



WOODBROOK VALE

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 21st March 2025

CONGRATULATIONS



**WELL DONE TO ALL OF OUR STUDENTS RECEIVING A HEADTEACHERS
COMMENDATION THIS WEEK**

ACHIEVEMENTS

On Monday 17th March, 16 swimmers attended the North Charnwood Swimming competition at De Lisle. Woodbrook Vale entered 6 swimmers in to the KS3 Girls category, 5 swimmers in to the KS3 Boys category, and 5 swimmers into the KS4 Boys category. There was some fantastic displays from our students, with some incredibly close races. Congratulations to all of the participants, and a special mention to the following students who came 1st in their respective races.

Kaiya Lockton – KS3 Girls Backstroke & KS3 Girls Butterfly
Isaac Mason – KS3 Boys Breaststroke
Oliver Hatton – KS4 Boys Butterfly
Olly Lockton – KS4 Boys Freestyle

Points were awarded according to finishing places, with scores totalled together to find a winning girls team and a winning boys team. The girls team finished in 7th place, and the boys team finished in 2nd place, just missing out on qualifying for the County Finals in April. Well done to all involved!



NETBALL

On Tuesday 18th March, 6 Sports Leaders went to Charnwood College to support at the primary schools BEE Netball competition. 10 primary schools attended the event, and there was a special guest appearance from Loughborough Lightning Netball captain Nat Panagarry! The Sports Leaders were in charge of scoring and timing, a crucial role which they all completed with high accuracy and efficiency. Well done to Alexandra, Frank, Evie, Arielle, Daniel and Megan!

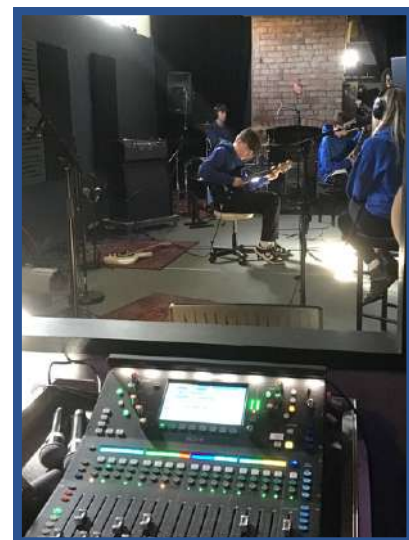


GCSE MUSIC TRIP TO 4Q ARTS FACTORY

The Year 11 GCSE Music students had a day visit to the 4Q Arts Factory in Loughborough this week. They were recording their solo and ensemble coursework performances in a professional music recording environment.

The students had a great day and produced some high quality recordings that they will have forever. During the day they also had a chance to experience the technical side workings of a professional music studio.

Thanks go out to Hiten at 4Q Arts Factory for supporting the day and taking the time to educate the students around the technical aspects and also exploring the career opportunities in the music industry.



Mr Hynes and Mr Roffe

THROUGH THE LENSE

Henry Wheeler took some time trying to find our desired subject 'the red kite'. Henry has a keen interest in the red kites that circulate WBV and knew exactly what he was looking for, even showing me which is their favourite tree.

I spent some time showing Henry how to use the camera and he was a quick study. As you can see, we also practiced some nature photography, not just wildlife, with photographing the trees on an angle to capture the detail within.

After taking the photos, we then uploaded them onto the PC and I showed Henry how to edit photos. Henry did all the editing himself and described them using words such as "texture" and "vibrancy".

Ms. Green



'They managed to capture some great photos and there may well be a career in photography for Henry in the future!'

