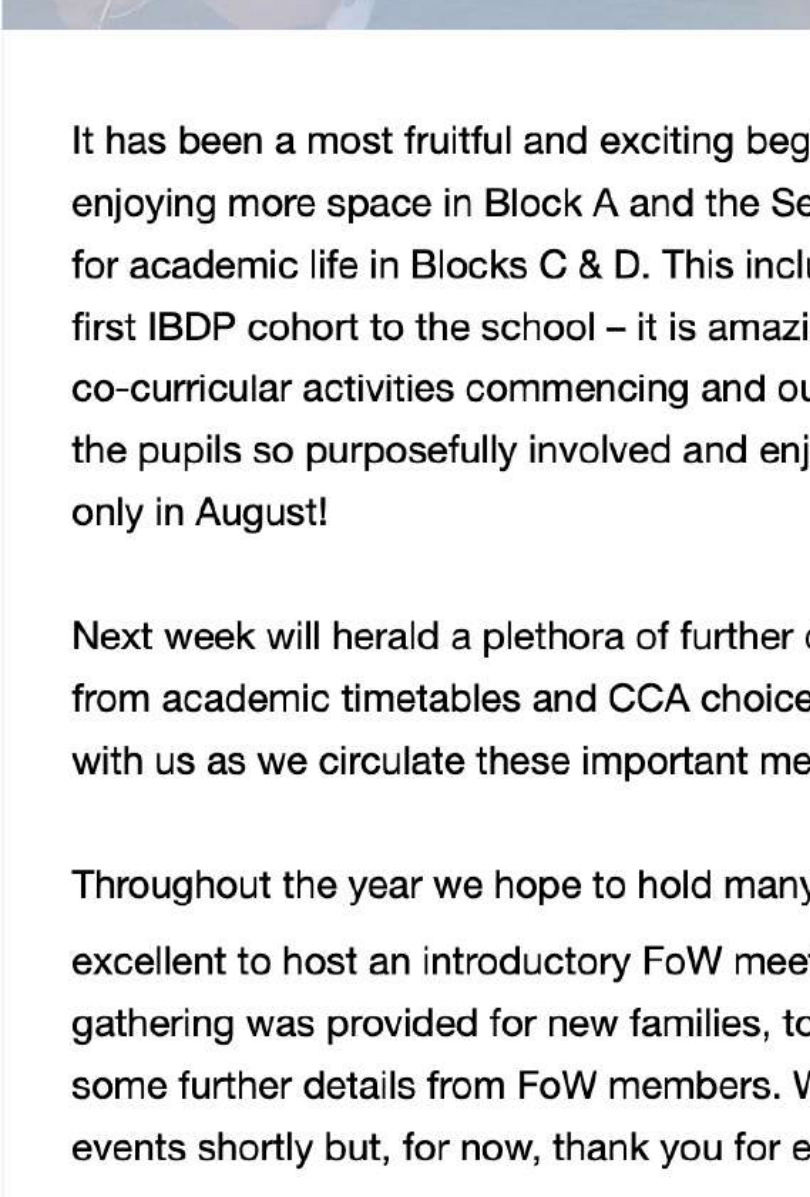




## Wellington Weekly

22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025



### Master's Voice

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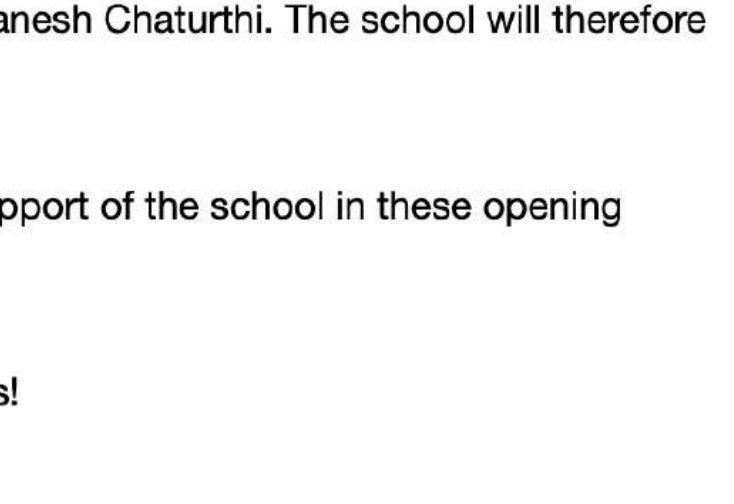
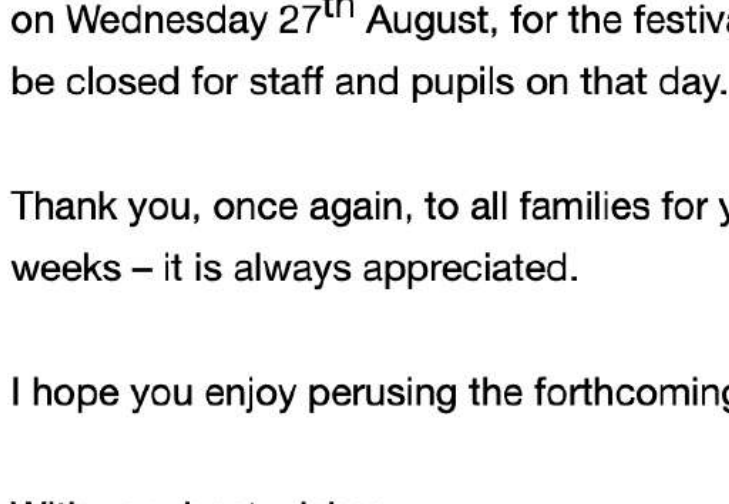
