

PARENT BULLETIN

JULY 2023 ISSUE NO:5

Dear Parents and (arers,















I hope you enjoy reading this edition of the Hollingworth Parent Bulletin, the last of the academic year. This year we have tried to capture as many of the great things that we have been doing at the academy and share and celebrate them with you, whether that be via our social media channels, newsletters or via this bulletin. I hope you have found this useful.

Once again, this edition is packed with lots of amazing events that have taken place over the summer term, too many for me to single out and so I really would encourage you to take some time to read through all the pages.

I would like to thank you for your support and partnership this past year as we have worked hard together to build on our successes and help Hollingworth to flourish.

Our staff and students have worked incredibly hard this year in order to lay the cornerstones of Hollingworth's rise to World Class status. Our new status is something that we should all be very proud of and celebrate together and our continued partnership as staff, students and parents/ carers is key to making Hollingworth the outstanding education provider of choice in the area.

Finally, I am sure that you will all join me in wishing good luck to our Year 11 students who anxiously await their results in August. They have worked so hard; they truly deserve the very best results.

I would like to wish all our students and families a very healthy and happy summer.

Best wishes

Mr Robert McGinty

HEADTEACHER





PARENT/CARER INFORMATION



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Friday 21st July 2023 | School closes for summer break.

Wednesday 6th September 2023 | School re-opens to Year's 7 & 11 only. **Thursday 7th September 2023** | School re-opens to all Year groups.

Thursday 21st September 2023 | Year 7 consultation evening.

Wednesday 4th October 2023 | Open Evening.

Friday 20th October 2023 | School closes for half-term break.

Monday 30th October 2023 | School re-opens.

Wednesday 15th November 2023 | GCSE Presentation evening (Leavers).

Thursday 30th November 2023 | Year 10 Parents' Evening.

Thursday 21st December 2023 | School closes for Christmas Break.

Monday 8th January 2024 | Staff INSET day.

Tuesday 9th January 2024 | School re-opens.

We offer a variety of enrichment/careers events for students during the school day, and staff send out more information nearer the time. In the meantime, please keep checking our website for updates.





Our new Management Information System

This year we are really excited about our new management information system 'Arbor' which will improve communication between the academy and parents/carers. All parents/carers will have access to the Arbor Parent Portal, this is your one stop shop for all the operational information you will need to co-ordinate your child's day. This parent portal will contain all outgoing communication from the school, will alert you when your child receives a RISE point and of course a FALL point. This will be our only form of communication regarding detentions, all other forms of communication with detentions will no longer be operational. If you find that you need some support setting your parent portal up, please contact the academy for further guidance.

EDUCATION news

THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION AT HOLLINGWORTH ACADEMY

Everyone Excels Everyday

QUALITY OF EDUCATION

At Hollingworth, we want to develop a world class curriculum with high quality teaching that ensures everyone excels every day. As we come to the end of this academic year, we can reflect on the great progress we have made in our journey.

We have hosted some amazing events that have allowed us to celebrate the achievements of our world class students, these will be explained in more detail in other sections of this bulletin. I would like to mention how great it was for me to personally attend the Year 11 Prom and host the Presentation Evenings; I also had great fun at the KS3 and KS4 Summer Balls. It was fantastic to see our students having such fun doing the conga and the cha-cha slide. We are very proud of all our students.

Our new Year 7 students joined us for their Transition Day on Tuesday 4th July 2023. It was great to see their enthusiasm and positivity. We cannot wait for them to join us in September!



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THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION AT HOLLINGWORTH ACADEMY

All our students now belong to one of four houses. On Wednesday 21st June 2023, all students, staff and parents were able to vote for their preferred house names. You will probably already know that the winner was the Star Constellations, and this is great because we believe all our students can RISE TO THE STARS. All our students now belong to one of the following houses: Altair, Orion, Pegasus and Sirius.

Please ask your child who they belong to!









In September, our students will study the RISE Curriculum as part of their personal development and they will try to achieve RISE points, and always avoid FALL points throughout the academic year. RISE points and house events will lead to one of our houses being awarded the RISE Trophy. I am looking forward to seeing who the first winner of this will be.

We held our first Parent Forum meeting on Tuesday 6th June 2023. We asked parents how we can help our students learn more effectively and be happier at school. We received some great feedback and have used this to develop our new house system and our curriculum maps. I intend to host a Parental Forum once per term next year and you are all very welcome to attend. Your feedback is crucial to us.

