



# The Westgate School

## Summer Term 2 2022 Issue 12

## Newsletter



### Good bye!

The last few weeks at Westgate have been packed full of activity. GCSEs and year 10 exams have come and gone, new staff and students have arrived at Westgate to join our ever-increasing school community. Year 11 and 13 students have been a true credit to the school during the exam season. They approached their exams in a purposeful and calm manner and we are sure they will all achieve the grades they fully deserve when we welcome them back to school to collect their exam results on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> (A Levels) and Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August (GCSEs).

We are already looking ahead with anticipation to what promises to be an excellent academic year starting in September and putting in place plans to ensure we drive the school forwards in all aspects. It is extremely important that all students come to school in the correct uniform, as well as ensuring phones are off during the school day. The Westgate School is committed to ensuring school is a safe and distraction-free environment for our young people to learn and grow in.



### Keeping Safe



<https://www.slough.gov.uk/crime-safety/water-safety-jubilee-river-video>

To ensure the health and safety of the school community, can we remind parents of the council's criteria on the use of E- scooters.

<https://www.slough.gov.uk/parking-roads-travel/e-scooter->



#### ! Tips for coping in hot weather

- Look out for those who are most at risk: the elderly, young children, babies and those with underlying health conditions - help them to keep themselves cool and hydrated.
- Close curtains in rooms that face the sun to keep indoor spaces cooler. Remember, it may be cooler outdoors than indoors.
- Drink plenty of fluids and avoid excess alcohol. If you are leaving the house, take a bottle of water.
- Try to keep out of the sun during the hottest part of the day - 11 in the morning to 3 in the afternoon.
- Avoid exercising during the hottest parts of the day. Try and exercise before 11am or after 3pm if you can.

- Stay cool indoors - Learn how to keep your home cool, see gov.uk.
- If going outdoors, use cool spaces considerably.
- Never leave anyone or any animal in a closed, parked vehicle.
- Walk in the shade, apply sunscreen regularly, wear a wide-brimmed hat and light, loose-fitting clothing if you go out in the heat.
- If you are going into open water (rivers, lakes and the sea) to cool down, take care and follow local safety advice.

Information from nhs.uk

### Total Achievement Points 2021-2022

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
McGowan	Elle C 110	Jake G 95	Imaad S 99	Demi A 48
Thomas	Isabella K 134	Christopher S 140	Maiya L 96	Noah E 47
Hackett	Felicity-Mai F 147	Ledion L 88	Saif S 116	Kyle S-M 63
Peters	Immanuel Q 142	Natalie F 116	Ikram A -T 93	Abbey M 60





# Year 9 & 10 Sports Day

Thursday 7th July



Across both Sports Days, £130 was raised from face painting and selling snacks which was donated to Slough Food Bank!

## Results

- 1st PETERS
- 2nd HACKETT
- 3rd MCGOWAN
- 4th THOMAS

# Year 7 & 8 Sports Day

Friday 8th July





# Year 11 Prom

Friday 8th July



# Year 13 Prom

Friday 15th July



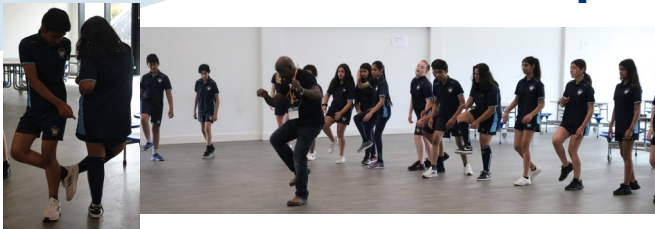


# Around school

## Safety Presentation



## Gum Boot Workshop



The Performing Arts department created many opportunities for fun this half term. This included gum boot workshop and a Dhol drumming workshop.

## Dhol Drumming Workshop



## Year 6 Transition

We had our new year 7's come into school for a day of fun, games and meeting new people.

"I met my best friend!"

"The teachers were so helpful."

"The school is so big!"

"I'm looking forward to coming here in September."



# Help, Advice & Volunteering

**SLOUGH WOMENS ALLOTMENT PROJECT**

We are looking for female volunteers to support a new allotment project for pregnant women

If you are:

- Interested in gardening and being outdoors
- Sympathetic and open to helping vulnerable pregnant women
- Available approx. 2 hours per week
- Have your own transport or able to use public transport

Free training will be provided

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

To find out more contact 01753 512049 or office@hsslough.co.uk

Home-Start Slough is a local charity providing support, friendship, and practical help to parents of young children in Slough.

[www.publichealthslough.co.uk/campaigns/one-slough](http://www.publichealthslough.co.uk/campaigns/one-slough)

[www.slough.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.slough.foodbank.org.uk)

## Don't suffer in silence.

Here are a few numbers and websites which may help if you need someone to talk to.

Childline: [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk) - 0800 1111

Samaritans: [www.samaritans.org](http://www.samaritans.org) - 116 123

Mind: [www.mind.org.uk](http://www.mind.org.uk) - 0300 123 3393 or text 86463

Age UK: [www.ageuk.org.uk](http://www.ageuk.org.uk) - 0800 055 6112

Rethink: [www.rethink.org](http://www.rethink.org) - 0300 5000 927

Switchboard: [www.switchboard.lgbt](http://www.switchboard.lgbt) - 0300 33 030

The Silver Line: [www.thesilverline.org.uk](http://www.thesilverline.org.uk) - 0800 470 8090



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

BECOME A VOLUNTEER AND CHANGE A LIFE

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To learn more call 01753 572958 or email us at [office@hsslough.co.uk](mailto:office@hsslough.co.uk)

Next Volunteer Prep Training programme starts 29th September  
3 mornings for 3 weeks  
Venue: Burnham nr Slough

- We need volunteers to support Slough and Burnham families who are finding things tough;
- Could you support a family in their home?
- Could you provide telephone support?
- A keen gardener? get in touch to help at our Allotment

**Comprehensive training and support package**