Mr Hynes

Photo Credit - Henry Wheeler

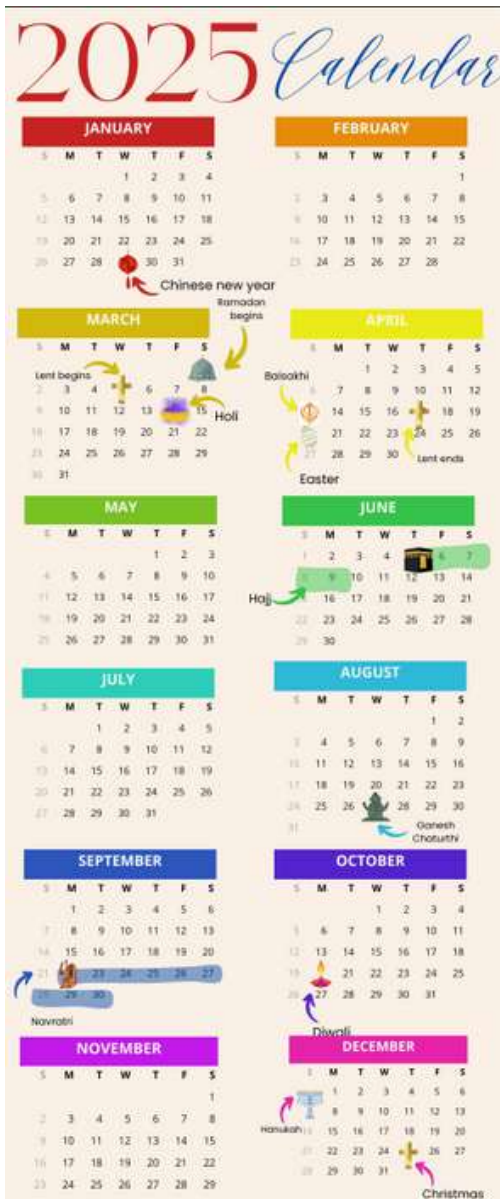
Holi

THE FESTIVAL OF COLOUR

Holi is a major Hindu festival celebrated as the Festival of Colours, Love, Equality and Spring. It celebrates the eternal and divine love of the deities Radha and Krishna. Additionally, the day signifies the triumph of good over evil, as it commemorates the victory of Vishnu as Narasimha over Hiranyakashipu.

Holi also celebrates the arrival of spring in India, the end of winter, and the blossoming of love. It is also an invocation for a good spring harvest season. It lasts for a night and a day, starting on the evening of the Purnima (full moon day) falling on the Hindu calendar month of Phalguna, which falls around the middle of March in the Gregorian calendar.

Our Student Diversity Group within Woodbrook Vale will be sharing religious celebrations which are important to them throughout the year.



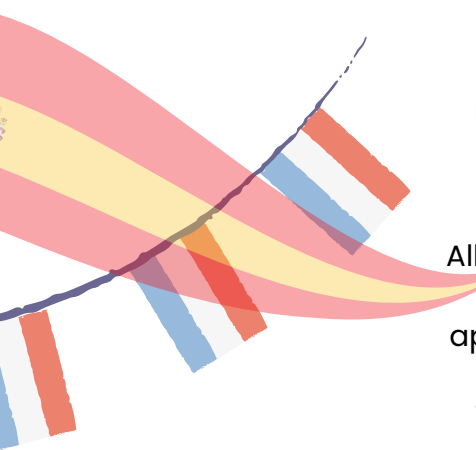


IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS



There have been concerns regarding the number of parents who have been parking on Grasmere Drive. Complaints have been raised around parents blocking driveways of the local residents, and refusing to move when asked to.

Please be considerate of the residents in our community. Thankyou for your understanding and cooperation



GCSE FRENCH AND SPANISH SPEAKING EXAMS

These will take place w/c 28th April.

