

### **Dear Parents & Carers**

We have had a delightful week with our new Year 7 students, who have already settled in well to their first week at Warlingham School. They have shown courage, commitment and kindness within their lessons, to their peers, teachers and around the school. They have been awarded over 1800 positive behaviour points as a year group, which illustrates the amazing contribution and effort they have already made towards developing themselves as outstanding lifelong learners and we look forward to this continuing throughout their journey at Warlingham School. Please ask them about their achievements and reinforce how proud we are of the start that they have made.

We would like to thank you for providing support over this last week and reinforcing the school's values with your son/daughter, including encouraging them to wear their uniform with pride at school and in the local community.

We would also like to thank you for your patience in this first week, as some of you have experienced technical difficulties with accessing applications for communications, home learning and Wisepay. We recognise that this has not been ideal, especially as a new parent to the school. Please find updates and where to go for support below.

#### **Arbor**

You should have received an email from <a href="liferguson@warlighamtlt.co.uk">l.ferguson@warlighamtlt.co.uk</a> which will have provided download and log in details. Students have also been sent a link for Arbor. Within this app you will be able to view attendance, behaviour and timetables. Students have been issued with a paper timetable.

#### Satchel

Satchel is not currently functioning fully, however we are working hard with the company to resolve this as soo as possible. Students will be given their log ins for Microsoft 365 in their first computing lesson which will allow them access to Satchel.

## Wisepay

This is currently an additional app that in time will move and be supported by the Arbor app, to reduce the number of applications that parents/carers will need access to. All parents should have received an email over the summer with log in details. If you are having difficulties logging in to Wisepay, please contact <a href="mailto:finance@warlinghamtlt.co.uk">finance@warlinghamtlt.co.uk</a> for additional support.

# A sad note upon which to end this week...

It is with sadness that Buckingham Palace announced yesterday the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We have now entered a period of national mourning with will continue until the end of the State Funeral.

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At 11am this morning all teachers and students observed a minute's silence that commenced with a very poignant solo trumpet rendition of the national anthem as a communal act of respect. I am sure there will be further opportunities to remember the life, achievements and contributions of Queen Elizabeth in the coming weeks and months, that we will fully embrace and keep you informed about through our newsletter and other means of communication.

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that our Open Event for admissions into Year 7 in 2023 will take place on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The school will close at 1.30pm that day and there will be a late start the following day, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September, when school will begin at 9.35am to facilitate the set up and clear up for the event.

Whenever there is a period of national mourning, we are all reminded of how much we value our loved ones and the communities we are a part of. I hope that you and your son or daughter have a lovely weekend and feel settled as a welcome addition to the Warlingham community at the end this first week.

Yours sincerely

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