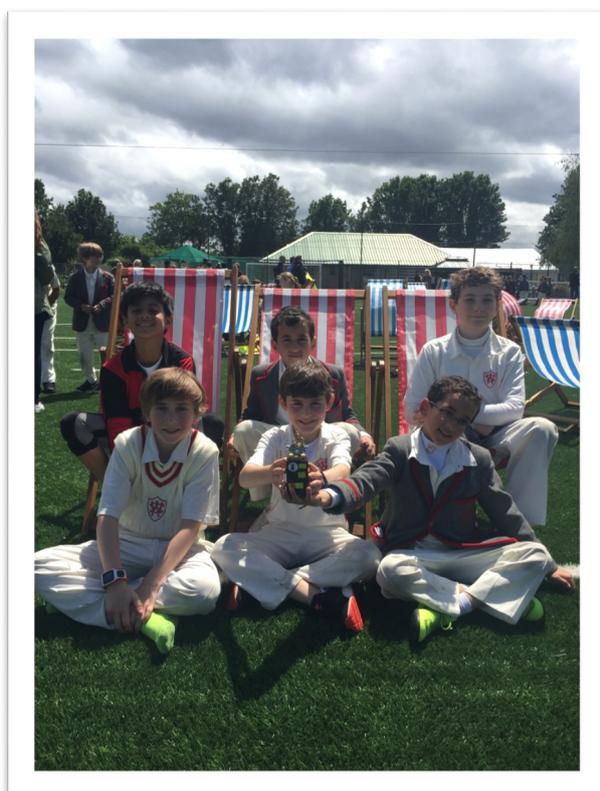
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Alexander

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Arthur



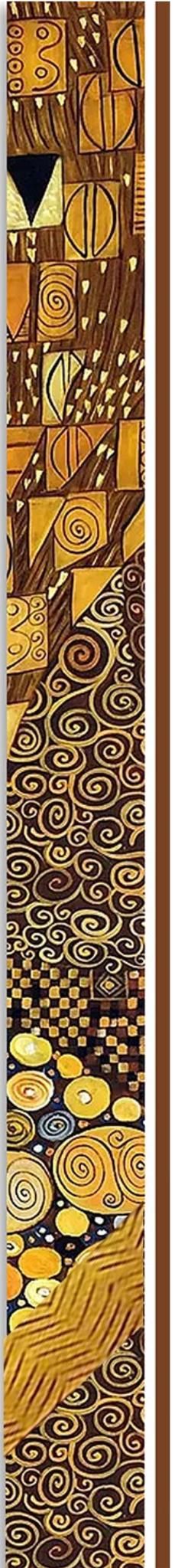
Art Department

The Upper School Art Exhibition

Miss Kirby writes...

The Upper School Art Exhibition showcased over 600 artworks and demonstrated the diverse creative talents of the older Wetherby artists. It was wonderful to see so many families and visitors and to be able to celebrate the year's achievements, surrounded by lots of brilliant artwork. The Lower School Exhibition is on Monday 24th June at 5 – 6.30 pm and we look forward to seeing you there!





Music Department

Miss Orpwood writes...

This week has been another busy one for the Music Department. On Wednesday evening we had our Summer Recital and Mr Brawn and I were blown away with the performances we heard. I have only been at Wetherby for 2 years and I cannot believe how much the boys have improved in such a short space of time. It is obvious how much time and dedication has been put into their practice and the concert was a real joy to watch. Senior Choir set the bar incredibly high starting the concert off by singing two pieces: 'Can You Hear Me?' and 'Puttin' on the Ritz', they were full of enthusiasm and made a great sound. We then heard solo performances from the following boys: Edward (6L), Andre (7W), Saif (6L), Lucas (8V), Thomas (6J), Sami (6L), Finlay (5K), Leonardo (6L), Beau (8G), Teo (8G), Max (8B) and our Band Nika (8V), Teo (8G) and Beau (8G). A huge well done to all boys involved!

On Thursday morning it was 3P's turn to show off their musical talents. They have been working incredibly hard all year learning the violin in their music lessons and I was extremely proud of how well they played. We were also joined by 3P alumni Chase (4S) and Bear (4M) who performed one of their Grade 1 pieces. Well done, boys! What a wonderful way to start the day!



Lucas



Thomas



Finlay



Bear and Chase



3P Violin Showcase



This morning, we held our second Inter-House Singing Competition and the boys did not disappoint. Chepstow kicked off the competition with a great rendition of John Denver's 'Country Roads', followed by Pembridge singing Marshmallow's 'Happier', Dawson singing George Ezra's 'Shotgun' and Westbourne singing 'In the Jungle'. All four houses gave it their all and there was definitely a sense of competition in the church. Our wonderful adjudicator Mr Jay Jenkinson announced Dawson as the well-deserved winning house. They sang with lots of energy and smiles on their faces which paid off! Well done, Dawson!

