

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

I am delighted to share some exciting developments at school, alongside a celebration of another incredibly busy and successful week for our students.

We have now received confirmation that building work on our fantastic new canopy will begin on Monday 29th June. This is a significant addition to our site and will provide much-needed additional dining space, as well as a covered social area for students to enjoy throughout the year.

In preparation for this work, a contractor compound will be set up from Thursday 24th June. As a result, the rear car park will be unavailable, and there will be temporary changes to access routes for the dining hall, Music and Drama areas. Students are being fully briefed on these temporary arrangements, and staff will be on hand to support them in navigating the site safely.

Our Year 10 students have had a fantastic week of enrichment and learning beyond the classroom. On Monday, the second group of geographers travelled to Hunstanton to complete their fieldwork, gaining valuable first-hand experience to support their studies.

At the same time, another group has been visiting Berlin as part of a history residential. The photographs and updates received from staff have been wonderful to see. Students have had an incredible experience and have conducted themselves with great maturity, representing the school exceptionally well. We are very proud of them.

We are incredibly proud to share that Mrs Gerald has been honoured with a prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award from the Pearson National Teaching Awards this week. This remarkable recognition celebrates her dedication, passion and sustained contribution to education over many years. Mrs Gerald is not only a highly valued and much-loved member of our staff, but also a familiar and respected figure within the wider community. Her commitment to supporting and inspiring young people has made a lasting impact on countless students and families. This award is a truly well-deserved acknowledgement of her outstanding career, and we are delighted to celebrate this achievement with her.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our families who took the time to send in such kind and thoughtful messages for National Thank a Teacher Day. It meant so much to our staff to feel so appreciated, and we made sure every message was shared and celebrated. Your support and recognition truly make a difference to our whole school community.

It has been an emotional and memorable week for our Year 11 students. Following the completion of their final GCSE examinations, they returned to school on Wednesday for their Leavers' Assembly and traditional shirt signing.

There were certainly a few tears, but also plenty of laughter—particularly during the showing of our now legendary leavers' video. If you would like to share in these special moments, you can watch the video here:

[Watch the Year 11 Leavers' Video](#)

It is also available on our Facebook page.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming Year 11 back next Friday for their much-anticipated Prom, which promises to be a wonderful celebration of their time with us.

With another period of hot weather forecast, we would like to remind parents and carers of the importance of staying safe in the heat. Students are encouraged to:

- Bring a refillable water bottle to school
- Make use of the water stations located across the site
- Wear a cap or hat during social times

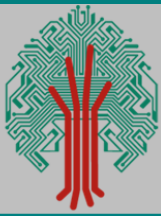
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Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us keep all students comfortable and safe during warmer conditions.

As always, thank you for your continued support. It has truly been a week full of achievement, opportunity and celebration across the school community.

Pete Leatherland—Principal





Wednesday 1st July 2026

5:45-7pm

Online



The link for this session is -
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/progressive-masculinity-parent-workshop-tickets-1987672808878?aff=oddtcreator>

Parental Support Session:

Confidence, Aspiration, Resilience & Positive Connections Supporting boys and young men to develop healthy, positive masculinities

Who is this session for?

Parents and carers of boys and young men who want to better understand the messages about masculinity their children are receiving and gain practical tools to support healthy, positive development at home.

About the session

This parental support session takes an aspirational approach to masculinity. It focuses on confidence, resilience and positive relationships and is delivered by practitioners who are also parents, with a clear understanding of the pressures families face today.

