

THE WEEK AT



FRIDAY 28TH MARCH 2025

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Thank you so much for your support in ensuring that our pupils have been in school and engaging in their learning this week.

It has been a great week at WOA:

- **Pupils continue to have been involved in Shrek The Musical Rehearsals - tickets are currently on sale for shows on 8th, 9th, 10th April - please buy a ticket (our Primary School Matinee performance will take place on 8th April)!**
- **Today was week 4 of our FOMO Friday Rewards Package - 30 pupils have won fast passes or vouchers because their attendance over the past week has been 100% and this afternoon many more pupils won prizes from Miss Moore's trolley dash across the school!**
- **We have had great fun with our Golden Time Bingo (involving the whole school!) with over 100 pupils who won a line and a dip in the prize trolley. Next week we will be having giant outdoor disco on the field at lunchtime - we really want it to be the best Golden Time on Friday yet!!!**
- **Year 10 won our 'most improved attendance' reward today - Well done Year 10!**

You will be aware that attendance in school remains an on-going top priority for us and this is why, in addition to launching our FOMO Friday Rewards Package to encourage pupils to come in to school on Friday's, we have also launched another attendance challenge which we have written to all parents about. **The DfE place all attendance % into bands and we have used this information to identify what attendance band each of our pupils are currently in and have set them all a target - Every single pupil who moves up a band will receive a prize!**

Friday 11th April will be the last day of term and we have informed all pupils that it will be a day jam-packed full of fun and rewards: Easter eggs and prizes from the Bunny Hut, an Easter Egg Hunt and a MEGA surprise treat! #attendtoachieve #inittowinit

During my daily briefings I continue to remind pupils about out of class behaviour and our aims and expectations in relation to litter, vandalism and vaping. I do want us to focus on in-class behaviours also - our Wheel of Wonder on a Friday is aimed at rewarding pupils for their positive points which can be gained by working hard and being good citizens. We want to recognise and reward good behaviour.

Finally, feel I must continue to remind you that vapes are prohibited items in school. We will not tolerate any child bringing a prohibited item into school or using a vape or any other substance on site.

If you have any questions or queries regarding our approach to tackling litter, vandalism, vapes, or in monitoring the toilets please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

ATTEND TO ACHIEVE

Our top attending tutor groups of the week are ...

Year 7- 7REV
Year 8- 8KAH
Year 9- 9MBA
Year 10- 10KCH
Year 11- 11SFR

Well done to all our FOMO Friday winners – next week we have the FOMO Friday festival on the field! Be in school to join in on the lunchtime disco, facepainting and more!

Every Friday is FOMO Friday so make sure you are in school!

Year 10 are the most improved attender's week on week and will collect their treat during the wheel of wonder today.

[#attendtoachieve](#)

[#missitmissout](#)



HOMEWORK HIGHLIGHTS

SPARX READER

1214 hours of reading have been completed so far, with over 1020 books already read!

1	Isabella C (Isabella the Icon)	2503 SRP
2	Brayden M (Brayden the Resolver)	714 SRP
3	Mase P (Mase the Athlete)	706 SRP

SPARX MATHS

A magnificent 246 students have levelled up this week and 1,070,638 questions have been answered so far! We are officially maths millionaires!

1	Keziah (Keziah the Matriarch)	2,712 XP
2	Louiza (Louiza the Romantic)	2,565 XP
3	Sufia A (Sufia the Blessing)	2,414 XP

HOUSE POINT LEADERBOARD



1st place - Austen- 32297
2nd place - Brontë - 31910
3rd place - Dickens - 30912
4th place - Shakespeare – 29469

Well done to:
7ROR 8NAS, 9MBA, 10KCH, and 11JPL
the top house point scorers in their year group!



RAISING ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to everyone that has taken part in the GCSE English Language and GCSE Science Drop Down Days this week. You worked really hard and gave those grades a boost!!

Next week the real exams start with the 3D Design, Photography and Art practicals. Make sure you are in on time, and ready for these assessments.

As we move closer to the exams we have a range of extra interventions to help you glow up your grades – Easter School is first and we will be sharing what's available next week.

Year 10 have continued to make great progress in their interventions ahead of their first mock exams which begin 28th April.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Shrek Performance – 8th, 9th 10th of April Get your tickets on the gateway!

Friday 11th April – School closes for the Easter Holiday. Easter School for Year 11.

Monday 28th April – School reopens to all students at 8.45am.

Wednesday 14th May – Y10 Parent's Evening

WE CARE – USEFUL INFORMATION

1. Only talk to people you know on line
2. Only organise to meet people in safe places
3. Walk each other home – don't stay out too late!
4. If you see anything that concerns you – don't forget to run, hide, tell!

If you have a concern during the holidays please contact:

Police – 999 (emergency) 101 (non-emergency)

NSPCC – 0808 800 5000 (Text 88858)

Sandwell Children's Services team – 0121 569 3100

For support, please contact:

ChildLine – 0800 1111

Samaritans – 116 123