Behind the scenes, our curriculum leaders have been doing great work to ensure we hit the ground running in September. It will be a major focus for us to inform you of what your children are studying at any point in the year. I know from personal experience that conversations about learning are not always easy, but our curriculum maps will help you do this; I will update parents about these in the new academic year. In September, we will also be introducing "PRIME Learning" to our students, this will help them become better learners; more information on this to follow.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me at cwilliamson@hollingworthacademy.co.uk if you have any feedback on how we can improve further as an academy. Thank you for your continued support.

I hope you have a wonderful summer holiday.

Kindest regards,

Colin Williamson

Deputy Headteacher

EDUCATION news

BEHAVIOUR AND ATTITUDES AT HOLLINGWORTH ACADEMY

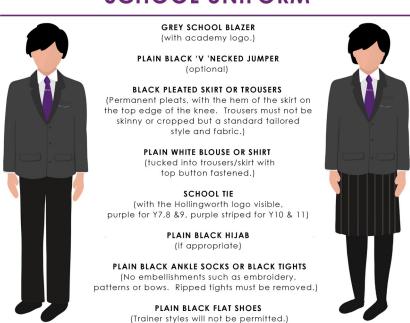
Key information for the new academic year:

Congratulations everyone, as I reflect on a hugely successful year after having met so many of you at various events on our calendar, I consulted with a number of you on what information was vital for me to communicate with you prior to our return in September.

Uniform and equipment

Firstly, as you will already be aware we have updated our uniform, dress, and appearance policy. Students choosing to wear skirts to the academy should consult the new policy before returning in September. We have a stock of uniform in the academy and will be asking students to change should they not be in the correct uniform. In addition to this, we have taken parent feedback and worked with you to amend the language used in the policy to ensure our world class standards are clear and concise. See below for our uniform graphic and full uniform policy.





JEWELLERY

(Students are only permitted to wear a wristwatch and one pair of stud earrings no more than 5mm in diameter – all other jewellery is not permitted.)

MAKE-UP

(Make-up is only permitted for Y10 and Y11 students and must be subtle. Fake eyelashes, false tan and fake nails are not permitted.)

I would like to take this opportunity to recommunicate our list of equipment that students are expected to bring to school every day.



Essential equipment

School bag (rucksack/backpack style) A pencil case 3 x black pens

1 x green pen

1 x pencil

A ruler

A highlighter

A pencil eraser

A scientific calculator

Desirable equipment

A maths set (compass, protractor etc) A reading book A water bottle

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Green slips and Red slips

After speaking with students, we decided it was time for a rebrand in terms of our behaviour management 'labels'. Some students found the terminology of 'slips' confusing as this connotes a tangible item. With our behaviour management system, it made sense to change the name.

Green slips will now be referred to as **RISE POINTS** and students will be awarded them for **RISING** to our world class standards of respect, responsibility, resilience and excellence.

Red slips will now be referred to as **FALL POINTS** and students will be awarded them for **falling** short of our world class standards. **They will still trigger a 30 minute after school detention.**

Our community

As a world class school, we are committed to delivering a diverse curriculum and upholding world class standards. This extends beyond our physical, geographical site. We believe that all students are part of Hollingworth for the 5 years that they study with us and beyond. This means that student responsibility does not end at 3pm or over the weekend. Students must conduct themselves in the community in a positive way and avoid bringing the academy in disrepute in any way. We are aware of external pressures that all families feel in 2023 and commit ourselves to supporting you, at the heart of this is our strong partnership and co-operation is key. We truly want the best for the students and the community of Milnrow and we must rely on each other to hold our young people to account and celebrate their successes. This will ensure the best possible outcomes for your children. Any school site is private property, both primary and secondary and nobody should be using fenced off areas to play sport or socialise in. Businesses both commercial and public sector are integral to the culture of our community and our colleagues, neighbours and friends deserve to be treated with respect. Therefore, please inform us if you have any concerns about any Hollingworth students in the community and we will work with you to manage that.

First annual Hollingworth Summer Ball

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you some photographs from our first annual Hollingworth Summer Ball. We celebrated the efforts of the students who went above and beyond to excel every day, and it was a fantastic event.

"This is the best thing Hollingworth has ever done" "Thank you for letting us do this"

"We should do more events like this"



Have a restful break and I look forward to meeting lots more of you in September.

Bobbie Robinson

Assistant Headteacher - Behaviour & Attitudes

ATTENDANCE news

At Hollingworth Academy we are passionate about attendance. Every student should aim to have 100% attendance or a minimum of 96%. Excellent attendance and punctuality are essential for students' success at school; establishing positive life habits that enable students to achieve their full potential. Year after year, the students with the best school attendance achieve the best results. Parents, carers, and families are therefore asked to ensure that their young person is in school for every day of term.

