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The newsletter for Wexham School

# A big coup for Wexham School

**Year 8 Students** welcomed the CEO of General Electric, the head of its Healthcare division and an Aviation Engineer from its aeronautics team, this was a big coup for Wexham School.

There followed inspirational careers talks regarding STEM roles in the industry and how these individuals came into their vocations and rose to the top; this was both moving and thought provoking for our students.

The Year 9 girls recently revisited STEM and how this links into their everyday life.

They researched about Thomas Edison a prolific inventor and one the founders of General Electric ('GE')

and what career opportunities are available at GE.

The girls had an opportunity to hear from mentors at GE, their roles and how they became involved with STEM. Truly inspirational!

A number of activities were carried out which included the girls thinking about their daily routines and evaluating how they could reduce waste by up to 20%.

Plus points are that a number of students are now considering career paths in STEM, particularly after hearing from the employees at GE and learning about their roles and life experiences.

They also enjoyed their interaction with GE staff and mentors.





# Lest We Forget

Mrs Haggerty has been working with the students during their Speech and Language and Occupational Therapy sessions to create some wonderful pictures for Remem-

brance Day. The students really enjoyed this, as you can see from the fabulous work that they produced in their sessions.



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My name is Mark Lobb and I am one of six P.E teachers at Wexham School.

I started my placement at Wexham and here I am now.

P.E is my subject and this is because of my love and passion for sports.

Any team or competitive event at school I was always there: football, cricket, rounders and athletics.

The sense of providing pupils with the same education experiences which I had in school is my aim. Outside, of teaching P.E I also work as a Football coach, I have both my FA level 1 and 2 Coaching badges.

I completed my degree at Brunel university and continued to do my PGCE there as well.



Through my experiences of coaching in Primary school and then studying the impact of P.E at university I

became passionate about raising the quality of teaching P.E.

In my social time I enjoy watching murder mystery series on Netflix, supporting Chelsea FC, eating decent food and socialising with friends and family.

- Favourite colour: Blue
- Favourite season: Summer (wearing shorts and working on my tan)
- Favourite number: 99 (the year I was born)
- Favourite TV series: Murder mysteries.
- Fun fact: I lived in Australia when I was younger.

### Year 7&8 Girls Football at Slough Power League:

We recently took a team of Year 7 & 8 girls to compete in a 5-a-side football event after school at the Slough Power League.

Ten Slough schools were competing in two groups, and our girls really enjoyed themselves, especially their win against Ditton Park.



So far, we have a finished entry from Julia in 7 Seacole. Here is her fabulous poem.

**"Baeae!"**

### Buba Hugs

My favourite animals are: Cyber-goats that say "Baeae!"  
Cat-birds that say "Mrorro!"  
Cow-sheep that say "Booooo!"  
Duck-monkeys that say "Q-u-u-a-a!"  
I like a lot of animals!  
But spider-bees scare me...

**"MRORRO!"**

**"BOOOO!"**

**"Q-U-U-a-a!"**

**"HOOF!"**

My favourite animals are: Dog-geese that say "Hoof!"  
Cyber-pigeons that say "Gregre!"  
Horse-wolves that say "Neiwoo!"  
Pig-donkeys that say "Eeeink!"  
I like a lot of animals!  
But mosquito-wasps scare me...

**"GREGRE!"**

**"neiwoo!"**

**"eeeink!"**

**"BRORRO!"**

I mostly love my cat-birds and snail-ladybugs.  
One of my cat-birds say "Brorro!", but doesn't "Mrorros",  
and that's why I called her Buba Hugs.

**"MRORROS"**



# 12 Practicals of A Level Biology

All students taking an A-level Biology qualification are expected to have had opportunities to use a range of apparatus and develop and demonstrate their techniques.

These apparatus and techniques are common to all A-level Biology specifications. Carrying out the 12

required practicals means that students will have experienced use of each of these apparatus and techniques.

Here are our students in action carrying out their practical activities.



