

# Community Bulletin

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## Rewards Round-Up 2024/25

As we near the end of an action-packed school year, we want to take a moment to celebrate the fantastic achievements of our students through our rewards programme. It's been a year full of hard work, commitment to our core values, and consistent effort across all year groups — and we've made sure to recognise and celebrate that every step of the way!

Over the course of the year, 465 students have enjoyed either hot chocolate with our Senior Leadership Team or a special treat with the Pastoral Team. These students were among the top 5 in their year group for reward points in the preceding week — a fantastic weekly celebration of consistency, positivity, and resilience.

Each term, we've come together to celebrate success in our Rewards Assemblies. By the end of May, an impressive 75% of the school had received their Bronze Reward, with a special mention going to Year 7, where a remarkable 93% of students have already reached this milestone. We look forward to seeing even more students recognised in our final Rewards Assembly on the last day of term.

This year, we were excited to introduce rewards trips to Starbucks, Waterstones, and McDonald's — acknowledging those students who have gone above and beyond in embodying our core school values. These trips have been a huge success, giving students a well-deserved treat and time to reflect on their hard-earned achievements.

Finally, last night, we hosted our annual Key Stage 3 Rewards Evening, where we celebrated the outstanding effort and achievements of students in Years 7 to 9. These students were nominated by staff for their exemplary attitudes and contributions. It was a wonderful evening of recognition and celebration, made even more special by the proud families in attendance.

As always, we value your thoughts. We're constantly looking for ways to improve our rewards system and ensure it motivates and supports all our students. Please take a few moments to give us your feedback via the Google form below. Your input is incredibly important to us.

[Rewards Feedback Form](#)

We're thrilled with the positive impact of our postcards home this year. These small gestures have been a meaningful way to recognise and celebrate student success. The feedback from families has been heart-warming, and we look forward to continuing this initiative next year.

We still have some exciting events planned to celebrate students achievement before the end of the year:

- For our top 40 students with the highest *Ambition* achievement points this year, we're holding a special cream tea event. If you've received your invitation, please don't forget to RSVP.
- Students who have earned their Silver Award will be invited to enjoy a fun inflatable session. A well deserved reward for their hard work and commitment!

Our end-of-term Activity Day has joined forces with the Rewards system this year for the first time. Some students have been able to fund their experience with their achievement points. Students have loved using their points to access these opportunities, and we are so proud of how they have engaged with the rewards system this year.

Miss Brown

**Assistant Headteacher**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - TERM 6

### SAVE THE DATE

**Year 10 Mock Interviews** - Thursday 3rd July

**YEAR 11 School Prom** - Friday, 4th July

**PHOENIX FESTIVAL** - Monday, 7th July

**YEAR 10 PARENT EVENING** - Wednesday, 9th July

**SPORTS DAY** - Thursday, 10th July

**Activities Day** - Monday, 21st July

### **INSET DAYS 2024-2025**

Friday, 27th June 2025

### **INSET DAYS 2025-26**

Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### **EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURES**

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

*(staggered by year group from 12.20pm-12.40pm)*



Please join us in congratulating this week's Students of the Week for their outstanding contributions to our school community. Students will be invited to a 'Treat with the Team' in recognition of their hard work.

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10
Dylan M 7ALE	Macey G 8GST	Ellie R 9DMA	Ben W 10SCR
Miles N 7NWE	Lola D 8TST	Freya P 9CPA	Olivia B 10EOR
Suki L 7RHA	Jacob E 8RCR	Casey D 9AME	Alfie H 10MDU
Isabelle K 7RHA	Lillie J 8BMA	Finn L-R 9ARA	Ruby R 10DMC
Sophia V 7ABE	William B 8BMA	Tia O 9GEL	



National Thank a Teacher Day is an annual celebration of teachers and support staff across early years settings, schools and colleges. This year it will take place on **Wednesday, 18th June 2025.**

<https://youtu.be/iRzABZVH8H0?si=EJrFvQWzBiYh96VC>



## Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Events



Due to popular demand, all our events will now be ticketed via Eventbrite. Please book your tickets by clicking on the below blue links.

