



24th January 2025

The Warlingham Week

All Year Groups

Fatal Accident involving Year 7 Student from Riddlesdown Collegiate

I am really sad to inform parents/carers of the death of a Year 7 student at Riddlesdown Collegiate in a tragic railway accident yesterday morning. While not a member of our immediate school community, I am sure as a member of our wider local community there will be parents/carers and students who will have known him and be affected by this tragic loss.

Parents may find the [Young Minds](#) website useful when helping to support children at this difficult time. If your child would benefit from additional support from the school please let their tutor know.

Parent Information Session (Online) - Anxiety in our children and young people

Our next parent information session as part of our Mental Health and Wellbeing Programme is on Wednesday 5th February from 18.00 - 19.00 and will be online. Based on feedback from parents we have decided to move to a blended approach for our parent information sessions offering some online as well as keeping some in person. Please see attached flyer for further details.

Late to school email alert

With effect from Monday 27th January, if your child arrives late to school, you will receive an email alert from the Attendance team to advise you.

Please continue to inform us if your child is going to be late to school for any reason beyond their control, including issues with buses, unexpected traffic on route and medical appointments. You can contact the Attendance team directly by emailing attendance@warlinghamtl.co.uk or phoning the main school number and asking to speak with a member of the Attendance team.

Parent Survey

At the end of last term we asked for feedback from parents/carers as we highly value your feedback as an essential part of shaping and improving our school and we would like to thank those parents/carers that have taken the time to complete the survey. If you have not already done so, we would appreciate parents/carers taking a few minutes to complete the parent survey by [clicking here](#). Your insights help us understand what we're doing well and where we can grow, ensuring we create the best possible environment for your child's education. The information you share will guide our decisions and help us see if our changes are making a difference. Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts with us.

Join Our PTA as Secretary – A Key Role in Supporting Our School Community!

We are excited to announce that there is currently a vacancy for the position of Secretary on our Parent-Teacher Association (PTA). This is a wonderful opportunity to get involved in supporting the school community and contributing to the success of our events and initiatives. If you are interested or would like more information about the role, please contact the Chair via Chair@warlinghampta.co.uk before the next PTA meeting on the 6th February.

The Secretary plays a vital part in ensuring the smooth operation of our PTA, using exceptional communication and organizational skills to support meetings, keep records, and connect the school community.

What the Secretary Does:

- Assists the Chair in planning and organizing meetings
- Communicates with the school and committee, sharing agendas before PTA meetings
- Records key points, decisions, and action items by taking minutes at meetings
- Manages communication between the PTA, volunteers, school, and wider community
- Prepares event publicity, including flyers, posters, and tickets
- Ensures meetings meet quorum requirements
- Maintains records and shares essential information

This role is perfect for someone who:

- Is a strong communicator
- Writes with accuracy and attention to detail
- Is motivated, helpful, and enjoys being part of a team

Year 9

Year 9 Options

Students have attended their first introductory assembly this week and parents/carers of students in Year 9 will have received details of the Year 9 Options process which will commence with a parents evening on 30th January.

Bronze DofE student meeting – Monday Afterschool (3.15pm - 4pm) C15

There will be a meeting after school on Monday (27/01/2025) in C15 for all those planning on doing Bronze Duke of Edinburgh this year.

Although the original deadline has passed. If your child would like to do DofE but you have not yet completed the registration form and paid the deposit, it is not too late please complete the registration form using this [link](#) and send them along on Monday. The meeting is just will last until approximately 4pm.

If your child cannot attend this meeting please ask them to let me know, either in person on Monday or via email. c.penston@warlinghamtl.co.uk

DTP and Men ACWY vaccination reminder

The first Immunisation Team visit for the Year 9 DTP and Men ACWY vaccinations will be on 5th February.

Please complete the online consent form by 12 noon on 30th January: www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk - using the school's unique code/URN number SR138928. If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team on fhc.immunisation.team@nhs.net or 01737 775467

Year 12 & 13

Registration Activities w/c 27th January

Please find attached the registration activities for next week which outline what students will be doing in tutor time. It has also been set on satchel for students to review in their own time.

Year 12 students should be securing their WEX placements whilst Year 13 will be revising for their upcoming mocks. The UCAS deadline is on Wednesday 29th January. This is a final deadline set by UCAS and so cannot be moved.

Encourage your child to check our Padlet site for additional resources: [Warlingham Sixth Form College \(padlet.com\)](https://www.warlinghamts.com/padlet) For any questions, please contact Mr. R. Leay at r.leay@warlinghamtl.co.uk

Kind regards



Mr P Foster

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