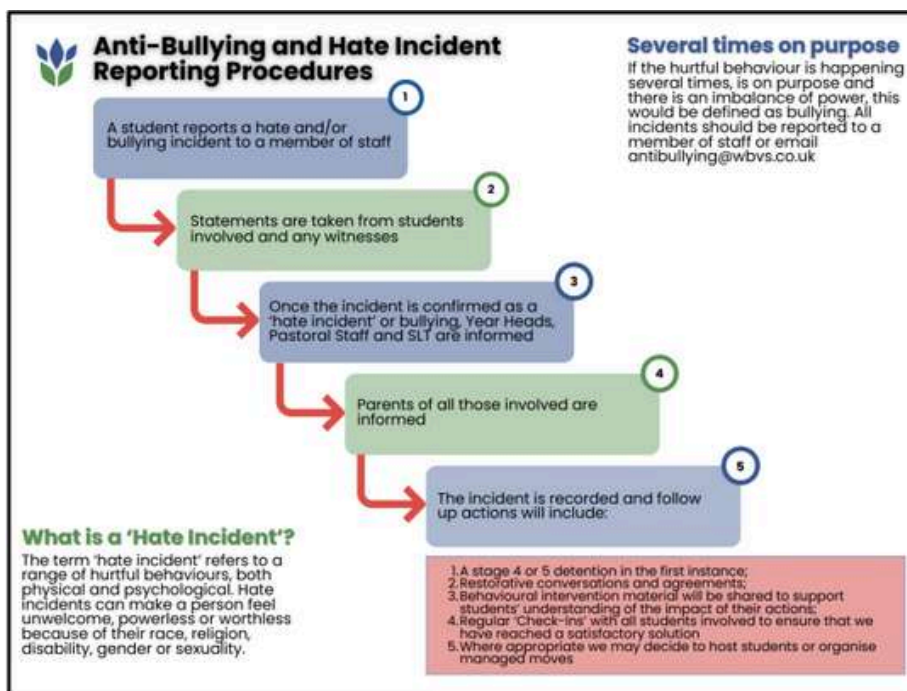
All students will have an individual time slot and need to have learned their speaking answers on all topics. If students have any medical or dental appointments this week they should check with their teacher to ensure the appointments don't clash.

Thank you to those who attended the information evening for speaking assessments last night. If you were unable to attend and would like an information pack please contact me by email.

fkitching@wbvs.co.uk

Mrs Kitching

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MFL LANGUAGE LEARNING AND HOMEWORK



www.linguascope.com is a useful website for reinforcing vocabulary and students can work on it independently at home if they wish.

For all students the username = woodbrook password = traveltheworld

Students will also be given an individual username and password for the language learning site www.languagenut.com, this password works for both French and Spanish.

For both sites there is an app which can be downloaded.

SPARX MATHS

Homework will be set on a Thursday, and due by Wednesday 8am.

Need somewhere in school to complete your homework? Come to room 13 on a Monday or Tuesday lunch and use the chromebooks there, or attend the usual homework club.

Parents / Carers – Sparx will tailor questions to the level of your child if they complete the homework independently, using the videos to help if needed.

For more information on Sparx, following this link

<https://sparxmaths.com/parents/>

We look forward to students earning lots of XP points by completing their homework on time and achieving 100%!

-Mr Bruce

HOMework CLUB

Looking for a quiet and supportive space to get your homework done? Come along to the Homework Club in the **school library every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.**

Open to students from all year groups, the Homework Club is the perfect place to focus on your assignments, study, or catch up on work. There's no obligation to stay for the entire hour—drop in for as long as you need!

Whether you're looking for a peaceful environment to concentrate or need some guidance with your tasks, the Homework Club is here to help. We look forward to seeing you there!



YEAR 11 SCIENCE REVISION

Lunchtime revision schedule:

Tues: Physics
Wed: Biology
Thursday: Chemistry

Afterschool revision schedule

We look forward to seeing you there!
Science Department



	Room		Topics
21/03/2025	Lab 3	Lab 2	Bio Paper 1
28/03/2025	Room 25	Lab 1	Physics Paper 1
04/04/2025	Lab 2	Lab 1	Chem Paper 1
11/04/2025	Lab 2	Lab 1	Bio Paper 1
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02/05/2025	Room 25	Lab 3	Physics Paper 1
09/05/2025	Lab 2	Lab 1	Chem Paper 1
16/05/2025	Room 25	Lab 1	Physics Paper 1



Last weeks answer:

What is the purpose of a transformer - To increase (step up) or decrease (step down) the voltage of an alternating current.

