

WCPS PREP SCHOOL News Roundup

Week 11 Autumn Term 2025

Our week

We'd like to thank all of you for your support of the Friends of WCPS and the money they raise for us. We continuously benefit from your generosity in multiple ways. We had the wonderful Lucy Catto come in to deliver a Science lesson to every class in KS2 to celebrate World Science Day. It was such a fantastic experience for the children and everyone really enjoyed it and were very excited about the 'magic'. A massive thank you to the Friends of Wymondham College Prep School who kindly funded this brilliant experience for the children.

Our Spring ECA Programme is LIVE! I hope you and your child enjoy looking through what they'd like to experience next term and appreciate what we provide for the children - please read this letter for further information.

We welcome another 60 visitors into school on Wednesday for our 2nd
Reception Open Morning who were supported by our brilliant Pupil



Leadership Team. They were incredible hosts and showed our school at its very best. The confidence with which they spoke and hearing how proud they are of their school was incredible to witness. A huge thank you to the many of you who went out and bought a newspaper last weekend for the art tokens. Miss. Sharp was thrilled to get an influx this week. Please continue to hunt them down! We need every one we can get. We celebrated National Illustration Day yesterday with a 'drop everything & draw' - so much fun!







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FLEXI BOARDING IN UNDERWOOD HALL

FAKE ADVANTAGE OF OUR FLEXI BOARDING OFFER -PAY AND STAY FOR ONE NIGHT, GET YOUR SECOND STAY HALF PRICE (NO ADMIN FEE APPLIES)

We are now offering 'flexi-boarding' to day pupils in Years 5 or Year 6 allowing them the opportunity to board on a flexible basis. The cost of flexi-boarding is £100 per night and will include the cost of dinner, breakfast, accommodation and all activities in Underwood Hall.



If you wish to book for your child to flexi board then please click on the link below. Alternatively you can email the school office or Mr. Timmins who will then be in touch with you with further information which will include drop off / collection arrangements, afternoon and evening schedules, and instructions on how payment is to be made.



Please note that there is an annual limit of 45 nights' accommodation per pupil per academic year. If you would like to enquire further about flexi-boarding then please do not hesitate to email Mr Timmins at <u>i.timmins@wymcolprep.org</u>.



Flexi Boarding Booking Form







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Reception Rabbits & Robins

Our topic this week was 'stars'. We finished off our English unit 'How to catch a star'. We are very impressed with the progress that the children are making with their writing in the English tasks each week - most children are now able to have a ao at writing a sentence. This week the children wrote a sentence about what they noticed about the stars eg 'The star is shining'. In phonics we have learnt more digraphs and tricky words - please do make sure your child is practising their flashcards regularly. Our next phonics assessment is the week after next. The children enjoyed showing off our beautiful Reception unit to lots of prospective families at our second open morning on Wednesday. In Maths we have been practising finding 1 more and 1 less.





Year 1 Otters & Seals

It has been a chilly week but this has not stopped Year 1 from enjoying the outdoors in Woodland Wonder and making the most of the learning opportunities this provides. We have been learning some more of the precursive letters in handwriting and have been spending time in provision to practise these, ensuring correct and neat formation. In Science we have learned about animal diets, using the vocabulary of carnivore, herbivore and omnivore. On Friday we celebrated National Illustration Day, considering the job of an illustrator and having fun with creating our own illustrations. We are big fans of the Draw With Rob videos and lots of us are keen to explore these further at home!









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Year 2 Badgers & Foxes

In Year 2 this week, we loved exploring the Woodland Wonder area in science, observing things that are alive, used to be alive or have never been alive. In English, we have been working hard on writing our narrative stories and the children are producing some fantastic ideas. In maths, we have continued learning about symmetry as part of our shape work. We also thoroughly enjoyed taking part in Illustration Day, dropping everything to draw and express our creativity.



