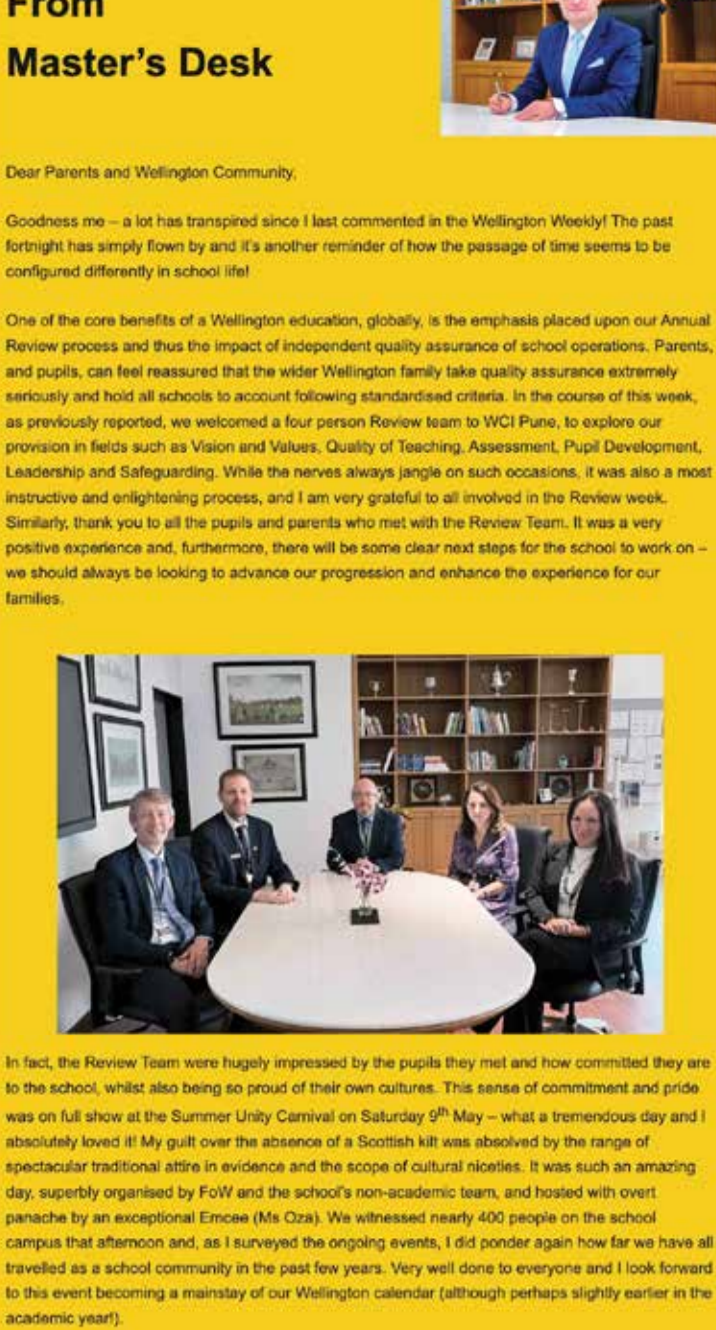


Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

# Wellington Weekly

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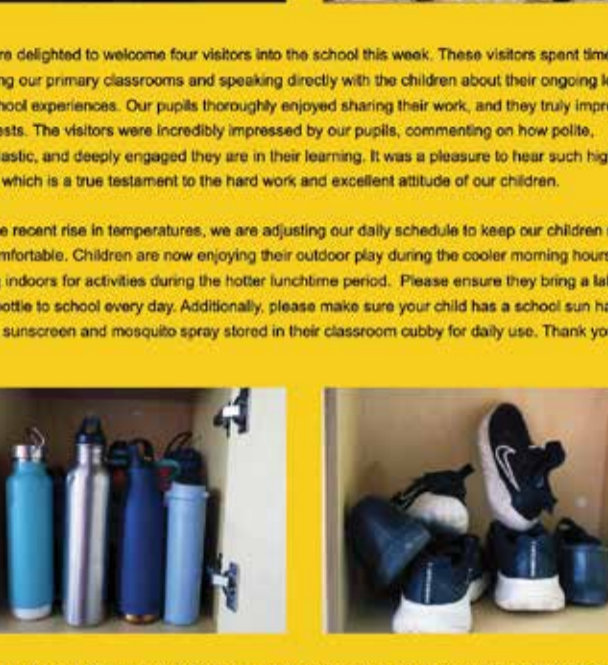
## From Master's Desk



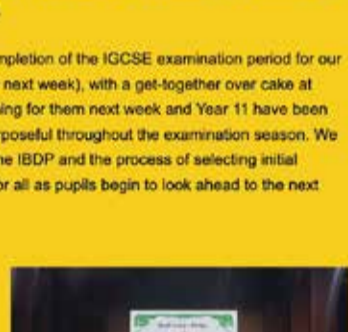
Dear Parents and Wellington Community,

Goodness me – a lot has transpired since I last commented in the Wellington Weekly! The past fortnight has simply flown by and it's another reminder of how the passage of time seems to be configured differently in school life!

