Year 8 Tutor Evening

Wallingford School
Able and Qualified

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This evening

- Who we are – the year 8 team
- Important parts of the year
- Trips & Enrichment
- Expectations

- Curriculum information
- Edu Link app
- Satchel One
- Parent Pay

- Meet the tutors

The Year 8 Team

Miss Robinson
RRO – T5

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ELO – W3

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Year 8 Important Information

- Get Reading
- End of Year Assessments
- Progress Reports
- Feedback Evenings
- Year Group Trips
- Year Group Social Trip – December 2025
- House Matches & Events
- Extra Curricular Clubs
- School Production - Legally Blonde

Whole School Enrichment

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Geography Trip to Kew Gardens	Languages trips	The Year 9 Residential	Duke of Edinburgh Silver	Ski trip 2026	Ski trip 2026	Year 13 Revision trip to The Lakes
Restart a Heart Day	RAF Benson Inspirational Event	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze	Ski trip 2026	Geography trip to Morocco	Duke of Edinburgh Gold	Year 13 Biology trip
Maths Challenge	Maths Challenge	Geography Trip to Swanage	Work Experience	History Trip to Berlin	6th Form enrichment trip	Y13 Geog Trip to South Wales
STARS trips	STARS trips	RAF Benson Inspirational Event	German Exchange to Bad Wurzach	A Christmas Carol visiting production	German Exchange to Bad Wurzach	A Level History Trip to London
KS3 Williams Racing STEM Enrichment Day	KS3 Williams Racing STEM Enrichment Day	German Exchange to Bad Wurzach	French Exchange to Genoble	An Inspector Calls visiting production	French Exchange to Genoble	Theatre trips
History of Wallingford Walking Tours	Human Careers Library	MFL at Oxford University	GCSE Textiles trip to Botanical Gardens	GCSE Computer Science Trip	Theatre trips	KS5 Winter Wonderland Trip
Tilsley Park District Athletics	Tilsley Park District Athletics	Maths Challenge	RM IKEA NEA trip	GCSE Textiles trip	KS5 Winter Wonderland Trip	KS5 Politics Trip
Art Exhibition	Art Exhibition	STARS trips	GCSE History Trip to Cannock	KS4 Brightsparks Music trip	KS5 Politics Trip	A Level Languages Day at Oxford University
Music Recitals & Spring Concert	Music Recitals & Spring Concert	KS3 Williams Racing STEM Enrichment Day	GCSE Geography Fieldwork in Christchurch	Leavers Day & Prom	Merchant Taylors' Livery Awards	A Level Food Trip
Sports Day	Sports Day	Scholars trip	Prefects (leadership role)	Art Exhibition	A Level Languages Day at Oxford University	Sixth Form Christmas Ball
Year group social events	Women's Rugby World Cup trip	Tilsley Park District Athletics	Art Exhibition	STARS trips	Oktoberfest Languages Trip	Enrichment lectures
School Production	Year group social events	Art Exhibition	STARS trips	Music Recitals & Spring Concert	Textiles and Product Design trips	Students Leaders and Peer Supporters
Merchant Taylor Photography competition	School Production	Music Recitals & Spring Concert	Music Recitals & Spring Concert	Sports Day	A Level History trip to London	Leavers Day & Ball
Additional trips may follow	Merchant Taylor Photography competition	Sports Day	Sports Day	Tilsley Park District Athletics	STARS trips	Art Exhibition
	Additional trips may follow	Women's Rugby World Cup trip	Women's Rugby World Cup trip	Year group social events	A Level Geog Fieldwork in Birmingham	STARS trips
		Year group social events	Tilsley Park District Athletics	School Production	A Level Biology trip to Sutton Courtney	Music Recitals & Spring Concert
		School Production	Year group social events	Merchant Taylor Photography competition	Students Leaders and Peer Supporters	School Production
		Merchant Taylor Photography competition	School Production		Sixth Form Christmas Ball	Year group social events
			Merchant Taylor Photography competition		Enrichment lectures	Merchant Taylor Photography competition
					Art Exhibition	Students Leaders and Peer Supporters
					Music Recitals & Spring Concert	
					Sports Day	
					School Production	
					UCAS Fair	
					Extended Project Qualification	
					Merchant Taylor Photography competition	

Plus termly house events, lunchtime enrichment clubs and after school sports clubs and fixtures throughout the year

Year 8 Enrichment

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Languages trips
RAF Benson Inspirational Event
Maths Challenge
STARS trips
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Human Careers Library
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Please check the School Calendar on the website for even more!

