



26<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

The school has had a very successful term. Thank you for all the continuing support you provide for your children in their learning and helping us to ensure they enjoy and achieve.

### Last Day of Term / Start of New Term

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March is the last day of the Spring Term. The school will operate its customary compact day and will close at 1.00pm. The school will reopen to all students on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at the normal time.

### A Level Progress Scores

In February the government released the A Level Progress scores from the Summer Exams in 2025. I am very pleased to say that Wexham School's Progress score was that the third highest out of all the school's in Slough. Only Langley Grammar and Upton Court Grammar School did better than Wexham. This is a remarkable achievement from our last cohort of Year 13s and very much hope this is repeated this summer.

### Free School Meals

The government has provided additional funding to local authorities to support students on Free School Meals over the holidays. This will follow the same format as previous vouchers and will be emailed to those parents it concerns.

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May Early Closure

The school will be closing slightly earlier at 2.30pm on 12<sup>th</sup> May for some essential work to take place. I apologise for any inconvenience.

### Staff Departures

We are sad to be saying goodbye to some of our staff at the end of this term and wish them all the very best for the future.

- After two terms at the school Ms Malhi, Teacher of English will be leaving us to start a promoted position.
- Mr West, after 2 ½ years at the school, Teacher of English will also be leaving us.
- Finally, Mrs Beatty, Leader of Year 7, after 8 ½ years at the school is leaving to work in the field of Special Educational Needs. Ms Beatty has held several positions in the school but so many students will have known her via her work with transition and settling Year 7 into the school each year.

### Year 7

As Mrs Beatty is leaving Year 7 will be overseen by Mr Clark (Assistant Headteacher), in the interim period whilst we await the new Leader of Year to start.

### Complaints

Whilst we always try and do the right thing at times, we acknowledge that sometimes things may go wrong, and we want to work with parents to put things right. The vast majority of parents work with us successfully in the best interest of their child to resolve any concerns. However, sadly this is not always the case for a small minority of parents. As such the school will be adopting a new complaints policy after the Easter holidays. Should you wish to complain to the school please do follow the policy, which can be found on our website in the policy section.



## Spring Term Highlights

It has been a very busy term with lots of activity going on for so many students and many competing successfully in national competitions.

- Author Dan Freedman once again visited Wexham School to meet with our Year 7s.
- Wexham mathematicians from Years 9 and 10, achieved an incredible 3 GOLD, 7 SILVER & 21 Bronze awards! In a very successful Intermediate maths challenge. Following on from that success, four of the students were invited by the UKMT to sit for the next round.
- Three of our Year 11 have done exceptionally well in the regional competition for the World Scholars Cup and have made it the finals.
- A group of Year 9 students attended a graduation ceremony at Royal Holloway, University of London having completed The Brilliant Clubs Scholars Programme, which involved participating in a series of lectures delivered by Dr Oleksandr Lugovyi followed by completing a 2000 word thesis on *Ethics and Psychological research*.
- Wexham has taken part in a multi-activity Pentathlon event, which is specifically for SEND students, focussing on target / precision challenges to support the development of fine and gross motor skills.
- To celebrate National Apprenticeship Week, our Sixth Form students took part in a range of engaging activities designed to promote apprenticeships as a valuable and increasingly popular post-16 pathway.
- In January Year 12 students attended an interactive workshop on AI and the challenges facing existing vocations, as well as the development of new areas of employment. The students interacted with industry leaders and gained valuable insight into AI.
- In January all Year 7 students took part in an inspirational TED Talk with Col. Shaun Lamb of UK Space Command, which included discussions about careers in engineering and the space sector as part of our annual *"Who Wants to Be an Engineer?"* project.
- Also, in January our entire cohort of Year 7 Students took part in a Lego robotics and coding workshop with Amazon Web Services.
- In February Year 12 and 13 students attended the Financial Conduct Authority's Insights Programme in London.
- In March Year 9 students engaged in a GE Masterclass as part of Girls Get Set as a follow-up workshop after their recent visit to the GE HealthCare headquarters. During the session, speakers discussed the structure and health of the heart, common heart diseases, and briefly introduced cancer and its causes. The workshop then linked these topics to how advanced medical technologies such as ECG, MRI, PET scans and ultrasound are used to diagnose and monitor these conditions.
- In March Year 10 Business Studies students took part in an 'Enterprise Challenge Workshop' by SEGRO with a spotlight on data centres.
- Also, in March Year 12 Students attended a networking session and TED Talk with the CEO of Akzo Nobel and other key team players who shared insights into different career pathways and opportunities within the company. As part of the day, they took part in a team building exercises where they created and named their own unique colour, it was an engaging and inspiring experience and students learned more about careers in science and industry.



