

WETHERBUZZ

2019/20 | Autumn Term | Week 14



WEEK 14: 6th—12th January 2020

MONDAY

- STAFF INSET

Monday Clubs

NO SCHOOL CLUBS OR
HOMEWORK CLUB TODAY
— School Finishes at 4pm

TUESDAY

- BOYS RETURN TO SCHOOL
- Swimming for 5K, 5O and 5T – 9-11am
- Games for Year 6 – 9-11:30am
- Games for Year 3 and 4 – 1:30-4pm
- U9 Training matches vs. Thomas's Clapham (H) – 2:30pm

Tuesday Clubs

NO SCHOOL CLUBS OR
HOMEWORK CLUB TODAY
— School Finishes at 4pm

WEDNESDAY

- Common Entrance French Mock Exams – all day
- Years 3-8 NSPCC Assemblies – am
- Games for Year 3 and 4 – 9-11:30am
- Games for Year 7 and 8 – 1:30-4pm
- Years 5&6 NSPCC Workshops – pm

Wednesday Clubs

NO SCHOOL CLUBS OR
HOMEWORK CLUB TODAY
— School Finishes at 4pm

THURSDAY

- U10 Fencing Fixture vs. L'Ecole de Battersea (A) – 2pm
- Games for Year 7 and 8 – 9-11:30am
- Games for Year 5 – 1:30-4pm

Thursday Clubs

NO SCHOOL CLUBS OR
HOMEWORK CLUB TODAY
— School Finishes at 4pm

FRIDAY

- Staff Meeting – 8am
- Whole School Assembly at the Church of the Annunciation – 8:30am
THIS EVENT WILL BE STREAMED LIVE ON INSTAGRAM 
- Games for Year 5 – 9:15-11:45
- U8/U9 Cricket Coaching Experience – 5-7pm

Friday Clubs

WHOLE SCHOOL CLUBS
BEGIN — 2:15-4pm

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

From the Headmaster

Dear Parents,

And there we have it, the end of the Autumn Term. It's been a brilliant term and how better to end it than with me dressed as 'a Christmas Shrek' thanks to School Council and all the boys (and a few parents) wearing what looked like really itchy Santa beards. The boys have worked hard this term but also had great fun and that's how it should be.

Patrick and Joseph don't break up until next Friday which gives Brig and me an opportunity to buy them some gifts. I've got a few ideas but I did ask Year 5 this week if they had any suggestions for what I could buy them. One boy said 'a puppy' – great choice, I want one too – but pretty much everyone else said, 'Pokemon Cards'...hmmm, not sure I'm going to take that lead I'm afraid boys but I'll see if I can talk Brig into a puppy...

Interestingly, Joseph claimed a while ago that if he had a million pounds he would buy an endless supply of socks so he could wear a brand new pair every day. When I was his age, the spoilt brat in me declared to my mum that 'clothes didn't count as presents' but clearly times have changed and socks as a gift at Christmas are making a welcome comeback. Not something you can play with on Christmas morning but as long as he's comfortable whilst making progress through a selection box then fair enough.

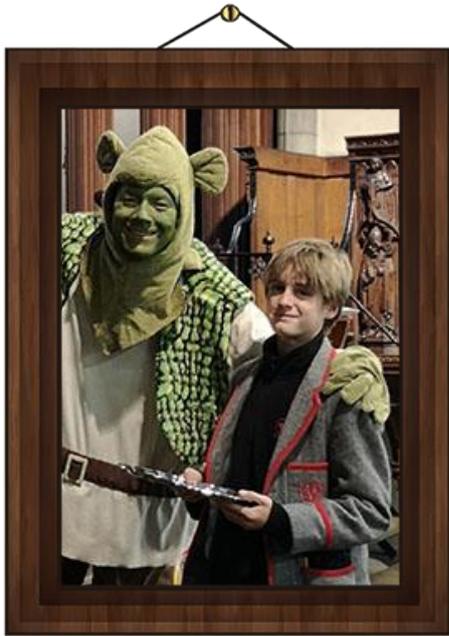
Thank you for all your support and friendship this term. Your boys make this job an absolute pleasure and we so enjoy working with them every single day. And finally, my heartfelt thanks to our staff – Team Wetherby has never been stronger, this truly is a golden age for the school in so many ways.

