

# THE WEEK AT WOA

## FRIDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026

### PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

"Snaps to all the cast and crew" at WOA this week! We have had the most fabulous time!

- A BIG MASSIVE thank you and well done to each and every pupil and staff member who was involved in our sell out performance of Legally Blonde which took place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week!!!
- Well done and THANK YOU to all who supported the performance of Legally Blonde for 200 pupils from Mesty Croft, Moorlands and Tameside on Tuesday - it was AMAZING!
- Year 11 pupils are working hard in lessons as they receive feedback on their recent mock exams.
- Year 10 pupils have settled back into school following work experience last week and are preparing for PSA's next week.
- Year 9 pupils are in the final stages of the options process - a reminder that the final deadline for choices is 27<sup>th</sup> March.
- It has been another super fabulous FOMO Friday today with face-painting and a Quiz in the sunshine, followed by Miss Moore's Trolley of Joy - Many pupils have yet again won prizes and vouchers as part of our Wheel of Wonder and we are still counting down until the opening of the Bunny Hut during the last day of this half-term!
- Year 8 won the most improved attendance this week - well done to all!

Don't forget that we have launched our Attendance Bands competition - Reminder: ALL pupils who maintain their Band 1\* or Band 1 status or move up a band will take part in our Bunny Bingo Bonanza which will take place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

Thank you as always for your continued support of all that we do at WOA.

#gottobeinittowinit #attendtoachieve #fomofriday #believeachieversucceed #changinglives

### ATTEND TO ACHIEVE

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



7LRI  
8HOV  
9JHI  
10JLG  
11ARO



Each collected their attendance winner trophy full of sweets to share on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March.

Year 8 are our most improved attenders' week on week will collect their treat during the wheel of wonder on Monday.

#attendtoachieve

#missitmissout

### KEY DATES – SPRING TERM

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – School Closes for Easter. End of Spring Term.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> - Deadline date for Year 9 options

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - School Opens for the Summer term

### KEEPING UP TO DATE

This week, parents and carers will receive an email invitation to set up access to the Arbor Parent Portal and App.

This will become the main way the school communicates with families. Through Arbor, you will be able to:

- View key information about your child
- Receive school messages and updates
- Check attendance information



## HOUSE POINT LEADERBOARD

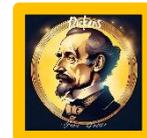


Our House point leaderboard is back!

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Bronte 6417 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Austen 6028 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Dickens 5878 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Place Shakespeare 4267 points.

Remember you can earn house points every day!

Top earning tutor groups are: 7LBR, 8EWT 9JHI, 10SMJ and 11ZWA! Well done everyone.



## RAISING ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to Year 11 for another fantastic week. You have all now received your Summer Exam Plan, so it's time to start revising if you haven't already. Interventions will begin again next week and you have all been informed of your new intervention groups. Please remember that Session 6 will run during Week A next week.

Year 10 – welcome back from your week of work experience. We hope you found it valuable. You have had your Raising Achievement assembly this week and have been given your mock exam timetable. It's now time to begin revising for your Year 10 mocks. Remember, these are really important in helping you "STEP UP" as you move through KS4.

## UNIFORM REMINDERS

This half term we are focussing on ensuring our students are dressed to impress in their WOA Uniform. A reminder of our expectations for uniform are below. If you need support with uniform please do contact us.



WOA Blazer



WOA Tie



White Shirt



Black Trousers or Skirt with tights



Black Polishable shoes or boots

## WE CARE – USEFUL INFORMATION

### Reminders:

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 out of school hours please contact:**

Police – 999 (emergency) 101 (non-emergency)  
NSPCC – 0800 800 5000 (Text 88858)  
Sandwell Children's Services team – 0121 569 3100

**For support, please contact:**

ChildLine – 0800 1111  
Samaritans – 116 123