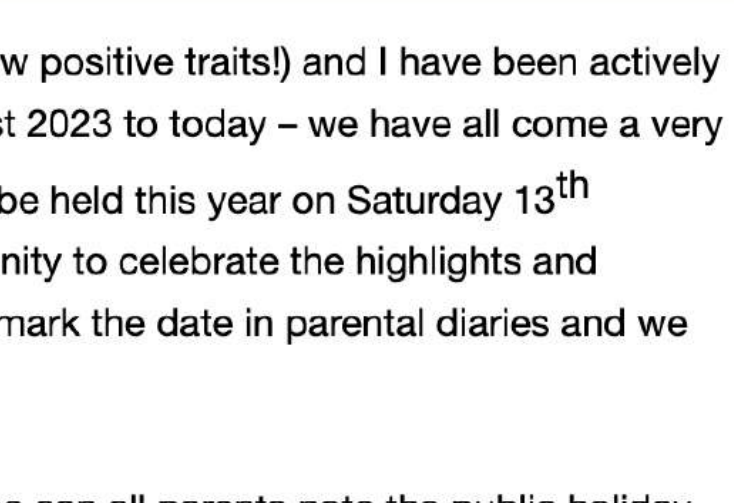
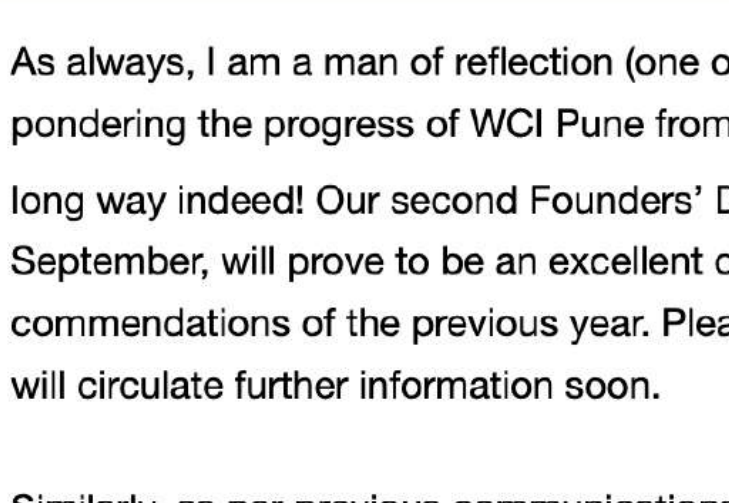
Welcome to the first Wellington Weekly of the 2025 – 2026 Academic Year!

I hope that all your children have enjoyed the start to Term 1 and that classes, and peer groups, have started to settle into the rhythm of school life.

