

Newsletter



Greetings from the Principal

Week commencing 26th February 2024

After a long wet and cold start to the year we are now entering Spring Term proper with all the colour, positivity and activity that brings to Wixams.

We have started the term at pace with a number of high-profile events such as the head student election hustings and our in-house Careers fair. This marks the beginning of a very important half term for all students whether it be in mocks and exam preparation for Years 11 and 13, careers and next step planning for Year 10 and 12 or attendance of the many school trips that are planned. We

Please take time to carefully read this edition of the newsletter and to double check event dates as this half term is shorter than normal but still as busy as always.

Information regarding Year 11 and 13 revision and examination preparation days over the Easter holidays will be shared as soon as possible.

We look forward to sharing the outcomes of the Head student elections with you soon and to say a thank you to our outgoing head students.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'C Stainsby'.

Chris Stainsby

Interim Principal

Mock Exams

Year 11 and 13 Mock Exams

Mocks for Year 11 and Final Mocks for Year 13 are due to begin next Monday 4th March. Students have been prepped, have their timetables and should now be in the midst of revision. Please double check the parentmails that have been sent for full details of the exam procedures.

We do of course wish all our students the best of luck.

Mrs Hepburn and Mr Mercel

Careers Fair at Wixams Academy

We were very excited to welcome over 30 exhibitors to the careers fair at Wixams Academy on Wednesday 28th February.

All year groups were invited to speak to the many companies and ask questions regarding careers.


The feedback was very positive and more information about the event will be included and shared in our next Newsletter.

Kind regards

Mrs L Pearson and Mrs K Bastians

Assistant Principal and Careers co-ordinator





Library Rules



Library Book Borrowing Rules

If you borrow books from the library, please ensure they do not become overdue.

Please do one of the following:


- **Renew!** You can renew a book any time, upon request. I will need to see the book after the second renew to check that you still have it. Other students may have the book on reserve, so I will ask for the book to be returned after the third renew.
- **Return!** Please return your book ASAP! Although we won't fine you for late returns, we do ask that books are returned when finished with, so others can enjoy them too!
- **Replace!** If you can no longer find the book you borrowed, please buy a replacement copy. You can buy this from anywhere as long as it is in good condition!
- **Reimburse!** As a last resort, an email will be sent to your parent/guardian to pay the reimbursed cost of the book, via Parentmail

Please note: if you have lost your book and you are not in a position to replace or reimburse it, please come and talk to myself (Mrs Westram) or your Head of Year. Thanks


World Book Day 2024

We're excited to announce this year's World Book Day 2024 competitions. All details can be found on the attached poster and if you'd like to see available £1 books, please follow the link attached. Any questions or queries? Please come and ask me in the library or email me: jwestram@wixamsacademy.co.uk


Changing lives through a love of books and reading



WORLD BOOK DAY
7 MARCH 2024




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This years World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March and we'd love you to get involved!
We have a number of optional activities that you could choose to get involved with
All students in years 7-13 are welcome to take part
Please choose from the activity grid below. Students can enter a maximum of **two** competitions from the grid

1. Design Design and build a structure, using every day materials, that can withold the weight of 5 paperback books! e.g. 	2. WBD Bake Off — Bake a creation inspired by your favourite book. It could be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• muffins inspired by your favourite author• Gingerbread characters from a story• A book cover produced in cake• A cake decorated in the theme of your favourite book
3. Performing Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write a song inspired by your favourite author, book or character OR <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create and perform a speech by your favourite fiction character	4. Short Story - Write a short story. It can be about any topic you wish. It must be a maximum of 1000 words long You could: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Write a story of your own• Re-write a scene from your favourite story but with a crazy twist!• Write a modern version of an old tale.
5. Art —Produce a piece of art inspired by the setting/world of your favourite story You can use any materials to produce the art piece and it can be in any style that you wish to use.	6. Media —Create a 2 minute book trailer for your favourite book Imagine that the trailer will play on television to advertise the book and try to get people to read it

Submit your entries no later than 2.20pm on Thursday 7th March. Winners will be announced in form on Monday 11th March. Send them to Mrs Westram: jwestram@wixamsacademy.co.uk.

You can send recordings, pictures or word documents. If you're taking part in the Bake Off, you do not need to bring the creation in. Simply photograph your bake and submit the photos.

Please make sure you include your name, form and the category you have chosen to take part in. If entering more than one competition, please send each entry separately. A prize will be given to one winner in each category. Good Luck!

Your digital WBD token can be accessed here: <https://www.worldbookday.com/digital-tokens/>

If you would prefer a printed copy, this can be collected from the library on request.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/books-and-tokens/books/>

Thanks, Mrs Westram

Wixams Academy Librarian

Dance and Drama Department

CLUBS will start week commencing 4th March. No Dance club on 5th March due to the Year 10 subject evening.

Kind regards

Miss Pereira

Head of Dance

Vacancies at Wixams Academy

We currently have several vacancies within the Academy. The vacancies are:-

Non Teaching

Office Manager

Invigilators

Further details can be found on MyNewTerm.

Dates for your diary:

4 th March – 14 th March	Year 11 & 13 Mocks
5 th March	Year 10 Subject meetings – In person on site
6 th March	Parent Introduction Evening – Meet Nathaniel Wilson
11 th March – 15 th March	Year 10 Spanish Trip
22 nd March	Year 13 Reports go home
26 th March	Drama Practical Exam
27 th March	Year 11 Reports go home
28 th March	Last day of term – school closes at 1.00pm
29 th March – 12 th April	Easter Break
15 th April	Inset day for Staff – school closed
16 th April	Students back to school