

WELLACRE

10th March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Principal's Update~10th March 2023

I hope this letter finds you all well on what has turned out to be a very sunny Friday afternoon.

This week the Y10 students have had their formal assessments in the hall. They have been excellent in both attitude and behaviour in what is an important rehearsal of a GCSE exam season for them. Well done to them and thank you to the Exams Team for their excellent organisation.

We also welcomed our Year 11 parents/carers and students to a '**Strategies for Success Evening**' on Thursday. We hope all attendees found the evening informative. The slides and revision sessions can be found below. The links are included within. Please note the addition of Construction and Art to the Easter school provision. Thank you for your support in attending. It was lovely to see so many of you there.

📎 Thursday 9th March Year 11 Strategies for Success Evening Final presentation 2023.pptx.pdf
[Year 11 Revision Sessions 2023.pdf](#)

The Year 11 revision planner can be found here. The students need to make a copy for themselves before typing in as a google doc. Alternatively, it can be downloaded.

📎 Year 11 GCSE Revision Planner.xlsx

I would like to make special mention of **Hamza, Nourislam, Wasim, Russel, Saud and Mo** who were wonderful ambassadors for Wellacre on Wednesday as we welcomed 11 new additions to the school for an induction. The students were kind, helpful and respectful and we were all so proud of them. **Wellacre has always been a welcoming community, with a strong sense of belonging at its core. I have no doubt that we will all make sure our new starters settle in quickly and make new friends. We strive to exemplify the school values of respect and pride in all we do and say.**

The **Executive Student Council** met today and I really enjoyed hearing their feedback on wide ranging topics including charities, menu choice, House events, diversity, mental health, disability awareness and rewards/recognition. The students are confident, conscientious and influential in the roles. Well done boys. I look forward to sharing actions we took away at your next meeting.

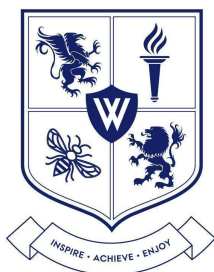
Please take a look at next week's bulletin as so many **students are recognised for their excellent work, wider achievements and positive contribution** to life at Wellacre.

Important information for 15th and 16th March 2023: NEU Industrial Action

The National Education Union continues to be in dispute with the government and there are two planned, national strike days on Wednesday and Thursday next week. Following careful consideration and assessment of risk, **we can only open the school partially** on both days as detailed below:

1. **All students who are in Year 11 on BOTH days 8.45am-2pm;**
2. **On Wednesday, the students in Year 10, who are part of the Cambridge National Sports Studies course, will attend school in groups at allocated times to complete the compulsory off site Orienteering assessment.**

All other students will remain at home on both days.



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All students in Year 11 must attend school as usual, on time, in full school uniform. They need to bring revision resources to support independent study in the event that their usual teacher is absent. Students will be supervised studying independently in this event. The canteen will be available as normal for all Year 11 students. The attendance mark for the day counts towards their attendance and any sickness absence must be reported in the usual way please.

The parents/carers of students in the Year 10 Cambridge National Sports Studies groups will be sent a separate letter. Students should arrive at school at the time allocated to their group and meet in the canteen. They should leave school when they return. Students who are normally in receipt of a free school meal can collect a packed lunch to take home with them. Students need to wear the kit outlined in the letter.

All other students, in all year groups, can access home learning on both days, which is hosted by Google Classroom. Every subject will have relevant work to complete, which is aligned to the curriculum followed in school and prepared by our teachers.

[A Guide to Accessing Learning via Google Classroom .pdf](#)

A copy of this has already been shared with students.

I will of course update you if the situation regarding industrial action changes in the meantime. **Thank you for your continued support during this period of disruption in schools.**

Year 9 Options Confirmation

Statements confirming option choices will be sent to Year 9 parents/carers over the next few days.

Year 8 Progress Evening for Parents/Carers

This event will be held remotely with parents/carers able to make appointments from today via School Cloud. The event takes place on Thursday 30th March 2023 from 4.30-7pm. It is an important opportunity to discuss students' progress, achievements and areas for improvement. In order to get the link for School Cloud, please complete this very short feedback form. Your views are important to us. Thank you in advance.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdaPdg45X2RhKM6Vjpe6t9Ur7ZzC64XHIAugSRKfPvKxBurFw/viewform?usp=sharing>

I hope you all have a good weekend. Many thanks for your ongoing support. If you have any queries, please email admin@wellacre.org and we will always try our best to help.

Best wishes,

Mrs J Sharrock

Principal