It has been a most fruitful and exciting beginning to school life, with the Primary years enjoying more space in Block A and the Senior School embracing the new opportunities for academic life in Blocks C & D. This includes the excitement surrounding welcoming our first IBDP cohort to the school – it is amazing to be a full K-12 school now! With co-curricular activities commencing and our new facilities in operation, it is super to see the pupils so purposefully involved and enjoying the learning environment. And we are still only in August!

Next week will herald a plethora of further communications I'm sure, on aspects ranging from academic timetables and CCA choices to forthcoming diary events. Please do bear with us as we circulate these important messages on school operations.

Throughout the year we hope to hold many Friends of Wellington events and it was excellent to host an introductory FoW meeting today (Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August). This social gathering was provided for new families, to meet each other and share insights, and hear some further details from FoW members. We will provide more details on forthcoming events shortly but, for now, thank you for everyone's involvement.



As always, I am a man of reflection (one of my few positive traits!) and I have been actively pondering the progress of WCI Pune from August 2023 to today – we have all come a very long way indeed! Our second Founders' Day, to be held this year on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September, will prove to be an excellent opportunity to celebrate the highlights and commendations of the previous year. Please do mark the date in parental diaries and we will circulate further information soon.

Similarly, as per previous communications, please can all parents note the public holiday on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August, for the festival of Ganesh Chaturthi. The school will therefore be closed for staff and pupils on that day.

Thank you, once again, to all families for your support of the school in these opening weeks – it is always appreciated.

I hope you enjoy perusing the forthcoming pages!

With very best wishes,  
**Dr Murray Tod**

### Head of Primary School

Dear Parents,

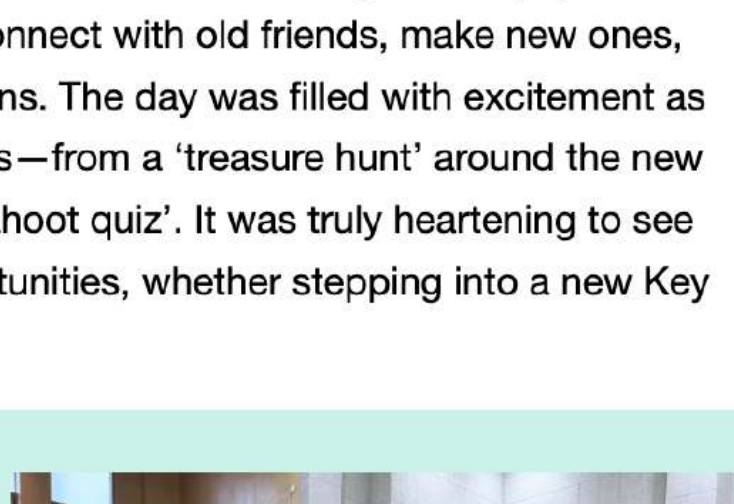
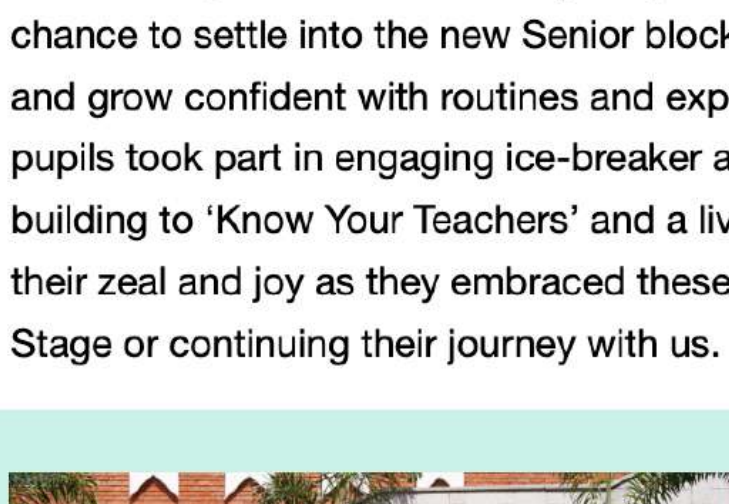
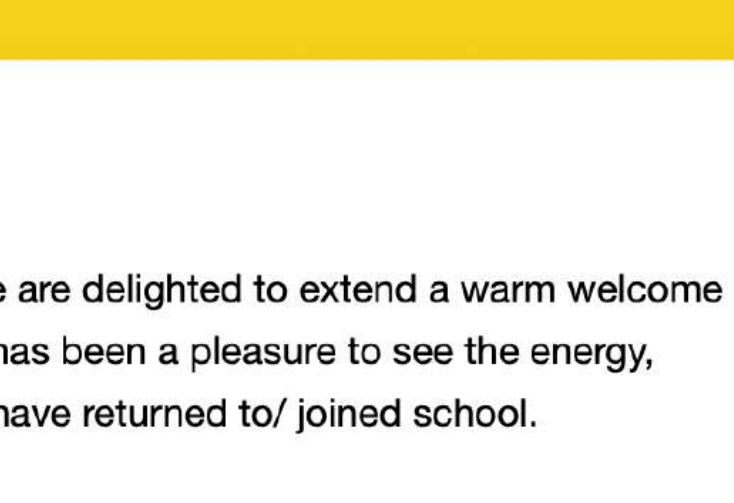
It has been a real pleasure to welcome our children back to school for the start of this new academic year. The first weeks have been filled with energy, smiles, and a wonderful sense of excitement as the children settle into their new classes.