Have a great Christmas,



Nick Baker





Citizen of the Week

This week's Citizen of the Week is **Sebastian B (7B)**. Not so much 'Citizen of the Week', Sebastian has been 'Citizen of the Term' such has been his contribution to the school in so many areas. Well done, Sebastian!



Sportsman of the Week

This week's Sportsman of the Week is **Omer E (6C)**. Omer is an outstanding athlete and has been an ever present and highly dependable player for the U11A Football Team this autumn. Luckily for us, he's just as good at rugby! Well done, Omer!



Class-Achievement

Mrs Callaghan's Debating Club

Kindness Cup



Sebastian D (8B)

For the Carol Concert on Monday, Ben forgot to bring his school shoes so our Head Boy stepped in and very kindly, lent him his shoes so that Ben could perform his reading. *Mrs Furnell*

Other notable 'Acts of Kindness'

◆ Chinonso O (8V)

Chinonso could not attend his Friday club last week so searched high and low to find Mrs Garvey to let her know. Eventually he asked Mr Smith to pass on the message but a great attitude from Chinonso. *Mrs Garvey and Mr Smith*

◆ Aran M (6M)

In Assembly last Friday, one of the boys arrived late and had to sit on the floor. Aran kindly gave him one of the church kneeling cushions so that he could put his knees on or sit on it. *Miss Flomet*

◆ **Zayd S (7L) and Mrs Sindi**

One of the boys forgot their shoes and another their socks for the concert on Tuesday evening. Zayd contacted his Mum and she brought in extras for the boys to borrow. Huge thank you to the both of them for helping to keep Chamber Choir looking nice and tidy! **Miss Orpwood**

◆ **Rocco R (7B)**

Saif was feeling quite poorly on Wednesday and was unable to take part in the Breakfast Concert. Rocco came and stood in for him last minute and sang brilliantly – I was really impressed. **Miss Orpwood**

◆ **Mrs Linnane**

Mrs Linnane made my week by bringing in some of her famous dumplings for my lunch as she knew I wouldn't be here on Friday for the class parties! **Miss Orpwood**

◆ **Reno B (4P)**

Reno donated twice for the Christmas jumper (£12). Great festive giving! **Miss Preece**

◆ **Sebastian D, Benjamin G and Sebastian W (8B)**

I really enjoy how welcoming the Year 8 boys are on break duty – I always have interesting and lovely conversations with Beanie, Benjamin and Sebastian on our bus journey – I genuinely look forward to our weekly catch up! **Miss Casserly**

◆ **Gray G (8B)**

I would also like to nominate Gray G for the Kindness Cup, he helped me clean the room, move books and a great all-rounder who helps his friends when they need it. **Mr Maguire**

School Council

School Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 12th December 2019

Time: 8:30am

Attendance: School Council Representatives and PLT

Issues/Ideas brought up during meeting and action plan:

- **Good bye for now, School Council...** I am sad to be leaving you next term but you'll have Miss Lister to lead the meetings and she has some great ideas to get School Council involved with.
- **Christmas Jumper Day** – Just a reminder to bring in a £1 and wear your Christmas jumper this Thursday.
- **Brunch** – Thank you, Chef Pete, for organising a Wetherby 'brunch' yesterday – this was enjoyed by all!
- **Food Culture Week** – For the New Year, it would be great to organise a week of 'food around the world'. For example, one day a Spanish themed day with tapas and then on another day, Lebanese or Turkish food. The boys are keen to get lots of countries involved in the food culture week to represent their different nationalities.
- **Christmas lunch** – Boys are very keen on 'pigs in blankets' for the Christmas lunch on Thursday.
- **First-Aid** – Some of the boys are quite keen to learn some first-aid at school possibly as a workshop or talk in the Summer Term.
- **Visits to Wetherby Senior School** – The Year 7 boys enjoyed the talk at WSS last year and are keen to visit again or attend a workshop there.