Year 3 Dragonflies & Bumblebees

This week, Year 3 had a blast creating our final Christmas animations using the iMotion app. We're now stop-motion experts! In Maths, we've been revising key concepts in preparation for Quiz Week next week. In English, the children's independent stories based on Stone Age Boy are shaping up wonderfully, with some fantastic tales of a Stone Age visitor coming to our school. It's been a week full of creativity and learning, and we can't wait to see what next week brings!

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!



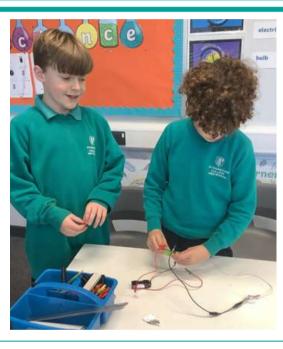
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Year 4 Eagles & Owls

What a week! This week we got to write a biography all about Mr Underhill! We used our discussion session him with him last Friday, and combined it with our English techniques. Ready to plan and write our own biography about somebody different next week. In mathematics, we have continued our work on multiplying and dividing. Using different methods to prove how we know something, and how we can explain it to somebody else. In science and DT, we have been building electrical circuits. This was to create different switches for our night lights, and to test out materials that are conductors and insulators.



Year 5 Kings, Emperors & Royals



It has been another awesome week for Year 5! We have learnt a lot this week. During History we have learnt about the beginning of the Space Race and the rivalry between USA and the USSR. Using the atlases, we were able to locate each superpower and learn about the tension between them. In English we have completed our Independent write and we are excited to start our new topic. In science we discussed the 8 phases of the moon and debated the question 'is the earth flat or a sphere?' We look forward to what next week brings!



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Year 6 Lions & Jaguars

Year 6 have been very busy again! We have been learning all about Parliament this week as we have been taking part in UK Parliament week to inspire interest in parliament, politics and democracy. We learnt how a bill is passed through the Houses, how the Monarch officially opens Parliament and how new laws are made! In DT, we have been practicing our all important sewing techniques ready to start our soft toys next week. There was a fantastic sense of determination and perseverance in our classrooms when threading needles and tving knots. Thank you to parents and carers for all the donations of fabric so far! Our final MUN preparations are in full swing too as we started writing our opening speeches to deliver on conference day which is fast approaching. Well done Year 6!







Underwood Hall

It has been a lovely week this week in Underwood. It certainly is feeling very festive. Two of our Christmas trees are up (one to go), our Christmas lights are sparkling already in the Common Room, and boarders are bringing in their own decorations ready for December's dorm decorating competition. I think we have had a guest every day this week. These included Mr Holledge on Monday (to talk to boarders about their experience and see the house in action), Isabelle on Wednesday (flexi boarding) and Samuel on Thursday (who joins as a boarder in Year 6 in January). We are off to Winter Wonderland this weekend at The Norfolk Showground. We might see you there!







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Heads of School

Hi, I'm Rosie (one of the HoS if you don't know me). I'm obviously the better one though. I'm going to interview ... Miss Fung our Year 6 teacher assistant!

Rosie: So Miss Fung do you enjoy teaching? Miss Fung: Yes I do! Each day is varied and I enjoy seeing children grow in confidence.

Rosie: What was your favourite subject

when you were younger?

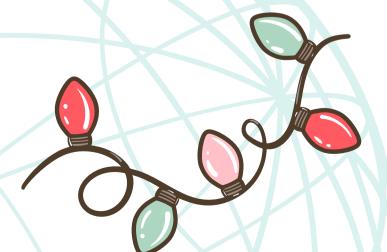
Miss Fung: French and P.E

Rosie: What do you like doing out of

school?

Miss Fung: Walking my dogs in the woods and spending time with my family Ok that's all for this week.

Yours sincerely Rosie (HoS) and Miss Fung!





Heads of Underwood

Hello this is Bea (HoUH) and for this week's roundup I have interviewed Mrs Aylmer...

Bea: What made you want to be a teacher?

Mrs Aylmer: Because I hade inspiring teachers

myself!

