

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear parents and carers

We have settled back into school well this week, although it seems very strange to think that in three weeks' time, on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, we will be finishing for Easter. This is a very short half-term with so much to pack in!

I was delighted to receive news that we have won an award from FFT Aspire, which is a data and reporting tool used by schools, Local Authorities and academy trusts to provide accurate and insightful data. The National School Attendance Award for the Autumn Term 2023/24 recognises us as being in the Top 25% of all FFT Secondary Schools in England. This is a great achievement, especially on the backdrop of the national picture in which many schools' attendance is dropping, and the government are being forced to start a national agendastrategy to improve attendance. This again symbolises how much we rely on and appreciate the support parents and carers give to the school in ensuring students attend regularly – so thank you for your continued support.

Finally, I would like to say Bon Voyage to the Year 9 and 10s who, in the early hours of Saturday morning, depart for France on the school Ski Trip. I am sure they will have a fantastic time, making great memories. I wish them all a safe and happy trip.

Have a lovely weekend everyone

#### Pete Leatherland—Principal







On Monday 19th February Mrs Burgess and her team held an open evening to showcase the hundreds of dresses, suits, shoes and accessories that have been donated towards the Eco Wardrobe.

It was a fantastic evening with over 200 people coming in with families travelling from Northampton, Kibworth and Burbage as well as Market Harborough.

18 dresses, 2 suits and lots of accessories were either hired or bought.

We have since had more items donated so are

planning on holding another evening in a few weeks. Keep your eyes peeled for the date.

Lock In tickets have gone on sale to Year 11 students this week.

This is a fantastic fundraising evening for the students which is great fun.

Tickets can be purchased from the front office each day.



We have a bicycle repair workshop in your area, and we are in need of donated bicycles to collect and any help that you can provide would be gratefully received.

The bikes collected are taken into our HMP bicycle workshop where learners work towards a CYTECH bike mechanic qualification. Repaired and serviced bikes are then sold within Sue Ryder charity shops within the area. Please click on the link for details of one our workshops in HMP Gartree.

https://www.sueryder.org/news/new-prison-workshop-offers-prisoners-fresh-direction

We would be delighted if you could help us to generate unwanted bicycles and look for ward to hearing from you to discuss further.

Wendy Wickens, Product Manager

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MFL Department Update

#### Trips for 2024

#### German Exchange



Year 10 German Exchange—14 students have signed up for the German Exchange this year. They will be hosting their German partners from 14th to 22nd March. The German students will spend some time in lessons to experience life in a British school and will also go on visits to Leicester, London and Cadbury World. We will return to Germany from 20-28th June to stay with our partners and experience daily life in a German family. A great opportunity to really use our German!

Opal Coast (France) and Rhineland (Germany)

Year 8— Both the French and German trips for Year 8 10-14th June are currently full and thank you to those of you who are up to date with payments. We will be in touch soon to ask for passport details. Please be aware that passports must be valid for at least 6 months after our return date.

#### Trips launching soon for 2025

Paris—March 2025 for current Year 9 and 10 students studying GCSE French.

Opal Coast—June 2025 — for current Year 7 students of French.

Rhineland—June 2025—for current Year 7 students of German.

Seville — TBC—for current Year 7 students of Spanish.

Barcelona — TBC —for current Year 9 students who will be studying GCSE Spanish

German Exchange — Hosting March, Returning June 2025 — for current Year 9 students taking GCSE German



#### **New Duolingo Club**



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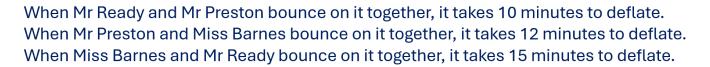




# **Monthly Maths Mind Twister** March

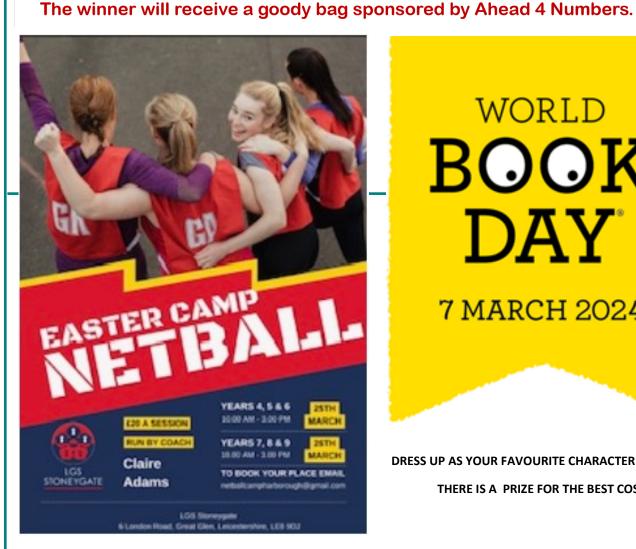
Mr Ready, Mr Preston and Miss Barnes have different weights.

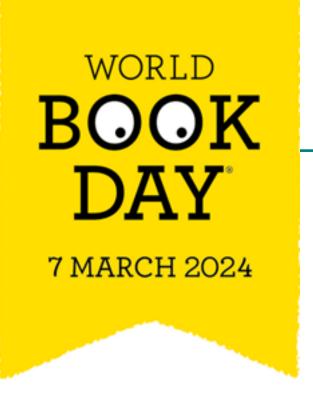
They have a bouncy castle that has a hole in it.



How many minutes does it take to deflate if all three bounce on it together?

Email your answer to Miss Aslett by the end of March. aslette@wellandparkacademy.com The winner will be randomly selected from all correct entries.





DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE CHARACTER FROM A BOOK. THERE IS A PRIZE FOR THE BEST COSTUME.



## Welland Park Academy Learning For Life

## **Newsletter Issue 23**



# Welland Park Academy Lunch & Deli Menu Week commencing 4th March 2024

	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 Loin of Pork with stuffing	Beef Lasagne	Battered Fish
Option 2	Jalapeno loaded Mac N Cheese	Kung Po Stir-Fry	Broccoli cheese bake	Leek & Mushroom Risotto	Veggie Burger
Sides	Wedges/Slaw	Noodles / sweetcorn	Roast potatoes / roasted roots & gravy	Garlic Bread / green salad	Chips / Beans
Authentic Italian	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar				
Hot Deli	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar	Tuna Melt Panini Jacket & Topping	Cheese & Onion Panini  Jacket & Topping	Roasted Veg Panini  Jacket & Topping	Cheese Panini Jacket & Topping

#### World Book Day Thursday 7th March



Harry Potter
Refreshments
Potion Drinks
Cakes
Biscuits
Prices from 50p

B1 Food Room 12.30 - 1.15







# Dementia Information Day

Tuesday 19th March 2024 10:00 - 14:00

The Lounge Congregational Church Market Harborough High Street LE16 7AF

Everyone is welcome!

Drop in, no need to book.

Free cakes and refreshments