



Woodbrook Vale News Sheet

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Year 11 GCSE French

If you were unable to attend the Parents' Information Evening on Tuesday 5 February, information packs are available to collect from your child's French teacher. Alternatively, please email me and I will post one out to you: fkitching@wbvs.co.uk
Intervention sessions continue during Monday lunchtimes or your child can see a class teacher for an alternative slot.

The speaking exam is during the week commencing **Monday 29 April**.

Mrs Kitching, Teacher of MFL

Attendance Award

The highest attending registration group for last week was 10BD with an excellent weekly attendance of 98.8%. 10BD enjoyed a reward breakfast this morning.

Congratulations to all members of 10BD.

Mrs Moreton, Attendance Officer



Personal Development Lessons

PD lessons scheduled for the week commencing

Monday 11 February:

Year 7: Health and Wellbeing: Personal Safety

Year 8: Revision Skills

Year 9: Relationships & Risks: Contraception

Year 11: Relationships & Risks: Who is affected, how does it feel?

Please discuss the topics we are covering in PD lessons with your child. If any issues are raised that you would like us to be aware of, please contact your child's form tutor.

tellbytext

Woodbrook Vale offers a system for students to report bullying called tellbytext. If a student would like to report that they are being bullied, they may:

- text 21153 and their message to 07781474660
- leave a voice message at 0845 2258230
- report online at www.tellbytext.com



Ofsted Inspection

Thank you to all students and parents who contributed to our Ofsted inspection earlier this week. Initial findings are being verified and a report will be published within the next few weeks.

Mr Peat, Headteacher



WE Scare Hunger

Woodbrook Vale School has been collecting dry food items to help local food banks in Loughborough, in partnership with Tesco. Tutor groups have been competing with each other to bring in as many food items as possible over the period Monday 28 January to Friday 8 February. Thanks to all those who have kindly handed in items. Food bags will be collected next week and delivered to our local food banks.

For a small voluntary contribution of £1, there will be a **non-uniform day** for all students on **Thursday 14 February**. Donations will be sent to WE Charity.

Miss Limbachia, Head of Year 8



Dog Rescue

A local resident would like to thank all of the Woodbrook Vale students who helped her find and catch a stray dog this week.

The students were extremely helpful and responsible; even phoning their parents to inform them that they may be late home!

A big well done to:

Rebekah Ashton, 7CL

Jake Smith, 8CW

Joseph Barber, 8CW

(Unfortunately, we do not have the names of all of the students involved).

You have all been great ambassadors for Woodbrook Vale School.

Thankfully, there is a happy ending: the dog has been reunited with its owner.



Sport

Tuesday 12 February

Year 9 Boys' Football versus Charnwood College at Woodbrook Vale School, 3:30-5:00pm.

Year 9 Girls' Netball versus Charnwood College at Woodbrook Vale School, 3:30-5:00pm.

Thursday 14 February

Year 10 Boys' Football versus Charnwood College at Charnwood College, 3:30-5:00pm.

Year 10 Girls' Netball versus Charnwood College at Charnwood College, 3:00-5:30pm.

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Training

All Year 10 BRONZE DofE Award students have their first expedition (after school training session) on **Tuesday 12 February**, 3:15pm - 4:30pm in the Sportshall classroom. As attendance is compulsory, please ensure that your child is available (no special personal equipment is needed at this time).

Mrs Diaper, Teacher of PE & DofE Manager

Letters

All letters can be viewed on the school website:

www.wbvs.co.uk

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day was on Tuesday 5 February 2019. This year's theme was "Together for a better internet". More than a thousand organisations and schools across the UK have been involved to help inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively.

This year in the UK, Safer Internet Day has focused on how consent works in an online context and asked young people to explore how they ask, give, and receive consent online.

This could be in their friendships or relationships, how they take and share images and videos or how they manage their privacy and data.

Woodbrook Vale has been doing various activities throughout the week including assemblies, tutor-time and PD activities in order for our students to consider what they are sharing and how to be in control of their data that is stored with the large software app companies.

Please refer to the 'Conversation Starters' for parents/carers on the following pages.