For the Year 6 Open Evening on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October, please ensure you book your tickets for both the school open evening which includes a tour, and also the Headteacher's address, so we can accurately gauge attendance. The Headteacher's address will be held at 5pm and is repeated at 6pm and 7pm.

If any member of the community requires disabled parking or access, kindly let us know in advance by contacting the Headteacher's PA directly; [stomalin@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:stomalin@willingdonschool.org.uk)

We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

**Year 6 Open Evening and Tour - book in by clicking the below link:**

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Evening Thursday, 2nd October 2025 Between 5pm-8pm](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Evening-Thursday-2nd-October-2025-Between-5pm-8pm)

**Year 6 Headteacher's Address - At 5pm and repeated at 6pm and 7pm - click one of the below links:**

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Evening Headteacher's Address 5pm](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Evening-Headteacher's-Address-5pm)

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Evening Headteacher's Address 6pm](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Evening-Headteacher's-Address-6pm)

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Evening Headteacher's Address 7pm](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Evening-Headteacher's-Address-7pm)

**There are 3 different dates for a tour of the school during the school day you can choose from, 7th , 8th and 9th October - click one of the links below to book in to see our school in action:**

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Morning and Tour Tuesday, 7th October 2025 9am](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Morning-and-Tour-Tuesday-7th-October-2025-9am)

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Morning and Tour Wednesday, 8th October 2025 9am](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Morning-and-Tour-Wednesday-8th-October-2025-9am)

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon Community School Year 6 Open Morning and Tour Thursday, 9th October 2025 9am](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/Willingdon-Community-School-Year-6-Open-Morning-and-Tour-Thursday-9th-October-2025-9am)



## **Change of the school day structure 2025-2026**

Over the last two years we have undertaken a piece of work looking at the pros and cons of two structures of the school day. We currently have six 50-minute lessons, and from September we will move to five 60-minute lessons a day. There will also be a two-week timetable, so it is essential that students are organised and know their lessons for each day.

The rationale for this is to ensure that students' learning is consolidated during a lesson, and that there are more opportunities for engagement throughout the lesson. It also produces a much neater set of timings for young people to stick to during the day. We also know that some students struggle with two periods after lunch, and we feel for their wellbeing one period after lunch will be much more manageable.

The day will be as follows:

08:30 – 09:00	Coaching Time	11:25 – 12:25	Period 3
09:00 – 10:00	Period 1	12:25 – 13:25	Period 4
10:00 – 11:00	Period 2	13:25 – 14:00	Lunch
11:00 – 11:25	Break	14:00 – 15:00	Period 5

### **Have Your Say – Behaviour Survey Now Open! ✨**

At Willingdon, we are committed to creating a positive and supportive learning environment for all students. As part of our ongoing review of the Behaviour for Learning Policy, we are inviting feedback from our entire school community.

Parents & Carers – Please take a few minutes to complete our short survey.

Students – We'd love to hear your voice too! Encourage your child(ren) to fill in the student version of the survey.

Your insights will directly help shape our next steps and ensure the policy reflects the needs of our students, staff, and families.

We will also be holding in-depth discussions with the Student Leadership Team, and in July (date tbc), we'll be inviting interested staff and parents/carers to be part of a Behaviour Implementation Team to support the next phase.

Thank you for being a vital part of our school community. Together, we can make a difference.

[Parent Behaviour Survey - June 2025](#)

[Student Behaviour Survey - June 2025](#)



# PHOENIX

We welcome you all to join us for our annual Music and Creative Arts Festival

## FESTIVAL

**7 JULY 2025**

Willingdon School Field

*3:15pm - 6:15pm*

**Rock Bands  
Musical Theatre  
Choirs**

**Dancers**

**String Ensemble**

**Instrumental & vocal solos**

**Duets and trios**

**Staff Band**

We have many exciting stalls offering sweets, mocktails, party games and many other items. Most stalls will be cash only. Some stalls may have contactless payment.