This weeks conundrum question:

What is osmosis?

SPORTS CLUB TIMETABLE

UPDATED SPORTS CLUB TIMETABLE AS OF MONDAY 3RD MARCH



Woodbrook Vale Sports Clubs



Day	Club	Year Group	Time	Location
Monday	Badminton	KS3	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
Tuesday	Pickleball	All years	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
	Football	Year 8 boys	After school (3-4pm)	Field
	Netball	Year 7 & 8	After school (3-4pm)	Ball court/Sports hall
Wednesday	Badminton	Year 10	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
Thursday	Basketball	All years	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall
	Netball	Year 9/10/11	After school (3-4pm)	Ball court/Sports hall
Friday	Badminton	Year 11	Lunch time (12:25-1pm)	Sports hall

SPORTS FIXTURES MARCH 2025



Sports Fixtures

Swimming

All years

Monday 17th March @ De Lisle

Girls Futsal

Year 8 & 9

Wednesday 19th March @ Limehurst Academy

Sports Hall Athletics

Year 7 & 8

Thursday 20th March @ Charnwood College

Boys Rugby

Year 10

Wednesday 9th April @ Charnwood College

Keep an eye on the bulletin for information on how to sign up.

YEAR 11 AUTUMN TERM INTERVENTION 2024/25

Intervention has started for Year 11s to support them in preparing for mock exams and their GCSEs. Well done to all Year 11s who have already been attending. Any questions, please speak to your teacher, or the Head of Faculty in the first instance.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	ADT	Physics	Biology Geography/History /Sociology English (invite- starting after half term)	Chemistry	
After School	Maths (Invite)	French (speaking) ADT Food (Invite)	Spanish	I Media ADT English (invite - starting after half term)	Science (invite)

Health and Social Care - please speak to Mr Moore about completing coursework.

Invited Students - your teacher will inform you if you have been invited. You are expected to attend these. Attendance will be check and followed up. If you are unsure, speak to your teacher in the first instance.

WOODBROOK VALE CLUBS

Day	Club	Staff Member	Year Group (s)	Time	Room	Starting Date	End Date
Monday	Christian Union	Mr Lewney	All Years	12.30 - 1.10 pm	Room 15	September 2024	ongoing
	Art & Design GCSE	Art Dept Staff	Year 10/11	12.30 – 1.10 pm	Art 1/2/workshp	September 2024	ongoing
	Drama Club	Mrs Hopkinson	All Years	3 - 4 pm	Drama studio	October 2024	ongoing
Tuesday	Darts Club	Mr Clargo	KS3 & KS4	12:35 – 1:10 pm	Room 12	September 2024	ongoing
	Wellbeing & Mindfulness Club	Miss Vaughan	All Years	12:25 – 1:10 pm	Room 3	September 2024	ongoing
	Art & Design GCSE	Art Dept Staff	Year 10/11	3 – 4 pm	Art1/2/workshop	September 2024	ongoing
	Homework Club	Miss Roberts	All Years	3 – 4 pm	Library	September 2024	ongoing
Wednesday	Games & Chess Club	Mr Ayres	All Years	12:30 – 1:10 pm	Room 15	September 2024	ongoing
	Arts Award	Mrs Philippou	Year 9	12:30 – 1:10 pm	Art 1	September 2024	ongoing
	Homework Club	Miss Roberts	All Years	3 – 4 pm	Library	September 2024	ongoing
Thursday	Darts Club	Mr Clargo	KS4	12:35 – 1:10 pm	Room 12	September 2024	ongoing
	Homework Club	Miss Roberts	All Years	3 – 4 pm	Library	September 2024	ongoing
	Art & Design GCSE	Art Dept staff	Year 10/11	3 – 4 pm	Art 1/2/workshop	September 2024	ongoing
Friday	Careers Club	Mrs McSwiney	Years 7 & 8	12:30 – 1:10pm	Room 3	September 2024	ongoing

IYC Hub

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APRIL 14TH-27TH
11-16YR OLDS

★ **HAF Offer (For Pupil Premium Eligible Children)**

- ✓ 4 FREE sessions over the Easter holidays
- ✓ Includes a food voucher for the Snack Shack
- ✓ HAF codes go out this week – check with your school/council!

