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Welcome

Welcome to the next edition of the Wolsey Hall Primary newsletter. It has been a busy month for us here and we have some exciting news about our new Primary Community site. I hope you get the opportunity to visit when it launches in August and make some connections via our Primary Parent Forum. You can find more information about both in this newsletter. I encourage all our students and families to visit our new pages.

Best wishes,
Christine Armstrong,
Head of Primary



New Primary Community Site!



What's New

We are very excited to announce the launch of our brand new Community site specifically for our Primary students. This dedicated new space will be launching in August and is a great place to enhance your Wolsey Hall experience, while also giving you the chance to share your hidden talents and to learn new skills.

There are five new clubs, each has a different monthly theme so there is plenty to choose from.


- Art Club**
- Cookery Club**
- Creative Writing Club**
- Lego Club**
- Nature Club**

Our Chess Club will continue to run where you can play Wolsey Hall students of all ages. Our new Show and Tell area encourages you to share your achievements with us.

We will also be running quarterly competitions offering students the chance to try something new and perhaps win a prize!

From 1 August you will find more details about the Primary Community site in your list of courses on Canvas. You will also find the password to access the site as it will change on a monthly basis.

We hope you enjoy your new Community area!



Primary Clubs
Why not give one of our Clubs a try?




Art Club



Cookery Club



Creative Writing Club




Lego Club



Nature Club



Chess Club






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Art Club

Our Art Club is a fantastic space to get really creative. From junk modelling and crafts to drawing and painting, the opportunities are endless – the only limits are your imagination!

New Primary Parent Forum

The new Primary Community site features a forum specifically for parents of primary age students to connect. Along with our Primary level [Facebook group](#), this forum provides the opportunity to discuss homeschooling, to share ideas and connect your children with each other.

The forum will facilitate parent discussions around different home learning topics and allows our families to support each other on their homeschooling journey. A key feature of the forum is the 'Meet and Greet' section which will allow you to post to other Wolsey Hall families from your region.

You could, for example, create a topic thread for your country or city, to help you find others who are geographically near you. We hope that it allows our families to create a whole new level of Wolsey Hall friendships and connections.

The Primary Parent Forum launches in August, so don't forget to keep looking at your Canvas courses for the Primary Parent Forum sign-up information from the 1 August.

Why not come and join us?

Wolsey Hall Oxford & Cambridge Assessment International Education



Wolsey Hall Oxford is delighted to announce that it has become the first Cambridge-approved online Primary school.

Wolsey Hall Oxford first became a Cambridge online school in 2018, providing courses for the globally-recognised Cambridge qualifications, IGCSE and A-level, to its students throughout the world. Since then, it has rolled out its partnership throughout Secondary and Primary to be a Cambridge school in every phase.

As a Cambridge school, Wolsey Hall Oxford benefits from the Cambridge international curriculum, as well as the English National curriculum, in the development of its courses. Both curricula are globally recognised as developing lifelong learners well-prepared for further education. Being approved as a Cambridge school is recognition of the quality of education we offer, and we continue to work with CAIE to look for new opportunities to enhance our homeschooling provision.

Spotlight On...

Five-year-old Hawwaa is studying Year 1 courses. Along with her family, she celebrated National Thank a Teacher Day here in the UK by writing this beautiful poem for her Tutor Becky Blackwell.

Lockdown One, my mum said to me,
 “We look after granny and can’t risk
 waiting for lockdown two and three....”

I missed my old school,
 I wondered how mummy would teach me!

Thank you, Becky, for being my answer,
 Like angels descending to light up our way...
 For being a light stronger than sunshine,
 For seeing me through each day.

Thank you for loving ‘Frozen’,
 Thank you for marking my work,
 Thank you for saying such wonderful things about my assignments.
 Thank you for being my teacher.

You are my Hero and I’ll never forget you...
 My mother credits you for keeping me growing and our home alive...
 Pandemic is darkness but you gave it an amazing, beautiful, growing
 light...

I’m luckier today, than I’ve ever been before,
 thanks to YOU in my life.

Spotlight On...

Nine-year-old Henry has been busy homeschooling and excelling in the Romanian National Chess Championships!

Henry won a gold medal at chess puzzles, a silver medal for rapid chess and a bronze medal for the blitz category. Well done Henry!

If you are interested in your child being featured in our Student Spotlight please contact:

christine.armstrong@wolseyhalloxford.org.uk





HELLO!

Student Shoutouts

Each month we say 'HELLO' to some of our Primary students around the world. Keep working hard and making us, your family and yourself proud. This month we are saying hello to:

