

Windsor News and Information



www.windsorhighschool.org.uk

[@Windsor Tweets](https://twitter.com/WindsorTweets)

www.facebook.com/windsorhighschoolandsixthform

6th January 2023 Issue: 15

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 11 th January	Year 7 Parents Evening
Monday 16 th January	Years 7 to 9 Nasal Flu Vaccine

Year 11 Parents' Evening: Thursday 26th January 2023 - Key dates for the booking process through ParentMail



Wednesday 11 th January	ParentMail message will be sent to advise you of the process for booking Y11 parents' evening appointments. It is a straight forward process, but if you need help you can visit the ParentMail help site: https://www.parentmail.co.uk/help/parenthelp/applications/parents-evening-manager/
Thursday 12 th January @ 6pm	Appointments are live on ParentMail.
Monday 23 rd January	Appointments close – you will not be able to make appointments after this time.
Tuesday 25 th January	Appointment times emailed to you via ParentMail as a reminder – please bring this information with you on the 26 th (appointment times will not be available on the evening).

Due to Health & Safety and Safeguarding, please **do not** arrive before 4.15pm, please enter through the Science foyer to register your attendance.

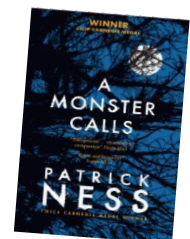
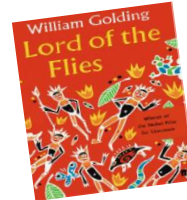
You will need to be registered on ParentMail to be able to book appointments – if you would like us to send you a registration email, please contact school with your email address.

If you would like assistance with booking appointments, please contact school on 0121 550 1452.

Tutor Reading at Windsor

Students in Years 7 to 10 read once a week with their Form Tutor in order to encourage reading for pleasure and to acquire vocabulary and reading knowledge they can use across the curriculum. The texts they will read during the Spring Term are as follows:

- Year 7: A Kind of Spark
- Year 8: Alice in Wonderland
- Year 9: A Monster Calls
- Year 10: Lord of the Flies



Special points of interest:

- **PTA** – for information about joining, contact Mr Andi Buckley on 0121 550 1452
- **Lost Property** is kept for two weeks. Students are notified of items via the daily message sheet.
- **Uniform:** Sales are now online: <https://www.swischoolwear.co.uk/>

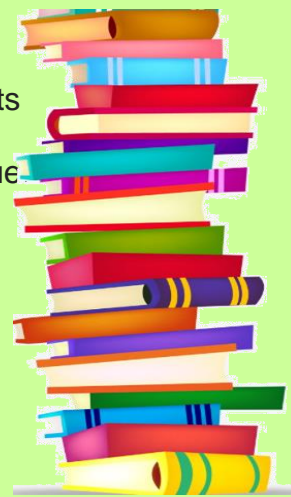
World Cup AR Reading Challenge

For the past few weeks we have held a reading challenge competition. Students who read for more than 20 minutes each day got into the Premier League. Students who read for 15 – 20 minutes a day got into the Championship League. And students who read for 10 – 15 minutes each day got into League One.

The top three students in the Premier League receive a £5.00 book token. And the results are now in:

1st: Helena FB - Year 8, 2nd: Ruby H - Year 8, 3rd: Esther C - Year 7

Congratulations and enjoy your book tokens! Happy reading.



Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities

We are pleased to, once again, offer a full and varied schedule of Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities for our students to participate in this term.



A list of the clubs on offer is attached to this newsletter, and all clubs are also listed in the extra-curricular section of our website. Clubs are free and all students are welcome to attend as many clubs as often as they wish. There is no need to pre-register so students can attend whichever sessions suit them, giving them the chance to experience a wide range of new things and discover new interests.

We look forward to seeing as many of our students as possible taking advantage of these opportunities.



Sixth Form News



Subject consultations will be taking place from next week. All students who have applied to Sixth Form will have a subject discussion with a member staff. Students will be notified via email when their consultation will take place.

Please arrive promptly at the time stated.

French Stars of the Week



Year 7 – Ky B, Boo C, Bryan C, Izzy D, Macey-May F, Iman H, Amani J, Sophie L, Ava Y

Year 8 – Fatima A, Florence A, Eliza B, Eloise E, Wasim K, Kailan J, Cameron M, Amir M, Alex T, Mohamed A, Basim B, Jamie-Leigh B, Reegan G, Sienna H, Ethan H, Jayden H, Hayden N, Saffron R, George W, Angie W

Year 9 – Khalid A, Tamzin B, Jack B, Reuben B, Megan B, Sophie C, Ben G, Piper H, Toby H, Lily P, Elizabeth S, Sam S, Kainan S

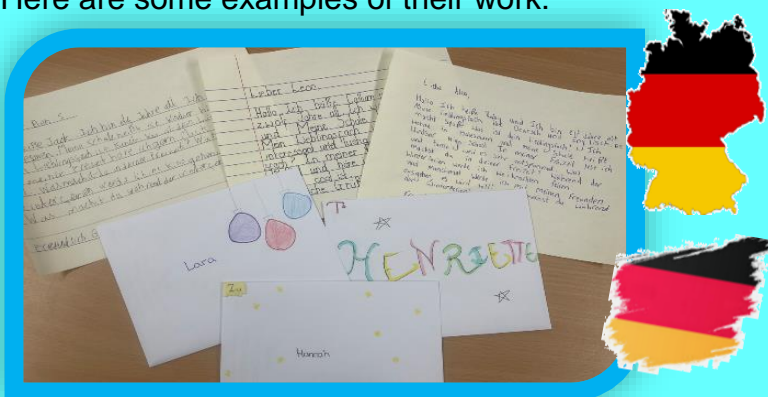
Year 10 – Gwen A, Hannah B, Brandon C, Madi J, Amelia S, Mohamed S, Koushik S

Year 11 – Amy B, Louise C, Zavier C, Sophie G, Millie H, Kate P, Charlie V, Tegan W, Ruby W

German Pen Pals

Year 7 German students in 7S2 and 7H1 have been writing to their new penpals in Germany telling them about themselves and what they do in their free time.