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Our expectations – 'Able & Qualified'

Attendance - Because if we are not here, we are not learning

Punctuality - We are on time so that every minute of the lesson is used for learning

Uniform - We have impeccable uniform because we are apart of a proud and equal community

Equipment - We are fully equipped because having a pen, pencil, ruler, rubber and calculator means we can fully participate in our lessons

Behaviour and conduct - Because if our behaviour is not excellent, we are not engaged in learning

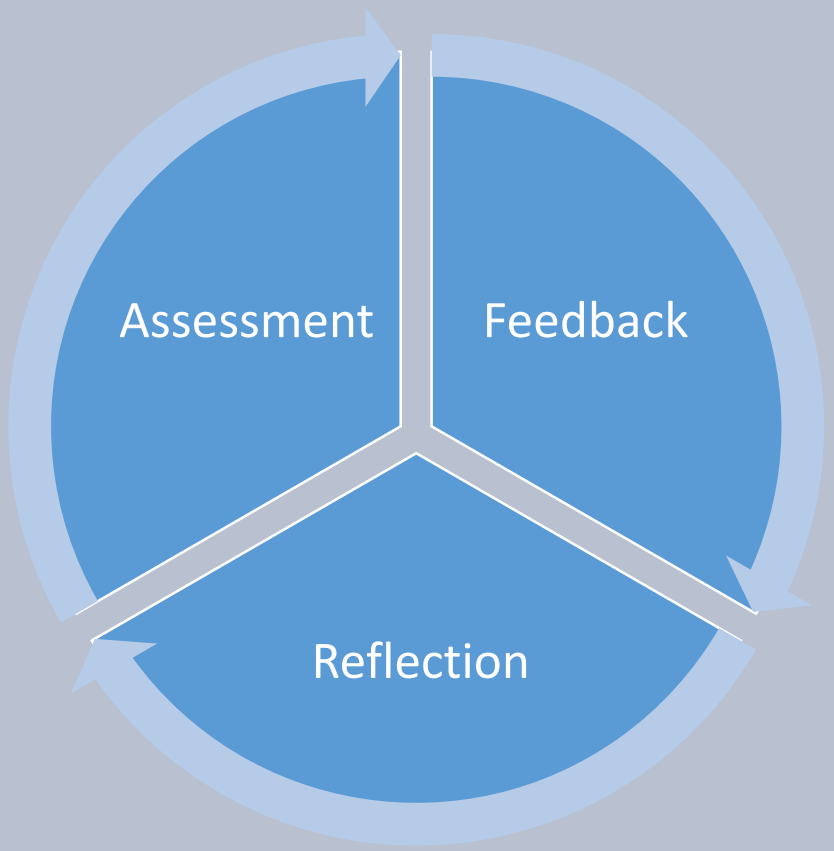
Engagement in lessons & Homework - We take on challenging tasks and work to the best of our ability so that we make excellent progress

Curriculum Information

- High quality Teaching & Learning
- Progress Reports

- Homework set regularly using Satchel:One

Assessment, Feedback and Reflection



Progress Reports

Feedback Evening

End of Year Assessment Scores

Progress Reports

Subject Name	Teacher Name	Attitude to Learning			
		Behaviour for Learning	Classwork	Homework	Organisation
English	Miss J Ward				
Maths	Mr R Griffiths				
Art	Mr D Luke				
Drama	Miss R Twyford				
DT	Mr S Richards				
French	Miss V Smette				
Geography	Mr O Pring				
German	Mrs T McGarrick				
History	Miss S Rockall				
Music	Miss F Weston				
PE Practical Skills Only	Mr R Lyons				
RS	Mrs C Warner				
Science	Ms M Hughes				
Stem	Ms J Ramsey				
PSHE	Mr T Warren				
		87	80	67	78
		79			

Attitude to Learning Key

Outstanding	Good	Inconsistent	Cause for Concern

Attitiude to Learning Scores, out of 100

0 all red — 50 orange/green — 100 all blue

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Progress Reports

	Outstanding (4)	Good (3)	Inconsistent (2)	Cause for Concern (1)
Behaviour for Learning	Actively participates in the lesson, is curious about learning and fully engaged; shows great resilience and perseveres with challenges, even when they are difficult; uses their own initiative in a range of situations, and can work independently without teacher input	Will participate in the lesson; shows resilience and is willing to persevere when things are difficult; shows interest in their learning and is attentive and focused; willingly does all that is asked of them and sometimes more	Sometimes participates in the lesson; is generally focused, although may need reminding of expectations; Shows some resilience but sometimes gives up when things get difficult	Makes little effort to be involved in the lesson, and may disrupt the learning of others; is not interested in being challenged and will give up without really trying; takes little or no responsibility for their own behaviour
Classwork	Engages readily in all activities without prompting; always completes work to best of ability; seeks feedback on how to improve the quality of their work	Regularly engages fully in activities and usually produces work to best of ability; responds well to feedback and targets	Engages with some activities and sometimes produces work reflecting ability; does not always try hard enough to improve their work after feedback	Spends an inadequate amount of time on tasks and takes little pride in their work; fails to act on feedback provided, and as a result may not make expected progress
Homework	Always completes work to best of ability, never needs chasing, meets all deadlines	Regularly produces work of a good standard, usually meets deadlines	Often needs chasing and/or produces the bare minimum	Homework is rarely done or done too late to be of benefit
Organisation	Extremely well organised; arrives with all necessary equipment, ready to learn	Is well organised; usually has all necessary equipment	May show a lack of organisation skills; regularly needs to be lent equipment	Poor organisation; rarely has the necessary equipment and this is often is barrier to learning