One of the core benefits of a Wellington education, globally, is the emphasis placed upon our Annual Review process and thus the impact of independent quality assurance of school operations. Parents, and pupils, can feel reassured that the wider Wellington family take quality assurance extremely seriously and hold all schools to account following standardised criteria. In the course of this week, as previously reported, we welcomed a four person Review team to WCI Pune – to explore our provision in fields such as Vision and Values, Quality of Teaching, Assessment, Pupil Development, Leadership and Safeguarding. While the nerves always jangle on such occasions, it was also a most instructive and enlightening process, and I am very grateful to all involved in the Review week. Similarly, thank you to all the pupils and parents who met with the Review Team. It was a very positive experience and, furthermore, there will be some clear next steps for the school to work on – we should always be looking to advance our progression and enhance the experience for our families.



In fact, the Review Team were hugely impressed by the pupils they met and how committed they are to the school, whilst also being so proud of their own cultures. This sense of commitment and pride was on full show at the Summer Unity Carnival on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May – what a tremendous day and I absolutely loved it! My guilt over the absence of a Scottish kilt was absolved by the range of spectacular traditional attire in evidence and the scope of cultural riches. It was such an amazing day, superbly organised by FoW and the school's non-academic team, and hosted with overt panache by an exceptional Emcee (Ms Ozza). We witnessed nearly 400 people on the school campus that afternoon and, as I surveyed the ongoing events, I did ponder again how far we have all travelled as a school community in the past few years. Very well done to everyone and I look forward to this event becoming a mainstay of our Wellington calendar (although perhaps slightly earlier in the academic year!).



As we creep towards the end of the 2025-2026 Academic Year, we are in the midst of pupil assessments and end of year tests, combined with the continuing IGCSE examinations for Year 11. It is a busy academic time and I wish all pupils well with their studies. I am sure that all in the Wellington family are keenly anticipating joyful end of Year events, coupled to the summer break beyond, and further details for the last week(s) of Term will be circulated shortly.

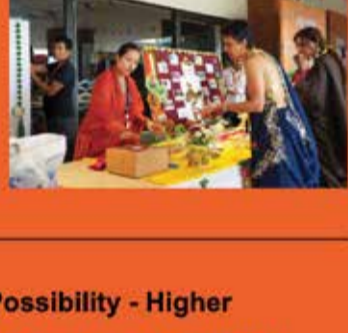
For now, I hope all families enjoy a super weekend and I offer a reminder that Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May is Bakri Eid (with the whole school closed for that day).

Best wishes,  
Dr Murray Tod

## Primary School Community

Dear Primary Parents,

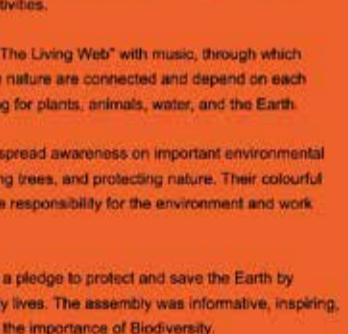
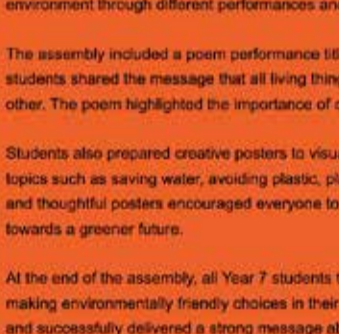
Community is the heartbeat of our school. Our Friday event proved exactly why Wellington is so special. I extend a massive thank you to the Friends of Wellington for organising an absolutely amazing evening. There are far fewer examinations remaining for this week and Year 11 were wonderful to see all the countries that make up our school represented. The parade was outstanding, a fantastic event that celebrated our wonderful school community.



Our Pupil Council has been working hard on an exciting new project. They are currently seeking feedback from their respective classes about renaming our school classes. The pupil council are gathering ideas from their peers and will feedback their final suggestions soon. We look forward to sharing their suggestions with you.

