



PARENT UPDATE

Friday 8th May 2026

Another two weeks have flown by, and our students continue to make me proud of their support for one another and for our staff. The general day to day positive actions around the school fill me with joy (saying good morning, holding the door open, moving to lessons on time, carrying someone else's bag, saying thank you, etc.), it is the simple pleasures and daily gratitude which make the days speed past. Students have supported one another during the start of the Yr11 and Yr13 public examinations, they have followed all examination expectations and have attended all their revision sessions with enthusiasm; they have been a true credit to the school.

I hosted my first Headteacher's Breakfast last week with Year 10 students (Louie, Carys, Ben, Federick, Jenson and Tilly). They have some incredibly inspiring plans for their future careers and are excellent role models for younger year groups. The Headteacher's Awards box is also filling up with the end of term nominations, please do remind your children that actions which show aspiration, inquisitiveness and independence can be nominated for an award.

Wellington has a strong culture of safeguarding and continuing professional development for our staff. We have a variety of mechanisms in the school which aid with analysis and methods of keeping everyone safe. Currently as part of staff self-reflection some lessons are recorded and are stored on secure analysis software for the use of reflection and feedback. In addition, our extensive CCTV system will be refurbished over the summer holidays and as part of a wider Trust we will be exploring the use of body cameras for selected members of staff to be trained with. These measures ensure we have a safer environment for the students and staff here at Wellington.

Last Thursday saw our final Parents' Evening of the year, with strong attendance from our Year 8 families. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend as I was at a Trust Conference, but I look forward to meeting parents and carers at future **Meet the Headteacher** events. Dates for these are attached to this email.

Finally, thank you to parents/carers who collect their child(ren) at the end of the school day for supporting us in keeping all students safe by parking appropriately and following our one way system. The bus can now safely access the school site, enabling us to keep all students safe.

I hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Best Wishes

Hannah Whitaker
Headteacher



NOTICES

Diary Dates

May

Thursday 7th
Swimming Gala

Friday 22nd
CCF Dinner Night

Term Dates

Friday 22nd May
Last Day of Term

Monday 1st June
Return to school

Wednesday 22nd July
Last Day of Term

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Catering Specials

Thursday 21st May - Chinese Fake Away

Lost property Reminder

We currently have a large number of items in lost property. All lost property is available to collect from Student Services, located by the Pastoral Hub. Please remind your child to collect any belongings before the half term.

Celebrations and Trips

Well done to our Year 7 girls Football Team who beat South Wilts Grammar School **3-2** in a thrilling final to win the Wiltshire Plate - Congratulations girls - We are so proud!!

Congratulations to all students who performed in the Inter Trust Dance Show Case at Kingsbury Green Academy on Tuesday 28th April. You were a fantastic representation of The Wellington Academy, showcasing fantastic spirit and enthusiasm.

Exercise Bluecoat 2026 - Cadets from The Wellington Academy CCF partnered with Christ's Hospital CCF for a five-day exercise, combining time in the field and camp with urban ops training, competitions, and range activities.

Year 9 and Year 10 Rewards Trips

Don't Forget to sign-up for the July Rewards trips to Chessington via ParentPay. Deposits need to be paid by the 21st of May to secure your place. Unfortunately no sign-ups will be accepted after this deadline.