Bea: What's the funniest thing that happened in

vour classroom?

Mrs Aylmer: Someone called me Alexa!

Bea: What's your favourite subject?

Mrs Aylmer: Maths!

Bea: What's your hobbies outside of school?

Mrs Aylmer: Watching Norwich city football!

Thanks for reading have a spectacular weekend! Yours sincerely, Bea (HoUH)



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Friends of Wymondham College Prep School

If you placed an order for Christmas Gifts, a Friend will be handing your items out at the times listed beli=ow. The shop is open again for orders and will close 1st of December.





IMPORTANT MEETING NOTICE

Parents, you're warmly invited to the FoWCPS AGM on 15 December at 14:00 (for a 14:15 start) until 15:15. Come along to hear what the Friends Committee has planned for our children in the year ahead we'd love to have you there!

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YR 1-3: 15:15-16:00 VOLUNTARY £2.50 DONATION

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YR 4-6: 16:15-17:15



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NEXT WEEK WILL BE WEEK: A

Woodland Wonder Next Week	
Monday	AM Sessions - Otters PM Sessions - Dragonflies
Tuesday	AM Sessions - Seals PM Sessions - Bumblebees



From Monday 1st December the Christmas Card Postbox will be in the main foyer for pupils to post their cards to their friends around school. Please ensure this is done at drop-off or pick-up and not during the school day.

The FoWCPS are not currently accepting any further 2nd hand uniform donations, however if you have any spare clothing for our KS2 pupils that could be kept in school they would be gratefully received.



A polite reminder to switch off your engines when waiting in the car park nearest the EYFS entrances. We appreciate keeping warm in the cold weather, but this does also generate a lot more fumes around our younger pupils.

We would like to make you aware that we have had a case of headlice in school this week. Should you find your child to have headlice, please treat them and and siblings as soon as possible to avoid spreading. Pupils are not required to stay off school.



Please find the link for the Online Safety Newsletter for December 2025 - Online Safety Newsletter 2025

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Forthcoming Events

DECEMBER	
Monday 1 st December	Percussion & Drums ECA - Mini performance 3:40pm - 4:00pm
Wednesday 3 rd December	Spring Term ECA Sign up closes 6:00pmY5 Space Day with Mike Culley
Thursday 4 th December	Spring ECA results published to familiesLAMDA Examinations
Friday 5 th December	Last day of Autumn Term ECAs
Monday 8 th December	WCPS Choir performing at The Forum - Communications have been sent home
Tuesday 9 th December	Y4-6 Tag Rugby event @ WCPS 🛨
NEW - Wednesday 10 th December	EYFS & KS1 Personal Growth Celebration - Invitations have been sent to those being celebrated this time



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DECEMBER		
Thursday 11 th December	 Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day 2025 Bookings for EYFS Nativity Close 	
Friday 12 th December	 FoWCPS Christmas Disco & Non-uniform Day Reception - 2:30pm - 3:00pm KS1 - 3:15pm - 4:00pm KS2 - 4:15pm - 5:15pm 	
Monday 15 th December	• FoWCPS AGM 2:15pm - 3:00pm in WCPS hall - all parents/carers welcome	
Wednesday 17 th December	Whole school trip to the Panto	
Thursday 18 th December	Christmas Decoration Day 9:00am - 10:00am WCPS Christingle in WC Sports Hall 2:15pm - 3:15pm (parents to arrive from 1:00pm) Underwood Hall boarders Formal 6:00pm	



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Forthcoming Events

DECEMBER/JANUARY	
Friday 19 th December	 Last day of term - no WAC House party - winning house to be announced KS2 Personal Growth Celebration 2:30pm - Invitations have been sent to those pupils who are being celebrated
Saturday 20 th December - Tuesday 6 th January	Christmas Holidays
Wednesday 7 th January	Back to School
NEW - Friday 9 th January	Young Voices mini Performance 3:15pm - 4:00pm
NEW - Monday 12 th January	Spring Term ECAs begin