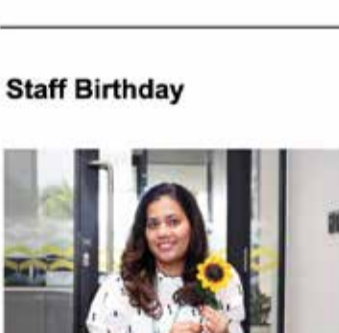
Our Year 4 pupils took centre stage last week with a spectacular assembly performance, confidently reciting a selection of their own original poems. The children captivated their audience with fantastic vocal expression and wonderful dramatic actions that truly brought their poems to life. A huge well done to Year 4 for delivering such a memorable showcase of their own literary talents.

It was Year 3 who shone this week. They took us on a spectacular journey into the heart of the Rainforest during their class assembly. Combining Geography with digital creativity, the children proudly showcased their recent computing work. Using stop-motion animation, they brought exotic animals, towering trees, and vital conservation messages to life frame by frame. Congratulations to Year 3 for delivering such an informative showcase.



We were delighted to welcome four visitors into the school this week. These visitors spent time exploring our primary classrooms and speaking directly with the children about their ongoing learning and school experiences. Our pupils thoroughly enjoyed sharing their work, and they truly impressed our guests. The visitors were incredibly impressed by our pupils, commenting on how polite, enthusiastic, and deeply engaged they are in their learning. It was a pleasure to hear such high praise, which is a true testament to the hard work and excellent attitude of our children.

With the recent rise in temperatures, we are adjusting our daily schedule to keep our children safe and comfortable. Children are now enjoying their outdoor play during the cooler morning hours and moving indoors for activities during the hotter lunchtime period. Please ensure they bring a labeled water bottle to school every day. Additionally, please make sure your child has a school sun hat, as well as sunscreen and mosquito spray stored in their classroom cubby for daily use. Thank you.



Our lost property cubbies are overflowing, and we need your help to rescue your child's missing items before the school year ends. From lonely left shoes and mystery water bottles to a mountain of PE kits, we have collected a bit of everything over the last few weeks. Please take a moment during pick up or drop-off to swing by the lost and found cubbies in the Parents' Lounge.

Good luck to all of our swimmers who are attending the Swimming Gala tomorrow at Mahindra International School. We know you will represent Wellington with pride and courage.

Wishing everyone a relaxing and restful weekend.

Best regards,  
Katherine Kelly

## Senior School Community

Dear Senior School Parents,

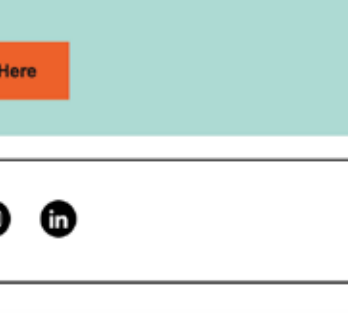
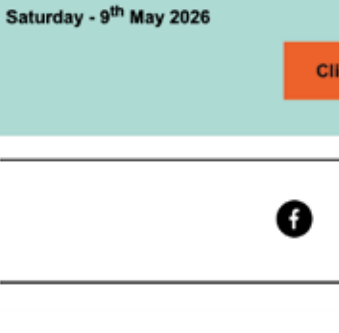
As we approach the 'business end' of the school year, pupils are naturally increasingly focused on revision. It was a joy, therefore, to experience the lively Year 7 assembly on Monday on biodiversity and the importance of all of us making small, local changes to support the environment. Every pupil was involved, and we were treated to three outstanding piano recitals; a reminder of the exceptional talent we have within our Senior School community.

It was also lovely today to celebrate the nearing completion of the IGCSE examination period for our Year 11 pupils (and a few days' break for them later next week), with a get-together over cake at lunchtime. There are far fewer examinations remaining for them next week and Year 11 have been impressively (and characteristically) mature and purposeful throughout the examination season. We also had a brief reminder from Ms Vyass regarding the IBDP and the process of selecting initial subject choices for Year 12 – an exciting moment for all as pupils begin to look ahead to the next stage of their academic journey.



Assessments for Key Stage 3 pupils will begin on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May and finish until Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Year 10 assessments commence in full on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June until Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June (with language speaking and listening assessments only on Thursday and Friday next week; otherwise lessons as usual). Year 12 assessments begin on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May and end on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June. These assessment periods are an important part of the learning journey and provide pupils with valuable experience in revision, preparation and examination technique. At every stage, it is important to remember that no one expects the 'finished article'; these assessments are designed to support progress and development over time.

We have planned quiet study arrangements for all pupils between their examinations, where they will have access to teacher guidance and support throughout the school day. All pupils are expected to remain in school for the full duration of the examination period during the school day, as experience consistently shows that pupils benefit greatly from remaining in a purposeful and supportive school environment.



