



## **GARSTANG COMMUNITY ACADEMY**

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Dear Parents and Carers

Can you believe we are already weeks into the new school year? It feels like only yesterday that we were welcoming everyone back, and yet we have already achieved so much together. The first few weeks of term are always a whirlwind of activity, and I want to start by extending a huge thank you for your incredible support. Your partnership is invaluable in helping your children settle back into school life and make such a positive start to the year.

It has been a joy to see our school full of energy and enthusiasm for learning. We have had a packed schedule of events and activities, and our students have thrown themselves into every opportunity with fantastic spirit.

We believe in celebrating success every step of the way, and there have been many wonderful moments to acknowledge since September:

Our new Year 7 students had a brilliant time on their residential trip to Hothersall Lodge. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to bond as a year group, challenge themselves with new activities, and make lasting memories. They represented our school beautifully.



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We were pleased to welcome 'Streetwise' for a special assembly on road safety. They delivered a powerful and important message to our students about staying safe as they travel to and from school, which is especially vital as the darker mornings and evenings approach.



Our recent Open Evening was a tremendous success! It was a pleasure to build on the great relationships we started at our Year 5 'Secondary School Ready' event and to welcome so many potential new students and their families into our community. The buzz and positive atmosphere in the school were a testament to the hard work of our amazing student helpers and staff. A particular thank you to our PTA who ensured that everyone was fed and watered.



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Beyond the school gates, our students have been broadening their horizons with a Science trip to the historic city of Cambridge, while our dedicated Duke of Edinburgh's Award participants have successfully completed another challenging expedition. Well done to all involved!



Well done to our Year 11 students for hosting a fantastic Macmillan Coffee Morning. Their hard work and the brilliant selection of cakes on offer created a wonderful community atmosphere. We successfully raised a superb total of £120 for Macmillan Cancer Support.



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We were delighted to be supported by members of our fantastic Student Leadership Team during the Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening. It was wonderful to welcome so many parents, and we are very grateful to those who took the time to provide us with valuable feedback to help us continue improving this event.

Our Year 7 'Meet the Tutor' event is a great opportunity to begin fostering the strong home-school relationships that we will build upon throughout your child's time with us. Thank you to all who were able to attend.



Finally, we are excited to be implementing new teaching and learning strategies, led by Mr. Farquharson, to improve student oracy and confidence in working together. Through activities like structured debates and collaborative problem-solving, we are helping students to articulate their ideas more clearly and build their teamwork skills. These approaches will better equip our learners with the vital communication skills needed for their future success.

It has been a truly remarkable start to the academic year, and we are so proud of what our students have accomplished already. Thank you once again for your continued support.

Many thanks,

*Satinder Singh*

**Headteacher**



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### **Key Dates to look out for :**

- **Thursday 16th October** 'Learn to Learn' event 5-7pm
- **Friday 17th October** Staff INSET day - school closed to student
- Half term - **Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October** - students return to school on Monday 3rd November
- **Thursday 20th November Class of 2025** - GCSE Awards Evening - invitations will be sent
- **Monday 24th November** - Year 11 mock examinations begin (2 weeks)

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