## Year 8 and 10 Reward Trips

Year 8 and Year 10 students were rewarded for their excellent achievements this half term with a trip to Pizza Hut and the Hollywood Bowl.

The students were excellently behaved and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to Miss Facer for organising and all of the staff who supported the trip.





## Saying Merry Christmas in different languages

The Christmas Elves have been very busy in the Base during our OT/social skills lessons, and of course our resident artist Joshua has made us a beautiful angel for

the top of the tree.

We have also been learning how to say Merry Christmas in different languages.



## Year 12 Feedback for Pathways session for L2 students

Recently, Our Level 2, Year 12 students attended a Pathways workshop. The students found the session very useful. Let's hear from some of our students:

Ata 12 BRU said: "The careers session has helped me a lot as I now know what to do after this travel and tourism course.

"It has helped me pick options for Sixth form next year and courses at a college.

"In today's session I was also informed about Apprenticeships and the different levels of them and where they can lead me to."

Abdoulali 12 BRU said : "In my opinion the

career path lesson was very helpful and useful.

"I learned a lot about what I want to do after this year and the teachers were very nice and supportive, they showed us how to search for what we want and what we need to find our careers."

Tiago 12 BRU said: "I liked the session as they helped me understand how much harder I have to work to get to my goals and get a better education.

"They explained how to get to my A-Levels and also helped me realise what I need to do to get the type of job I want to do in future."





## Year 7 Inter Form

Recently our Year 7 Inter-Form football competition took place after school. Over 60 students took part which was a great attendance, and the enthusiasm and energy levels were very high.

Thank you to all of the Form Tutors who came out to support their tutor groups and a huge congratulations to the winning team, **7 HADID**.



## Year 9 Healthy Lifestyle Champions Training with ex-GB Boxer

In early December our Year 9 Healthy Lifestyle Champions had an afternoon of training with their athlete mentor, Hannah Beharry, an ex-GB Boxer and 9 times medallist at European and World Competitions.

This was a productive and valuable experience for our students who have started planning their healthy lifestyle festival and activity sessions for January 2022.



# Guided School Tours

At Wexham we always welcome prospective students to visit our school.

You and your family can book a tour where you will be taken around the school site and

meet a member of the senior team who will be able to answer all of your questions.

Tours can be booked by emailing:  
[post@wexham.slough.sch.uk](mailto:post@wexham.slough.sch.uk)





## Year 7 Christmas cards for care homes activity



Recently our Year 7 tutor groups have been making Christmas cards for local care home residents.

With the pandemic taking a turn for the worse many residents were not able to see their family over the Christmas period, so we designed and created the festive cards so that they could bring a bit of cheer to them all.

Our students had a lovely time making the cards and created some lovely designs.

## Year 12 BTEC Travel & Tourism trip to Oxford

As part of their course the BTEC Travel & Tourism students visited Oxford in early December.

They trudged up 127 steps to the top of the University Church of St. Mary the Virgin to see some lovely views of Oxford. A trip to the Ashmolean Museum followed, where the class enjoyed some of the interactive activities on offer.

Lastly, the group spent the afternoon shopping at The Westgate Shopping Centre, and even though they have very grown up taste in clothes (Hugo Boss, Tommy Hilfiger & Gucci!!), they still wanted their photo taken with Santa! The group had a lovely day and were extremely well behaved throughout.





# It's Ninja Time

Recently 24 of our Year 12 and 13 students were rewarded with an external visit to the Ninja Warriors Headquarters. They had a fantastic time bouncing around

the inflatable course and testing their skills on the fixed obstacle course. They also had great fun helping each other beat the warped wall.



## Popular preparations for basketball fixtures

With basketball fixtures due to begin imminently, it is encouraging that we are getting a good attendance at after school practices). This has always been a popular club at Wexham and we have a long tradition of sporting success in this sport. Basketball practices are on each week at the following times:

**Key Stage 3: Mondays after school**

**Key Stage 4/5: Thursdays after school**

