

# THE WILLINGTON NEWSLETTER

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#### **HEADMASTER'S NOTES**

Another week, another whirlwind of activity amidst a scorching backdrop of weather that would make one think they were in tropical climes. Fortunately, we now seem to be seeing a restoration of something nearer to comfort and less like the internal workings of a pizza oven. We started the week with Year 3 going off to Legoland on Monday (pictured below) and a presentation that afternoon from our new suppliers of uniform SchoolBlazer.com. I was delighted to hear all the positive feedback from those who attended about this new service, which you can visit online at www.schoolblazer.com. Then, on Tuesday evening, we hosted the Pre-Test and Common Entrance Information Evening. I am grateful to a number of Old Willingtonians and parents of old boys who came back to relate their experience of this time in their school lives. However, prior to this event, we captured a moment in the history of the School, which happens every other year, with the taking of the Whole School photograph. I am looking forward to seeing the finished picture, which will hang proudly with the others in the main entrance. Wednesday saw our Junior boys meeting with their new teachers and we were delighted to welcome Miss Maughan, who joins the Leadership Team as Head of Juniors from September. Later that day, we held the Sayers Croft Information Meeting for the current Year 3 boys ahead of their residential trip next term as Year 4 boys. Always a high point in the life of a Willington boy, I am sure they are already excited about going in September. Yesterday saw the annual POW Hotdog Lunch and my thanks go to the formidable team who provided this traditional treat for the boys. I sampled a hotdog (for quality control purposes only, of course) and was pleased to see the boys tucking in

with gusto. As I write, the Uniform Shop Sale is being set up as we draw this noble venture to a close, but I cannot conclude my musings this week without mentioning my personal highlight, which was the Reception Class Assembly on Wednesday (pictured below). This was a superb Assembly at which the boys taught us all about the various minibeasts, bugs and creepy-crawlies they have been studying under the watchful eyes of Mrs Spence and Miss Waterman. Well done, boys, a superb presentation!

I must offer an enormous thank you to all those who came out in support of the various teams playing in last Friday's POW Football Tournament. It was, once again, a fantastic event and it is always one of the great social gatherings of the Willington family each year. My congratulations go to the winners, a team of Year 2 fathers of great talent. My plotting to get the trophy



back in the hands of the staff begins in earnest for next year. Speaking of events in the future, though perhaps just a tad closer, next week is the Arts Festival and I urge you to come to the Gala Concert on Wednesday evening at St. Paul's Church on Augustus Road, Wimbledon. Every year this event gets better and better and I am certain this year will be no

Our green-fingered gardeners above with the rewards of all their hard work this term and some of our Oates Scholars learning to play Bridge

