



Newsletter

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.

Messages

What a brilliant first week back at Armfield! It has been fantastic to welcome our pupils back and see them settle into routines with such positivity, energy and enthusiasm.

A huge well done to all of our pupils for the fantastic start they have made and for demonstrating our Armfield Pocket Principles every day: **Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Ready to Learn**. As we look ahead to the year, let's keep this positive momentum going and remember that every day really does matter. Regular attendance is essential for pupil progress, ensuring that pupils don't miss valuable learning, experiences and opportunities. Being in school every day and on time gives every pupil the best possible chance to achieve, experience and grow.

Thank you to all our parents for the outstanding support with ensuring our young people returned to school in their full uniform and ready to learn. This week has been an incredible week, where our students have worked hard and behaved incredibly around school, especially with the building works.

We look forward to welcoming them back on Monday morning. gates open at 8:20am and please ensure they have water bottles and their dinner pins are topped up ready for the week ahead.



WELCOME BACK

Be equipped and ready to learn

Thank you for your support during our first full week after the summer break. Please continue to ensure that our students are equipped and **ready to learn** - this is one of our key values at Armfield Academy. All students must have the following equipment:

- A black pen.
- A purple pen.
- A ruler.
- A pencil.
- A gluestick.
- A highlighter.
- A whiteboard pen.



Please see the poster below which details the cost of each item of equipment costs in school. Each individual item must be paid for using cash, or full pencil cases can be ordered via MCAS. Equipment checks will take place at the start of each school day to minimise disruption to learning. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

It is YOUR responsibility to be equipped and ready to learn



The Armfield Way

- Be respectful.
- Be responsible.
- Be ready to learn.

You must come to school with the correct equipment. You are able to buy the following items in school:

Black Pen 20p	Purple Pen 20p	Pencil 20p	Highlighter 30p
15cm ruler 20p	Whiteboard Pen 30p	Pencil Case (Empty) 60p	Glue Stick 50p



The equipment shop will be open every day in Mr Renouf's office. Members of the student leadership team will visit forms on Friday each week and equipment checks will take place every morning.





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Year 7 September Assessments 2026

Please be informed of the upcoming GL assessments that will take place at Armfield over the next two weeks between the 14th September and 25th September 2026.

All of our year 7 students will sit a 'New Group Reading Test' (NGRT) and the 'Cognitive Abilities Test' (CAT4). This provides us with a wealth of information about where our students are starting from as they begin their journey at Armfield Academy. The collection of GL assessments will allow us to plan whole school and individual interventions to support students both academically and pastorally.

The NGRT will be completed within English lesson time, the CAT4 will be completed in science lessons.

If you wish to find out more about these assessments, please use the links below.

[New Group Reading Test: Information for Parents](#)

[Cognitive Abilities Test: Information for Parents](#)

Attendance to all GL assessments is vital as they will provide us with key information to support your son/daughter's learning and development. Due to the nature of GL assessments students should not worry about revising any specific material. For the NGRT assessment, full engagement with the English curriculum and regular reading at home is the best way to prepare.

If you have any further questions about these assessments, please contact the school via the form tutor.

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Armfield Academy: Important Dates 2026 - 2027

Event	Date
Year 7 Settling In Evening	Wednesday 30th September (4:30-6pm)
Armfield Open Evening*	Thursday 8th October (5-8pm)*
Year 11 Parents Evening	Wednesday 4th November (5-7pm)
Armfield Christmas Markets '26	Wednesday 25th November (4-7pm)
Primary Parents Evening	Wednesday 9th December (3:30-6pm)
Year 9 Parents Evening	Wednesday 20th January (5-7pm)
Year 10 & 11 Progress Evening	Wednesday 3rd March (4-6pm)
Year 9 Options Evening	Wednesday 10th March (6-7:30pm)
Primary Pupil Update Meetings	Wednesday 23rd/24th March (3:30-6:30pm)
Year 8 Parents Evening	Wednesday 24th March (5-7pm)
Year 11 Prom TBC-	Week Beginning 21st June (7-10pm)
Year 10 Work Experience Week	Monday 28th June
Year 10 Parents Evening	Wednesday 7th July (5-7pm)

Please note that the secondary school will close early on Thursday 8th October.

Year 11 Autumn Mock Exams	23rd Nov - 11th Dec 2026
Year 11 Summer Examinations	5th May - 23rd June 2027
Year 10 Mock Examinations	24th May - 25th June 2027