The concert did not end there ... We did not want the staff to feel left out of the competition! Staff Choir have also been rehearsing all week and sang a brilliant version of Miley Cyrus' 'Party in the USA'. Next step – Staff Tour Choir?!

Wetherby SPORT

IAPS Swimming Nationals

Mr Bayes writes...

Huge congratulations to the nine boys who represented the school with distinction at the IAPS Swimming Nationals on Saturday 8th June. 4800 pupils from around England entered the qualification rounds with 300 making it into the finals. To have nine boys make the finals is some achievement, on par with the biggest swimming schools in the country such as Millfield and Dulwich.

Full results from the finals:

Nick	1 st
Nick	7 th
Jonny	11 th
Elendu	11 th
Michael	11 th
Filippo	18 th

Year 8 Medley Relay 3rd (Nick, Nick, Lachlan, Jonny)

Year 8 Front crawl Relay 5th (Nick, Nick, Lachlan, Jonny)

Year 5 Front crawl relay 8th (Elendu, Beau, Taymour, Filippo)

Very well done to all swimmers and we look forward to the 2019 – 2020 swimming season!





Out of School Achievements

Gabriel and Chase (Year 6) winning the final of their Middlesex Youth Football League 2019.



Edward (6L) receiving his Red Belt in Taekwondo!



Jacob (5S) - County Cup National Finals

Middlesex Boys U10 tennis team won the County Cup National Finals in Sunderland.

This is the most prestigious team event on the LTA calendar. There were 44 counties entered. 8 winners from the qualifying event attended the final in Sunderland this weekend.

Each rubber consists of 3 singles and 1 doubles. If the rubber is tied at 2 matches a piece, a deciding doubles tie break to 10 points is played to determine the winner.

Jacob played a key role playing the singles and doubles in each tie.

The Middlesex boys won a very close final against Kent. Jacob won his singles, with the other boys losing theirs, meaning that Middlesex needed to win the doubles and then win the deciding tie break to win the Cup. Jacob and his partner won a close doubles match and then won the deciding doubles tie break 10-5. The atmosphere was intense and there was considerable pressure for all boys.



Andre (7W) - 1st Prize at the Hurlingham Club 2019 Junior Art Competition

Andre has been doing lots of painting at home and recently did these 4 paintings.

He won 1st prize for his charcoal drawing in the Hurlingham Club 2019 Junior Art Competition in May! These will all go towards his art scholarship portfolio for Marlborough.



Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3P	Alexander	6J	Thomas
4A	Charlie	6L	Shivam
4L	Leonardo	6T	Aditya
4M	Alexander	7H	Jasper
4S	Elias	7M	Sebastian
5B	Daniil	7W	Oliver
5C	Nima	8B	Max
5K	Aran		Nur
5S	Oliver	8F	Nicholas
	Kieran	8G	Alexander
		8V	Brick

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Aran – 47

Weekly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Dawson	Westbourne	Pembridge	Chepstow
598	556	489	468

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
19,680	18,032	16,744	16,626

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 5K 241	Form 3P 239	Form 5S 160



Notices

Second Hand Uniform Sale Donations

Mrs Greenwood writes...

The PTA is doing a Second Hand Uniform sale for New Sept 2019 Boys, on Tuesday 25th June.

Please can I ask you for any uniform donations, particularly in the smaller sizes?!

Any donations can be left with Jude or Danielle, any time now until 25th.

Thank you!

Mr Bayes writes...

The Summer Holidays Clubs website is now active. Please go to:
<https://sites.google.com/wetherbyprepstudents.co.uk/clubsinformation>
to find information on the clubs that will be running this Summer Holiday.



Summer Holiday Cookery Club

Create your own delicious treats this Summer at Wetherby Cookery Club!

Monday 8th July (10am – 3pm)

Learn how to make melt in your mouth chocolate cupcakes, freshly made cheese scones and have a go at decorating biscuits! It will be a day you don't want to miss!

We will be making:

- Cheese Scones
- Chocolate Cupcakes
- Cinnamon Rolls
- Bake and decorate biscuits
- Finger Sandwiches

You will be able to sample your creations on the day and take home some treats for the family. **Plus**, you will have your own Cookery Club recipe book to recreate the wonder at home. Siblings welcome!

For more information, visit the website link below:

<https://sites.google.com/wetherbyprepstudents.co.uk/clubsinformation/holiday-cookery-club>

Or email Mrs Mandic: Edita.Mandic@wetherbyprep.co.uk

Photos of the Week

Théodore (6J) - driving diggers at Diggerland!





Felix (6L) with his German classmates at the end of a 4 week placement in a German school!



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