

Visit to Wadham School

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2016

John Fagan as Ilminster Town Council representative met with Acting Head Mr Gardiner.

There were two main messages for the Council from this meeting:

1. There is a strong feeling that Wadham School does not have a high enough profile in Ilminster and appears to be omitted (lack of an invitation) from many events in the town. So the request is to ensure that they are included in all future events.
2. The structure of education in this part of South Somerset needs to move from the current 3 tier system to a 2 tier one. Wadham's results, league tables and inspections are judged on the standard 2 tier system, in other words, some of the standards set in Swanmead and Maiden Beech are incorporated into their figures but they have no real control over what happens in those two feeder schools. Discussions are ongoing with regard to this possible change.