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Wellington Weekly

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Master's Voice

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new format of our regular, whole school, parental communication platform. The purpose of the Wellington Weekly is to inform parents of ongoing and forthcoming events in the school, and also to celebrate achievements and pupil success.

As WCI Pune grows and becomes more established, it will be excellent to project these developments in our parental communications. In essence, this edition is the forerunner, the precursor, to launching the fuller Wellington Weekly in two weeks time (on Friday 13th October), which will highlight the activities and accomplishments in Early Years, Juniors and Seniors. Whilst the name will remain, at the outset the 'Weekly' will actually be circulated fortnightly on Fridays.

As I noted at our official school opening on Thursday 14th September, parents are at the very heart of our Wellington community and we always welcome their involvement. It will be exciting to witness the growth of our community and the depth of parental contributions to that development. We have several initiatives planned and I will report more fully in the next edition of the Wellington Weekly.

For now, I hope that all families enjoy the extended weekend and we look forward to pupils returning to school on Tuesday 3rd October.

With best wishes,

Dr Murray Tod

School Opening Ceremony !!

14th September 2023



We were delighted to officially open Wellington College International Pune on Thursday 14th September.

The campus was inaugurated in the presence of Mr. Anuj Aggarwal (Co-Founder and Chairman Board of Governors), Mrs. Meghna Aggarwal, Mr. James Dahl (Master, Wellington College UK), Ms. Resham Chordia (Director, Panchshil Reality & Member of Board of Governors WCI Pune), and Dr. Murray Tod (Founding Master WCI Pune). The other guests in attendance included Mr. Aditya Burman (OW Representative of India and member of the Board of Governors WCI Pune), and Mr. Scott Bryan (Managing Director WCI UK & Board of Governors WCI Pune). They were accompanied by Ms. Felicity Kirk- BOG Member (WCI UK) and Ms Helen Stevenson- BOG Member (WCI UK).

The 'Grand Opening' involved the school's parents, pupils, governors, staff, teachers, a host of dignitaries and guests. It was wonderful to have all founding, pioneering, families at the very centre of proceedings and the event was a great success for all involved. Indeed it was a typical 'Wellington' occasion, with fun and ambition to the very fore. We look forward to many such celebrations of our 'Founders' Day' in the years ahead.



[Click To Watch The Opening Day Aftermovie](#)

First Day of The School !!

15th September 2023



Following on from the excitement of the 'Grand Opening' on Friday 15th September, we extended a hearty welcome to the very first cohort of pupils who graced our campus in Pune. Their radiant spirit illuminated the very first day at WCI Pune, setting the tone for an exciting academic adventure! That day marked the commencement of a transformative journey, one that promised not only the pursuit of diverse learning opportunities but also the crafting of lifelong memories with our New Wellingtonians!

Monthly Medal Round at Poona Golf Club

23rd September 2023



Sport will play a leading role in the development of WCI Pune. It was therefore fitting, in the school's opening weeks, to continue the Monthly Medal Round, hosted by Wellington College International Pune in partnership with Poona Golf Club. The event on September 23rd saw golfers of all skill levels competing passionately. From participants in the under-14s to seniors, a diverse range of competitions provided excitement for everyone. The winners were proudly presented with their prizes by Mr. Iain Sutcliffe (Head of Senior School WCI Pune), in recognition of their exceptional achievements.

Hats off to the champions!

UK Higher Education Reception With The UK Trade Commissioner

21st September 2023



WCI Pune were delighted to be invited to the Networking Reception at the UK Trade Commissioner's residence in Mumbai last week. The delegation, coordinated by the Department for Business and Trade (DBT), included representatives of the UK Higher Education meeting with key stakeholders from Indian universities, government bodies and industry leaders on a mission to enhance global educational collaborations. It was a valuable opportunity for Ms Ramya Vijayan, (WCI Pune, Head Marketing & Admissions) to meet with dignitaries such as, **Harjinder Kang** (His Majesty's Trade Commissioner for South Asia & Deputy High Commissioner for Western India, British Deputy High Commission, Mumbai), **Krishna Joshi** (Lead for India, South Asia, Central Asia, China and Hong Kong, International Education, DBT, London, HQ) and **Farhad Unvala** (Senior Trade Adviser, Lead for Western India - Technology, Education, Innovation & Smart Cities, DIT, British Deputy High Commission, Mumbai).

Together, these visionary leaders are shaping the future of educational collaboration between the UK and India, with the focus on science, research and innovation. WCI Pune are very excited to be a part of the journey and look forward to building connections for our pupils.



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