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Dear Parent / Carer,

Welcome to the 2024-25 academic year. I hope you and your families have all had a restful summer break, and are ready for the year ahead.

As the pupils settle back into school this week, I would like to share some updates with you.

KS2 SATS Results

Following my communications in July and August, I would like to share again how proud we are of all the pupils who sat external tests and examinations this year. Our Key Stage 2 SAT results were the best ever achieved at ATAM Academy and cement the improvement journey that the school has been on, over the last couple of years.

	ATAM 2022		National 2022		ATAM 2023		National 2023		ATAM 2024		2024 Vs 2023 Academy		Academy Vs Nat 23	
Subject	Expected	Greater Depth	Expected	Greater Depth	Expected	Greater Depth	Expected	Greater Depth	Expected	Greater Depth	Expected	Greater Depth	Expected	Greate
Reading	88%	45%	74%	28%	66%	29%	73%	12%	95%	40%	29%	11%	22%	
GPS	91%	34%	73%	28%	83%	30%	72%	31%	92%	68%	9%	38%	20%	37
Maths	86%	32%	73%	23%	81%	24%	73%	31%	93%	50%	12%	26%	20%	19
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RWM	77%	7%	60%	7%	61%	8%	59%	7%	80%	22%	19%	14%	21%	15
	National 2023	ATAM 2023	ATAM 2024	ATAM 23 Vs 24	ATAM 24 Vs Nat23	ATAM ACADEMY					This column			
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laths	104	105.63	109.25	♠ 3.62	♠ 5.25	THE KHALSA ACADEMIES TRUST			2023 and the	summer of	national data	from		
										2024 at ATAM	and the second second	2023. Nation		

Year 11 GCSE Examinations Results

Our Y11 pupils took the first set of GCSE examinations in the summer months and our overall outcomes are 'well above national average' with some significant achievements by our pupils and subjects in the school.

With an overall Progress 8 score of +0.57 (unvalidated), pupils at ATAM have demonstrated exceptional progress, surpassing the national average. The Attainment 8 score of 52.83, reflects the hard work and dedication of both pupils and staff in striving for excellence. Over 77% of pupils achieved a standard pass (9-4) including English and Mathematics and over 60% of pupils achieved a strong pass (9-5) including English and Mathematics. Academies are judged on Key Performance Indicators (KPI) that compare schools/academies locally and nationally; these results are well above national data from 2023.

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We are not complacent about our outcomes and are busy building on these foundations for greater success over the coming years.

New Staff Members

We have welcomed some new staff at the start of this term as we continue to grow as an academy, and have opened our sixth form; Khalsa VI.

Role	Name				
Vice Principal – Designated Safeguarding Lead	Raj Sahota				
English Teacher	Ryia Bernard Jones				
Maths Teacher	Fatima Iffath				
Primary Teacher	Fahana Parveen				
English Teacher	Priscilla Masasu				
English Teacher	Olamide Adeotoye				
Computer Science Teacher	Abu Bakr Arroum				
Maths Teacher	Inderjit Kaur (starts 1sixth September) covered by ATAM teachers until start date.				
Business Teacher	Rapinder Kaur				
Psychology Teacher	Shahrina Ahmed				
Panjabi/Sikh Studies Teacher primary	Omundeep Cholia				
Science Teacher	Simran Kaur				
RE / Humanities Teacher	Rajwant Rathore				
Art Teacher	Jamilatun Raza				
Sikh Studies Teacher secondary	Gurpreet Singh Rehal				
LSA	Rupinder Bakshi				
LSA	Nicole Oye				
LSA	Karam Sandhu				



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Some of our staff have new roles this academic year, which are listed below:

Role	Name
Senior Assistant Principal	Usman Choudhury
Assistant Principal	Del Roudh
Associate Assistant Principal	Mandy Virk
Director of Learning –Year 7	Hollie Weston
Director of Learning – Year 8	Priya Kaur
Subject Lead - PE	George Allen
Subject Lead - Music	Alex Dzhambazov
Primary Teacher	Shiksha Kaur
HLTA	Teena Singh
LSA	Harprit Seehra
LSA	Sukhpreet Aneja

Ms Witchell remains absent at the moment and will be covered by Veena Robin, an established member of ATAM staff.

Primary School- Changes to Collection Points

There have been some changes to the collection points at the end of the day for certain year groups in primary.

- Nursery, Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 will continue to be collected from their classroom external doors as before.
- Year 3 will now be collected from the double doors at the back of the school (Primary Playground).
- Year 4 will be collected at the front of the school (to the right of the reception area, where Year 3 were previously collected).
- Year 5 Katha and Year 5 Kurbani will be collected at the front of the school (to the left of the reception area).

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- Year 5 Keertan will be collected from the back of the school (next to the hall doors).
- Year 6 will be collected from the secondary side doors (the same location as last year).

Communication

This year, I aim to communicate with parents on a weekly basis. This will be in the format of a letter from myself one week, followed by an academy newsletter the following week.

Khalsa VI Redbridge

Finally, I would like to share that we opened our sixth form this week; Khalsa VI Redbridge. Year 12 pupils have joined the ATAM family as we continue to grow, studying a variety of subjects at A Level, including maths, further maths, physics, chemistry, biology, psychology, sociology, business studies and English literature. On Thursday 5th September students had their first induction day, where they took part in a variety of different team building activities, followed by a trip to Stubbers today, for a day filled with fun activities, including canoeing, zip-lining and much more. We are also pleased to share the opening of our two new sixth form spaces; a common room and a study area, which our students will have as their designated spaces for independent study and socialising with their peers.

The sixth form brings new opportunities for pupil leadership across the academy with our sixth formers supporting our Y11 and Y10 pupils but also offering coaching and guidance to younger pupils and those in our primary phase.

We are still recruiting next week to the sixth form. Please see advert below.

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Have a restful weekend.

Kindest regards,

Yours sincerely

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Chris Steed Principal

