



Dear Parents & Carers

All Year Groups

It has been another positive week in school, with students continuing to settle into the routines and expectations of the new academic year. During visits to lessons and around the school site, I have been pleased to see students engaging well in their learning. Classrooms have been purposeful, calm and welcoming, with students participating positively and showing a strong commitment to their studies.

Our new Year 7 students are continuing to grow in confidence as they become familiar with the school environment. It has been wonderful to see them supporting one another, building new friendships and embracing the opportunities of secondary school life. I am also enjoying getting to know more of our students in Years 7 & 12, each day and look forward to being able to greet even more of them by name each morning.

Main School Open Event

I am delighted that so many of our students have volunteered to support our upcoming Open Events over the next fortnight. These events provide a fantastic opportunity to welcome prospective families into our school community and give them an insight into what makes Warlingham such a special place. Our students are always our best ambassadors and we are grateful for their willingness to help.

If you have not yet provided consent for your child to participate as a department helper or tour guide, please complete the appropriate form by close of business on 20th September, using the links below:

Years 7–11 helpers:

[Warlingham School Main School Open Event - Consent Form 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Years 12–13 helpers:

[Main School & Sixth Form Open Evening 2026 – Fill in form](#)

All student helpers should ensure they bring a refillable water bottle with them. Students are also welcome to bring a light snack if they wish.

Our Main School Open Event will take place on **Wednesday 23rd September**. To support preparations for the event, the school day will finish early at **1.15pm**. On **Thursday 24th September**, the school gates will open at **9.15am**, with registration beginning at **9.35am**.

Sixth Form Open Event

Our Sixth Form Open Event will take place on **Wednesday 30th September**. The school day will again finish at **1.15pm**. On **Thursday 1st October**, the school gates will open at **9.15am**, with registration beginning at **9.35am**.

Please be aware that if your child usually travels home on a redirected public service school bus, the bus service will remain unchanged and will operate at its normal time at the end of the school day.

Years 10 & 11

Careers - AWE Apprenticeships: Exploring STEM Careers for Parents and Students

Date: Wednesday 30 September

Time: 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Venue: Online

Parents and students are invited to join this free virtual event hosted by AWE, a leading nuclear technology company. This informative, jargon-free session will provide valuable insights into STEM career pathways and apprenticeship opportunities.

What to expect:

- An introduction to AWE and the STEM career pathways available.
- An overview of apprenticeship opportunities starting in September 2027, including available roles and entry requirements.
- First-hand insights from a current AWE apprentice.
- A parent's perspective from an AWE employee whose child is also an AWE apprentice.
- Information about application support available through Pathway CTM.
- A live Q&A session, giving attendees the opportunity to ask questions.

This is an excellent opportunity for students and their families to learn more about apprenticeships, career pathways in STEM, and the support available throughout the application process. Please [click here](#) to find out more and register.

We wish you an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards



Mr P Foster

Headteacher