

Weekly News – 1st May 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE:

- We hosted nine senior leaders this week from a variety of schools across the country to review our provision for students with special educational needs. Visitors were effusive about our meta-cognitive, self-regulation and Speech and Language support.
- The MFL orals are nearly complete, along with the Art GCSE practicals, so a big well done to those students.
- The Sports Hall is being transformed into our Exam Hall for the first exams next week in Construction, Sociology, and Drama.
- It was great to see so many Year 12 parents here last night for Parents' Evening.
- Lastly, a huge congratulations to the Year 7's who participated in the Brilliant Club and who visited Warwick University on Tuesday this week for their graduation. All graduated with an average of a 2:1 in their assessments. Well done!

WEEKLY DIARY - Please click [here](#) for the diary for the week commencing 4th May.

SAFEGUARDING FACTSHEET – The May safeguarding factsheet, which is regarding eating disorders, is on our website and can be found [here](#).

YEAR 9 To give year 9 the experience of sitting a public exam, we will conduct their 2 summer maths exams (AP2 exams) in the sports hall rather than in class. We hope that by starting this process early, and by sitting only one subject there, the exam hall becomes more familiar to them and they will become used to the processes they will have to undertake in the future.

The exams will take place on:

Monday 29th June 9am - Maths Non-Calculator

Tuesday 30th June 9am - Maths Calculator

Prior to the exams, students will have an assembly detailing the correct procedures they must undertake for compliance with public exam regulations and we will send a presentation home to you too so you are aware of those procedures. Please note that students who already have exam access arrangements will continue to use these as they have done before.

YEAR 10 The slides for the Parents' Information Evening that was held on Tuesday 28th are available on our website [here](#).

YEAR 11 / YEAR 13 LEAVERS' HOODIES: We are pleased to confirm that leavers' hoodies are now available and can be ordered directly from Tee Tree at £28. If you would like your hoodie before the half term break, please ensure orders are placed by **Sunday 9th May**. Please only request your child's name or surname on the hoodie; nicknames will be refused. Please click [here](#) to place your order.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS UPDATE: The Household Support Fund ended on 31 March 2026 and has been replaced by the Government's new [Crisis and Resilience Fund \(CRF\)](#). This new fund focuses on targeted support for families experiencing sudden financial hardship.

Because of this change, families who are eligible for free school meals will no longer receive food vouchers during school holidays.

To help families prepare, the council will not make any changes until after the May half-term holiday. Eligible families will still be able to access the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme, which provides free activities and healthy meals during school holidays. If you are not eligible for HAF, families are encouraged to use existing community support such as kids eat free offers and community cafés.

More information about local support is available on the [Buckinghamshire Council website](#).