



Friday 7th June 2024

# Headteacher's Message

We are delighted to welcome our students back for the final half term of the year and our first within the Aspirational Futures Multi Academy Trust.

As mentioned in our previous communication, we would like to set up a uniform swap shop. To facilitate this, we need stocks of uniform from families of the outgoing Year 11 or students who have outgrown theirs. If you have any donations, please hand them in to reception. Similarly, if Year 11 have any books or equipment they no longer need, we would welcome these as donations for our students.

I need to change the date of the Parent panel, communicated in the letter at the end of term to Wednesday 10th July. Please click on the link to register your attendance.

Mrs V Ardern  
Headteacher



## IMPORTANT DATES

18/06/2024 - Year 10 Runshaw College Trip

18/06/2024 - Year 9 Cardinal Newman Trip

25/06/2024 - Year 9 Preston College taster day

27/06/2024 - Y11 Prom

05/07/2024 - Inset Day - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

10/07/2024 - New date for Parent panel



DEAR PARENTS / GUARDIANS,

## Lunch Menu

Over the next few weeks the lunch menu will not be as stated on the school website, due to year 11 leaving and school trips. We will always have a vegetarian option everyday and a hot main, but we will be going from 3 choices in the dining hall down to 2. Along with the normal Jacket potatoes, sandwiches and the usual hot food in the canopy. We will be back to normal in September with a lovely new exciting menu.



## Shortcut links

[Awards](#)

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[Whole School Messages](#)

[School Avoidance letter](#)

[Rail Safety Video](#)

[Exam Information](#)



House with Highest Attendance			Voyager		
Form with Highest Attendance	Challenger <b>C2</b>	Apollo <b>A4</b>	Endeavour <b>E3</b>	Voyager <b>V3</b>	Discovery <b>D3</b>
100% Attendance Golden Ticket	Challenger Owen C C2	Apollo Uswa S A2	Endeavour Roxy F E2	Voyager Amy-May H V6	Discovery Kayden M D3

**sparx** homework

Thank you to all our students who regularly complete their Maths homework.

Congratulations to the following students for making significant progress this week.

Students who reached a new XP level:

Student Name	XP Level	Year
Evan L	6	9
Lily F	2	8
Kyle N	1	11
Muhammed BZ	1	7

Most XP earned:

Student Name	Year
Muhammed BZ	7
Eshaal Z	8
Evan L	9
Bethanie S	10
Kyle N	11

Total hours completed: **5,495**  
Correct answers: **428,141**

Students in your school have completed

# 5,495 hours

of personalised learning on Sparx Maths this year!

# 428,141

questions answered correctly in Sparx Maths so far this year



# WELL DONE!



## Hot Chocolate Friday

# Hot Chocolate



# FANTASTIC

The following students were invited to have Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher this week for a variety of reasons. Fantastic work all of you – keep it up!

Asha N, Athena D, Ava-Grace D – For having a consistent positive attitude in Science and always trying hard

Cameron B – Brilliant work ethic towards Science

Rachel N – Amazing work and relentless approach towards Science

Lucy S – for making excellent progress, working hard and going above and beyond in Science

Freya V, Robbie N, Ben B – working hard, being resilient and focussed in Science

Bethanie S – for being kind and helpful during Science practicals

Kashan A – for being the highest achiever in the class



## Homework Champions

The year group with the most homework submissions for this week is Year 8, closely followed by Year 7.

The individual winners of the golden tickets and postcards home for this week are:

Year 7: Daniella N (A4), Oliver W (E3)

Year 8: Nathan N (A2), Hollie C (D2)

Year 9: Emily B (C5), Dylan G (D3)

Year 10: Kevin L (E2), Kian OM (C3), Joel N (C4)





## Y11 Exams

## Year 11 exams next week W.C 10/06/24

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LUCK

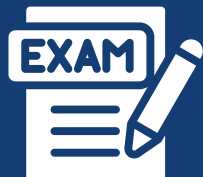
Monday 10th June – Maths Paper 3 (9am)

Tuesday 11th June – Science Chemistry paper 2 (9am)

Thursday 13th June – Contingency Afternoon – MUST BE  
AVAILABLE

Friday 14th June – Geography paper 3 (9am)

Friday 14th June – Science Physics paper 2 (1pm)



## Year 11 GCSE Exams forward look W.C 17/06/24

Tuesday 18th June – Design Technology (9am)

Wednesday 19th June – Food Preparation & Nutrition (9am) –  
Last exam woohoo!Wednesday 26th June – CONTINGENCY FULL DAY – MUST BE  
AVAILABLE

The full exam timetable can be found [here](#) on our school website under “Summer 2024 GCSE Exam Calendar v2”. Please also make yourselves familiar with the Candidate Exam Handbook, Warning to Candidates & Unauthorised Items posters which are located in the same place.

