



Week Commencing 24th June 2024.

As we approach the end of this academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to inform you about some important plans and key dates for the next academic year.

We are excited about the various initiatives and improvements we have in store, and we are committed to providing the best possible educational experience for our students. Here are some key dates to note:

A-Level Results Day:

- **Date:** Thursday, 15th August
- **Time:** Starting at 09:00 for students
- **Note:** This will mark the first ever set of results for Year 13 students at Wixams.

GCSE Results Day:

- **Date:** Thursday, 22nd August
- **Time:** Starting at 09:00 for students
- **Note:** We look forward to seeing our Year 11 students and celebrating the hard work they have put in over the past five years at WA.

Please mark these dates in your calendar as they are significant milestones for our students.

September Dates:

Staff will return to school on Monday, 2nd September for INSET days on the 2nd and 3rd of September. We will have staggered starts for different year groups as follows:

- **Wednesday, 4th September:** Year 7 and Year 12 return to school
- **Thursday, 5th September:** Year 11 and Year 13 return to school
- **Friday, 6th September:** Year 8, Year 9, and Year 10 return to school

Further details about the start of the new academic year, including term dates and any additional important events, will be communicated in due course. We are looking forward to another year filled with learning, growth, and achievement.

Additionally, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the parents who have attended the subject consultations for Year 7 and Year 8 over the past two weeks. Your

support and involvement are greatly appreciated and contribute significantly to our students' success.

Upcoming Consultation:

This coming Thursday, 4th July, I will be hosting a consultation to hear parent views on the change of the school day in September 2024. Your feedback is invaluable, and we look forward to your participation.



Nathaniel Wilson

Headteacher

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This week in assemblies

Assembly this week has been focusing on random acts of kindness, and how helping someone else can make you feel good yourself. We have challenged all our students to think of a student they don't know that well, and complete random acts of kindness for them for the remainder of the term. A simple kind gesture goes a long way.

Mrs L Pearson
Assistant Headteacher

Careers Update

The big day has finally arrived! After 8 months of preparation Year 10 & 12 undertake their work experience from Monday 1st July. They will be doing a variety of interesting jobs and we would like to thank all the employers that are hosting our wonderful students. If you see them at work, do say hi! Photos to follow in next weeks newsletter.

This week Year 7 were fortunate to be treated to First Aid and CPR training by the paramedics from East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust. Students explored techniques for saving a life including the recover position, basic first aid and how to use a Defibrillator. The students were an absolute credit to the Academy and their families. These lifesaving skills may well prove invaluable in the future- well done Year 7. We hope to roll this out to other year groups next year.





Curriculum Focus: Computer Science, DT, Food Tech

As we come to the end of the term, all years have finished their assignments and have done well in understanding the various topics we have gone over this year. We are super excited to see how confident some students have become from the beginning of the year.

This week our year 9 and 10 classes have been learning how to make shepherd's pie/ cottage pie. In GCSE, we are teaching the students to enhance their technical skills in cooking by making a complex dish, with this dish they have been learning different piping techniques with their mash potatoes to create a decorative pattern on top.





Culture Week

Culture Week (Monday 8th-Thursday 11th July)

The planning of Culture Week is well underway with our Sixth Form Junior Leadership Team taking the lead on this, this year!

Students have been working hard in preparing exciting tutor time activities, assemblies and meeting with younger students to get them involved.

On **Thursday 11th July (ONLY)**, students should come into school wearing clothes that represent their culture. Some of our amazing students will also be hosting food/information stalls in the main hall at lunch time.

We are asking for a £1 donation via Parent Mail should your child wish to come into school in cultural clothing and take part in the food tasting experience. Students will get a stamp card in which they will be able to try three different foods of their choice!

Culture Day was a huge success last year and is a tradition we plan to continue each year to celebrate the diversity within our school community.

(please see poster below and some highlights from last year)

Miss S Rahman

Deputy Head of Sixth Form



Wixams Academy's Culture Week

MONDAY 8TH - THURSDAY 11TH JULY

WHAT'S ON?

- TUTOR TIME ACTIVITIES
- ASSEMBLY LED BY HEAD STUDENTS
- DANCE PERFORMANCE



THURSDAY 11TH JULY (ONLY)

- FOOD/INFORMATION STALLS AT LUNCH TIME IN ASSEMBLY HALL
- CULTURAL CLOTHING
- £1 DONATION VIA PARENT MAIL IF YOU WANT TO TAKE PART IN THE EVENT, INCLUDING THE FOOD TASTING EXPERIENCE - YOU WILL RECEIVE A STAMP CARD TO TRY 3 DIFFERENT FOODS ON THE DAY!

GET INVOLVED!

- IF YOU WANT TO HOST YOUR OWN FOOD/INFORMATION STALL, PLEASE SIGN UP USING THE FORM ON EDULINK (CHECK HOMEWORK)
- NEXT MEETING - MONDAY 8TH JULY IN C5 AT LUNCH TIME
- SEE MISS RAHMAN FOR MORE INFORMATION



Year 11 Prom

We are thrilled to share the incredible success of the Year 11 Prom, held at the lovely Amberleigh Gardens. It was a perfect evening with beautiful weather that complemented the dazzling attire of our students. The young gentlemen looked dapper in their tuxedos, and the ladies were stunning in their elegant dresses.

The highlight of the night was a special performance by our very own Lilly, whose song added a magical touch to the festivities. It was a heartwarming final send-off for our Year 11 students, who have made us immensely proud.

As we celebrate their achievements, we eagerly anticipate seeing them again on Results Day. Here's to the amazing future that awaits our Year 11s!





PTA Fundraising at Lunchtime

WIXAMS ACADEMY PTA



Ice Creams @ Lunchtime on Thursdays- £1.00 Cash Only

Dates for your diary:

Date	Activity	Staff
Monday 1 st July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 7 Assembly • Year 10 Work Experience • Year 12 Data Drop • Staff training -Learning Communities led by T&L 3.40-4.40pm 	AH LPE
Tuesday 2 nd July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 8 assembly • Year 6 into 7 Transfer day • Year 9 Reports go home • Prep • New intake parents evening 4.15-6.00pm Headteacher talks 4:30-5:00 and 5:15-5:45pm	AH
Wednesday 3 rd July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 9 assembly • Sixth Form Induction day • Teaching Head of Years interviews 3rd-5th July 	
Thursday 4 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sixth Form Induction day • Year 8 HPV catch up session 9.00-10.00am • Parent consultation on school day meeting with NWI - 4.30-5.15pm 	AH
Friday 5 th July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 10 assembly • Year 13 Prom at Woodlands Manor 7.00-11.30pm 	AH

1 st July	Work Experience week – year 10 Year 12 work experience
2 nd July	Year 6 into 7 Transfer Day New Intake Headteacher talks 4.30 & 5.15pm
3 rd July	Sixth Form Induction Day 1
4 th July	Sixth Form Induction Day 2 Year 8 HPV vaccination catch up Parent consultation on school day meeting 4.30-5.15pm
5 th July	Year 13 Prom at Woodlands Manor
8 th July	Culture Week
9 th July	Year 12 Subject Consultations
10 th July	Year 9 Onsite Careers Event
12 th July	Sports Day – Athletics Stadium
15 th July	Summer Showcase – 6.00-7.30pm
17 th July	Last day of term School closure at 1:00pm