💰 **Non-Pupil Premium Offer**

- ✓ £10.50 per session (includes a food voucher)
- ✓ Open to all young people who want to join in the fun!

 **Daily Schedule:**

- 🕒 11 AM – 1 PM | Social Time (chill, games, snacks)
- 🌱 1 PM – 3 PM | Urban Innovators Garden Project
- 🎭 3 PM – 6/8 PM | Regular Hub Activities (crafts, mini gym, movie nights & more!)

🚀 **Spaces are limited! Visit our website for full details & booking info.**

www.inspireyouthcollective.co.uk

50, Market Street,
Ashby-De-La-Zouch
Opening Hours:
11-6 Mon, Tue, Wed
11-8 Thurs, Fri
11-3 - Community
Support Saturdays



TeenHealth Drop in's and Appointments:

Woodbrook Vale School work alongside Teen Health and welcomes Mindy, Young Peoples Wellbeing Officer, to Woodbrook Vale School.

Mindy will be available every Thursday to work with student's on the following:

- Confidence and Self Esteem
- Emotional regulation/self-care
- Mental Health & emotional wellbeing
- Body Image
- Friendships

Arranged drop in's: Period 1 and Period 2 every Thursday

If you would like an appointment with Mindy, please see Miss Briers in the inclusion room.

Drop in's:

Mindy will be available for a chat on Thursday mornings during break time. She will be located in the Head of Year Office between 10:25am-10:45am.

Referrals

Self Referral – Students can access the Teen Health service by completing the [Teen Health 11-19 Referral Form.](#)

Refer your child:

If you would like any further information about Teen Health or you would like to make a referral for your young person, please contact Miss Briers (Student Welfare and Behaviour Assistant) on lbriers@wbvs.co.uk

All referrals must have consent from the young person. Please click the link if you would like further information - <https://teenhealth.org.uk>

SUPPORT SERVICES

All numbers are available 24/7

CENTRAL ACCESS POINT

Call for urgent mental health needs or when you are in crisis. This number can be also used by friends or family.

 **0808 800 3302**

SAMARITANS

A free, **completely confidential** number to call when you need to talk to someone.


 **116 123**

They also have an email service:

 **JO@SAMARITANS.ORG**

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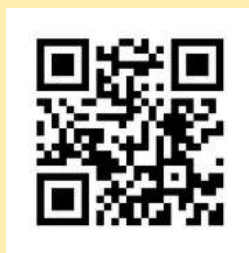
A free and confidential **text messaging** support service.

 text **"SHOUT"**
to **85258**

CHILDLINE

 **0800 1111**

The ChildLine website is for young people OF ALL AGES! It has message boards and lots of resources on a range of different topics that can affect your mental health.



WWW.CHILDLINE.ORG.UK

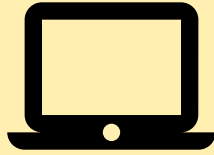
They also have a 1-2-1 counsellor chat feature where you can access support.



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HARMLESS

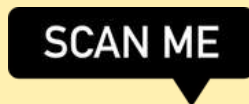
Harmless is a centre dedicated to self-harm and suicide support and prevention.



Their website is full of resources for anyone needing support as well as friends and family members.



WWW.HARMLESS.ORG.UK



They offer face-to-face sessions to anyone in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. They have a self-referral form on their website.

TELLMI

Tellmi is a safe, anonymous **app** where you can talk about absolutely anything.

From anxiety to autism, dating to depression, self-harm to self-esteem.



WWW.TELLMI.HELP

YOUNGMINDS

The YoungMinds website is full of advice and information for young people and family members to help look after mental health.



SCAN ME

WWW.YOUNGMINDS.ORG.UK

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