If you are feeling hungry or need cooling down, there will be the external vans offering **hot food** and **ice creams**.  
Cash only.



**Willingdon**  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

**Free Event  
All Welcome**

**Bring along a picnic blanket and deck chairs**

# Student Leadership Updates



## **Student Leadership Team visit to Highworth School**

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June, the Senior Student Leadership Team were invited to spend the afternoon working with Year 12 student leaders at Highworth Grammar School in Kent, to share ideas and experiences and learn more about what it means to be successful student leaders.

Our trip was an eye-opening experience. The facilities at the school were impressive, and the students we met were genuinely lovely; friendly, engaged, and clearly proud of their school. The hospitality we received was warm and thoughtful, making us feel welcome from the moment we arrived.

It was so inspiring to see the fantastic ideas put in place by their leadership team. Their approach to school culture and innovative solutions for fundraising, inclusivity and community projects gave us a lot to think about. They clearly took great care of their learning environment and everything that they described was rooted around the whole community getting behind each other and working together.

Most importantly, it was a privilege to have the chance to speak with them, share our own ideas, and feel that we might have inspired them even a little. We got some really positive feedback on the ideas we presented, which gave us confidence and motivation, particularly around our experiences of Sponsored Walk, which they would like to introduce in their own school.

The visit gave us a valuable look into how another school organises its student leadership and to understand what they do well, what makes them bond and what unites them; it helped spark some great reflections on how we can take those insights and improve our own school in meaningful ways.

Ava

Head Student

# Local Sponsorship

As we look ahead, we are excited to share some ambitious plans to enhance our learning environments and facilities. We are actively seeking sponsorship to help fund the refurbishment of our Design & Technology and Art spaces, the relocation of the Music rooms, and the creation of a new Performing Arts hub. This hub will feature state-of-the-art practice rooms designed to nurture talent and creativity. Additionally, we aim to establish an Alternative Provision area to better support diverse learning needs.

If you or your company would be interested in supporting these vital projects, we would love to hear from you. Parental support plays a crucial role in providing the very best opportunities for our young people, helping them to thrive both academically and creatively.

If the company you work for, or your company can support our school and community, please express interest by contacting [talktous@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:talktous@willingdonschool.org.uk).



## **A Big Thank You to D.B. Appliances for their generous sponsorship!**

We are delighted to extend our heartfelt thanks to D.B. Appliances for their generous donation of £100 towards our Art supplies. This contribution has made a significant difference in enriching our students' creative experiences, allowing us to provide quality materials that inspire imagination and artistic growth. We are truly grateful for their support and commitment to our school community.



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Head of Year

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# Year 7

Dear Parents and Carers,

As I complete my second week as Head of Year 7, I would like to once again extend my sincere thanks for all your ongoing support. It has been a pleasure getting to know the students, and they are already proving themselves to be exceptional - not only in their achievements but also in their behaviour and attendance.

During numerous learning walks over the past week, I've been incredibly impressed by the level of engagement I've seen in lessons. Students are arriving in full uniform, participating with enthusiasm, and consistently making positive choices. This strong start is putting them in a great position as they prepare to move into Year 8.

We have an exciting final five weeks ahead. Our Activities Day will take place on Friday, 21st July, and the much-anticipated Phoenix Festival is also on the horizon.

I would like to give special recognition to the following students who will be receiving treats from myself and the Pastoral Team for their fantastic achievements this past week:

Dylan M, Miles N, Suki L, Isabelle K and Sophia V

Congratulations also to 7EMC, who achieved an outstanding 97% attendance - a fantastic example to the rest of the year group.

On a final note, I am delighted to share some outstanding extracurricular achievements.

Congratulations to Calista S-S for her phenomenal performance at the U13 Sussex County Championships in Athletics. She recorded several personal bests, including a county record of 1.40m in the high jump, and placed in the top three across multiple events.

