16th December 2024

The Warlingham Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

All Year Groups

Warlingham School & Sixth Form Christmas Concert

What a wonderful evening we had at our annual Christmas Concert on Thursday evening. The event was a true celebration of talent, community, and festive spirit. Our students and staff gave outstanding performances, showcasing the incredible musical skills and hard work of our students and Music Department. From captivating solos to joyful carol sing-alongs, every moment was a delight. A special thank you to everyone who attended and supported the event. Your enthusiasm and generosity were truly appreciated.

We would also like to thank the PTA for providing mulled wine and mince pies, as well as for their informative presentation on the amazing fundraising achievements over the past year. Events like this remind us of the power of community and the joy that music brings to us all. Thank you once again for being part of such a memorable evening. We look forward to seeing you at future events!

Supporting our local community and the safety of our students

We would like to encourage Warlingham School & Sixth Form College parents and carers to sign the petition arranged by Hamsey Green Primary parents, to improve the road safety outside our school. While it is their petition, the action it promotes is as much for our students and school community as theirs – it will take you 30 seconds to sign and could make a huge difference in keeping children safe https://chng.it/FDzkt56fRi

In addition to supporting this petition to enhance safety outside the school, we kindly ask parents and carers to park considerately when dropping off and picking up students, showing respect for our local residents. Recently, members of the local community have faced difficulties accessing their driveways due to vehicles blocking their entrances.

Vacancy for Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in applying, please email Catriona Sanderson, Clerk to Governors, at c.sanderson@warlinghamtlt.co.uk by 5pm on Thursday, 19th December.

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Festive Christmas Lunch Announcement!

We are thrilled to invite all students to our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday, 18th December! Come and enjoy a delicious, festive feast filled with holiday cheer. The cost is just £2.85.

To order a Christmas dinner, students should give their name to the canteen team at the tills.

Roast Turkey with all the trimmings, pigs in blankets, stuffing, roast potatoes, honey-glazed parsnips, baby carrots & brussels sprouts, cranberry sauce & rich gravy. Mince pie or buttery shortbread for dessert.

Christmas Celebrations

As the festive season approaches, we are delighted to announce that this year our school will be supporting **Save the Children** through a special Christmas fundraiser. This charity works tirelessly to improve the lives of children worldwide, and we are proud to contribute to their important mission. On Friday 20th December, we invite students to add a touch of festive cheer to their school uniform by wearing a seasonal item such as a Christmas jumper, festive earrings, a Santa hat, or a strand of tinsel. This is entirely optional, and our normal school uniform expectations will remain in place. We hope this will add a little fun to the day while maintaining the standards we uphold. Donations of any size are greatly appreciated and entirely voluntary and should be paid via Wisepay. All proceeds will go directly to Save the Children to support their work with vulnerable children around the world. Thank you for your continued support of our school and the causes we champion. Your generosity and involvement make a real difference.

Years 7 & 8

We are excited to announce the launch of the **Junior Mathematics Challenge Club**, which will begin **after Christmas**. The Junior Maths club will be meeting every **Tuesday after school in C23**.

The club is designed for students who enjoy exploring mathematics beyond the classroom. It will provide a fun and engaging environment where students can solve puzzles, tackle problem-solving challenges, and prepare for the **Junior Maths Challenge** competition. This is a great opportunity for students to develop critical thinking and teamwork skills while building their confidence in mathematics. We invite your child to join the Junior Mathematics Challenge Club starting on Tuesday 14th January **from 3:15pm to 4:15pm**. It will be a great way for your child to continue learning and growing in a supportive and stimulating environment. If your child is interested, please complete the link below by **Friday 20th December**. If you have any questions or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Marland via email d.marland@warlinghamtlt.co.uk. We look forward to welcoming your child to this exciting new venture in the new year!

https://forms.office.com/e/tRLxykxMcd

Year 9

DTP and Men ACWY vaccination reminder

The Immunisation Team will be visiting on 9th January, 4th March and 18th March 2025 to offer all Year 9 students the DTP and Men ACWY vaccinations.

Please complete the online consent form on www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk - using the school's unique code/URN number SR138928. The portal will be open until 12 noon on 5th January 2025. If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team on fchc.immunisation.team@nhs.net or 01737 775467.

Year 10

Silver Duke of Edinburgh (DofE)

In year 10 we offer students the opportunity to complete their Silver Duke of Edinburgh award. This is open to all students in year 10 and you do not have to have completed the Bronze award last year in order to do the Silver award. Many of you will already be familiar with DofE but for those who are not, more information about the Duke of Edinburgh Award can be found on the DofE website.

For the Silver practice and final expedition sections we take students to Wales and the Peak District respectively. In order to provide an accurate figure for the cost these trips we need an indication of numbers. As such, if your child is interested in participating in Silver DofE please could you complete the attached form. Once we have an idea of numbers and approximate cost required, we will send out further details regarding trip dates, and how to register.

https://forms.office.com/e/ZyLpMPAz4s

Year 10 Mock Exams - Week Beginning 20th January 2025

Year 10 will have mock exams at the start of next term, which will take place during the week beginning Monday, 20th January 2025. These exams are an important opportunity for students to consolidate their learning, practice exam techniques, and build confidence ahead of their final GCSE exams next year. To help your child prepare, we have attached a list of the topics they will be tested on in each subject with some guidance on how to go about using these to prepare for the exams. Your child's teachers will also discuss these topics with their classes and provide guidance on how to revise effectively.

How You Can Support Your Child

- Encourage them to create a revision timetable and stick to it.
- Help them find a quiet and organised space to study.
- Support them with accessing any revision materials, such as past papers or online resources recommended by their teachers.
- Remind them of the importance of taking breaks, staying active, and maintaining a healthy sleep routine.
- Keep positive. Encourage a growth mindset where mistakes are an opportunity to learn.

Support from the School

The key message is Don't panic!, We are here to support both you and your child. Teachers are available to answer questions, provide advice, and offer extra resources if needed. Additionally, our pastoral team is on hand to provide care and guidance for students who may feel worried. Remember some stress can be healthy for students to avoid procrastination and set up good routines. But when stress becomes a barrier, then it is always best to seek support. If you have any concerns or questions about the mock exams or how best to support your child, please do not hesitate to contact the school

Year 12 & 13

Registration Activities w/c 16th December

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 will be starting to think about their work experience placements whilst **Year 13** will be researching their next steps. Both year groups will be having a year photo on Wednesday registration.

Encourage your child to check our Padlet site for additional resources: Warlingham Sixth Form College (padlet.com) For any questions, please contact Mr. R. Leay at r.leay@warlinghamtlt.co.uk. We hope you all have a lovely Christmas and enjoy the break.

And finally...

End of term and start of term arrangements

The last day of term is Friday 20th December 2024 and students will be dismissed from school at 12.30pm. The start of the Spring Term is Wednesday 8th January 2025, with the single point of entry and exit gate opening at 8.15am and registration at 8.35am

We look forward to celebrating the last week of this term with students and to supporting them to have a successful start to 2025.

Kind regards

Mr P Foster

Headteacher