I am delighted to share how quickly the children have adjusted to their new routines. They have shown confidence, enthusiasm, and a genuine eagerness to learn. It has been heartening to see friendships old and new blossoming across the school and classrooms full of curiosity and joy.

What has been particularly pleasing is how well the children have been living out the **Wellington College Values of Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, Integrity, and Courage**. For example, many children have shown *kindness* by helping new peers find their way around the school, and *courage* by putting their hands up to share ideas in lessons, even when they felt unsure. These moments reflect how our values underpin everything we do as a community.

Thank you to those who attended our 'meet the teacher' sessions last week. These sessions are a valuable opportunity to get to know your child's class teacher, gain insight into the year's learning journey, and hear more about how you can support learning at home.

This week, we held our first Celebration Assembly, where we came together as a school to share successes and highlight the many wonderful things happening in our classrooms. It was a joy to see the children's pride in their achievements and to celebrate not only academic progress but also the values and positive attitudes they are showing every day.



On a personal note, as I complete my first two weeks as Head of Primary, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the warm welcome I have received. It has been a privilege to meet so many of you already, and I am deeply grateful for the support and encouragement from the whole school community as I settle into my new role.

It has been such a positive start to the year, and I would like to thank you for your support in helping ensure the children returned ready for a successful term. Together, we can look forward to a year filled with growth, learning, and many memorable moments.

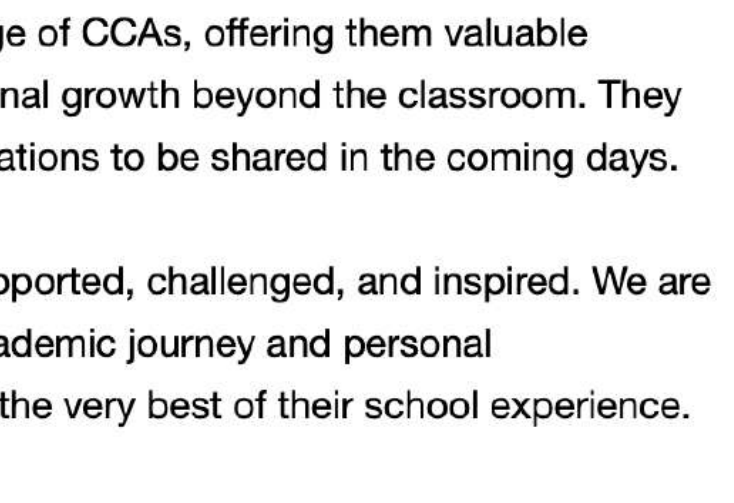
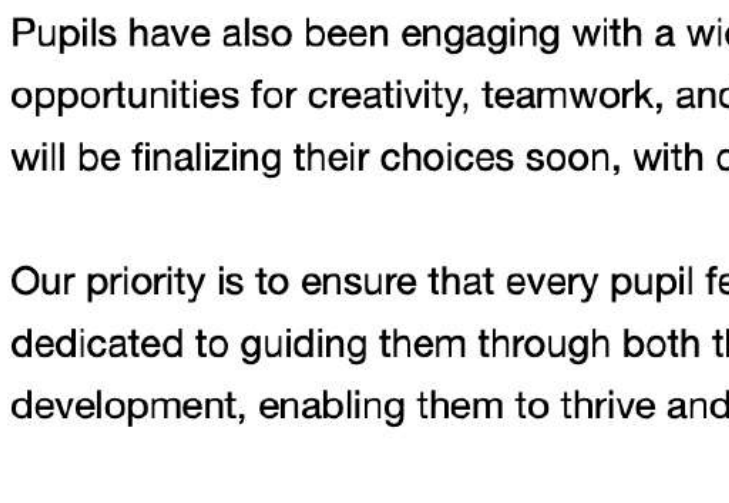
Thank You,  
**Katherine Kelly**