We are pleased to have seen huge improvements with attendance this academic year; thank you to parents, carers, and families for your support with this, we look forward to seeing further progress from September onwards.

A reminder that holidays during term time will not be authorised, they will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and referred to Rochdale Borough Council who may issue a Penalty Notice, please refrain from going on holiday in term time.

We ask that medical appointments are made outside of school hours, and proof of the appointment is provided to the attendance office so it can be authorised on the register. If it is not possible for the appointment to be arranged out of school hours, then we ask that pupils attend school before and after.



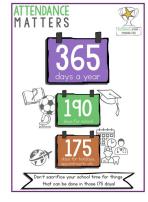












If your child is absent from the Academy, you must either email

<u>attendance@hollingworthacademy.co.uk</u> or telephone the absence line on 01706 292800 before 8:40am and provide a valid reason, the school will then determine if this absence is authorised based on a number of factors, including overall attendance.

If you require any help or support, or have any attendance related queries, please contact the attendance team directly via phone or email attendance@hollingworthacademy.co.uk and we will be happy to help.

Kind regards
Laura Davies
Attendance Lead

ACADEMIC news

Academic Enrichment







We were delighted to welcome back University of Oxford's Language Exchange dept on Thursday 13th July. Students from across Rochdale were challenged to consider how language use will develop in the future - will it segregate or lead to increased integration, for example?

We received a generous offer from Dr Richard Michaelis (Executive Director of Oxbridge Academic Programs) to invite a number of students who have attended schools within Rochdale and that have participated in academic events hosted at Hollingworth Academy, to attend their month-long summer school at Pembroke College, from 2nd July-29th July 2023.

Students were selected from the following schools: Hollingworth Academy, Newhouse Academy, Holy Family, Cardinal Langley and Unsworth Academy (Bury). They departed Sunday 2nd July morning, accompanied by Mr Chris Dobbs (Director of OxNet Youth Scholars, Pembroke College, Oxford and Head of Academic Enrichment, Hollingworth Academy.)

During the exciting month programme, students will live as under – graduates at Pembroke College, study a range of academic subjects and engage fully in a programme that is set to challenge them to become the best versions of their academic selves.

The summer school also offers a vast selection of social activities which offers our students the opportunity to fully immerse themselves within an Oxbridge experience.









ACADEMIC news



STUDENT SHOUTOUTS SUMMER TERM



2023

x	Pupil	Reason
Year 7	Faye \$ (7CK)	Generally fabulous with her whole demeanour and attitude and has a laser focus that isn't often seen in someone so young (Ms Hoines)
Year 8	Cameron C (8LM)	Excellent attendance, no red slips since September and he stands out to me by always making the right choices. Cameron is a pleasure to have in the form and I am very proud of him. (Ms Maddison)
Year 9	Mylah I (9LH)	Excellent uniform, correct equipment every day, excellent attitude to learning and a pleasure to have in 9LH. (Ms Hollinworth)
Year 10	Flynn H (10WH)	Flynn has an exceptional understanding of Spanish, his work is phenomenal and he takes care and pride in every task he completes. He is a true testament to hard work pays off. (Ms Whittle)
Year 11	Ava M (11JR)	Sets a great example on a daily basis. (Mr Livesey)

		Pupil	Reason
	Year 7	Alfie P (7EE)	So polite and caring, puts 100% into every task and starts every lesson determined to succeed. (Ms Whittle)
	Year 8	Heather M (8SC)	Works very hard in class and is always respectful. (Mr Britton)
	Year 9	Haaris T (9JI)	100% attendance, always pleasant and polite. Well equipped for learning with a fantastic attitude. Models respect, responsibility and resilience every single day. (Ms Mills)
	Year 10	Toby G (10WH)	All round great lad and a fantastic role model to others. (Mr Whelan)
	Year 11	Hollie K (11KM)	Consistently doing the right thing every day. (Mr Livesey)

		Pupil	Reason
	Year 7	Toyibat O (7CM)	For always demonstrating our values, every single day without the need for recognition or praise! (Ms Burke)
	Year 8	Ruby W (8RK)	Absolutely perfect! She is always doing exactly what she should. Is one step ahead when something needs giving out she's already doing it before I even realise it needs doing. She is kind and sensitive about other students needs and is an absolute treasure. She is so quiet though that I am certain she often gets overlooked. (Ms Kirkpatrick)
	Year 9	Jasmin W (9KA)	Jasmin is a highly motivated pupil who is constantly resilient, responsible, and respectful. Jasmin enters every Food Technology lesson with immense enthusiasm, her hard work does not go unnoticed. (Ms Abeeb)
	Year 10	Mia K (10SB)	Helping younger students to feel comfortable enough to walk into school - being excellent role models (Ms Brown)
	Year 11	Isobella P (11LB)	Helping younger students to feel comfortable enough to walk into school - being excellent role models (Ms Brown)



