



23rd March 2018

Dear parents and carers,

Sports Relief 2018

We have enjoyed an action packed week of sports and activities, all to raise money for this year's Sports Relief campaign. Students and staff have participated in a range of events from 'A Question of Sport', in front of a live audience in the main hall, to a staff and students netball match, in which some of the rules were interpreted in a rather interesting fashion! The week culminated in a whole school non-uniform day, with the option of arriving in fancy dress as sports stars, past and present. Photographs of some of the activities will be posted on the website. Thank you to all who have taken part, or watched any of the activities. House points were available for each of the events and the house totals will be announced during the rewards assemblies on the last day of term.

Visiting the School

A reminder to all parents and carers, that when visiting Wollaston School, in any capacity whatsoever, it is essential that you sign in at the main reception. This also applies to visits immediately before and after school. The only exception to this is during Parents' Evenings, in which sign in sheets are available in the main school building, or in the case of public events such as open evenings or performances. Your co-operation in this matter is highly valued, as I am sure you will appreciate, ensuring that there are no unregistered visitors on site is vital in ensuring the safeguarding of our whole school community.

Year 9 Options Process

I would like to congratulate our Year 9 students and their parents, for meeting the deadline in selecting their subject preferences for study at GCSE level next year. The school will now undertake the process of validating these choices and mapping them into the academic timetable for 2018/19. If there are any issues or concerns regarding individual student subject choices, the school will be in touch with parents and students during the coming months.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to all Year 8 students and parents for a very successful and productive consultation evening with subject teachers. Attendance at this event was once again excellent, and we are enjoying record-breaking levels of engagement with parents, which is greatly valued by all staff at our school. A reminder that the Year 7 Parents' Evening will now take place on Thursday 10th May 2018.

Parking around Wollaston School

Please could I remind all drivers of the need to park considerately in our surrounding residential roads. We recognise that we have a lack of space for parking on site, and have raised this issue with Northamptonshire County Council. Local residents have raised concerns about parking, particularly on Frances Dickens Close. Whilst as a school, we have no authority or remit to patrol or enforce parking arrangements, I do know that local residents are greatly appreciative of considerate parking, which allows residents to enter and leave their properties without obstacle. Thank you in advance for your assistance in ensuring that we continue to enjoy good relationships with our neighbours.

As the end of term approaches, a reminder that Thursday 29th March is a teacher-training day, and therefore term finishes for students at 3:00pm on Wednesday, 28th March. We return to school on Monday, 16th April 2018.

Thank you as always for your support of Wollaston School. We are absolutely committed to providing the highest standards of education possible and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us via email on office@wollaston-school.net.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Birkett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'B'.

Mr James Birkett
Headteacher