

# The Weald Weekly

**Term 6, Friday 5 June**



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to Term 6 - I hope you and your families had a wonderful half-term break enjoying the endless days of sunshine!

Our KS3 End of Year Assessments are now well underway. I have been impressed by the positive attitude shown by students across Years 7, 8 and 9 and I would like to thank parents and carers for the revision support you continue to provide at home.

On Wednesday evening, we were delighted to host our Year 12 EPQ Presentation Evening. Students showcased the impressive work they have undertaken as part of their Extended Project Qualification, demonstrating not only their subject knowledge but also their research, presentation and communication skills. Some of the project titles included:

- Which factor was the most crucial in resolving the Vietnam War: foreign involvement, public participation or leadership strength?
- What is the most significant way that practising sport has a positive impact on academic learning?
- What are the strongest arguments for whether the Greek Gods are benevolent or malevolent?

Thank you to all parents, carers and guests who joined us to celebrate their achievements.

Following the EPQ presentations, we held our Year 12 Geography Margate Trip Information Evening. This visit will provide students with valuable preparation for their Non-Examined Assessment (NEA), and we appreciate the support shown by families as students prepare for this important element of their course.

On Thursday morning, our Year 12 Mathematics Prefects visited a local primary school where they worked with younger pupils to develop their numeracy skills. The prefects represented the school exceptionally well and were excellent role models for the children they supported.

Today, our Year 10 students are undertaking their Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award Assessed Expedition. We wish them every success as they put into practice the skills they have developed during their training and preparation. We are all hoping the sun makes an appearance for them!

Looking ahead to next week, our KS3 End of Year Assessments will continue, and we encourage students to maintain their focus and preparation.

A reminder that our final PTA meeting of this academic year will take place on Tuesday evening at 7.00pm. The PTA plays a vital role in supporting the school community through events and fundraising activities. If parents would like to see the return of the Christmas Fair and the many other events organised throughout the year, we need your support. Whether you can offer a little time, a new idea, or practical assistance, your involvement makes a real difference.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

R V Booth  
Headteacher

## Upcoming Events - June 2026

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| <b>Monday 8</b>     | KS3 End of Year Assessments, until Friday 12 June<br>Year 12 Biology Residential Trip, Flatford Mills, until Friday 12 June                                    |
| <b>Tuesday 9</b>    | U15 Outdoor 8 Hardball, Ashford<br>Year 11 GCSE Geography Paper 3 Revision session, Tonbridge Main Hall, periods 4 and 5<br>PTA Meeting, online, 19:00 - 20:00 |
| <b>Wednesday 10</b> | Orchestra Rehearsal, Tonbridge, 16:30 - 18:30                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Thursday 11</b>  | Year 10 German Rhine Trip Information Evening, Tonbridge, 17:30 - 18:30                                                                                        |

[Website Calendar](#)

## Parent/Carer Survey

As part of Weald of Kent's commitment to improvement we would like to invite parents/carers of all year groups to complete a short parent/carers survey. The survey is anonymous and will be open until **Monday 15 June at 4pm**.

[Weald of Kent Grammar Parent and Carer Survey \(2025-2026\) – Fill in form](#)

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.

## Careers Newsletter

Please see [here](#) for this week's Careers Newsletter which contains weekly opportunities and information for students.

## Sporting Success

### U13 Outdoor 8 Softball

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May, our U13 Outdoor 8 softball team travelled to Sidcup Cricket Club to play a number of games, in hope of reaching the finals. In a game against Kings, the students put in a fantastic batting performance; where Cyra retired on 22 runs, and Sofia scored 13 runs. Our total was 64-2. All students then bowled fantastically in the fielding innings, keeping Kings at only 28 runs. In a game against Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar, Cyra put in another retirement performance, scoring 21 runs. Phoebe scored 14 runs, Esther scored 12 runs and Agnes scored 7 which enabled us to score 77-3. After another outstanding fielding performance from the team, we were able to keep Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar to 27-3. The students went on to play another 2 games in the afternoon, where they also won both games. The students were undefeated in every game played, and worked brilliantly as a team. These fantastic results enabled them to secure a place in the finals in June. Well done to everyone involved, we are really proud of you.



