



29th June 2018

Dear parents and carers,

Activities Days 2018

It has been inspiring to see students in all year groups participating in such a wide range of events and activities, all of which have focused on the vital areas of personal well-being and social and health education. Part of our core mission is to ensure that every student at Wollaston School completes their education, not only with excellent academic results, but as well rounded, positive and responsible members of society. By suspending our normal timetable for two days, it allows us to focus on this crucial aspect of the curriculum, with sessions delivered in combination between Wollaston staff and a range of experts from other agencies and organisations.

There are too many different sessions to comment on individually, and the provision for each year group is tailored to their interests and needs. Topics covered include careers guidance, online safety and the need for personal responsibility when communicating online, advice from the police on how to avoid being either a victim or perpetrator of crime, preventing radicalisation and managing relationships, to name but a few!

A huge thank you to the entire school community for making these days such a success, and to all of our visitors and external agencies for making these sessions so worthwhile. Wollaston School is proud to be a community with values at the heart of all that we do. We provide our students with such a broad range of information and discuss how to navigate teenage years and the transition to adulthood, ensuring that we educate students on how to be positive members of society in modern Britain.

School Physicist Of The Year Awards 2018

We have been informed that one of our students has been invited to attend this event at Churchill College, Cambridge University later this month. This is obviously a highly prestigious event and we are incredibly proud that a member of our school has been nominated for an award. The nomination highlights all of the excellent work that is undertaken by our students and staff in the Science faculty, in both curriculum time and as part of the Science Club. I will of course publish further details once the event has taken place on 11th July. If students would like to know more about how to become involved in the Wollaston Science Club, please contact Mr Sheldrick, c.sheldrick@wollaston-school.net

Computer coding competition

Three of our year eight students, who regularly attend our after school Coding Club, have entered into a competition organised by Cranfield University and the British Computer Society. They have created a game, based on the theme of identity theft, alongside a promotional video and Google Play listing. Congratulations to all concerned and we will let parents know how our students fare with their entry. The Wollaston Coding Club is organised by Mr Foster, and please do get in touch if you would like to know more. S.foster@wollaston-school.net.

Wollaston Primary School Sports Day

We were delighted to welcome staff, students and parents from Wollaston Primary School for their annual sports day. This was a wonderful occasion and the enthusiasm, passion and engagement from all involved was exceptional. It was wonderful to be involved in such a community event, and the weather was of course fantastic, with indoor venues being used for shade rather than as the traditional rain shelters! Feedback

from the event has been incredibly positive and staff, students and parents from both our schools worked very well together to produce such a memorable day. Thanks also to the Wollaston Young Leaders, who helped organise events and worked so well with the great students of Wollaston Primary School.

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'.

Mr James Birkett
Headteacher