

# THE CHARACTER NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome Back!

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we begin this exciting new academic year at Wrotham School, we are delighted to welcome both returning families and those joining us for the first time. We are proud of the strong sense of community that defines our school, and we look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure your child has a happy, successful, and enriching year ahead.

This year brings with it a renewed focus on the amazing opportunities available to all students — from a wide range of enrichment clubs, workshops, and trips, to exciting classroom experiences and pathways for leadership, creativity, and personal growth. We believe school should be a place where every young person not only learns, but flourishes.

At the heart of our vision is the belief that each student follows their own C.O.U.R.S.E. — a journey shaped by Character, Opportunities, Understanding, Respect, Success and Excellence. These values guide everything we do and help our students to develop the skills and attributes they need to thrive both in school and beyond.

We are especially excited to launch our new Character Pathway, a structured and aspirational framework that celebrates the development of each student's personal character. Through this, students can earn recognition and rewards as they demonstrate our school values.

Alongside this, we are proud to introduce P.A.T.H. — a new supportive behaviour system that stands for Pause, Adjust, Take Action, and Housing. It gives every student two clear opportunities to reflect and reset their behaviour before a consequence is applied, helping to reinforce positive choices while maintaining a calm and focused learning environment. This system works hand-in-hand with our commitment to restorative conversations and relationships, helping students grow in confidence, responsibility, and respect for others.

Together, these changes reflect our unwavering commitment to character, consistency, and care. Thank you for your continued support — we look forward to celebrating your child's successes and progress in the year ahead.

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# Character Snapshot:

## The Character Pathway

Level	Character Strengths	Reward
Seven	300	<b>Platinum</b> Positive letter from the Chair of Governors Reward Experience Certificate
Six	250	<b>Diamond</b> Positive letter from Headteacher Lunchtime 'Queue Jumper' pass Certificate
Five	200	<b>Gold</b> Gold badge Surprise?! Certificate
Four	150	<b>Silver</b> Silver badge SLT breakfast Certificate
Three	100	<b>Bronze</b> Bronze badge Certificate
Two	50	Positive email from Head of Year
One	25	Positive email from Progress Tutor

Each stage of the Character Pathway unlocks exciting rewards, meaningful celebrations, and the opportunity to be invited to our prestigious Character Awards Evening. This special event formally recognises students who go above and beyond in demonstrating what it means to be kind, well-rounded, and driven. Invitations are based not only on the strengths shown throughout the pathway, but also on students' overall behaviour records across the year.



## Extra-Curricular Timetable

HIGH EXPECTATIONS | CHALLENGE | OPPORTUNITY

Extracurricular activities are not just a pastime; they are a vital component of a student's personal development journey. Beyond the classroom, these activities provide opportunities for students to explore their passions, build character, develop leadership skills, and forge lasting friendships. Engaging in extracurriculars cultivates a well-rounded individual, equipping them with the tools they need to succeed in the complexities of life beyond academics. It's in these extracurricular pursuits that students often discover their true potential and the power to shape a brighter future.



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Lunchtime</b>	Young Carers Club – M20	Young Carers Club – M20	Upper School Boxing (Max 16 students) – M21	Young Carers Club – M20	Young Carers Club – M20
	Warhammer Club – C9	Dance Club – Drama Studio	Year 9 Multi Sport (Netball, <u>Basektball</u> ) – Sports Hall (MAX 50 students)	History Club – H2	
	Debate Club – H1	Year 8 Multi Sport (Netball, <u>Basektball</u> ) – Sports Hall (MAX 50 students)		Year 10/11 Multi Sport (Netball, <u>Basektball</u> ) – Sports Hall (MAX 50 students)	Year 12/13 Multi Sport (Netball, <u>Basektball</u> ) – Sports Hall (MAX 50 students)
	Lower School Boxing (Max 16 students) – M21			Choir/Singing – Music Room M18	
	MFL Movie Club – M3				
	Year 7 Multi Sport (Netball, <u>Basektball</u> ) – Sports Hall (MAX 50 students)				
<b>Afterschool</b>					Product Design Year 8 and 9



## Trips and Events for Term 1

7	School Photos - 26/09/25 Meet the Tutor Online - 07/10/25 Halloween Disco - 16/10/25
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9	School Photos - 26/09/25
10	Information Evening 23/09/25 Maths and Careers Workshop - 09/10/25 Fright Night - 10/10/25
11	Information Evening - 18/09/25 Sixth Form Open Evening - 01/10/25 Fright Night - 10/10/25
Sixth Form	Fright Night - 10/10/25