



13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## The Warlingham Week

Dear Parents & Carers

### All Year Groups

It's been a fantastic half term, with so much happening across the school. Various year groups have been out on trips, our older pupils have been tackling their mock exams with real determination, we have welcomed many parents to the school for Parent/Carer, Information and Options Evenings, Sixth Form Guidance Meetings and of course, we rounded off last week with the final night of Buggy Malone on Saturday.

A huge thank you to everyone involved in the production. It was a brilliant team effort, from the talented pupils on stage to the dedicated staff and volunteers behind the scenes. We're also grateful to parents and carers for supporting rehearsals, helping with lines, and filling the audience with such enthusiasm. Saturday's finale ended in true Buggy fashion, complete with plenty of splurge-gun action and a wonderful burst of energy.

A special thank you goes to our PTA members for providing refreshments throughout the performances and raising an impressive £534. Your support added so much to the occasion and helped make the event a real highlight of the term.

### Years 7, 8 & 9

#### The Wednesday Read

To celebrate the National Year of Reading, we are pleased to introduce **The Wednesday Read**, a new lunchtime initiative for students in Years 7, 8 and 9, launching after the half-term break.

Every Wednesday lunchtime, the Learning Resource Centre (LRC) will provide a calm and welcoming space dedicated to reading. Students are invited to take part by either:

- Choosing a book from the LRC, which offers a wide range of fiction, non-fiction, sports books and more, or
- Bringing a book from home that they are keen to read.

The Wednesday Read is designed to give students the opportunity to relax, explore new books, discover new favourites, and enjoy some quiet time with a good read as part of their school day.

Computers will remain available in the LRC for students who wish to complete homework or keep on top of their studies during lunchtime.

This initiative aims to:

- Encourage students to take time out
- Bring students together in a positive, calm environment

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Tandridge Learning Trust

- Spark imagination and enjoyment of reading
- Help make reading a regular part of everyday life

We hope your child will take advantage of this opportunity and join us for The Wednesday Read.

### **Ramadan 17<sup>th</sup> February – 18<sup>th</sup> March**

We are aware that some of our children may be observing Ramadan this year and some will be fasting and/or waking up earlier during this period. If your child will be fasting or if you expect them to be waking up much earlier, please complete this form to let us know, so that we can inform staff members of your wishes and offer support to your child. Do also let us know if there is anything else that we can do to support your child during this time.

Please click the link below to add your child's name to the list.

[Student List of those students participating in Ramadan 2026 – Fill in form](#)

### **PTA Quiz Night – Save the Date**

The next PTA Quiz Night is coming up on Thursday 5th March, and we'd love families to have the date before the Half Term break. It's always a fantastic evening filled with teamwork, laughter, and plenty of friendly quizzing.

Parents, friends, and family are all welcome to form teams and join in the fun. It's a great chance to come together as a community and see who will lift the Quiz Night trophy this time around. Tickets will be on sale shortly.

### **Easy Fundraising**

Amazing news! Warlingham School & Sixth Form College has been paid £235.79 in Easyfundraising's record breaking £2.1 million Donation Day! Raise free donations every time you shop online with #easyfundraising, it's such a simple way to make a difference. Want to get involved? Sign up for free and turn your online shopping at over 8,000 retailers into donations for our cause, at no extra cost to you!

Sign up now: <https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/warlingham-school-pta/v81x2n/dds/tzanbMkd/DSF6C/facebook/>

### **Communication**

We would like to remind parents/carers of the clear routes of communication that we have at Warlingham School & Sixth Form College, which are outlined in the table below. Following these, helps ensure your query reaches the right person as quickly as possible, contacting staff outside of these routes may cause delays as we work to ensure the message gets to the most appropriate member of the team. **We aim to respond within 48 hours, but this should be seen as a guide rather than a guarantee.** Due to teaching commitments, extra-curricular activities and meetings with parents and external agencies, replies may, sometimes take a little longer. Please be assured we always do our best to respond promptly and appreciate your patience and understanding with this.