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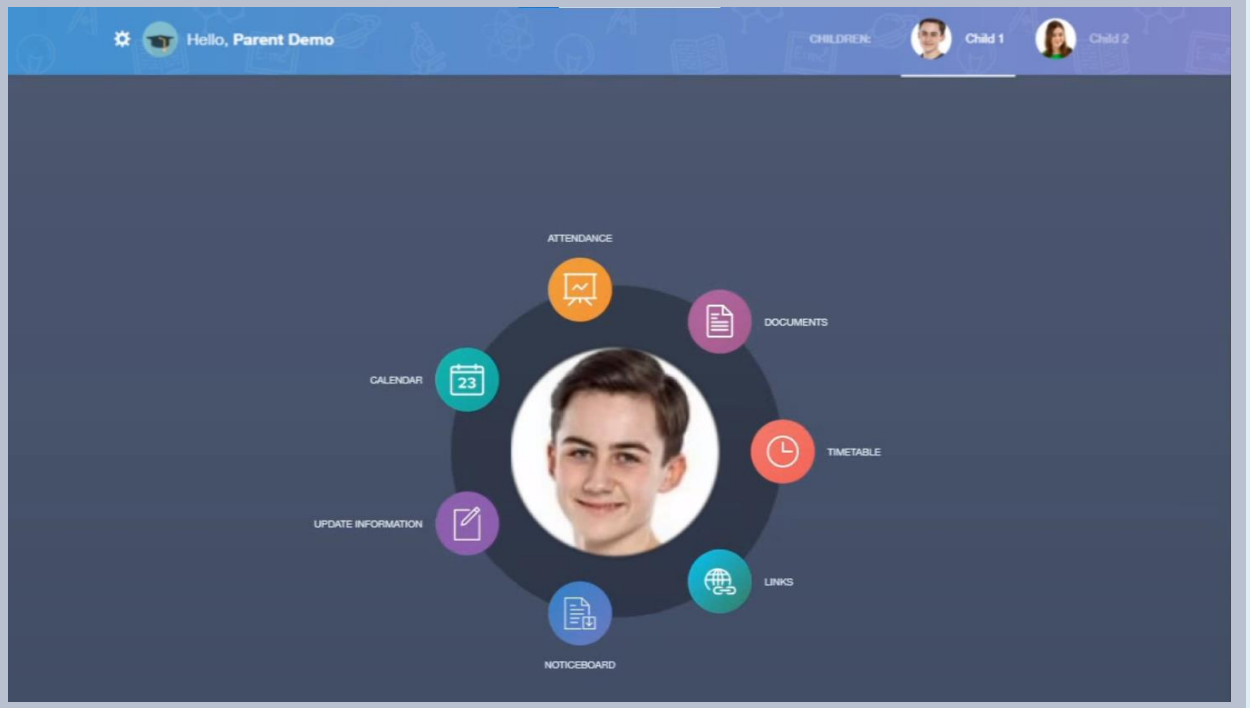

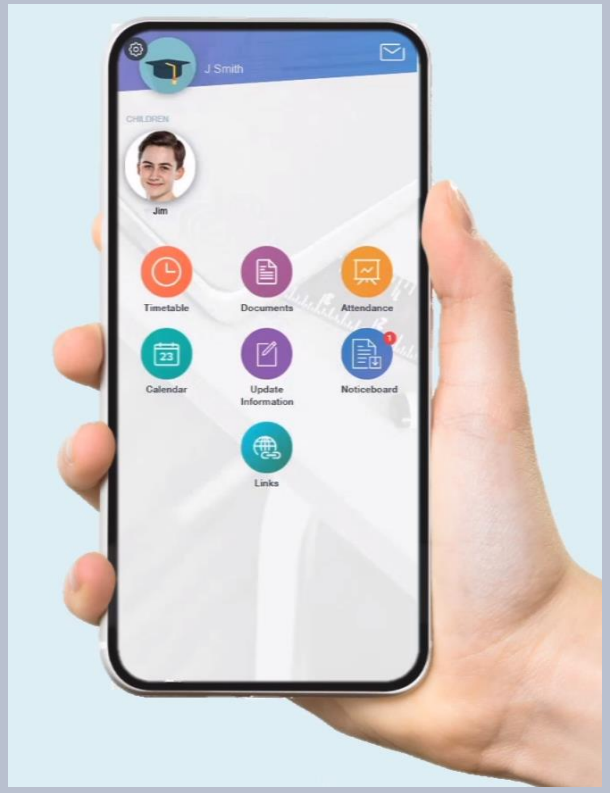

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Satchel One

- Check access for both parents and students
- Homework will be set on Satchel One
- Key reminders and information will be posted on Satchel One

