



Wye School

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Newsletter

23 October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

We have reached the end of term 1, an unusually wet and windy one, but, it has been a good start to the academic year. Thank you for all your support, particularly with attendance which is higher so far this year than last year, which is great. The best way to do well at school is to be in school. Some news about the last few weeks:



Best in Everyone Awards 2024

We held our Best in Everyone Awards on Thursday 3rd October, with parents and carers joining us as Margaret Williams, our Chair of Governors, handed each prize out to the students who had been best in each academic subject, as well as resilience award winners. It was a lovely event, with great music from Connie in Year 13.

The prize winners were:

Harry	11	Subject Award for Business Studies	Harry has demonstrated fantastic business understanding and enthusiasm although does unfortunately apply his amazing ideas to Tottenham Hotspur far too often!
Marisa	9	Subject Award for MFL	Marisa was described by her language teachers as a wonderfully talented linguist with a talent for identifying accents.
Erin	11	Subject Award for Religious Studies	Erin was awarded because she constantly shows hard work and dedication and truly enjoys her studies in RS and has enthused others too. Erin can create arguments that are both strong and empathetic.
Rebekah	8	Subject Award for Maths	Rebekah was awarded for her approach in maths. She is forensic with her ability to deconstruct mathematical problems and works diligently to solve whatever challenge comes her way.
Patrick	8	Subject Award for Maths	Patrick contributes in every single lesson and shows such determination to drive his learning in Mathematics forward.

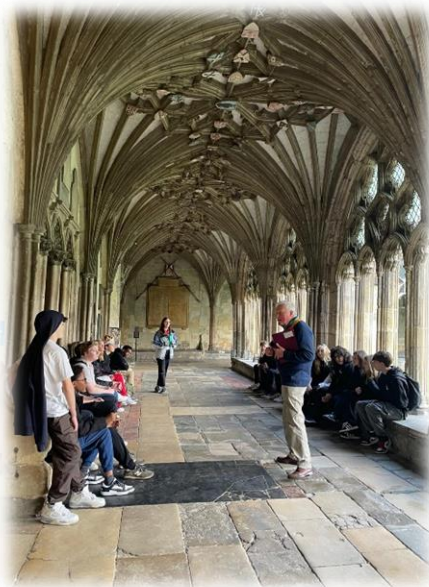


Leo	9	Subject Award for English and History	For History: He is incredibly knowledgeable about all aspects of History and can hold adult debates and conversations around key events and people. For English: Leo is highly engaged and has such curiosity with his learning. He is able to challenge and develop ideas from texts with maturity.
Eleanor	9	Subject Award for Geography	Sensational understanding of geographical issues including geo-politics. A career working for the United Nations surely awaits.
Bohdan	11	Subject Award for Science and Food Technology	Bohdan has been awarded both in science and food technology and will have been a strong candidate in a range of subjects for an award. Bohdan strives in every lesson, in every subject, to learn as much as he can. His attitude to learning in both practical situations and theoretical situations is outstanding.
Joseph	12	Subject Award for Music	Always strives to achieve his best in Music. Takes on board feedback and shows resilience. Has contributed to the wider community of Wye School with performances and representing the Music Department for events such as Options Evening. Joe also volunteers and mentors younger students.
Jay	11	Subject Award for Sport	Jay was awarded for his focussed and incredibly high standard theory work as well as recognition for his talent in sport- particularly badminton.
Martha	11	Subject Award for Art	Awarded for her talent in art and willingness to continuously develop this further with a patient and curious approach.
Crystal	11	Subject Award for Drama	Awarded for consistently performing with confidence, passion and sincerity.
Dominic	9	Resilience Award	Even when faced with challenge or adversity Dominic conducts himself with both dignity and class and always finds a way to succeed. Dominic is a fantastic role model to others.
Sienna	9	Resilience Award	Sienna demonstrates resilience often. She has a fantastic attitude of never giving up in school and will always find a way to overcome any issue. Sienna finds a way to navigate challenge and I have no doubt will be a force to be reckoned with in adult life.



