

## GARSTANG COMMUNITY ACADEMY

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Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

Our students and staff have truly outdone themselves this year, making it an incredibly busy and productive one! From working hard in the classroom to outstanding performances in extracurricular activities, our school community has consistently demonstrated dedication, resilience, and a passion for learning. We've seen incredible growth in all areas, and it's been wonderful to witness so many successes throughout the year.

Since I last wrote to you, our Year 7 students embarked on an insightful and inspiring journey with the "Learn to Earn" activity, a highly impactful programme delivered by Young Enterprise, a UK's charity for enterprise and financial education. The initiative, packed with engaging scenarios and interactive tasks, encouraged students to look beyond the classroom and envision their personal and professional aspirations.



Also, group of Year 9 and 10 GCA students recently visited local accountancy firm, Towers & Gornall, for an invaluable employer visit that offered a tangible glimpse into the world of finance. The highlight of the visit was an inspiring talk from Chloe Bardsley, an ex-GCA student who has climbed the ranks to become a Director at Towers & Gornall. Chloe's journey served as a powerful testament to the potential career paths available to our students.



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On Thursday 1st May, 128 students selected from Year 7 and 8 took part in the UKMT Junior Mathematical Challenge. A 60 minute, 25 multiple choice Challenge. It encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought and fluency to make students think. Our students won some of the awards and we are very proud of them.



Our Year 10 students participated in a dynamic and highly beneficial "Mock Interview Careers Activity," designed to provide them with crucial insights into the professional world. We were thrilled to welcome representatives from a diverse range of organisations, including the NHS, Preston College, BAE Systems, Flotation Energy & Morecambe Offshore Wind Farm, Myerscough College, Lloyds Banking Group, Lanes Group, DWP, HSBC, Newman College, LMC, the Police, Schudio, Ultima Skills, and Harrison Drury Solicitors.



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Year 10 have also enjoyed a number of taster days at local colleges as they think about their futures and plan their next steps.



The GSSP (Garstang Secondary Sports Partnership) programme continues to thrive under the excellent leadership of Katie Rainbow. It is always a pleasure to welcome children from a range of our feeder schools to work with our students.



Our Year 9 students recently embarked on an enlightening 'Industry Day' experience, visiting the Royal Preston Hospital to gain invaluable insights into the vast array of careers available within the healthcare sector. This immersive day provided a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to explore the diverse roles that keep our vital health services running.



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And our Year 9 students recently had an enriching and eye-opening visit to the Marriott (Delta Hotels), providing them with a fantastic insight into the diverse world of hospitality careers.



Our students also recently had an exhilarating and highly educational day at the TeenTech Festival, an event designed to immerse young people in the world of science, technology, and engineering. This fantastic opportunity allowed our students to get hands-on with innovative experiments, engage with leading-edge technology, and, crucially, spend quality time with the very Engineers, Technologists, and Scientists who are shaping our 21st-century world. Since then a small number were invited to meet the Cyber Force Commander!



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We have also recently hosted a Transition Day for our new Year 6 students and a High School Experience Day which welcomed Year 5 students from a range of schools. Our Year 7 students are currently enjoying a trip to Cornwall whilst some of our Year 8's are visiting Borreatton Park and we will share some of their adventures in our September letter.



As the academic year draws to a close, we extend a heartfelt and somewhat sad goodbye to our Year 11 students. They have been an exceptional cohort, and we are immensely proud of everything they have accomplished during their time with us. We wish them the very best of luck in their future endeavors, whether they are continuing with further education, embarking on apprenticeships, or entering the world of work. We have no doubt they will achieve great things.



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We are thrilled to share some exciting news regarding our school's catering. Beginning this September, **Aspens** will be taking over as our new catering provider, and we believe this partnership will significantly enhance the dining experience for all our students. Aspens is committed to providing high-quality, varied, and healthy meal options, and we're looking forward to the positive impact they will have. Attached, you'll find a welcome pack from Aspens, including sample menus and information on their approach to school meals.

Finally, we'd like to express our sincere gratitude to all our parents/carers for their unwavering support throughout the year. Your partnership is invaluable, and it plays a crucial role in the success of our students and the school as a whole. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another exciting year in September!

Best wishes,

**Satinder Singh**  
Headteacher

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