Well done also to Zach S, who also competed at the championships and earned several top-three finishes across different events. We are incredibly proud of them both for their representation of Eastbourne Athletics Club and look forward to seeing them at our upcoming Sports Day in July.

Lastly, a huge well done to Saira K for completing her Bronze Award in Computer Science, in addition to already securing her Bronze IDEA Award - a globally recognised programme focused on digital, enterprise and employability skills.

Thank you once again for your continued support. I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend, and I look forward to welcoming the students back on Monday, refreshed and ready for the challenges ahead.

## Mr Roche and the Year 7 Team





Head of Year  
Mr Keast / Ms Johnson

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# Year 8

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we begin to wrap up another busy and rewarding week at Willingdon, I wanted to take a moment to celebrate some truly fantastic achievements within our school community.

Firstly, a huge congratulations to Amy in Year 8, who has reached an incredible milestone. After seven years of commitment and hard work - beginning all the way back in Year 2 - Amy has earned her black belt in karate with the Sama Karate Organisation. This is no small feat and reflects the perseverance, focus, and determination that Amy brings to everything she does. We're all so proud of her accomplishment, and it's a wonderful reminder of the amazing things our students achieve both in and outside of school.

We also had the pleasure of celebrating many of our brilliant young people at the KS3 Reward Evening on Thursday night. It was a joy to see so many smiling faces as students were recognised for their efforts, progress, and contributions across the year. A special mention must go to Ralph S, who was awarded this year's Year 8 Cup—a richly deserved accolade for his hard work and consistently positive attitude.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We're incredibly proud of all our students and look forward to sharing even more good news as the term continues.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

**The Year 8 Team**



Head of Year  
Mr Gordon

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# Year 9

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to Year 9 for another successful week at school. There has been an improvement in the Year 9 attendance at school and I have continued to see great focus and engagement from the majority of the year group during lesson walkthroughs and around the school.

It's clear that many students are ready and eager to begin their KS4 journey, and are excited to start their chosen option subjects. As we approach the final weeks of the academic year, please encourage your child to remain focused and to continue working hard across all their current subjects throughout the rest of Term 6.

Please can you support Year 9 team by reinforcing the school's expectations at home with your child.

- All students must wear the correct school uniform, including their blazer, unless it is a designated PE day when they must wear their full PE kit. The new compulsory PE shorts are available to purchase at the school reception or on ParentPay.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times and students must arrive equipped with a school bag and all the necessary equipment for their lessons.

Attendance at school and punctuality to lessons is essential – students should be in school every day and on time to every lesson to maximise their learning time and support their own academic progress.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch [pastoral-9@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:pastoral-9@willingdonschool.org.uk)

**Mr Gordon and the Year 9 Team**



## Year 9 Visit to Local Care Home

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June, several of our students made their second visit to Bernhard Baron Care Home in Polegate, continuing the wonderful connection we've established with the residents there.

On previous visits, students engaged in creative painting activities with the residents. This week, however, they enjoyed a more personal experience - sitting down over tea and biscuits to share conversations and stories. The residents generously recounted memories from their childhoods, including deeply moving accounts of life during the Second World War. Some shared their experiences of the London Blitz and spoke about being evacuated during the V-1 and V-2 rocket attacks.

Our students were incredibly engaged and showed great maturity, empathy, and curiosity during these conversations. It was truly heart-warming to see such meaningful interactions between generations, and both the students and residents thoroughly enjoyed the time spent together.

This intergenerational connection is proving to be an enriching experience for all involved, helping bridge the gap between young people and older generations, and fostering genuine friendships. We are so proud of how our students are representing themselves and the school.

We're excited to continue this link next term when we will be returning for our third visit. This time, students have been invited to take part in a jewellery-making session as part of the care home's summer fair festivities.

We are immensely proud of our students and look forward to many more visits to come.



## Work experience

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**

All Year 10 students will participate in work experience

Work experience is an important part of education and supports young people to make career decisions, develop employability skills and support successful transition into further education, higher education, apprenticeships and the workplace.



