

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

We welcomed our young people back on site this week after the October half-term break. The new term has started busy as usual, we held our Year 11 Progress Evening on Wednesday and it was great to see so many students and families interacting with their teachers. As I stated in my last newsletter, our Year 11s were busy this half-term break revising for their upcoming mock exams, Wednesday night was a great opportunity for students, staff and parents to come together to discuss how best to support and prepare for the summer examinations. I would really like to hear any feedback that you may have on our Progress Evenings, both positive and developmental. Please contact Mrs Burgess on burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com

It was a pleasure to release the DFE GCSE progress data on our summer 2023 Year 11 leavers this week. We were extremely proud of our Year 11 students who left last year, their overall results of a positive 0.3 progress score was a testament to the hard work of the students, families and school as a whole. A reminder that you can find our schools progress information here - <https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/137170/welland-park-academy/secondary> . I'm equally excited to see what our current Year 11s can achieve in the summer of 2024.

Again, we've had a lot of students out and about this week; a large number of our Yr9s went out on the Future Ready trip with Mrs Towers; some of our Yr10s went into Leicester with Ms Moolraj to visit the Gurdwara, a Sikh temple; and as I currently write to you, we have a number of Yr11s out at Hunstanton on a geography field trip. This reinforces our belief that we try our best to go above and beyond to provide an engaging curriculum that reaches far beyond the classroom.

Finally, I would just like to remind parents about our policy with mobile phones. I know the government have been quite vocal about mobile phones in schools. Our policy states that if phones are brought into school they MUST be switched off. I would therefore request that you do not contact your child via their mobile phone during the school day, if you need to make emergency contact with your child, then please call the front office on 01858 464795 and we will ensure that this happens. Equally, students can contact home by visiting the front office and using our landline.

I hope that you have a fabulous weekend, and don't forget the clocks go back, so we all get an extra hour in bed!

Yours faithfully

Pete Leatherland

CASHLESS CATERING SYSTEM

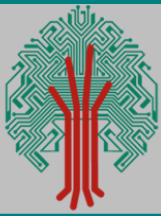


We have had a new cashless catering system installed over the October holiday.

Although we have had a few glitches, these have all been rectified..

Please could you check your balances and ensure that there are funds on your child's account if they wish to use the dining hall.

Welland Park Catering Team



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NOTTINGHAM CHRISTMAS MARKET

If you are interested in this trip on Sunday 19th November 2023, there are only 4 seats left on the coach.

Please contact Mrs Burgess

burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com

Following the success of previous years we are organising another Christmas Shopping Evening.

WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2023

Please pop the date in your diary.

We currently have 20 stalls booked in plus the Prom Committee will be serving a range of refreshments.



A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The committee for Prom 2024 are organising the annual fashion show .

6th November 2023

Doors open at 7.00pm

Members of the committee will model some of the items and then you are free to look through over 1000 garments and purchase any that you like.

All items are discounted with some of them up to 70% off

Tickets on sale from the front office from Monday 9th October 2023.

We will need to cancel this event if we do not sell more tickets.



Welland Park Academy Lunch & Deli Menu Week commencing 30th October 2023					
Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Concept	American	Asian	Best of British	Authentic Italian	Fish Friday
Option 1	American Cheeseburger with burger sauce	Chinese Hot Chicken Wrap	Roast Pork & Stuffing	Lasagne	Battered Fish
Option 2	Classic Mac n Cheese with Crispy onions	Kung Po Chicken "Style" strips	Veggie Bangers	Leek & Mushroom Risotto	Vegetable & Bean Burger
Sides	Wedges Slaw	Noodles Chilli Corn on the Cob	Smokey Roasties Honey Carrots	Garlic bread Green Salad	Chips & Beans
Authentic Italian	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar				
Hot Deli	Cheese & Tomato Panini Jacket & Topping	Tuna Melt Panini Jacket & Topping	Cheese & Onion Panini Jacket & Topping	Roasted Veg Panini Jacket & Topping	Cheese Panini Jacket & Topping

MOBILE PHONE USAGE

Our Positive Behaviour Policy states "if phones are brought into school they **MUST** be switched off" and "electronic items are not be used on the school site at any time without authorisation including before and after school".

Many students do not switch their phones off and put them on silent instead. Can we please ask parents/ carers **NOT** to contact their youngsters during the school day. Students are being caught checking their phones because they have received a message from a family member.

If you have an urgent message that your child needs, please call the front office on 01858 464795 and we will make sure it is passed on.

If a youngster needs to contact their parent, they can come to the front office and use a landline.

