

6th June 2025

Dear Parent and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome the students back to school after the half term break. They have returned ready to learn and make the most of the opportunities that summer term always brings to the students. There are details below of the Enrichment Week we have planned this half term and of course following the success of Sportsfest last year this will run again on Wednesday 16th July with more details to follow.



We have had an exciting start to the Year 6 transition where students have attended Waseley Hills High School from the Primary schools and spent the morning exploring the school layout, lesson structures, meeting and greeting our SEND and Pastoral Team. We have also learnt a lot about them during our tour of the school, Circle Time and during team-building exercises (our Year 6s are certainly very creative!). We look forward to seeing more in the following few weeks before our whole year transition on the 1st and 2nd July.

Year 7 and Year 8 hosted St John's Middle School on Wednesday for a netball tournament. Waseley fielded 3 teams who all played their hearts out. The girls were against some tough opposition but showed great determination and resilience throughout each game until the final whistle went. It was a great opportunity for the girls to develop their confidence, teamwork and communication skills. The girls showed great pride in representing the school.



To mark the start of PRIDE month our Sixth Form Diversity Committee have organised a number of events that will take place throughout June. Today saw the first of our 'Fizzy Fridays' where students can purchase colourful sweet treats at break time for up to £1, this will take place every Friday in June and students are encouraged to bring in small amounts of cash if they

wish to purchase any items. The committee have also been working with pastoral leaders to plan and prepare materials that will be delivered through our tutor programme on protected characteristics and will be hosting our first LGBTQIA+ student group this half term where students can come together and share their thoughts on how we, as a school community, can continue to be a safe and inclusive space for all.

This year we are pleased to launch Enrichment Week 2025, which will take place the week beginning 14th July. This promises to be a fantastic week of activities for our students where they will have the opportunity to learn outside the classroom, engage in cultural and practical activities that complement and enhance our curriculum as well as

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building on their personal development journey. The Loudmouth theatre in education company will be performing an educational piece for all year groups tackling some of the social issues that our young people face on a daily basis. We will be joined by the RAF and the Army to lead personal development sessions. St John's ambulance will deliver training on street first aid. Aquarius will be in to talk about the dangers of vaping, WEST from the NHS will offer insight into the challenges high school can offer and how to overcome them and the Wellbeing Crew will deliver sessions in Tai Chi, Yoga and resilience training. We are also lucky to have two published performance poets in to hold a mass engagement event for each year group to promote oracy and presentation skills, bringing the page to stage and moving through to the digital age.

Finally, please be aware that we have had a report of head lice in the school, please could you check and treat your son/daughter's hair before returning on Monday.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mr T Preston

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Preston', written in a cursive style.

Principal