The Emmbrook School

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Friday 6th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Weekly Update

We have had a busy first week back and particularly for our Year 13 students, having gone straight into their internal exams all week. They have engaged very strongly and we're looking forward to being able to use them to provide feedback for further improvements ahead of the summer exams.

Parent and Carer Meetings

We believe that parents' meetings are a vital element of success for our young people – we value working in partnership with you. To that end, we begin our Year 7-11 parents' meetings at 1pm, therefore, finishing school early on those 5 days (so that teachers can attend the appointments). This allows us to offer more appointments. I recognise and appreciate the support that we have received from parents and carers over the years to allow this to happen (by having students return home early on those days). All parents' meetings take place using an online platform.

So that you can plan ahead, the dates for this year's parents' meetings are:
Term 1.2: Wednesday 18th November 2026 – Year 11
Term 2.1: Wednesday 13th January 2027 – Year 10
Term 2.1: Wednesday 3rd February 2027 – Year 9
Term 2.2: Thursday 4th March 2027 – Year 7
Term 3.1: Thursday 29th April 2027 – Year 8

Year 11 have their parents' meeting on Wednesday 18th November and Year 11 parents will receive further information about this. For all parents, be aware that **school will finish for all students at 12.20pm on Thursday 18th November**. The E1, E2 and E3 buses have been rearranged for the earlier time, however, we cannot rearrange other shared bus services (so these services will leave at 3.30pm and, therefore, you may need to make alternative travel arrangements).

For parents who require it, we will be able to offer childcare provision until 2.55pm. Please email enquiries@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk by end of Monday 16th November to notify us that we shouldn't release your child until 2.55pm.

Donations for the PTA

Please see the attached letter from the PTA requesting support for our Winter Carnival Chocolate Tombola stall. This is the largest PTA fundraiser of the year so your support can make a real difference. The letter explains how you can support by either sending some

chocolate into school with your child or donating online so that the PTA can purchase chocolate, that will then become prizes for the stall.

Year 7-11 Flu Vaccinations – Monday 23rd November

Flu vaccinations will take place on Monday 23rd and are offered to all students in Years 7-11. There is a letter attached with more information. For your child to receive their vaccination you must complete the appropriate consent form below:

- Nasal Flu Vaccination Consent Form Link
- Injectable Flu Vaccination Consent Form Link

Next INSET Day – Friday 27th November

It's been on the website for some time but as it comes at an unusual time of the year it could be easily missed so we wanted to remind you all that our next INSET day will be on Friday 27th November. School will be closed to all students on that day.

Youth Parliament Student Survey

UK Youth Parliament has chosen anti-hate crime and anti-discrimination education as its national campaign for October 2026 to March 2027.

Wokingham's Members of Youth Parliament, Jasmine Dix (The Holt School) and Laima Dimitri (Maiden Erlegh School) are asking young people aged 11 to 18 to complete a short, anonymous survey about their views. Their survey closes on 27th November 2026 and should take around 10 minutes to complete. Please encourage your child to complete the survey via this link.

Sixth Form Applications Open

A reminder that Sixth Form applications remain open. The students will have been emailed the link to apply. If your child encounters any problems, please reach out to Mr Constable and we will be able to assist (dconstable@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk).

Lost Property

Please be aware that unnamed lost property from this half term will be emptied on Tuesday 10th November. We currently have several winter coats, a few sets of keys and over 30 water bottles so please encourage your child to go to Student Reception if they have lost anything.

Studybugs – Reporting Student Absence

We recommend using Studybugs is the efficient and secure system for reporting your child's absence from school. You can report your child as absent due to illness and inform us of pre-arranged appointments. Please download the Studybugs app from the App Store or Google Play or by scanning the QR code. Ensure that you sign up with the email address you have previously shared with us.

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Have a lovely weekend!

Best wishes,



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