



Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Weekly Update

I'm delighted to share that Elliott Langley-Aybar (Year 9) has been selected to represent England in cross country running. He is officially ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in the country and will be competing in Scotland tomorrow. I'm sure that you'll all agree this is a fantastic achievement and we're all sending him our very best wishes for tomorrow's race!

## New Building Update

As you will know there has been a great deal of activity in the community to support our delayed new Sixth Form building and other site improvements. Yesterday, a parent-led petition urging Wokingham Borough Council to keep its promise to provide the new building was presented to the Council. Prue Bray, Executive Member for Children's Services, responded to the petition by stating that the Council is proceeding with their commitment and "some evidence of progress should begin to emerge later on in the summer." We are continuing to work with the Council to progress this project and I will provide you with further updates as new information emerges.

## Easter Revision

Mr Whitehouse and Mrs Panesar are currently working with teachers to finalise the Easter Revision Programme for the upcoming holiday. We do this each year to support students in Years 11 and 13 with preparation for their exams. We think it has proven very valuable in past years and hope that many students will be able to attend. More information to follow.

## Book Fair

The book fair is coming to the library next week. It will run from Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March until Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Every purchase helps towards earning new books for the school.

Students can come browse the latest titles at break and lunch time. They will be able to create a wish list to share with you at home. You can find out more about the books available and confirm prices at this [link](#). If you would like to purchase any books there are three ways to pay for books at the book fair, but we cannot accept cash:

1. You can make a payment online [here](#). Students can collect their books the next day.
2. Students with their own bank card are able to make a payment online as above and collect their books at the same time.
3. You can purchase book fair vouchers [here](#). These vouchers are sent to you by email and will need to be printed. Students can collect their books the same day with a book voucher.



## **PTA Quiz – Save the Date**

The PTA will be holding their annual quiz on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May. More details will follow in due course.

## **End of Term Arrangements**

Please be aware that this term ends on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April and school will finish 12.20pm as usual. All school transport services have been rearranged for the early finish. Somewhat unusually, Easter Monday falls outside the Easter Holiday fortnight this year; so, we will return on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April (and we'd hate for a student to arrive to find an empty school on Monday 21<sup>st</sup>!).

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes,

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