For Key Stage 3 pupils in particular, we will ensure balance throughout the week, including PE and swimming sessions remaining in place. Indeed, an additional swimming session has been arranged for Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May to allow pupils the opportunity to relax and unwind after the week's assessments. For all pupils up to and including Year 10, CCAs are still running and pupils are expected to attend. It really is important that they have this time back from studying. At home, the most important support families can provide is ensuring that pupils are getting plenty of sleep, rest and downtime alongside their revision.

Thank you for your ongoing support. I hope that you have a restful weekend.

Best wishes,  
Dr Victoria Gardner

## Something Special

### FoW : Summer Unity Party

Saturday – 9<sup>th</sup> May 2026



On Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> May, we hosted a spectacular Summer Unity Party in association with our parent body, the Friends of Wellington. The event witnessed enthusiastic parades from our 24 school nationalities, vibrant cultural clothing and dancing, and a range of delightful delicacies from around the globe.

Families marched with incredible energy—parents carried children on their backs, and everyone danced joyfully to traditional, cultural beats. The parade concluded with our country representatives posing like pros for the camera, capturing memories to cherish for years.



The laughter-filled afternoon was one to remember, especially with all the delicious food served by our parents. Our inaugural Summer Unity Carnival represented all that is brilliant about Wellington – a super international community meshed with the very best of Indian pride!



### SS : Where Passion Meets Possibility - Higher Education Pathways Through Sport and Creativity

Friday - 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026 and Friday - 15<sup>th</sup> May 2026



From sports fields to design studios, children are realising that their passions can lead to transformative global opportunities.

To support them to achieve their passion, we organised two engaging Higher Education sessions on Global Opportunities Through Sport and Art & Design. In the sessions, students explored how their talents and interests can strengthen university applications and open doors to higher education, scholarships, and exciting international careers.

The Sports session highlighted how participation in athletics helps develop leadership, resilience, teamwork, and discipline, while also creating opportunities for able recruitment programmes and scholarships worldwide.

The Art & Design session encouraged students to see creativity as a powerful skill for the future, showcasing pathways in fields such as architecture, fashion, animation, visual communication, digital media, law and design innovation.

Together, the sessions inspired students to recognise that excellence beyond the classroom can play a significant role in shaping their future academic and professional journeys.



### SS : Biodiversity Assembly

Monday - 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026



Year 7 presented a meaningful assembly on the topic of Biodiversity on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026. The students effectively conveyed the importance of protecting nature and maintaining balance in the environment through different performances and activities.

The assembly included a poem performance titled "The Living Web" with music, through which students shared the message that all living things in nature are connected and depend on each other. The poem highlighted the importance of caring for plants, animals, water, and the Earth.

Students also prepared creative posters to visually spread awareness on important environmental topics such as saving water, avoiding plastic, planting trees, and protecting nature. Their colourful and thoughtful posters encouraged everyone to take responsibility for the environment and work towards a greener future.

At the end of the assembly, all Year 7 students took a pledge to protect and save the Earth by making environmentally friendly choices in their daily lives. The assembly was informative, inspiring, and successfully delivered a strong message about the importance of Biodiversity.

### SS : Water Profile Study Seminar

Friday – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026



On 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Year 12 pupils presented a seminar on WCI Pune water profile. As part of one of their assessment topics, 'Water', they were required to develop a detailed water profile of WCI Pune, building upon their previous collaborative science project. They examined the various sources of water, including rainwater harvesting, and critically evaluate how wastewater is treated through the sewage treatment plant (STP) and other sustainable practices in place. They were expected to collect primary data through interviews with relevant academic and non-academic staff and present their findings using creative and appropriate approaches. This task aims to strengthen their understanding of water management systems and sustainability in a real-world context, and they were encouraged to be innovative while also proposing informed suggestions to improve water usage within the school.

They conducted thorough research with the help of our school's administrative staff and ensured definitive data. With all the necessary information, video clips of different pupils and teachers, and a well-formed presentation, our Year 12 pupils ensured a successful seminar for their junior friends and teachers.

## Behind the Scenes

### Staff Birthday



## Voices of Wellington

In the blog, Ms Pakhi Bajaj, our visiting Drama Teacher, explains how drama classes at WCI Pune help pupils to build foundational human skills, such as a sense of empathy, conflict management, critical thinking and collaboration.



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## Forthcoming Events

Bakri Eid - Public Holiday (School Closed)	Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
PS: House Dance Competition	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026

## Speech Day 2025 - 26



# SPEECH DAY 2025-26

## SAVE THE DATE

Date - 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026

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## Video

### Literary Festival 2025 - 26

Monday - 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026 to Thursday - 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026

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### STEM FEST 2025 - 26

Wednesday – 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026

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## Photos

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