PROBLEM			
Friendship	Lost property	Lessons/Work/ Home Learning	Behaviour
WHO CAN HELP?			
Tutor ↓ Head of Year Deputy Head of Year	Tutor ↓ Student Services	Class Teacher ↓ Head of Department ↓ Head of Year Deputy Head of Year	Tutor ↓ Head of Year Deputy Head of Year ↓ Senior Leader

### **Years 7, 8 & 9**

#### **Key Stage 3 Dance Club**

After half-term, Miss Nicholson will be running a Key Stage 3 Dance Club in the Drama Studio (A2) from 3.15pm–4.00pm on Tuesdays. This club is open to all students in Key Stage 3 who have an interest in dance, whether they are complete beginners or already have experience. Everyone is very welcome! Sessions will focus on Street Dance and Musical Theatre styles, helping students to develop confidence, coordination, performance skills and creativity in a supportive and energetic environment. Throughout the term, students will work towards creating polished pieces, with opportunities to perform and showcase their work within the school community.

Miss Nicholson has extensive experience in dance, both in teaching and performance. Alongside her role in school, she has many years of training and industry experience, which she brings to ensure sessions are engaging, structured and enjoyable for all students.

The club will begin on Tuesday 24th February. Students should attend in PE kit or appropriate dancewear (e.g. leggings, tracksuit bottoms, t-shirts and trainers).

If your child would like to take part, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Nicholson at [h.nicholson@warlinghamtl.co.uk](mailto:h.nicholson@warlinghamtl.co.uk)

### **Years 7, 8, 9, 10, & 11**

#### **School Uniform – Parent & Student Voice**

At Warlingham School, we want to make sure our school uniform policy works for everyone. With upcoming government amendments to school uniforms, we would like to hear your thoughts about our current requirements.

The government has updated the rules about the cost of school uniforms. From September 2026, schools will be able to ask for no more than three compulsory branded items (plus a fourth item for a secondary school tie). This is to help reduce costs for families and give parents more choice about where to buy uniform items. Schools are also expected to involve families and pupils when reviewing their uniform policies.

Your feedback is very important and it will help us make decisions about our uniform policy that are fair, affordable, and reflect the views of the whole school community. To get a range of input, we have created a short survey for parents/carers which we will require completion of by **Friday 27th February**.

### **[Warlingham School Uniform Consultation \(Parents & Carers\) – Fill in form](#)**

Students will also get an email with the survey link in to their school account so it is easy for them to take part.

Thank you for sharing your views, your voice matters and will help shape the future of our school uniform policy.

### **Year 9**

Just a reminder that students in Year 9 have until 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026 to submit their options choices via the link below.

### **[Warlingham School & Sixth Form College Options Form 2026-2028 – Fill in form](#)**

If you require any additional information please visit the [Warlingham School & Sixth Form College](#) website where you will find the Options Booklet, which contains lots of useful information and guidance.

### **Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio (Td/IPV), Meningococcal ACWY vaccinations**

For any outstanding students the Immunisation Team will return on 25<sup>th</sup> March. If you have not already done so please give or decline consent by visiting [www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk](http://www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk) and entering the school code SR138928. The portal will close on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Year 11 & 13**

#### **Mock Exams — A Fantastic Effort**

We would like to extend a huge well done to all Year 11 & 13 students who have taken part in their mock examinations this week. These assessments can be demanding, and we are incredibly proud of how the students have approached them with courage, commitment and positivity.

Throughout the exam period, students have shown:

- **Courage** in facing challenge and staying focused;
- **Commitment** in their preparation and effort; and
- **Kindness** in supporting one another during a busy time.

These qualities are exactly what we value and celebrate in our school community. More importantly, they reflect the resilience and determination that will serve them well as they continue their journey toward their GCSE & A Level examinations later this year.

We would also like to thank parents and carers for your continued support, whether that's helping with revision routines at home, offering encouragement, or simply checking in after a long day of exams. Your support truly makes a difference.

Well done once again to Year 11 & 13 and keep up the great work!

### **Support over the holiday period**

If you are a parent or child sharing a non-time sensitive/non-urgent safeguarding update, please use the [info@warlinghamtl.co.uk](mailto:info@warlinghamtl.co.uk) email. This is being checked at regular intervals by a member of the safeguarding team.

If you are a student, and want to report something sensitive that is not urgent, you can email [reportit@warlinghamtl.co.uk](mailto:reportit@warlinghamtl.co.uk) and this email will be monitored at intervals during the holiday.

Should you have an urgent safeguarding concern, and feel a child or yourself may be at risk of immediate harm, call 999.

For all other advice, please check the health and wellbeing area on the school website [Warlingham School & Sixth Form College - Health & Wellbeing \(warlinghamtl.co.uk\)](http://www.warlinghamtl.co.uk)

### **And finally...**

I would like to wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable half term break and look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

Kind regards



Mr P Foster

Headteacher