Mr Danby, Head of Faculty: Computing & Business Studies

Year 10 Drop Down Day 2

Year 10 students took part in Drop Down Day 2 on Tuesday 5 February. The day involved a 'market place' activity where the students had a taste of all topics as part of their Year 10 Personal Development curriculum.

The day started with group research tasks, working with their tutor groups, followed by a session which focused on producing some outstanding resources.

After lunch, the whole year group took part in an exciting resource sharing activity in the gym, a little like Loughborough market, sharing everything they had learned about earlier that day.

The day was rounded off with reflections on what had been achieved. Excellent feedback was received on what was a very successful day.

Miss Reeves, Head of PD



Our House

After many months of preparation, commitment and hard work, this year's long-awaited school production 'Our House' was finally presented to eager audiences. The story at the heart of the musical explores the consequences of the choices we make by following two possible paths that a young man's life could take as a result of just one decision. This is infused with the music of one of the most prominent English bands during the late 70s/early 80s: the inimitable ska group 'Madness' who are celebrating their 40th anniversary this year. Students across all year groups have worked tirelessly in front of as well as behind the curtains - operating lighting and sound, as well as our talented band who brought the iconic music to life - all to ensure the success of this year's show. This year's cast and crew have been exceptional; they have behaved impeccably and worked together consistently, becoming a little family. It has been a real privilege to work with such a talented and dedicated group of individuals who have made this show such a memorable experience. It will be with sadness that we bid farewell to the incomparable Year 11's who have contributed so much to this and every show in their five years here but those who remain are excitedly waiting with bated breath to discover what next year's performance might be. Watch this space!

Mrs Hopkinson, Teacher of Drama & Mr Parsons, Course Leader: Music



Safer Internet Day is a fantastic opportunity to have a conversation with children about using the internet safely, responsibly and positively. Whether you are a parent, grandparent, foster carer, aunt, uncle or older sibling – we can all play a role in empowering children to enjoy their time online!

This year, the UK Safer Internet Centre is particularly focusing on how consent works in an online context and exploring how young people ask, give, and receive consent online. This could be in their friendships or relationships, how they take and share images and videos or how they manage their privacy and data. These conversation starters are a great way to help you talk about these issues with children.

Get the conversation started on a positive note with these conversation starters!

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- ✦ What do you like most about the internet and why? What's your favourite game/app/site?
- ✦ How does going online make you feel?
- ✦ How does the internet/technology make your life better?
- ✦ What could you do if being online is making you feel worse rather than better?
- ✦ What is different about talking online to someone compared to talking face to face? Is there anything that is the same?
- ✦ Can people say/do whatever they want online? Why/why not?

- ★ Do you know where to go for help, where to find safety advice and how to use safety tools on your favourite apps and games?
- ★ What is okay/not okay to share online? Why?
- ★ What could you do if you saw a friend online needed some help or support?
- ★ How do you stay safe online? What tips do you have and where did you learn them?
- ★ Help me! Can you show me how to do something better/safer online?

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Talk
about
safety



- ◀ How many things can we share online? (pictures, comments, personal information, opinions etc.)
- ◀ What do we like to share online?
- ◀ What should we not share online?
- ◀ What should we do before sharing things online?
- ◀ What do we do if someone shares something about us that we don't like?
- ◀ Can your parents/ carers share things about you online and vice versa?

- ✓ What is consent online and when do we need to ask for it?
- ✓ How do we ask for consent online? How do we give consent online?
- ✓ How do we say no/not give consent?
- ✓ What happens if we share something about someone else without their consent? What happens if somebody doesn't want to give consent?
- ✓ How do we explain to our friends and family about consent? What would we like them to know/do?
- ✓ How do my friends and family ask for my consent and permission?
- ✓ Do you have any tips for how to show respect online and be considerate of others with what we share?

Talk about online consent and respect within young people's friendships and relationships

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- 🔒 Who owns content online?
- 🔒 What is copyright and how can I use and share work?
- 🔒 What does the internet know about us?
- 🔒 How do you sign up to things? What are terms and conditions?
- 🔒 Who owns your data?
- 🔒 How do connected devices, apps, games ask for my permission to collect or share my information – can I ask for that back?
- 🔒 What happens if something is used without my consent?

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