



30th January 2026

The Warlingham Week

Dear Parents & Carers

All Year Groups

There has been lots going on this week at school across all year groups. On Wednesday and Thursday, our Year 11 Geography students took part in a two-day fieldwork visit to Crawley and I am delighted to share the extremely positive feedback from those supporting and supervising the trip.

"Students' behaviour throughout was impeccable. They were fully engaged in completing the required fieldwork, demonstrated real commitment through thoughtful questioning, and embraced the opportunity to learn beyond the classroom. Their interactions with members of the public were particularly impressive, showing kindness, confidence, and maturity. Students were consistently polite, respectful, and appreciative, truly embodying the values and character of a Warlingham student. We are incredibly proud of them."

Rehearsals for students in Year 7, 8 & 9 are well underway, each afternoon and after school. Excitement is building for Bugsy Malone! The show is currently sold out, however, please keep an eye on Arbor for any last-minute tickets that may become available. I am pleased to advise that the PTA will be supporting the event following my recent call for volunteers. Thank you to those parents/carers who have been in contact with the PTA, to kindly offer their support at this event. Special thanks go to Louise, Maria, Akila, Dexter, Carla, Vick, Jacqueline, Paula, Hannah, Lucy, Sharlene and Abi who have all offered their time, to enable a range of refreshments to be served at each performance. There will be alcoholic drinks, hot drinks, fizzy drinks, as well as crisps, chocolates, and cakes. We would like to remind you that for ease and convenience, all payments to the PTA will be taken by card, however any cash donations to the performing arts department will be gratefully accepted.

Supporting Our Staff Community

One of our ongoing priorities is how we look after the people who support your children every day. Teaching in a secondary setting is an increasingly demanding profession and having calm, welcoming spaces where staff can pause, plan and recharge genuinely makes a difference to wellbeing, morale, and long-term retention.

As part of this, we are always keen to work in partnership with our wider school community. From time to time, parents, carers, or local organisations are able to support the school through donated items, professional expertise, or connections with local businesses. This might include contributions that help make shared staff spaces more comfortable and restorative, or small enhancements that improve day-to-day working life.

These kinds of additions, while often modest, can have a meaningful impact and help us continue to attract and retain high-quality staff for the benefit of our students. If you feel you may be able to help or know of an organisation that might be interested in supporting the school in this way, please contact Rob Watkins.

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The logo for Tandridge Learning Trust, featuring the text "Tandridge Learning Trust" in a purple, sans-serif font, with a green leaf-like graphic to the left of "Learning" and a green circular graphic to the right of "Trust".

Communication and Use of Technology

We really value positive, open communication with our families and we want to work together to make sure every conversation supports the wellbeing of students, parents and staff.

To help us respond clearly and effectively, we ask that messages to the school are:

- Respectful in tone
- Reasonable in number
- Written personally by the parent or carer

Using AI tools or automated systems to send large volumes of messages, especially if they are repetitive or unkind, can make it harder for staff to give each family the attention they deserve. Keeping communication thoughtful and manageable helps us stay focused on what matters most, which is supporting your child. We appreciate your partnership in creating a positive, respectful communication environment that benefits everyone in our school community.

Consents - Reminder

If you are yet to complete the link below or update your child's consents via Arbor, we would like to remind you that this requires completion by **31st January**. We have previously requested consent for your child to take part in the Warlingham School & Sixth Form Sponsored Walk/Swim on an annual basis. To streamline this process and avoid asking for consent annually for this event, please complete the form via the link below. As with all consents, you can update or change your preferences at any time using the Arbor app for parents.

[Consent Form - Sponsored Walk/Swim – Fill in form](#)

Thank you to all the parents and carers who have already completed the consent form. Your child's Arbor profile will be updated accordingly. If you are yet to submit your consent please do so as soon as possible.

Mental Health and Wellbeing Support at Warlingham

Warlingham School offers a range of mental health and wellbeing support options for students. These include **ELSA support, the Tandridge Mental Health Support Team and trained school counsellors**. If you have concerns about your child's mental health or wellbeing and would like to access support, please contact your child's **tutor or Head of Year**, who can discuss next steps with you.

Please see below for details of two upcoming support opportunities that may be of interest

Years 10, 11, 12 and 13

Managing Exam Stress Intervention

Students in Years 10–13 have recently completed, or are about to complete, a set of examinations. While this can be a stressful time for many students, we recognise that some may find anxiety around exams particularly difficult to manage. As a result, we will be restarting our **Managing Exam Stress** group interventions after the February half-term.

If you have noticed that your child is struggling with exam-related anxiety, or if you have concerns about the impact of exams on their mental health and wellbeing, please complete the form via the QR code below. A member of staff will then be in touch to discuss appropriate support options.



Learning Space – Parent Course (Anxiety)

One of our partner organisations, **Learning Space**, is running a **four-week online course for parents and carers** focused on effectively supporting children and young people who are experiencing anxiety. For further information about course content and how to sign up, please see the attached flyer.

Year 11

We would like to wish all our Year 11 students the very best of luck in their mock exams starting next week. This is a great opportunity for them to practice and challenge themselves and we are really proud of all the hard work they have put in so far. Timetables are available on Satchel One and in the Student Room and parents and carers will have received a letter earlier today with further details.

Year 12 & 13

Registration Activities w/c 2nd February

Please find attached the registration activities for next week which outlines what students will be doing in tutor time. It has also been set on satchel for students to review in their own time.

Year 12 students should be continuing to find WEX placements whilst **Year 13** should be researching their next steps and preparing for their February mocks starting on **Friday 6th February**. They will be on study leave from this date until the return to school on **23rd February**. This week is also **National Apprenticeship Week** Encourage your child to check our Padlet site for additional resources: [Warlingham Sixth Form College \(padlet.com\)](https://padlet.com/warlingham_sixth_form_college) and opportunities for their next steps. For any questions, please contact Mr. R. Leay at r.leay@warlinghamlt.co.uk

We wish you an enjoyable weekend.

Kind regards

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