Have a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year from all of School Council!



English Department

Reading Champion:

Thompson H



French Department

Mrs Sebag writes...

7L's Role Play

Year 7L boys finished their Autumn Term acting as either a waiter or customer in a role-play in a French restaurant. The menu was full of fancy French dishes paired with the possibility to order champagne for drinks.

Joyeux Noel!



Science Department

Hector (3H) writes...

On Friday, 3H teamed up with 8G. Everybody in 3H got to work with one or two year 8s. The experiment was about seeing all of the different colours that go into black through the process of chromatography. Overall, the amount of colours that went into black was 7 and the colours on the special sheet of paper spread out fast in the water. They spread out like a rainbow!

Edward (8G) writes...

8G were teaching 3H how to complete a practical and write up. It was really enjoyable to socialise and work with 3H. I was surprised at how quickly they were able to learn! They wrote a well thought out method, an advanced conclusion and even a scientific diagram. It was good fun and I am excited for 3H to teach us next time!



Art Department

Miss Kirby writes...

The Art Department have been blown away by the quantity and standard of entries to the Creative Week REFLECTIONS photography completion.

The winners for 2019 are:



Jake G



Thompson H



Alexander H

Jake G has been in the national newspapers recently as he was a runner-up in National Geographic Kids Photography competition in the animals category. Here is his beautiful shot taken during a midday safari on the Okavango Delta in Botswana in Africa. The elephants were about 30 metres from his vehicle. He liked the stark white background, and how the image represents a strong family unit. Hitting the National papers while still in Prep School, this young artist has a bright future ahead!



Yves Klein stated that his first artwork was the sky and the artwork 7L created under the guidance of Dr Creative himself, Andrew Lee, allows you to see a skyward reflection through a portable periscope. This artwork titled *Kleinoscope* is fantastic! Well done 7L!

The house with the most points for the Creative Week booklets is Chepstow. Congratulations, Chepstow, and thank to all for making it such a fun and creative couple of weeks!

Clubs

Mrs Callaghan writes...

Wetherby Mock Election

The future depends on what we do in the present

The boys in Public Speaking and Debating Club have worked diligently over the last three weeks to create political parties in preparation for the Wetherby Mock Election which was held last Friday. Each party consisted of a Leader, Deputy Leader, Researcher, Head of Policies and Secretary.

Boys researched the political topics that they felt most strongly about including: the environment, the NHS, crime, poverty and Brexit. They carried out extensive research by creating on line questionnaires, canvassing opinion amongst their peers and debating topics amongst themselves.

The boys from Years 5-7 engaged with politics and the world around them to create powerful manifestos which they delivered with passion and intelligence last Friday.

I was so impressed with the way all the parties delivered their ideas, speaking with confidence and passion about the things that matter most to them. The overall winners were the Optimus Party whose main concerns were the NHS, global warming and racism.



Highest Housepoint Earners by Form Class

Lower School		Upper School	
3H	Hector N	6A	Tristan A
4E	Daniel A-C	6C	Vihaan T
4H	Gabriel B	6F	Charles P
4P	Justin W	6M	Taymour A
4S	Hugo M-S	7B	Edward H
5A	Dylan K	7L	Chase D
5K	Ethan R	7M	Leonardo B
5O	Elias R	8B	Roberson B
5T	Bear S	8G	Lucas M
		8S	Leonardo O'S
		8V	Nadhmi A