Canterbury Cathedral Trip

We recently took our Year 11 students on an inspiring trip to Canterbury Cathedral. The pupils enjoyed a guided tour, exploring the rich history and stunning architecture of this iconic site. Their enthusiasm and respectful behaviour truly reflected the values of our school, making the visit a memorable experience for everyone involved. It was a fantastic opportunity for the students to engage with their curriculum in a real-world context. Thank you to all who made this trip possible!



Black History Month

Year 10 students created their own PowerPoint on Black History Month and delivered an inspiring assembly to the other students across the school! We were impressed with them all.



CEMA Museum in Maidstone

On 8th October Year 9 students visited the CEMA museum in Maidstone. Students explored workshops centred around medicine and surgery during WW1, life of a soldier and life on the home front (WW2). After this students got to explore a replica trench, dug out and step inside a real Anderson shelter. Despite the rainy weather it was a lovely day had by all!





U13 Girls Football Team

The U13 girls travelled to Broadstairs to take on Charles Dickens school in round 2 of the Kent Cup. The girls quickly took the lead with Poppy scoring in the first 10 seconds of the game. Bonnie made it 2-0 after rounding the goalkeeper and scoring. In the second half, the girls continued to attack and forced Charles Dickens into scoring an own goal before Eva finished off the game by scoring a well deserved goal.

Wye School Cross Country Teams

On Thursday 17th November our Wye School Cross Country Teams competed in the annual Ashford and Shepway District Cross Country Championships. Each individual race had around 70 runners over what was a very challenging course around Brockhill Country Park. Wye's highlight was our Year 10 boys winning bronze medals in the Intermediate boys team category which also included many runners from Year 11.

Below are the individual finishes for each Wye runner, who had earned selection for their respective teams as one of the fastest students in our House Cross Country competitions held in PE lessons during October.



Intermediate Boys (Year 10/11 combined)

Joe Hanton - 9th
Henry Jones - 16th
Ryan Pearson - 20th
Aaron Clark - 24th
Oliver Bramwell - 31st



Intermediate Girls (Year 10/11 combined)

Zara Lynds - 22nd

Grace Anderson - 27th



Junior boys (Year 8/9 boys combined)

Ben De Vries - 10th

Charlie Andrews - 12th

Toby Hardie - 23rd

Owen Lusted - 30th

Joe Thornby - 32nd

Riley Lancaster - 35th



Junior girls (Year 8/9 girls combined)

Sienna Bridgland-Burke - 10th
Etty Parks 20th
Brooke Bailey 21st
Katy Rogers 25th
Ellen Dendy - 27th
Jacinta Thomas - 33rd



Year 7 boys

Jenson Bissonnette - 10th
Hayden Baker - 32nd
Stanley Hughes - 44th
Reuben White - 45th
Andrew Carroll - 48th
Robert tee - 52nd



Year 7 Girls

Emma Smith - 25th
Eva Brasington - 28th
Isla Stewart - 31st
Sophie Ledgerwood - 34th
Millie Harrison - 38th
Ella Burge-Mclean - 45th

Uniform

As we go firmly into Autumn and on into Winter next term, please ensure that your child returns to school with weather-appropriate layers, a coat and/or umbrella. Whilst we do what we can to accommodate students indoors during wet weather, we are limited in our indoor spaces at break and lunch. This will be particularly acute during the Year 11 and 13 mocks which take place in the Sports Hall.

Key Dates

Date	Time	Event
06 November 2024		First Day of Term – all students
06-19 November 2024		Yr 11 & 13 mock examinations
11 December 2024		Y8 Parents Evening – on site Information to follow
16 December 2024		Panto Trip - Year 7 – Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone
20 December 2024		Last Day of Term – Students finish at 12:15 pm
20-21 November 2024		Year 11 Art Mock
20-22 November 2024		Year 13 Art Mock
20-29 November 2024		Year 11 PE Practicals



Conclusion

I am particularly impressed with how Year 11 have been so assiduously attending lunch time intervention sessions this year, more so than any previous year. I look forward to them carrying on with this spirit into term 2.

I hope you all have a good half term and look forward to seeing all our students back on Wednesday 6th November for term 2.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Luke Magee". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Luke Magee
Principal