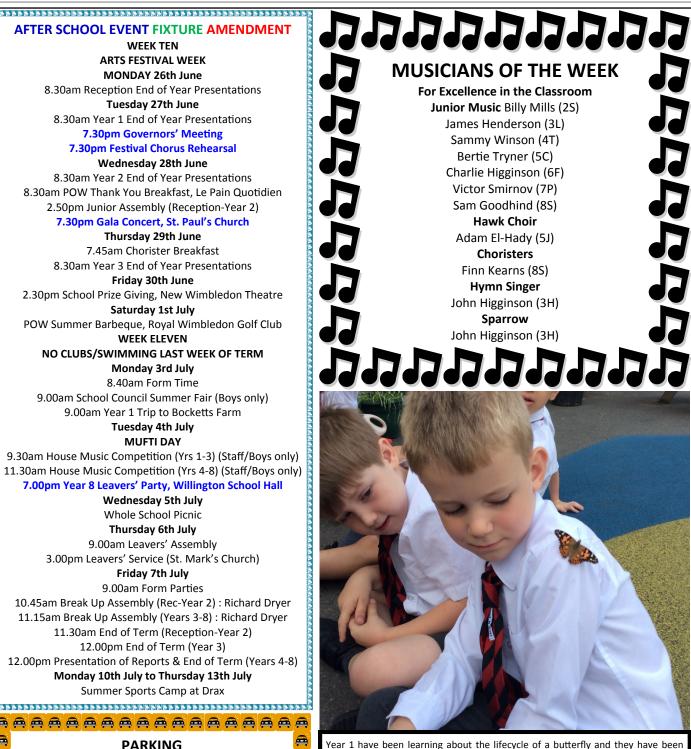




exception. Do join us for what promises to be a very special musical event. At the end of next week, of course, it is Prizegiving, our annual celebration of excellence in an array of areas of School life. We are going, once again, to The New Wimbledon Theatre for this year's ceremony, which was such a wonderful setting last year. I look forward to seeing you all there as we congratulate a slew of boys for their endeavours throughout the year. Have a relaxing and happy weekend.

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8.30am Year 2 End of Year Presentations 8.30am POW Thank You Breakfast, Le Pain Quotidien 2.50pm Junior Assembly (Reception-Year 2) 7.30pm Gala Concert, St. Paul's Church Thursday 29th June

AFTER SCHOOL EVENT FIXTURE AMENDMENT WFFK TFN **ARTS FESTIVAL WEEK** 

> **MONDAY 26th June** 8.30am Reception End of Year Presentations

> > Tuesday 27th June

8.30am Year 1 End of Year Presentations

7.30pm Governors' Meeting

7.30pm Festival Chorus Rehearsal

Wednesday 28th June

7.45am Chorister Breakfast 8.30am Year 3 End of Year Presentations Friday 30th June

2.30pm School Prize Giving, New Wimbledon Theatre Saturday 1st July POW Summer Barbeque, Royal Wimbledon Golf Club

WEEK ELEVEN

NO CLUBS/SWIMMING LAST WEEK OF TERM Monday 3rd July

8.40am Form Time 9.00am School Council Summer Fair (Boys only) 9.00am Year 1 Trip to Bocketts Farm

#### **Tuesday 4th July MUFTI DAY**

9.30am House Music Competition (Yrs 1-3) (Staff/Boys only) 11.30am House Music Competition (Yrs 4-8) (Staff/Boys only) 7.00pm Year 8 Leavers' Party, Willington School Hall

Wednesday 5th July

Whole School Picnic **Thursday 6th July** 9.00am Leavers' Assembly 3.00pm Leavers' Service (St. Mark's Church) Friday 7th July 9.00am Form Parties

10.45am Break Up Assembly (Rec-Year 2) : Richard Dryer 11.15am Break Up Assembly (Years 3-8) : Richard Dryer 11.30am End of Term (Reception-Year 2) 12.00pm End of Term (Year 3) 12.00pm Presentation of Reports & End of Term (Years 4-8) Monday 10th July to Thursday 13th July

#### Summer Sports Camp at Drax

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#### PARKING

🚔 Please may we remind you not to park your car on 🛱 🚔 the zigzag lines in front of the school at any time 🔗 🚔 or across the driveways of local residents and 🚔 🚘 please may we ask you to be courteous and 🚘 considerate to our many neighbours at all times. 

**MRS HOPPE'S YEAR 4 MATHS** STUDENT OF THE WEEK Shihyun Kim (4S)  Year 1 have been learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly and they have been observing caterpillars and butterflies in class. Here is Jack Perry from Class 1F in the Junior Playground with one of the beautiful butterflies the boys released.

WEEK 9	JUNIOR	WEEK 9	SENIOR
JUNIOR	OVERALL	SENIOR	OVERALL
HOUSE	HOUSE	HOUSE	HOUSE
POINTS	TOTAL	POINTS	TOTAL
2nd Excalibur	1st Excalibur	2nd Excalibur	1st Excalibur
3rd Galahad	3rd Galahad	1st Galahad	2nd Galahad
1st Lancelot	2nd Lancelot	3rd Lancelot	4th Lancelot
4th Merlin	4th Merlin	4th Merlin	3rd Merlin

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