

Dear Armfield Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to this week's newsletter! We are always delighted to share the fantastic achievements of our students and keep you updated with important reminders to ensure everything runs smoothly at Armfield Academy.

Important messages:

We recognise that you care deeply about your children, and we share your commitment to their well-being and success. When concerns arise, we want to hear them and address them constructively.

However, we must make it clear that while we understand frustrations can occur, verbal abuse, foul language, and name-calling directed toward our staff are simply unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

Our dedicated team deserves to be treated with respect at all times. Please remember that all communication should be professional. By maintaining these standards, we can ensure staff are able to focus fully on the positive support and care for our students.

Please continue to support us with high standards of uniforms, no facial piercings, no jewellery and ensure our young people have their equipment and are ready to learn each day.

Census:

Please can you fill in the free school meal form below, ahead of our census day next week.

If you have ever filled in a form previously there is no need to complete again - your details will already be in the system and this will update if your eligibility changes.

If your child is year 3 upwards and already receiving FSM, please do not reapply.

If you are already in receipt of Universal Free School Meals (Year 2 and below), you do not automatically qualify for FSM once this has ended so please do apply *if you have not already done so.*

https://apply.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/fcat

Thank you



European Day of Languages:

We have celebrated European Day of Languages today with challenges for different year groups, well done to everyone who got involved! We also have our Duolingo competition starting today – this is linked to the house system and the winners will get points for their house!



National Teaching Assistants Day:

Friday 26th September is National Teaching Assistants
Day! This year's theme is "Reading Together, Grow Together - TAs making every page
count! We have celebrated with all our wonderful teaching assistants to let them know how
amazing they all are.





Achievements:

Congratulations to our Yr 10 Football Team! Winners for Blackpool South and will go forward to play in the Final against Blackpool North for the Town Cup.

Armfield 2-1 St Georges

Armfield 2-1 Highfield



A huge well done to our girls' football team this week at the year 10 tournament! They finished 2nd overall, showing great resilience and teamwork throughout their games. We're very proud of how you represent the school!

Don't forget if you want to get involved in girls' football, the club is on every Monday after school!





<u>Jimmy Armfield's birthday – House challenge:</u>

On Thursday at lunchtime, we came together to celebrate Jimmy Armfield's birthday with a fantastic house competition event!

The children showed incredible teamwork and energy throughout. Every child gave their best effort and cheered each other on. It was wonderful to see such great spirit across all the houses

A huge well done to all who took part.





Harvest:





Victoria's Voice:

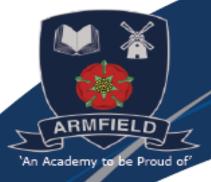


Upcoming events:

Our Open Evening this year is on Thursday 9th October.

Please do let any neighbours, friends and family know about this event if they are interested in joining our amazing school this September in Year 7, Reception or Nursery.





Internet safety - Instagram





House challenge:



House System Update

The momentum from our newly-launched house system continued this week, where the pupils engaged in two football-related challenges. To celebrate Jimmy Armfield's birthday, the academy held football tournaments on Tuesday [Year 6] and Thursday [Years 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11] which were attended by over 250 students. Competing against other houses, our pupils played in good spirits, showcasing a number of our core values in 50 games of football in an extra-curriculuar provision. The tournament was centred on goals scored — with the 50 house points going to **Ruby House** who turned into goal-machines, scoring, 24 goals under the glow of late September sun. In the primary event, **Ruby House** was also victorious.







On Friday, at lunch time, the secondary students and staff took part in a crossbar challenge. There were over 600 shots over the course of the lunch period, with some attempts more accurate than others! Once the final whistle had echoed around yard, the house which demonstrated the most precision was Citrine House. Finishing in second place was Emerald House and Ruby House was placed third.







The current standings after three challenges are:

CURRENT HOUSE SCORES

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In the primary tug-of-war event, our students had plenty of fun and the results were:

1st - Sapphire House

2nd - Amethyst

3rd - Ruby

4th - Citrine

5th - Emerald



Thank you for your continued support—we love celebrating our students' successes with you!

Best wishes,

The Armfield Academy Team