### U15 Outdoor 8 Softball

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May, our U15 Outdoor 8 softball team also travelled to Sidcup Cricket Club in hope of reaching the finals. In our first game, the students batted amazingly well, with Emily and Alice both retiring on 21 runs. Kaitlyn and Josie demonstrated some brave running to keep the runs high, and we finished with 62-0. Outstanding overs from all students, and 2 wickets from Josie and Isla kept Greenwich to 18-2. We batted first in the second game, where Ella and Emily scored a total of 12 runs each and Isla scored 15 runs. With more brave running between the wickets, we were able to secure a score of 60-2. During the fielding innings, Josie, Daisy and Alice each bowled a wicket, and

Ella had a maiden over which kept their total at 8-0. Winning both these games ensured we were able to secure a place in the final pool. We faced Bromley High first, where we scored 44-4 and kept them to 30-2. The final game of the day was against Bexley Grammar. We batted first and were able to gain a score of 30-4, but Bexley managed to clinch the win with a score of 33-2. However, we have still secured a place in the finals in June. Well done to everyone involved, we are really proud of your performance.



## School Events

### EPQ Evening - A Celebration of Year 12's Independent Research

On Wednesday June 2nd we were delighted to welcome parents, carers, trustees and students to our Year 12 EPQ Evening, showcasing the 60 remarkable independent research projects completed by our students this year.

The Extended Project Qualification challenges students to identify a topic of genuine personal interest, conduct independent research, and produce a substantial piece of written work - all while developing the academic skills that will serve them well at university and beyond. The breadth and ambition of this year's projects was truly impressive, spanning fields as diverse as medicine, law, history, sociology, science, economic, politics and the arts.

Students presented their work to visitors, fielding questions with confidence and enthusiasm. Many had gone above and beyond in bringing their projects to life - from interactive displays and creative models to visitor polls, brownies and cookies!

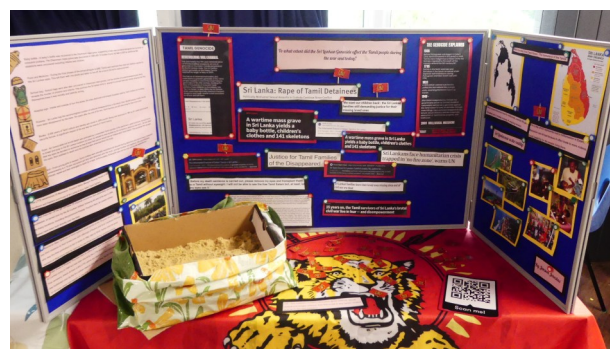
This year's titles included:

- To what extent do the symptoms of Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis affect access to education?
- The Field vs The Habitus: A Sociological Study of Student Identity in Hong Kong
- Does the orange fall far from the tree?
- Comparing the political rhetoric of Donald Trump and Adolf Hitler
- To what extent has the evolution of speed in Formula One influenced the development of safety measures over time?
- Greeks vs Romans: Who had more impact on the modern treatment of non-communicable diseases?
- To what extent is the British Royal Family a burden to UK society?
- The evolution of special effects makeup
- What is the most significant barrier preventing women from reaching the pinnacle of motorsport?

We are enormously proud of every student who completed their EPQ this year. The evening was a wonderful testament to their curiosity, resilience, and intellectual ambition.

Sincere thanks to all the parents who helped by building display boards and transporting items to and from school - your support makes all the difference! And many thanks to our team of EPQ Supervisors who have worked tirelessly to coach and support their EPQ students to this final stage of their qualification.