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2023

	Pupil	Reason
Year 7	Cameron B (7EE)	Cameron has made a huge improvement In his attitude and behaviour in Maths. (Mrs Collier)
Year 8	Chloe R (8RC)	Chloe is exceptionally enthusiastic and always offers to help with equipment. She is fully engaged in every aspect of the lesson, loves pushing herself and works hard to learn the new rules and strategies (Mrs Warriner)
Year 9		Nushrat takes pride in every tasks that she completes, the high level of understanding she shows in French is fantastic! (Mrs Whittle)
Year 10	James W (10VB)	So proud of James, he has tackled Computer Science with the most fantastic attitude. Although he finds it hard, he never gives up. What a superstar.(Ms Brown)

	Pupil	Reason
Year 7	Jessica G (7AL)	Jessica starts every lesson with a positive attitude. Her homework and classwork are always completed to a high standard. Jessica always takes pride in her work. (Mrs Whittle)
Year 8	Gracie S (8SS)	Gracie has worked really hard in science since joining the school and has moved from set 4 to set 2. Well done Gracie. (Mr Britton)
Year 9	Jasmin W (9KA)	Jasmin is a highly motivated pupil who is consistently resilient, responsible, and respectful. Jasmin enters every Food Technology lesson with immense enthusiasm. Her hard work does not go unnoticed. (Miss Abeeb)
Year 10	Jack H (10JT)	He is working extra hard in maths at the minute and is really focussed on achieving up to and beyond his target. (Mr Mercer)

	Pupil	Reason
Year 7	Tahlia N (7NM)	Always puts in 100% effort to both work and presentation – particularly with homework projects. Beautiful work, always! (Mrs Cannon)
Year 8	Dawood A (8LM)	Excellent attendance, no red slips since September and they stand out to me by always making the right choices. They are a pleasure to have in the form and I am very proud of them. (Mrs Maddison)
Year 9	Eve A (9CO)	A hard working enthusiastic pupil who fully engages in every aspect of the lesson whilst supporting and encouraging others in her team. (Mrs Warriner)
Year 10	Portia R (10JT)	Portia will complete every task to the best of her ability, when she is not sure, she shows resilience before asking for help. (Mrs Whittle)

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Design & Technology Week June 2023

It was our annual Design and Technology Week from the 26th — 30th June and what a busy week it was! Students experienced a range of competitions, activities and challenges from 3D printing

cookie cutters to programming LEGO robots.

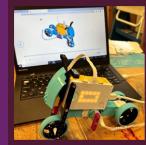




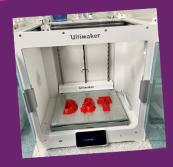














STEM CLUB

For five weeks our amazing STEM club students have been involved in numerous design and make activities from laser cut clocks, clay modelling, paper plane competitions and 2D Design keyrings. They developed a range of resilience, problem solving and teamwork skills all whilst having fun!





SCIENCE news



On Friday 16th June, a group of Year 10 Triple Physics students took part in an online session presented by EVONA - an organisation that recruits exclusively for the entire space ecosystem; from the companies building rockets, rovers, landers or satellites, to those utilising space data through applications and software to help improve and protect our planet.

We had the chance to ask questions with experts in space engineering and to hear about the huge range of careers that are available in the sector. Who knows? We may have students at Hollingworth Academy who are involved in fu-

ture missions to launch satellites, explore our Solar

System or even land humans on Mars!







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Careers Events



In collaboration with @speakrs4schools, Gamma colleagues delivered a workshop to tackle gender bias within the tech sector. The objective of this workshop was to embolden young individuals, irrespective of their gender, to envisage a future within tech, whilst stressing the need to confront gender bias in professional environments. Students were encouraged to exhibit skills such as introspection, analysis, and communication throughout the session.











Two Gamma employees (Emma Stringer & Lauren Green) delivered a 2-hour workshop to over 50 students to teach them the fundamentals of communication and technology in the growing business market, as well as sharing their own career profiles to inspire the students to consider that a career path can be obtained by transferrable skills, hard work and determination! Emma's role is customer focused (customer operations) whereas Lauren's role is people focused (human resources) and so students were asked to think about what transferrable skills they thought each would need to carry out their everyday duties. Students were finally asked to consider their own skills and what they would like to work on in the future should they consider a career in this field or in fact any corporate business.