## How do pupils benefit from a work experience placement?

- More confidence and improved self-esteem
- Ability to communicate with adults
- Improved timekeeping
- Additional practical work skills
- Team working
- Problem solving skills
- Time management and organisation
- Clarifies job roles within industry
- Broadens horizons in relation to career routes and job roles available



## Finding a work experience placement

Students will need to find their own work experience placement with the support of parents/carers. This could be a placement with your parents/carers, relatives, friends/connections, or approaching an employer directly.

Finding an own placement will mean that students will be able to undertake a suitable placement that is of interest and personally rewarding to them. It also helps develop communication, resourcefulness and initiative and will help ensure that they have access to a wide range of jobs and employers.

Should students be unable to source their own placement, we do have a database of available employers and placements, and we do our best to place students in a sector they are interested in. This is not always possible however we do our utmost to ensure that they have a placement out in industry.



### What happens next?

Students and parents explore options over the summer holidays.

We need to know of any confirmed placements by **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September** due to suitability, risk assessment and health and safety checks that will need to be carried out by East Sussex County Council.

A letter went out in the parent bulletin on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June.





## EXAM DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Date	Subject	Start time	Duration	Location
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	English	1.30pm	1 Hour	Sports Hall
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Maths	8.50am	1 Hour 15 minutes	Sports Hall

## ✓ How Parents Can Help with SITTING EXAMS

### Key points:

- ▶ The period around the time of the exams is the most stressful for your child - and for you.
- ▶ The day of an exam can be a particularly anxious time.
- ▶ Emotions after exams vary considerably.

### The night before an exam

The night before an exam, students should only attempt light revision using revision notes and not try to do any totally new revision. This does, of course, depend on whether they have been revising hard in the weeks leading up to the exam!

They will need to get together all the necessary equipment (pens, rulers, calculators etc plus spares) in a clear pencil case as the last thing they want in the morning is to be rushing around trying to find things. It might be a good idea to have a back-up pencil case ready just in case.

Their teachers may have organised a pre-exam revision session so check this with them as they will need to be in school earlier than usual.

- ✓ Ask them if they need to leave for school earlier or later than usual and think about whether you need to adjust your routine.
- ✓ Make sure they have packed their pencil case and have got other items ready (watch, bus pass, water bottle etc).
- ✓ Check they know whether the exam is in the morning or afternoon, the start time and where it is (Hall, Gym etc).
- ✓ Make extra allowances for the fact that they may behave differently and could possibly be more moody or short tempered.

*"Get them to pack their bag the night before with everything they'll need for the exam."*

## On the day of an exam

Students should get up in plenty of time, perhaps a little earlier than usual, so that they do not have to rush.

Some students like to do some last-minute revision such as flicking through revision notes whilst others simply want to get ready to go. It is totally normal for them to be nervous at this stage (who wouldn't be?)!

Whether you are at home or not on the day of an exam, do all you can to ensure that things are calm.

- ✓ Avoid asking them how they feel or giving them last minute advice.
- ✓ Encourage them to have breakfast even if they usually don't.
- ✓ If you are taking them to school on that day make sure you are well organised and that you arrive in good time.
- ✓ Tell them to avoid people who irritate them or may talk negatively about the exam ahead.
- ✓ This is the point at which there is nothing left for you to do – they're on their own!



Head of Year  
Mr Cain

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# Year 10

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been another largely fantastic week for our Year 10 students, who have been working really hard in lessons as they get ready for their upcoming mock exams starting next week. Thursday this week saw our Art mock exam, and students approached it with real maturity. It was great to see them so well-prepared and focused, putting their skills into practice under proper exam conditions.

On Tuesday, I had the pleasure of joining some of our Student Leadership Team on a visit to Highworth Grammar School in Ashford. They met with the Highworth student leaders to share ideas around fundraising, school improvement, and how to bring out the best in everyone across the school community. Our students did us proud as they begin to embark on their roles as head students and think about the legacy they'll leave behind.