Ms Butler, EPQ Coordinator





## School Activities

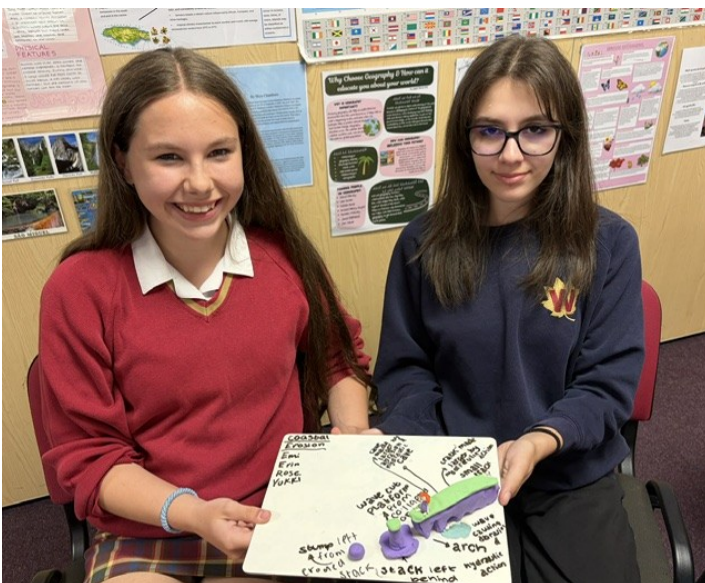
### Geography

Year 10 have been learning about UK Coastal Environments this term. In particular, they have been studying coastal processes and landforms along the Dorset coastline. Once I had described and explained the formation of coastal stacks and stumps which follow a process pattern of crack, cave, arch, stack and stump; students got to model these processes and landforms from playdough on a mini whiteboard.

Once they had made their models, they annotated them and then described them to their peers using geographical terminology and geography connectives - effectively having a go at being the teacher! It is this hands-on learning that the research says helps to retain learning in the classroom for use in examinations.

Thank you 10C2!

Mrs Arch



## Junior Maths Challenge

Last term, year 8 students, and a number of year 7 students, took the Junior Maths Challenge. This is a nationwide competition which allows students to work individually to solve logical mathematical problems. We have had the results back and are very pleased to announce that 68 year 8 students achieved a bronze certificate and 59 a silver certificate. From year 7, 13 students achieved bronze and 9 silver. We are especially delighted that the following students all achieved a gold certificate: Simone (8C), Ellie (8B), Georgie (8G), Amelia (8C), Rebecca (8D), Sophie (8F), Lola (8C), Lexie (8J) and Cerys (7E). Simone, Ellie, Georgie, Amelia, Rebecca and Cerys also managed to qualify for the next round of the competition. Well done to all those that took part and good luck to these students for the next round.

## Extracurricular Clubs

### Football club

Spaces available for the summer term

Weald of Kent (Tonbridge ) Years 7-9

<https://activities.classshoppa.com/book/weald-of-kent-ton-yr-7-9-football-11-14-yrs-thurs-t-6>

Weald of Kent (Sevenoaks) Years 7-9

<https://activities.classshoppa.com/book/weald-of-kent-sev-yr-7-9-football-11-yrs-14-yrs-fri-t-6>

### Kickboxing club

Spaces available for the summer term (please see the flyer for information)

**WEALD OF KENT  
AMERICAN KICKBOXING  
AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES  
SCHOOL PUPILS ONLY**

**WOK - TONBRIDGE  
MONDAY- 3.40pm-4.40pm**

**WOK - TONBRIDGE  
TUESDAY- 3.40pm - 4:40pm**

**WOK - SEVENOAKS  
WEDNESDAY  
3.40pm - 4:40pm  
or  
3.40pm-5.10pm**

**£6 per 1 hr session  
(or £9 per 1.5 hr at Sevenoaks)  
pay per term**

**Contact instructor to sign up  
paula@jckmartialarts.com**

**www.jckmartialarts.com**



## Pride Picnic and Bakesale Tonbridge and Sevenoaks - Friday 3 July

There will also be multiple competitions to win house points and **edible prizes (3 winners per campus!)** and a raffle to win a **£20 one4all gift card**. You will be able to spend that at lots of restaurants and shops including Nandos, Wagamamas, the Odeon, Primark, Pandora and more!

We would be massively grateful for any contributions towards the bake sale, be it cookies, cakes, biscuits or whatever can be baked at home, or just by coming along to buy! Please hand in your baked goods on the morning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> July, to Miss Firestone in the canteen at Sevenoaks or to Reception at Tonbridge.

## Summer Skills Challenge for Years 7 and 8

**Years 7 & 8**

# SUMMER SKILLS CHALLENGE

**Starting on 5<sup>th</sup> May until 12<sup>th</sup> June**  
 Attend as many extra-curricular clubs to demonstrate the 8 essential skills.  
 Make sure the club teacher signs your passport.  
 Prizes up for grabs!

## WoK Drama presents: Arabian Nights

Performance Dates:  
25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June, 5pm

Tickets are available via  
ParentPay at £5 each.



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