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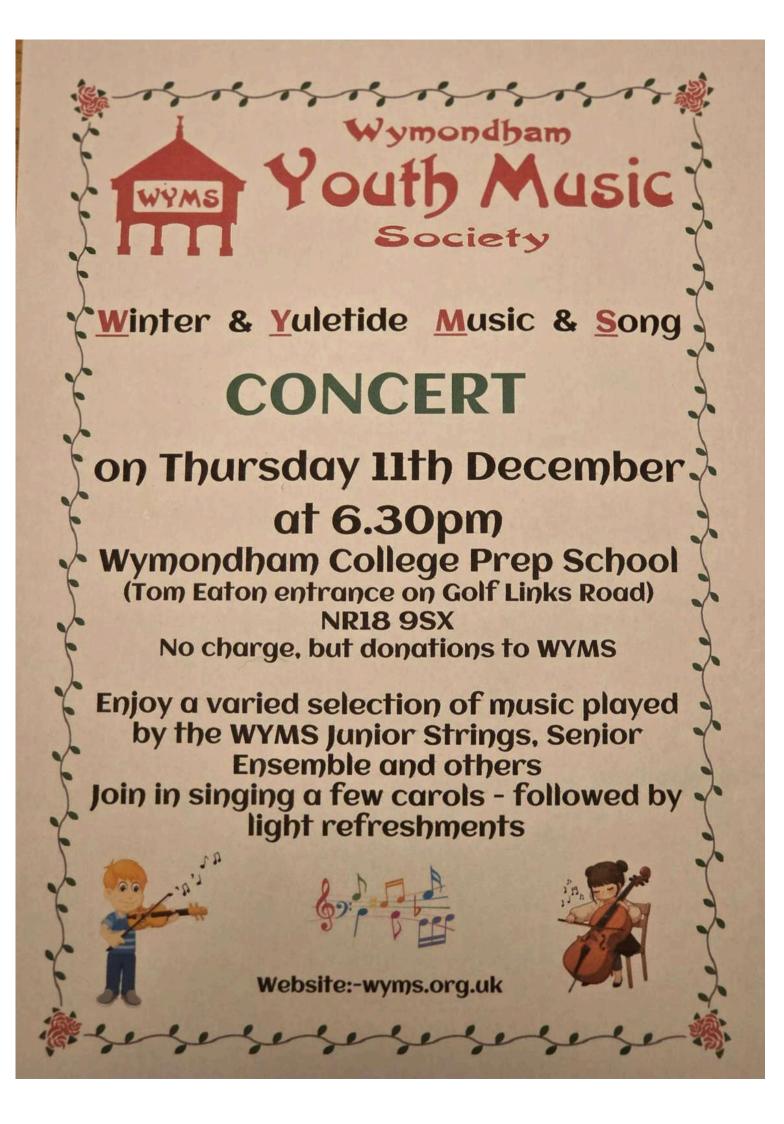
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY	
Monday 19 th January	Young Voices concert at the O2
Friday 23 rd January	EXEAT - no ECAs tonightY1 Cakes4Coaches
Thursday 12 th February	 EYFS & KS1 Personal Growth Celebration - Await invitation, is your child being celebrated this time? Y3 Eaton Vale Residential parents meeting Y1 Cakes4Coaches
Friday 13 th February	 Last day of half term - No ECAs or WAC KS2 Personal Growth Celebration - Await invitation, is your child being celebrated this time? Y3 Cakes4Coaches

KEY:

WAC - Wraparound Care ECA - Enrichment Curriculum Activity













Wymondham CollegePrep School For raising £19.25 Towards the Poppy Appeal 2025 Which currently stands at £29,655.32 Ann Rogerson - Poppy Appeal Organiser

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SCAN FOR TICKETS dodoanddinosaur.com/events



or sabre-tooth

decoration!

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22 & 23 December 2025

08:00-17:30 and 10:00-14:00







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