TO BOOK ONTO THIS SESSION:

BOOKING LINK



WEEK COMMENCING:-
20TH APRIL 2026,
11TH MAY 2026,
1ST JUNE 2026,
22ND JUNE 2026

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



Welland Park Academy
Learning For Life

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN # 1	 Beef Enchilada with Rice, salsa and salad	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice and Naan bread	Chicken Roast of the Day	BBQ Mandarin Pork with beggars' noodles & sweet chilli slaw	Pork Sausages with chips and beans
MAIN # 2	Vegetable Enchilada with Rice, salsa and salad	Mushroom & Spinach Rogan Josh with Rice and Naan Bread	Roasted Vegetable Lattice	Hoisin Stir Fry with beggars' noodles & sweet chilli slaw	Vegetarian Sausage with chips and beans
HANDHELD	Pizza, Panini's, toasties & lite bite of the day	Pizza, Panini's, toasties & lite bite of the day	Pizza, Panini's, toasties & lite bite of the day	Pizza, Panini's, toasties & lite bite of the day	Pizza, Panini's, toasties & lite bite of the day
BOWLED OVER	Loaded nachos	Pasta Kitchen (pesto or tomato & basil)	Curried Rice Bowls	Noodle Street	Pasta Bowls (mac & cheese or tomato)

Selection of cakes, muffins, cookies, brownies, flapjacks, hot puddings & custard

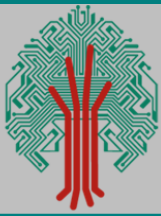
BAKERY & PUDDINGS

SUPER SPUDS
DON'T FORGET ABOUT OUR BAKED POTATOES WITH A VARIETY OF TOPPING FOR YOU TO CHOOSE FROM!

AVAILABLE EVERYDAY
FRESH FRUIT, YOGHURTS & JELLY



ALLERGIES
PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF STAFF IF YOU HAVE AN ALLERGY & NEED TO KNOW WHAT'S INSIDE OUR FOOD DISHES.



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REMINDERS



If your child has an Epi-pen or an inhaler, please ensure that we have a spare one in school that can be held in the front office. Please also check that it is in date.

We are seeing an increase in the number of youngsters that need antihistamines during the school day. If your child needs this medication, please drop some off at the school office.

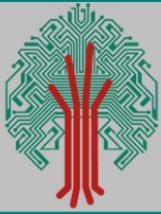


We hold a very limited supply of paracetamol and ibuprofen in school. If your child regularly needs painkillers or anti-inflammatories, please leave some in the school office that can be accessed when necessary.

STUDENTS SHOULD NOT CARRY ANY MEDICATION OTHER THAN AN EIPEN OR INHALER

AS THE WEATHER STARTS TO WARM UP, PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS A REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLE FOR DURING THE DAY





CONFIDENTIAL

Parent Booklet - Newsletter Content

Supporting Your Child's Mental Health: Introducing Tellmi

We are delighted to share information about **Tellmi**, a safe and anonymous mental health support app for young people. Tellmi is designed to provide a supportive community where young people can share their worries, seek advice, and learn coping strategies, all moderated by trained professionals.

How is Tellmi commissioned?

Tellmi is commissioned by the NHS and local authorities, meaning this valuable resource is available to your child at **no cost** to you. This partnership ensures that young people have access to clinically governed, confidential support.

Learn More with Our Parent Booklet

To help you understand exactly how Tellmi works and the comprehensive support it offers, we have created a guide to Tellmi. You can access this booklet digitally [here](#).

SHORTER VERSION

What is Tellmi? Information for Parents/Guardians

Tellmi is a free, safe, and anonymous mental health support app available to your child, thanks to NHS and local authority funding. It provides a moderated space for young people to talk about their feelings and connect with others who understand.

We know you may have questions about your child using a digital mental health service. To help you understand exactly how Tellmi works, including their commitment to safety and moderation, Tellmi has created a short information booklet.

[\[Click here to read the 'What is Tellmi? Information for Parents/Guardians' booklet\]](#)

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IF YOU SEND A MESSAGE INTO SCHOOL ADVISING THAT YOUR CHILD WILL NEED TO LEAVE SCHOOL EARLY DUE TO AN APPOINTMENT ETC, PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU STATE WHETHER YOUR CHILD HAS PERMISSION TO LEAVE SITE ALONE.

WE WILL NOT ALLOW A STUDENT TO LEAVE UNLESS WE KNOW THEY HAVE PERMISSION TO DO SO.

MANY THANKS