### Senior School

Dear Senior School Parents,

As we begin this exciting new academic year, we are delighted to extend a warm welcome to all our pupils and families in Senior school. It has been a pleasure to see the energy, enthusiasm and positivity with which our pupils have returned to/ joined school.

The first-day induction for all key stages was a wonderful success! It gave our pupils the chance to settle into the new Senior blocks, reconnect with old friends, make new ones, and grow confident with routines and expectations. The day was filled with excitement as pupils took part in engaging ice-breaker activities—from a 'treasure hunt' around the new building to 'Know Your Teachers' and a lively 'Kahoot quiz'. It was truly heartening to see their zeal and joy as they embraced these opportunities, whether stepping into a new Key Stage or continuing their journey with us.



Pupils have also been engaging with a wide range of CCAs, offering them valuable opportunities for creativity, teamwork, and personal growth beyond the classroom. They will be finalizing their choices soon, with confirmations to be shared in the coming days.

Our priority is to ensure that every pupil feels supported, challenged, and inspired. We are dedicated to guiding them through both their academic journey and personal development, enabling them to thrive and make the very best of their school experience.

We look forward to working closely with pupils, parents, and staff to make this year one of meaningful learning, achievement, and memorable experiences.

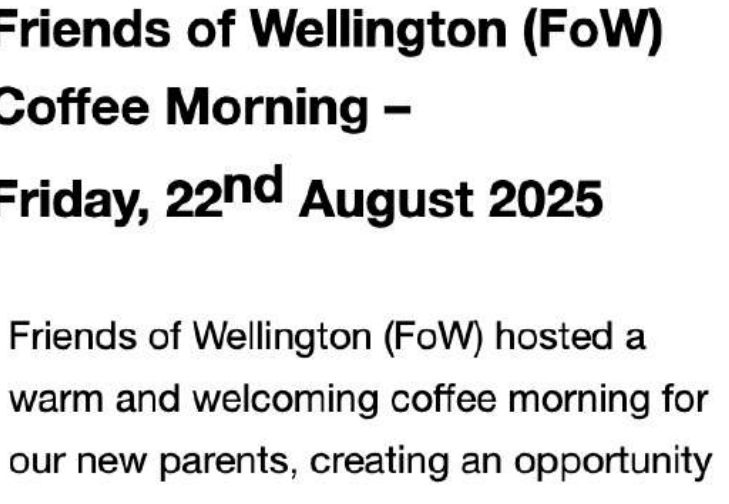
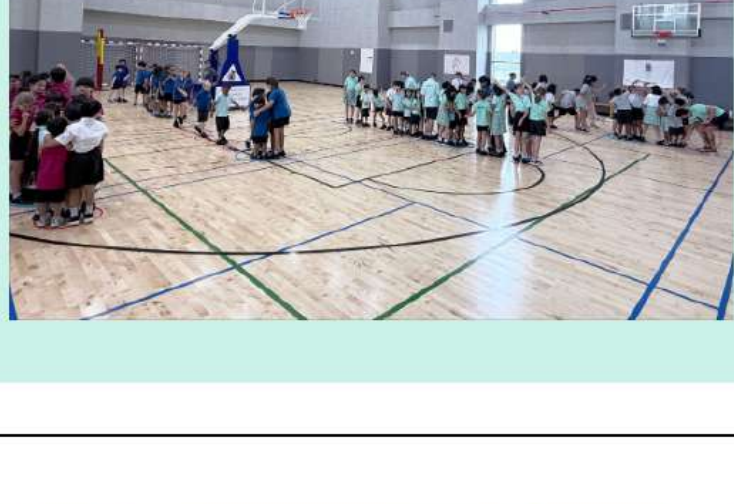
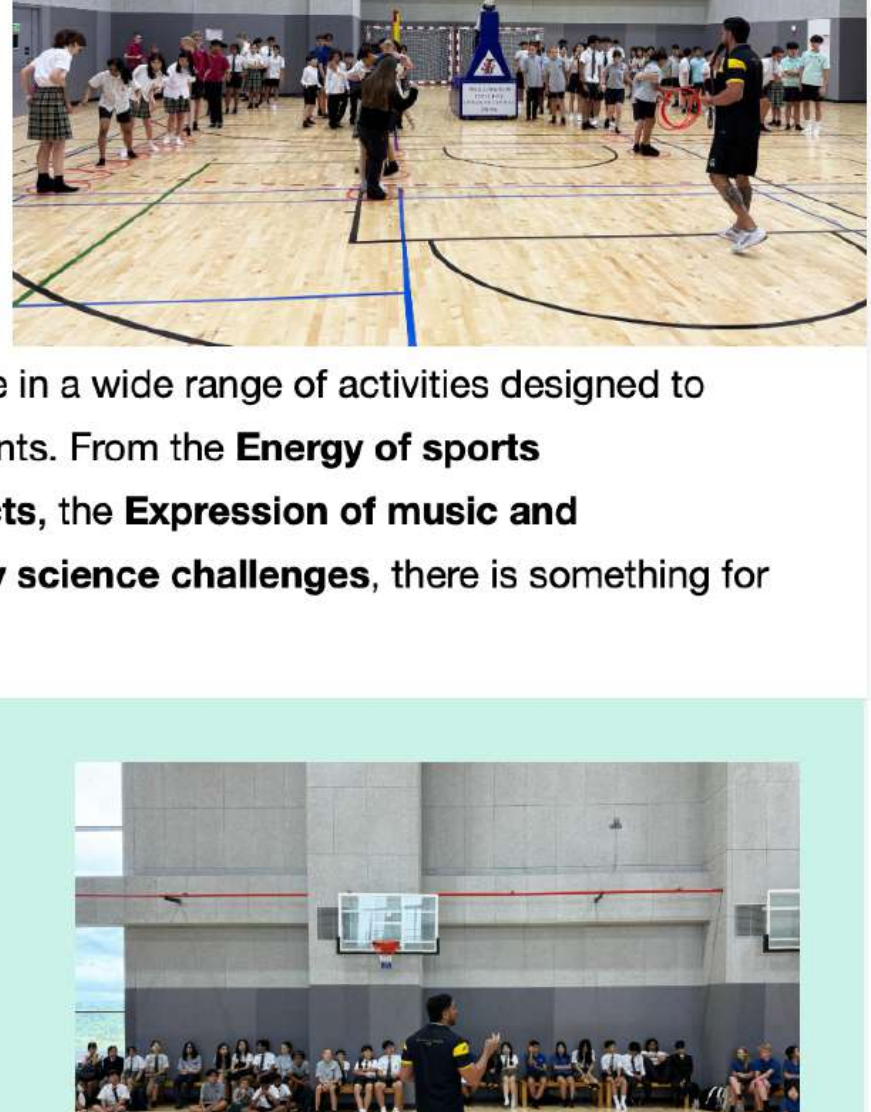
Best Wishes,  
**Senior School Team**

