

Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 11 parents should have received a letter this week from Mr Jerred, our Vice - Principal outlining the major events scheduled this year such as trial exams, public exams and steps that can be taken at home to support our young people. In addition to examinations a number of other events such as another formal interview, preparation for possible National Citizen Service, a prom and presentation evening are also planned.

If, for any reason you didn't get this letter a copy of it will be available on our website next week. We look forward to seeing all of our parents for Year 11 at the first Parents' Evening on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

A large number of Year 7 parents attended the Induction Evening for new students in July. One of our guest speakers Wendy Morris who works to prevent child sexual exploitation delivered a presentation on that evening to provide information to parents. The presentation is now available on our website if you wanted to refer to it or check any details.

I'd like to say well done to our students in Year 10 who have had made an impressive start to their formal key stage 4 course. We have welcomed a number of new teachers to Welland Park and they have also noted a good approach to work at school and at home. This augurs well for outcomes in the summer of 2019.

All of our students looked very well turned out for their school photographs on Tuesday and these photographs are available to purchase should you wish to in a few weeks.

I'd like to thank the following students:

Hayleigh Turner, Rhiannon Barton and Holly Dinsdale all of whom gave up their holiday time and helped us with the new youngsters in Year 7 on the first day of school. It is really good to see the older students supporting the new members of our school community with a little timetable interpretation and directions where appropriate.

Have a good weekend.

Julie McBrearty – Principal.

### Dates for your Diary

- Thurs 7th Sept— PTA AGM 6pm
- Tues 12th Sept.— Year 6 Teachers visit.
- Thurs 14th Sept.— Open day and Open evening.
- Thurs 14th Sept.— German exchange trip—KS4.
- Tues 19th Sept.— Parent's evening for Y7 tutors.
- Wed 27th Sept— Parent's evening for Y8 tutors
- Thurs 5th Oct — Year 9 Options evening

### RUSSIAN AND MANDARIN AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

*Students who are interested in learning Russian there will be an After school club on Thursdays and those who want to learn Mandarin the After school club will be on Wednesdays.*

*All interested students must go and see Mrs Edwards in L5 on Monday 4th September to sign up*

*Deborah Edwards*

*Head of Languages*

### COMPUTING CLUBS BEGIN NEXT WEEK AFTER SCHOOL IN D11.

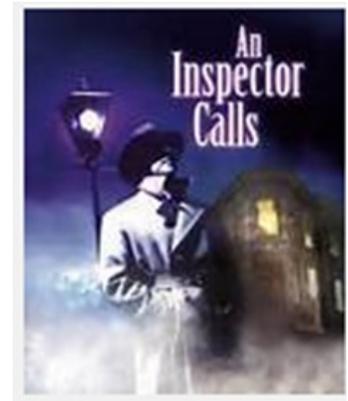
YEARS 7,8 AND 9 - WEDNESDAYS 3.20—4.20pm

YEARS 10 AND 11 - THURSDAYS 3.20—4.20pm



### **YEAR 11 ENGLISH STUDENTS!**

A last reminder to purchase copies of An Inspector Calls for £8, as all groups will begin studying the text and making notes in their editions this week. Please bring the money to Student Services at break time. If you need a letter, ask Mr Mummery in A8.



### **LOST PROPERTY**

All lost property left over from last term will be on display in the Reception Room (opposite Mrs Bale's Sewing room) on Thursday 7th September. Please encourage your child to come and have a look and claim any item that belongs to them.

All unclaimed items will be given to charity.

Many thanks



## PTA AGM

Dear Parents, Carers and School Staff

### A very warm welcome to the Welland Park Academy PTA

All parents and members of the school community can get involved in the PTA even if they only have a small amount of time available.

The PTA exists to provide closer links between home and school . It is a fun way to bring staff, parents and students together in support of a common goal.

### ***PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER at 6.00pm in the Dining Hall***

The PTA plays a vital part in the school community and all parents/carers and staff, as members of the PTA, are invited to support the AGM. This is your chance to hear and see how the funds you have helped raise have been used for the benefit of the students at our school. Without the PTA there would be no school discos, no theatre trips, no Christmas Market and no monies raised to support projects such as the purchase of the canopy, wireless headsets for Performing Arts , sports kits for PE etc. I know that the academy values all the effort and hard work of the PTA to raise money for the school's benefit.

The AGM will cover a report from the Chair and the Treasurer and is also an opportunity for you to elect the PTA Committee who will represent the Association throughout the forthcoming academic year.

Formal committee positions are: **Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary.** The current post holders will be standing for re-election.

The Committee also runs a volunteer list. This is for parents or staff who cannot commit to being a full time member but would be willing to help the Committee when needed ie to supervise school discos, help with teas and coffees etc... If you would like to be on the volunteer list, please email me on the address below.

Your presence is valued and we do look forward to seeing you on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September. If you are unable to attend the meeting but wish to express an interest in the PTA please either email me at [burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com](mailto:burgessn@wellandparkacademy.com) or telephone the school on 01858 464795.

Yours faithfully

*Nicki Burgess*

Nicki Burgess  
PTA Chair

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The PTA is having a book stall at the upcoming Lubenham Scarecrow Festival (9th and 10th September). We have had hundreds of books donated and will be selling them at this event. We are looking for volunteers to help us over the weekend so if you, or your child, could donate some time (even an hour is greatly appreciated) please email me on the address above.

We organise a textile collection quite regularly throughout the year so if you are having a clear out and have any old clothes you would like to donate, please send them in/drop them off at school.

We are also always on the lookout for tombola prizes, so again, if you are having a clear out and find anything you think would be a good tombola or raffle prize please do send it into school.

I have booked a coach for our annual trip to Birmingham Christmas Markets. This will take place on Sunday 19th November 2017. Full details will be out in the next couple of weeks.

Thank you in advance. Nicki Burgess