We've also enjoyed celebrating success – it's been lovely to spend time with some of our top reward point earners over the last two weeks during Friday morning treats with the team. A big well done to all those students who've achieved the highest points so far this term – myself and Mrs Taylor are really proud of them.

As we mentioned in assembly this week, the full mock exam timetable kicks off from next Thursday. It's really important that students are revising and preparing well. If you're able to support them at home – whether that's through helping them organise revision time, or just having a quick check-in chat – it makes a big difference, and we really appreciate it. If you have any questions, concerns or need support, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's coach, or drop myself or Mrs Taylor a message via the pastoral email.

Here's to another positive week ahead as we support our Year 10s through this important time!

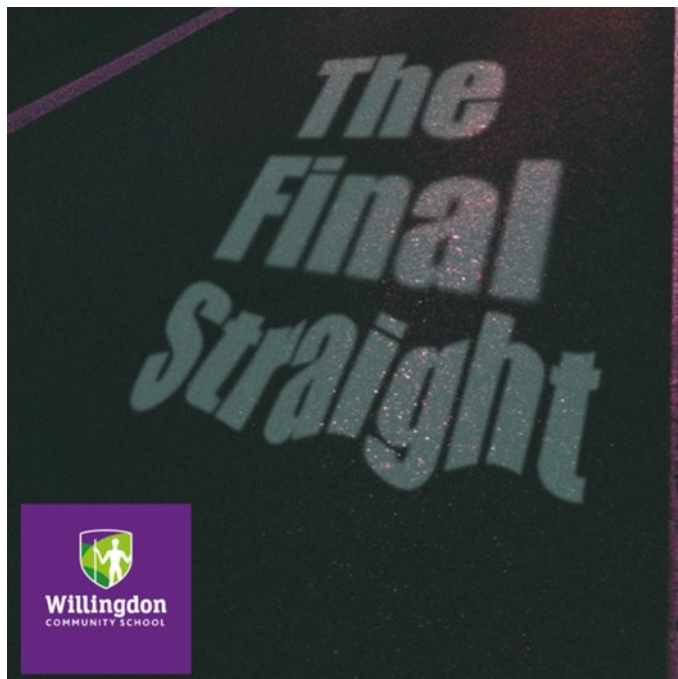
**The Year 10 Team**



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# Year 11



I would like to say well done to all Year 11 students for another successful week of their GCSE examinations. An excellent attitude by all has continued to be demonstrated as they enter the final straight of their exam season with another week to go. Please see the timetable of the final exams that remain.

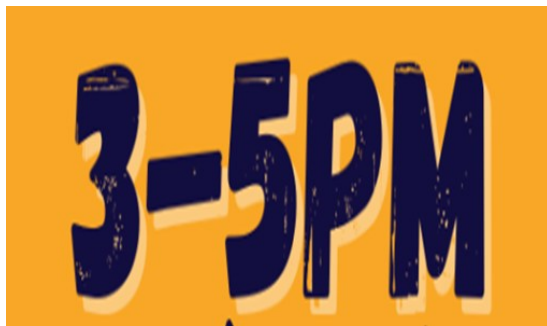
A reminder I would like to see students attending the lessons they still have exams for as teachers are ready to teach them each day. Students are not required to stay in school for subjects in which they have completed their exams. Once they have attended the necessary lessons, they may sign in and out at student support.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind regards,

**Mr Gordon and the Year 11 Team**

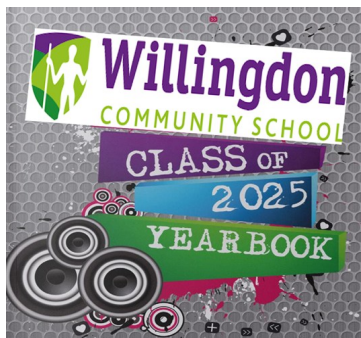




Our team of Learning Mentors, will continue to run sessions daily after school **Monday-Thursday 3-5pm** which are designed to provide valuable support for your child to help prepare them for their GCSE exams across all subjects. Please encourage them to attend these sessions if they would like this support.