### Events Gallery

#### PE House Activity – Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025

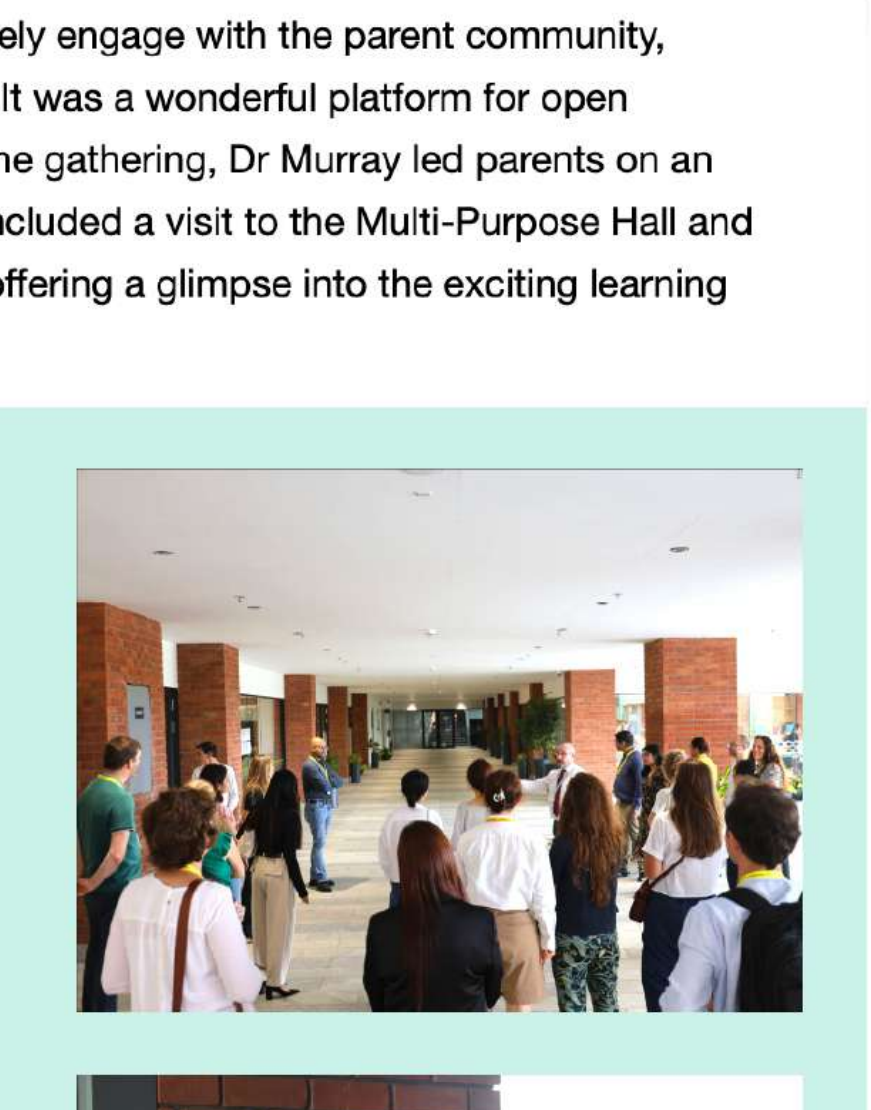
Every Wednesday afternoon, our school comes alive with the excitement of **House Activities** – a weekly tradition that celebrates teamwork, creativity, and house spirit.

Pupils from across all year groups participate in a wide range of activities designed to engage their interests and highlight their talents. From the **Energy of sports competitions** to the **Creativity of art projects**, the **Expression of music and performance**, and the **Curiosity inspired by science challenges**, there is something for everyone to enjoy.



#### Friends of Wellington (FoW) Coffee Morning – Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025

Friends of Wellington (FoW) hosted a warm and welcoming coffee morning for our new parents, creating an opportunity to connect and strengthen friendships. The team introduced themselves and encouraged families to actively engage with the parent community, sharing ideas and contributing to its growth. It was a wonderful platform for open conversations and collaboration. Following the gathering, Dr Murray led parents on an insightful tour of Blocks C and D. The walk included a visit to the Multi-Purpose Hall and the impressive new Senior School building, offering a glimpse into the exciting learning spaces ahead.



### Photos

Start of Academic year 2025- 2026 – Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> August 2025

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