Highest Housepoint Earner for the Week

Vihaan T – 41

Weekly Housepoint Totals

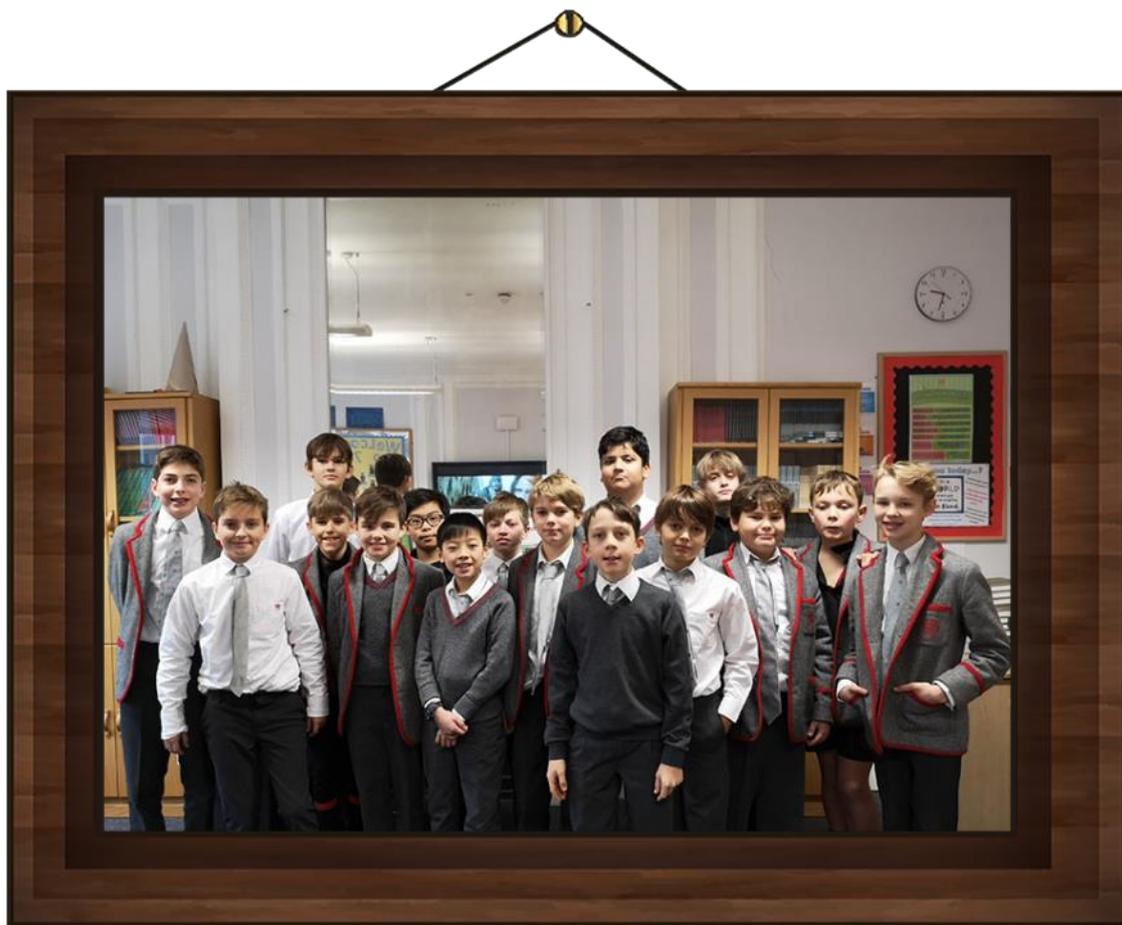
First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Pembridge Captain G. Granovski	Westbourne Captain M. Papasavvas	Chepstow Captain A. Pesendorfer	Dawson Captain B. Govindan
573	562	550	515

Yearly Housepoint Totals

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place
Pembridge Captain G. Granovski	Dawson Captain B. Govindan	Chepstow Captain A. Pesendorfer	Westbourne Captain M. Papasavvas
7,271	7,112	6,376	5,948

Form Class Winners

First Place	Second Place	Third Place
Form 7B 302	Form 4E 186	Form 4H 174



Out of School Achievements

Zehen S (6C) - The Elite Epee Junior Series Grand Final

Zehen got 3rd place in the Elite Epee Junior Series Grand Final on Saturday 7th December 2019 at Peterborough. It was held for the top 8 fencers and by invitation only.

Well done, Zehen!



Photos of the Week



Year 3 taking over the Hub



Wetherby Voices at Chelsea Court Place



Philip performing to Year 3



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