### Year 11 GCSE Exam Timetable for remaining GCSE exams

AQA	Physics Paper 2	8463/2F/2H	1H45M	Monday 16 June	08:45
AQA	Combined Science Physics Paper 2	8464/P/2F/2H	1H15M	Monday 16 June	08:45
WJEC	Music Comp 3 Appraising	C660U30-1	1h15m	Monday 16 June	13:00
Pearson	Spanish Writing Foundation	1SPO 4F	1h15m	Tuesday 17th June	08:45
Pearson	Spanish Writing Higher	1SPO 4H	1h20m	Tuesday 17th June	08:45
AQA	Food Prep & Nutrition	8585/W	1h45m	Tuesday 17 June	13:00
AQA	Design and Technology	8552/W	2h	Wednesday 18 June	08:45
AQA	Further Maths Paper 2	8365/2	1h45m	Wednesday 18 June	13:00



Your child has been sent a google form for them to attach up to 5 photos for the school memories section. Thank you for the photos that have been sent in to date, can you encourage you child to send in photos if they haven't already.

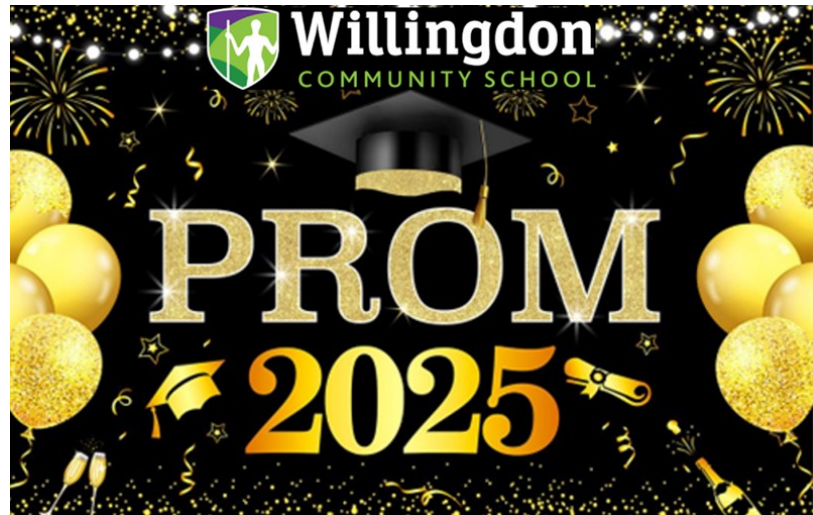
You can now make payment for the **Year 11 Yearbook** via ParentPay. The cost of the Yearbook will be £16. Collection of the Yearbook will hopefully be on GCSE Results Day. We will have very limited spare copies of the book to purchase on the collection day, so please ensure you purchase a copy as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Please ensure your child has completed the google form [Year 11 Yearbook Memories 2025](#) with their memories they wish to be included in the book.

### Year 11 GCSE Results Day

The GCSE results will be available for students to collect on Thursday 21st August between 10:00am and 12:00pm from the school. Students should come through the main reception and into the main hall.

If a student can not come in on the day and would like another individual to collect their results, we need the student to email the exams team from their school email address stating this and naming the individual who they would like to collect their results for them. This individual would then need to bring photo ID with them on the day in order to collect the results. If students have any other issues or questions about their results then they should contact the exams team, [exams@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:exams@willingdonschool.org.uk)



**REMINDER: Year 11 Prom – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July at The Cavendish Hotel**

If your child is attending the Year 11 Prom, please ensure they have completed their menu choices for their meal on the google form that has been emailed out to you. We need to forward this key information to the Cavendish Hotel so they can prepare for the evening.

The seating plan for the Prom is on the board in the Year 11 office for those that haven't come to check. Please ensure your child has checked in with the Year team to ensure they are sat with their friends for the sit down meal.

Final details and times for the evening will be issued next week.

## Swap Shop

### Donations welcomed from any Year 11 Leavers

We would be very grateful for any unwanted uniform that is in good condition to help the children & families within the school community.