Here are some examples of their work:



Spanish Stars of the Week

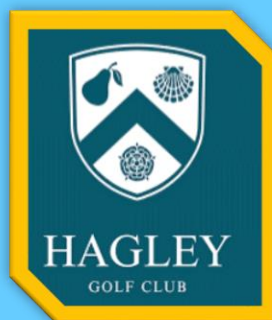


Year 7 – Lily C, Freya S, Nadr Z, Amber L, Ariyam H, Isabelle P, Louie E, Ekaterina B, Harvey W, Renaad T

Windsor Golf Academy in Partnership with Hagley Golf Club

We are pleased to be able to offer places to students to participate in our continuing Windsor Golf Academy this year at Hagley Golf Club. The coaching will include free club and equipment hire and a one hour coaching session by a PGA professional. We also have an extensive range of equipment available to use such as the SkyTraks and FSX foresight bays which can be used indoors or outdoors, as well as many other training aids to support coaching golf.

The sessions take place on Monday evenings for KS3 Years 7-9 and Wednesday Evenings KS4 Years 10-11 after school at Hagley Golf Club. Students will be taken by a staff member of Windsor to Hagley Golf Club by minibus which will leave school at 3.20pm. The sessions will finish at 4.40pm and we will return back to school by 5.00pm. Please arrange to collect your son/daughter from the school at this time after each session, otherwise permission will need to be given for your son/daughter to make their own way home. Students can either wear their school uniform or change into sports clothing. A pair of comfortable sports trainers or golf shoes is advised.



The cost of this programme is £50 for the Spring Term for 11 x 1 hour sessions (1 hour coaching is usually £8.50 per session!). This price also includes a FootJoy Golf Polo Top (worth over £40!) with the school logo on which students will wear throughout the whole of the year, for coaching and to use when potentially competing in golf tournaments and leagues. We will then run this programme in the summer term at the same price.

If required, a payment plan can be set up to split each term payment over 3 months. If your son/daughter is interested in this fantastic opportunity please ask them to speak to Miss Rock.

There are a limited amount of spaces so this opportunity will be on a first come, first served basis.

IT'S SHOW TIME!

Rehearsals are going well for the school production of High School Musical which will be performed in school on the following dates:

Tuesday 7th February
Wednesday 8th February
Thursday 9th February



Tickets will go on sale in January with full details coming soon!

Look out for updates in the Newsletter, through Parentmail and on this link:

<https://www.windsorhighschool.org.uk/news-and-events/news-and-blog/its-show-time>

Cooking Skills

In December, some of our Year 7 Spanish students had a great time after school making delicious cookies, "galletas" in Spanish. Our students showed great cooking skills. All the cookies looked fantastic!

Thank you Miss Powell for all your help in the kitchen.



Brain Development and Positive Parenting: Five to Thrive as a model for promoting secure attachment

Dudley Council Public Health believes that positive parenting and relationships with children are paramount to enable children and young people to thrive. This belief has led to the adoption of the Five to Thrive model to embed standard principals across the children's workforce and parents to promote secure attachment and to build and maintain healthy brains thus contributing to thriving families. Helping parents and other caring adults to understand the impact they have on the developing brain of their children can develop responsiveness and confidence. This understanding truly promotes positive parenting and indeed positive caring relationships throughout life.

This course will enable anyone who works with children, families and the wider community to integrate this understanding into practice so that they can explain and consistently model the activities that build and maintain healthy brains.

Learning outcomes

- To understand how parenting contributes to brain development in children and young people
- To understand promoting confident and reflective parenting

Content

- Survival from the start: attachment behaviours and the neuroscience of human development
- The importance of relationships: humans are born to connect, mirror and match
- Self-regulation and developing good vagal tone
- What we need from other brains: mindful awareness, co-regulation, co-learning
- Five to Thrive: the KCA model for promoting secure attachment and how unmet attachment needs can be met by adults at any stage of life
- Respond: switching on to connect with the child or young person
- Engage: making sure the child is able to switch on to connect with us
- Relax: self-regulating so that the child or young person can mirror and match
- Play: switching on the social and emotional brain
- Talk: switching on the cognitive rational brain
- Building resilience: child, family, community and reflecting on personal resilience

Course details: 20th January 2023 (9:30 am – 4:00 pm). Venue: Dudley Archives and Local History Centre, Tipton Road, Dudley, West Midlands, DY1 4SQ

Or 6th February 2023 (9:30 am – 4:00 pm). Venue: Stourbridge Family Centre, Forge Road, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY8 1XF

Or 13th March 2023 (9:30 am – 4:00 pm). Venue: St. Andrew's Church, Bilston Street, Sedgley, Dudley, West Midlands, DY3 1JA

To access the courses please follow the booking link. Please note: places are restricted and are allocated on a first come basis.

<https://connected.kca.training/register.cfm?form=Dudley-FTT-Mixed-2023>

Refreshments

Tea, coffee and water will be provided. Please bring lunch.

Car Parking

All 3 venues have free parking on a first come first served basis.