Parent Pay

- Trip Payment
- Lunch Payment (automatic top up feature)

Digital Wellbeing Guide

Digital Wellbeing Guide

By Wallingford School students 2025

We want the way we use our digital technology to be appropriate, healthy and intentional

When we use our devices, it will be for a good reason, for a planned period of time

Set up better non- digital routines and habits

Have **just one place** at home where you keep and charge your devices, which is NOT your bedroom

Set up routines for the day that **do not involve your devices** e.g. your phone is not the first thing you use in the morning, or the first thing on the bus

Put your devices "to bed" in their **place at least 1 hour before you go to bed.**

Use **Do Not Disturb** mode on your phone from 1 hour before bed until 1 hour after waking

Make our devices less appealing

Turn off notifications

Delete apps your rarely use

Remove tempting apps from the home screen / log out of them

Make the screen Black and white

Set time limits

To help us learn how to be bored

Meet up with friends instead of DM them

Go outside

Do exercise

Put interesting things to do in easy to see places in your house

Ask family members to spend time with you on a shared activity

Do at least one non-digital activity a day

***The World Health** Organisation recommends the following time limits for young people 17 and under on their devices:*

No more than 2 hours per day, except for homework

Wallingford School Association (WSA)

Calling all Wallingford School parents

Wallingford School Association (WSA) are a group of parents who volunteer to raise important funds for the school. We are essentially the PTA of the school.

We held our AGM this week and confirmed our next objective to fundraise for a permanent outdoor shelter for all pupils to benefit from. We will need your help as parents to achieve this.

Last year we raised over £4,000 and purchased ten large outdoor circular wooden tables for students and contributed funds towards plants and equipment for the Courtyard Garden. In the past, we have contributed towards the school minibus and stage microphones for school productions.

Would you like to join WSA? We are planning another Raffle and also a Quiz evening on Friday 28th November (put the date in your diary). Our next meeting will be a social on Thursday 9th October at a pub in Wallingford. Please get in touch if you would like to come along by emailing wsa@wallingfordschool.com

We also hold informal evening meetings at school throughout the year to plan events and discuss ideas. We regularly offer refreshments at school events, such as concerts and plays.

You can help us really easily by doing the following:

- Use Easy Fundraising when you renew your car or home insurance or do any online shopping (they cover 7000+ brands). Many of the insurance companies and bigger search engines like Go Compare, Money Supermarket, Confused.com etc will donate significant funds. You can raise £15-£20 for school with just one insurance renewal! Use this link or the QR code. https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/wallingfordsa
- Attend WSA events such as our Quiz night, buy refreshments from WSA at various school evenings, and purchase raffle tickets. Look out for publicity later in the Autumn term. We are on the Wallingford school website: https://wallingfordschool.com/index.php/about-us/wsa

  Join our WSA Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/WSA.Wallingford

- Parent volunteers
- Last year - £4000 raised which purchased outdoor tables and equipment for the courtyard garden
- Next objective – permanent outdoor shelter

- Please take a leaflet if you would like to find out more and join the WSA

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Welcome to 8RRO

Miss Robinson

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Welcome!

What you need to know about RRO

Q&A opportunity

Expectations

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Welcome to 8ELO

Miss Lovett & Mr Clarke

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Welcome!

What you need to know about ELO

Q&A opportunity

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Welcome to 8REC

Miss Crossingham

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Welcome!

What you need to know about REC

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Welcome to 8HSN

Miss Snipe

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Welcome!

What you need to know about HSN

Q&A opportunity

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Welcome to 8RCU

Miss Church

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Welcome!

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Welcome to 8CMO

Ms Morris

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Welcome!

What you need to know about CMO

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Welcome to 8DTU

Miss Tudge

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What you need to know about DTU

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Welcome to 8NBE

Mrs Beaumont

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Welcome to 8REL

Mrs Elkington

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How do I make contact with school?

- Contact me first!
- Contact the head of year (Ms Dudding)
- Use the ‘get help’ button on the school website
- Encourage your child to talk to a member of staff at school