## Attendance

Regular school attendance is crucial for your child's educational progress and success. It not only allows them to fully engage in the learning process but also fosters a sense of routine and responsibility that will benefit them in the long run. At Wexham, an attendance rate of 95% and above is considered acceptable.

What you can do to help:

- Avoid scheduling holidays when school is in session. These are unauthorised absences and will result in a fine. 13 weeks a year is plenty of time for students to go on holiday.
- Build regular routines for bedtime and the morning. Remove mobile phones from students before bedtime or restrict access to Wi-Fi.
- Ensure your child eats a healthy diet.
- Avoid medical appointments when school is in session wherever possible.
- Pay particular attention to the amount of one day single absences your child has, these add up.

We want to ensure that all our students have the best possible educational experience, and this can only be achieved through regular attendance and a commitment to following government guidelines.

If you anticipate any absences due to exceptional circumstances, we kindly request that you contact the school in advance to discuss your situation. We will do our best to work with you to minimise any impact on your child's education.

## Emergency Closure

A reminder of our emergency closure procedure.

- The decision to close the school outside of core hours will be taken by 7.30am after an assessment of poor weather conditions or on the advice of Slough Borough Council or the emergency services. We will always aim to contact parents by text message as early as possible; normally this would be by 7.45am, before students leave for school. Messages will also be displayed on the school website.
- Should the school be forced to close during the day, or your child has arrived on school premises in the morning, you will be contacted before we send students home.
- Further text messages and our website will update parents of our situation. For this reason it is always vital that the school has up to date contact details.

**Thank you for your continuing support and I wish everyone a happy and restful holiday period.**

Yours faithfully



Mr Lawrence Smith  
Headteacher

## Term and Important Dates 2025 – 2026

	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Year 11 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Last Day of Term. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm
	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026	Christmas Holiday
Spring Term	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	First Day of Term. All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Year 12/13 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Year 10 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Year 8 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Last Day of Term. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm
	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Easter Holiday
Summer Term	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> 2026	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	School Closed for May Bank Holiday
	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Year 7 Parents' Evening 4-7pm
	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	School will close slightly early for training – 2.30pm finish
	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Last Day of Term for students School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm



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Autumn Term	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026	Staff ONLY Day - INSET
	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2026	Staff ONLY Day - INSET
	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2026	First Day of Term for Students in <b>Year 7</b> 8.35 for 8.40am start First Day of Term for Students in <b>Year 11</b> 9.00am start
	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2026	Year 7 and 11 - 8.35 for 8.40am start <b>Years 8, 9, 10</b> First Day of Term 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2026	<b>Year 12 and 13</b> First Day of Term 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2026	Last day of Half Term – 3.00pm Finish
	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2026	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2026	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2026	Last Day of Term. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm
	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December 2026 to Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2027	Christmas Holiday
Spring Term	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2027	First Day of Term. All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2027	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2027	Last Day of Term. School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm
	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> April 2027	Easter Holiday
Summer Term	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> 2027	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2027	School Closed for May Bank Holiday
	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2027	Last day of Half Term – 3.10pm Finish
	Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2027	Half Term Holiday
	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2027	All students attend school at 8.35 for 8.40am start
	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2027	Last Day of Term for students School will operate a compact day finishing at 1pm
	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> , Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2027	Staff ONLY days - INSET