Andrew Matthew, age 7, South Africa

Esha, age 5, UAE

Luisa Rodrigues, age 6, UK

Sebastian, age 6, Colombia

Ariella, age 6, Malaysia

Dea, age 7, Singapore

Flavia, age 7, Indonesia

Ilaria, age 6, Australia

Maeva, age 6, Mauritius

Roman, age 8, Cyprus

Ryan, age 6, Kenya

Laith, age 7, Oman

Vittorio, age 8, Italy

Ginelle, age 8, New Zealand

Ummi, age 7, Nigeria

Alia, age 8, Lebanon

Alia, age 8, UK

Anastasiia, age 9, Ukraine

Saad, age 8, Saudi Arabia

Sofia, age 8, USA

Abhinav, age 9, UAE

Erum, age 7, Fiji

Tulaya, age 8, UK

Valene Jocely, age 8, Indonesia

Tannishtha, age 12, UK

Bogdan, age 10, Japan

Sofia, age 10, UK

Henry Edward, age 9, Romania

Marwan, age 11, Sudan

Yi Fay, age 11, China

Juwayriyah, age 11, UK

Aiden, age 11, France

Rio, age 11, Italy

Montgomery, age 10, UAE

Daniel, age 12, Mozambique

Manuel, age 11, Spain

Mark, age 8, UK

Nicolas & Salome, age 9, Spain

Mohamad, age 9, Saudi Arabia

Sophia, age 9, Philippines

Emma, age 9, Romania

Tarif Nehan, age 10, Qatar

Jiwoo, age 9, Ghana

Aidan, age 9, UK

Genson, age 9, Malaysia

Gabriel, age 10, UK

Lianè, age 9, Zimbabwe

Esther Victoria, age 10, Indonesia

Martin and Miguel, age 10, Philippines

Logan, age 10, Malta

Zainab, age 10, UK

Bladen, age 11, Saudi Arabia

Benjamin, age 10, Tanzania

Kuro, age 10, USA

Ellee Rose, age 9, Saudi Arabia

Matilda, age 10, UK

Edwin, age 10, Kenya

Sebastian, age 10, Switzerland

Eryn, age 11, UAE

Daniel, age 10, Ireland

Tanadh, age 12, Thailand

Alexandros and Diomidis, age 10, UAE

Nova Skyla, age 11, Indonesia

Matthew, age 11, Grenada

Abdisamad, age 11, UK

Peerat, age 11, Thailand

Natallia, age 11, South Africa

Mbali, age 12, Botswana

Guillermo, age 12, Ecuador

Reese, age 12, Spain

Isabella, age 13, Australia

Layaan, age 10, UK

Can you be an Eco Warrior?

In many schools around the world, student Eco Warriors are busy looking for ways to help their schools be more environmentally-friendly, as well as reminding all their peers how they can help to save the planet at home. If we all make small changes we can work together to improve the world we live in. The term Eco Warrior is used in schools to describe a person actively involved in preventing damage to the environment. Can you be a Wolsey Hall Eco Warrior? Can you think of ways to help look after our planet? Think **REDUCE**, **REUSE**, **RECYCLE**.

- **REDUCE:** can you use less of our natural resources in your daily life? Do you remember to turn off the lights when you leave a room? Do you remember not to leave the water running when you brush your teeth? Do you close the door when you leave the room to keep the heated or cool air in the room? Can you have less food waste at home?
- **REUSE:** Do you make sure you have bags that you can use again and again? Do you take a cup or flask with your drink in rather than buying a new bottle or carton of drink each time you go out? If something breaks, can you repair it rather than throwing it away and buying a new one?



- **RECYCLE:** Some of the things that you can recycle are cardboard, paper, textiles, electronics, metals, plastics, and glass. Examples of recycling include participating in a local recycling program, taking recyclable items to the recycling centres, and finding retailers that accept things like used plastic bags, cell phones, batteries, and paint cans. You can pass on your old clothes to charity shops. Do you recycle enough? Could you do more?

These are just three areas where you can play your part as a Wolsey Hall Eco Warrior. There are so many more ways that you can help to look after our environment. Can you think of any?



Our new ePortfolio storage space for students

We would like to share with our families the ePortfolio facility that we have on our Canvas learning platform.

On Canvas, the ePortfolio allows students (with parental help) to store examples of their work. You may create a new ePortfolio each year if you wish, and for each subject you take.

ePortfolios can be set to allow private or public access (if you wish to share with friends in Wolsey Hall). Common uses of ePortfolios are to show your projects, photographs achievements, experiences, and other work.

Please watch this [video](#) to see how to create your own ePortfolio.

Your ePortfolio is YOUR space to use for your own personal storage of Wolsey Hall related files and documents of your learning - your Tutors and SPMs will not be checking your ePortfolio.



Please note: continue to submit your assignments as before. Do not use your ePortfolio for assignment submissions.

We hope you enjoy using the ePortfolio to keep a record of your child's learning.

Student Challenge of the Month

Can you find an item of trash from your home e.g. a plastic water bottle, and use your creative skills to reuse the item in a different way? This is called 'upcycling'. How creative can you be?

You're welcome to email a photo of your 'upcycled' item to:
christine.armstrong@wolsey_halloxford.org.uk



Competition time - Design a Wolsey Hall Owl!

Our first competition on the Primary Community site will launch in August!

When you visit in August, can you spot the Wolsey Hall owls appearing throughout the Community site? Can you find them all and tell us how many there are?

We're also inviting you to design your very own Wolsey Hall owl! You can choose whichever theme you would like your owl to have. Perhaps yours will be playing a sport, a musical instrument or cooking?



Community Support

We have Wolsey Hall students in over 100 countries. Are you making the most of our opportunities to connect with other homeschooling families worldwide?



Our Primary Level Parents [Facebook Group](#) is a private group to connect with other families, share ideas and information. Have you joined yet?



Our [YouTube channel](#) is full of videos from students and their families who are sharing advice and tips for successful homeschooling.



Whether you're a seasoned homeschooler or completely new, the [homeschooling tips](#) on our website aim to make life that bit easier.