

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Friday 25th September

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been an excellent one again for our school showcasing what it means to fulfill the Central Region Schools Trust Enrichment Guarantee. Yesterday saw our Year 7 and Year 11 students see a live gig in our theatre from the band thanks to Mrs Edwards securing a performance for them. It was incredible to see the number of Year 7 students who had never been to a live performance of a band and got to experience it for the first time. We believe that this sort of education is just as important as classroom based learning and I hope that the Year 7s were inspired to go on and take part in the musical performance opportunities that we have at Waseley Hills High School.



During the performance, the band also spoke to the students about mental wellbeing, neurodivergence and overcoming challenge and adversity. We even had several students perform with the band on stage! Huge congratulations to the performers including Jacob T, Toby R, Tjay S, Holly E, Lilly G, Maisie M, William G, Myles HT and Roman O.



Yesterday also saw our girls football team take on St. Johns Middle School. Though the result was not what we wanted, the students showed great teamwork and resilience in learning from the defeat and not letting it dissade them from further practice before their next fixture. Thank you for the PE staff for putting this fixture on and providing the opportunity for the team to develop.





Open Evening

Next Wednesday 30th September we have our Open Evening where we showcase the wonderful school to our Year 6 parents and carers. A reminder that we will close early at 12:15pm to allow students and staff time to prepare for the evening. There will be an extended break to ensure that students can get their usual food, including those on Free School Meals.

Traffic on School Site

Can we remind parents and carers that we would like **no cars** to be on school site for the dropping off and picking up of students each day. We have 800+ students who we need to ensure safely travel to and from school and the congestion caused by parents who park inside the blue gates causes a safety risk to our young people. We have worked incredibly hard with you over the years to support this and we encourage parents and carers to park in nearby residential roads and walk to collect students, or wait for them to walk to you at the blue gates. This ensures that students do not have to worry about traffic at such busy times. Thank you for your support in this as we continue to work together to provide a safe school site for our young people.

NGRT Reading Assessments

Please take the time to read carefully the letter from Mrs Holland about the NGRT reading assessments that are due to start over the next few weeks.

Kind regards,



Mr T Preston