We accept Blazers, PE Kit with logos, Pleated Skirts, Straight Skirts & Ties.

We don't accept White Shirts, Socks or Tights.

Please contact us on the email below:

[uniformswap@willingdonschool.org.uk](mailto:uniformswap@willingdonschool.org.uk) or bring items to Student Support once the exams are completed.

In addition to doing our bit to help the planet, we also hope to help our families avoid spending when we can provide things for little or no cost.



# Careers Page

## Career of the Week



### Paramedic

**Paramedics** respond to emergency call-outs and give people life-saving medical help.

### Routes into the industry

You can get into this job through:

- **A university course:** You'll need to do a **Paramedic Science degree** approved by the Health and Care Professions Council.
- **An apprenticeship:** You can get into this role through a paramedic degree apprenticeship.
- **Working towards the role:** You could start as an ambulance care assistant. With experience, you could apply for a place on a paramedic training scheme. You could also work in a residential care home or day care centre or in an office-based job for an ambulance service as a first step.

### Skills

#### Day to day tasks:

- Drive an ambulance or accompany the driver to respond to calls for assistance at accidents, emergencies and other incidents
- Assess the nature of injuries, provide first aid treatment and ascertain appropriate method of conveying patient
- Resuscitate and/or stabilise patient using relevant techniques, equipment and drugs
- Transport and accompany patients who either require or potentially require skilled treatment whilst travelling

### Subjects

You'll need five GCSEs, including English Language, Science and Maths at Grade 4 or above

### Salary\*

Ranging from £24,000 to £38,000

### Jobs

The workforce is projected to grow by 8.9% by 2027, creating 2,800 jobs. In the same period, 50.3% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 16,000 job openings.

\*In 2020 the average salary was £31,461, up 3.6% on 2019.

Annual pay estimates are largely unaffected by Covid-19.

## CAREERS WEBSITES

The **National Careers Service** website helps with exploring careers and includes the qualifications needed, salary, career progression opportunities and the daily tasks involved. You can also take a skills assessment to find out which sectors may be most suitable: [National Careers Service website](#)

**Prospects** includes a quiz to help explore the various jobs that might suit you best. It also includes tips on CVs, interviews and applying for jobs: [Prospects](#)

**Career Pilot** allows you to choose a subject that you enjoy and to see where it might lead as a career: [Careerpilot website](#)

Careerometer is a tool to compare jobs on criteria such as salary and working hours: [Careerometer website](#)

**UCAS** includes information on almost all universities & colleges; their courses, the entry requirements and other useful information: [UCAS website](#)

Universities may ask for certain grades in specific subjects or they may ask for a sum of UCAS points e.g. 120 UCAS points. The table on the right shows how many points each A level grade is worth. For other courses such as T Levels and BTECs, the **UCAS tariff calculator** can be used:

A LEVEL GRADE	UCAS POINTS
A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

The **Apprenticeships** website: [Gov.uk apprenticeships](#) can be used to search and apply for apprenticeships





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**SATURDAY 21ST JUNE  
10AM TO 5PM**

**FREE & LOW COST CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

**FOOD & DRINK**

**HANDMADE STALLS**

**Dog Show Princesses Spider-Man Bluey & Bingo  
Tennis Courts & Coaching Football Penalty Shootout  
Skittles run by the Rotary Club**



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## **Main Stage - Town Hall**

- 10am: Dog Show Registration & Event**
- 11am: Poetry Society Performance**
- 11:30am: Meet Princess Rapunzel & Ariel**
- 12pm: Printers Playhouse Choir & Ukulele Army**
- 1pm: Live Music from The Violets**
- 3pm: Live Music from Inner Soul Collective**

## **Around The Event**

- 11am-1pm: Spider-Man Appearance**
- 11am-12pm: Princesses**
- 12pm-3pm: Bluey & Bingo**

## **South Street Sports Park**

- Rotary Club Skittles**
- Tennis Courts**
- Penalty Shoot Out**
- Cricket Nets**



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