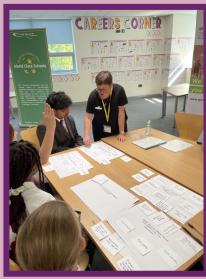
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Careers Events

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Careers in The Civil Service: BEIS, DWP and HMMPS ran a carousel event sharing information to a select group of students on careers in the civil service, how to find work, benefits of work and transferable skills.









Recruiting now......Ms Calveley is looking for a group of dynamic individuals from Year 7 to Year 9 to sign up for the Youth Travel Ambassadors Programme. Ambassadors will work on a Community Campaign and, in doing so, will develop skills in a variety of areas, including Presenting and Public Speaking; Leadership; Project Management; Collecting and Analysing Data and Marketing and Promotion! Please go to Google Classroom for details.

Please see below the link to our weekly blog:

CAREERS news

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Careers Events



We were delighted to host Jay Blades for a live-streamed Celebration of Heritage Crafts. His message, "Believe in yourself", resonated with all of our students. This event was covered by The BBC.













We were delighted to welcome Amazon into our Year 7 Rewards Assembly on Monday 17th July to present Fahmida A from 7NM and six runners up with goodies for their entries into Amazon's national sustainability competition "Trash to Treasure". Amazon also presented a cheque to Hollingworth Academy which will be used to grow the Careers Education Programme.

STUDENT news



(Left to right: James W-K, Harrison C, George T, Oliver T and Harvey O)

Trip of a lifetime

Five of our students will be travelling to South Korea in August to attend the 25th World Scout Jamboree.

George T, Oliver T, Harvey O, James W and Harrison C.

The Jamboree is a skills, cultural and adventure festival involving over 40,000 scouts from around the globe and sees them sharing skills. The boys were chosen after completing activities and challenges to demonstrate the skills and qualities in teamwork, leadership, resilience, ingenuity, and kindness.

In preparation for the trip, the boys have had to raise £4,000 each and have attended training camps and various events.

We wish them all the best in this exciting venture and look forward to hearing all about the trip upon their return in September.

ART news

Speak Up Programme



On Monday a group of students who have worked hard all year on the National Theatre's Speak Up programme attended a celebration day at the Lowry Theatre. We enjoyed a theatre tour, found out lots of interesting information about the theatre, the Lowry building history and careers within the industry. They performed for theatre employees and were filmed by professional film makers.

Thank you to all students involved for spreading such amazing joy and happiness!

Speak Up will continue next year and we look forward to inviting new students to get involved and find their voice to Speak Up though a variety of art forms about things that are important to them.

















SPORTS news





The girls in each year group have trained hard each week since Easter and have competed in over 4.5 hours of rounders fixtures over their two tournament nights. The girls display of rounders skills and tactics was simply fantastic to watch and the girls thoroughly deserve their gold medals and success.



Year 7 Rochdale Champions. Well done!

Played 8 fixtures - Scored 48 rounders - Conceded 11.5 rounders – Rounders difference + 36.5.

Annabel H. Jessica B. Monica A-I. Clemence L. Daisy W, Ava K, Elena D, Hannah K, Lucie M, Lily D and Enola D.



Played 8 fixtures – Scored 58 rounders – Conceded 16 rounders – Rounders difference +42.

Yoma O, Kylah H, Stevie T, Abbey B, Evie R, Ruby D, Daisy W, Ellie S, Lexi B, Evie W and Amanda G.







Year 9 Rochdale Champions. Well done!.

Played 9 fixtures – Scored 45.5 rounders – Conceded 17.5 rounders – Rounders difference + 28.

Lola N, Willow Q-S, Constance B-M, Evie W, Emily C, Tia E, Ella-Leigh T, Fahmida B, Mylee H and Jasmin W.

SPORTS news

Rochdale Schools' Athletics Competition





Earlier this month our school athletics team competed in the Rochdale Schools' Athletics Championships at Sport City. Amazing experience for our elite athletes to compete in such a world class venue. The performance of our students was exceptional, and we won 35 individual medals overall including 10 Golds, 17 Silver and 9 Bronze medals. Our Year 7 & 8 girls and Year 9 boys also won their team event.





SPORTS news

PE Sports Awards Evening - 12th July



On 12th July over 100 of our PE students joined us for a celebration at our Annual Sports Awards Evening at Mayfield Rugby Club. This year it was an 80's theme and, as you can see, the outfits fitted the occasion! We awarded our players of the season as well as recognising our most committed attenders to the after-school sports clubs. A particular congratulations to our three Sports Personality of the Year winners – Lucie M, Daisy W and Thomas I.









