



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

We are absolutely delighted to share some fantastic news with you all — **Welland Park Academy has been ranked 3rd in Leicestershire** for the percentage of students achieving **Grade 5 or above in both English and Mathematics GCSEs**, according to the Department for Education's Compare School Performance tables released today.

This marks a brilliant improvement from last year's 5th place and is a huge achievement for our school. It is a true testament to the incredible hard work and dedication of our staff and students, who continue to strive for excellence in everything they do. This success reflects the commitment of our entire school community, from the dedication of our teaching team to the effort and resilience of our students. We could not be prouder of what they have accomplished.

School name	Type of school	Number of pupils at end of key stage 4	Attainment 8 score	Grade 5 or above in English & maths GCSEs
The Market Bosworth School	Academy	154	59.4	72.1%
Manor High School	Academy	176	58.8	71.0%
Welland Park Academy	Academy	181	53.2	65.7%
Gartree High School	Academy	169	54	65.1%
Beauchamp College	Academy	294	55.8	63.3%

As many of you will know from the local press, we are also delighted to have been granted over £5 million of investment to improve and expand our school site. This marks a hugely exciting chapter in Welland Park Academy's journey, one that will benefit both our current students and generations to come.

Our ambitious development plans include the creation of a brand-new five-classroom block, a complete renovation and extension of our science facilities, and upgraded toilet areas across the site. These improvements will ensure that our students continue to learn in a modern, inspiring environment that supports excellence in every subject. It truly is an exciting time to be part of the Welland Park community as we build the facilities of the future. Take a look below at the artist's impression of what our new science block might look like:



We are also thrilled to introduce our brand-new half-termly newsletter, which will serve as your window into the vibrant life of Welland Park Academy. We hope this gives you a real sense of what makes our school such an exceptional place to learn, grow and belong. You can find it on the *About Us* page of our website: <https://www.wellandparkacademy.co.uk/about-us>.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Have a wonderful half-term break, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Monday 27th October** at the usual time.

Warm regards

Pete Leatherland—Principal



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IT'S COMING.....

If you would like to visit a Christmas market this year, this is your chance! A coach will leave Welland Park Academy at 8.00am on Sunday 23rd November and will arrive in Manchester at around 10.30am. It will leave Manchester at 5.30pm and return to Welland Park Academy at approximately 8.00pm giving you around 7 hours to explore Manchester.

Now in their 26th year, Manchester's Christmas Markets have become legendary, drawing millions to the city centre. With over 300 stalls spread across ten locations, visitors can enjoy seasonal treats, mulled wine, and a wonderful festive atmosphere. Whether you're after handmade gifts, craft items, or delicious food, the markets cater to all tastes and ages.

Craft and gift stalls will trade from 10 am to 8 pm, while food and drink stalls will serve from 11 am to 9 pm daily.

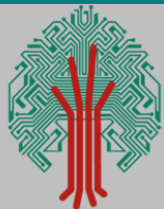
The city will be decked out with festive lights, creating the perfect backdrop for your Christmas selfies. Look out for giant walk-through baubles, the iconic Manchester bee, and Santa Claus himself, perched high above St Peter's Square, keeping track of who's been naughty or nice.

For those who love ice skating, Skate Manchester's covered rink returns to Cathedral Gardens. Whether it's raining or snowing, you can enjoy a magical skate under twinkling lights to the sound of festive music so if you are feeling energetic you can get your skates on and whizz around the ice rink.

There are plenty of options for everyone!

The trip will take place on Sunday 23rd November 2025 and the cost is £25 per person. This is a Fundraising Group organised trip so please feel free to invite family and friends. For further details please email Mrs Burgess burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com





ENGLISH—MAGICAL WORLD PORTALS

As part of their creative writing unit, our Year 7 students have been exploring the theme of magical portals to other worlds. Their imaginative designs have ranged from glittering winter wonderlands to eerie, desolate landscapes, each reflecting a unique vision and storytelling voice. This project has sparked wonderful creativity and enthusiasm and we're proud of the originality and effort shown by all involved.



Welland Park Academy Lunch & Deli Menu Week commencing 27th October 25

WEEK 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Concept	Indian	Italian	Best of British	Home Comforts	Chip Day
Option 1	Tandoori Chicken Hot Wrap	Beef Lasagne	Roast Loin of Pork, Stuffing & Gravy	Cottage Pie & Gravy	Sausages
Option 2	Chickpea Curry Hot Wrap	Mushroom Risotto	Broccoli Cheese Bake	Quorn Cottage Pie & Gravy	Veggie Sausages
Sides	Brown Rice Sweetcorn	Garlic & Herb Wedges Mixed Vegetables	Roast Potatoes Peas	Cabbage Carrots	Chips Baked Beans
Authentic Italian	Authentic Italian Pizza and Pasta Bar				
Hot Deli	Panini Jacket & Topping	Panini Jacket & Topping	Panini Jacket & Topping	Panini Jacket & Topping	Panini Jacket & Topping



RECOGNITION



Harry represented Leicestershire & Rutland Golf Union U14s Boys on Sunday.

He won his match helping the team to a triumphant win 5.5-0.5 against Northamptonshire.

Leicestershire Young Carers
A guide to our service

Leicestershire County Council

Young Carer assessment & 1:1 support 11+
We will work with you to look at your needs and where you need help

Available where there is no other worker from Children and Family Services involved

Young Carer Youth Group 11+
Open to Young Carers only
Fun activities, time to chill & meet new friends

Youth Council - CYCLE 11+
Are you interested in getting your voice heard, influencing decisions about Young Carers and Young People in general? Then you might be interested in our CYCLE group!

Young Adult Carers 15+ - virtual group
Advice & support specifically for Young Adult Carers

Young Carer Passport
Available to all Young Carers.
Helps with letting health professionals/schools/colleges know that you are a Young Carer and might need support.

For more information, to make a referral, or refer yourself please go to:
www.leics.gov.uk and search 'Young Carers' or talk to your support worker