## Y10 Maths Exam

Y10 Maths end of year exams – **Fri 21st, Mon 24th and Tues 25th June.**

There will be 1 non-calculator and 2 calculator exams.

Please encourage your child to bring their scientific calculator if you have one.

**Revision is all on Sparx.**



## Stationery Shop

Students can buy stationery every morning from our prefects who run the stationery shop. This is a cash run shop but the cost of items is very low and part of our support for students to be READY to learn.



## Drinks Bottle

Please could we remind parents to send their child to school with a refillable drinks bottle to allow them to get water at the water fountains throughout the day, as we are unable to provide cups for them to use. Thank you.

## Parent Pay

Please can all parents check and top up their child's account where necessary. We have a lot of children with a negative balance and we need this topping up by the end of the school week. This is especially important for our year 11 students who are leaving us soon. Thank you.

## What is the Your Choice Programme?

The Your Choice Programme is delivered in schools by Lancashire Child and Youth Justice Service to provide support and education around various topics. We work alongside the pastoral team to help explore which children would benefit from attending this programme.

What can the Your Choice Programme help with?

We work with children and young people to provide a safe space where they can discuss challenges they face within their communities and help encourage positive and sustainable change for the future.

The different sessions the Your Choice Programme includes:

- Online Safety
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Exploitation
- Substance Misuse
- Knife Awareness
- Modern Masculinity

If you feel your child would benefit from one of the above sessions, please speak to Mrs Sheridan in school.

## Car park



Please could we remind all parents/carers that Footprints Nursery carpark is **not** to be used for collection and drop off of Walton-le-Dale Students. This is a private nursery carpark and alternative car parking should be found to ensure that the parents of the children at footprints are able to collect their preschool children safely.





## Student absence reporting

Please see the link to our website [here](#) where you will find information on reporting student absences. We only use Classcharts and Schoolcomms as the only two methods of notification – **please do not ring or email school**. If your child has a medical appointment, please upload a copy of this evidence onto Classcharts. If you have received notification of your child not registering in school, please respond via either Schoolcomms or Classcharts – **please do not ring**.

Although we ask parents/carers to refrain from booking medical appointments during school time, we understand there may be times that this cannot be helped. Therefore, please can we ask you to specify on Classcharts: what time your child needs to leave site and whether they are getting picked up or making their own way to their appointment along with any supporting evidence of the appointment so we can authorise their absence.

If you do not have access to Classcharts, please contact your child's HAL. Please could we also remind parents/carers that they need to complete the Classcharts notification, and these are not to be made by students or siblings.



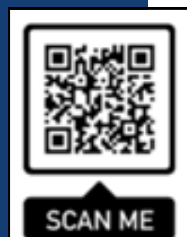
## Safeguarding

If you have concerns for a child's welfare and you require advice, please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 6720. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 0300 123 6722.

For a child who resides in the Blackburn area, please ring the Children's advice and duty service on 01254 666400. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 01254 587547.

If you have immediate concerns for a child, please dial 999 and ask for the Police. For mental health support services, please see the links below for information and contact details:

- Kooth – all anonymous and over text (there is an app to download)
- School Nursing Service – 11-19 years olds can text their school nurse on 07507330510 or scan the QR code to contact them via Chat Health, for anonymous advice 9-5pm =
- Shout – Text SHOUT to 85258 (more of a crisis line if struggling to cope)
- Papyrus – Prevention for young suicide contact: 0800 068 4141
- Samaritans – for support call 116 113 for free or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)
- <https://www.lscft.nhs.uk/our-services/service-finder-z/children-and-young-peoples-psychological-services>
- Young Minds – Crisis messenger is a free 24/7 UK service. Text 'YM' to 85258



## School Nurse Drop-in Clinic

The School Nurse, Carol, will run a service of drop-ins during break and lunchtimes on the following dates:

**10-06-24; 19-06-24**

These will be held in Meeting Room 1 and any student wishing to attend will need to access this via the Pupil Office.



## Homework Support

Homework support runs every day after school in D4. Students can access support from members of staff until 4pm each day.





## Prestons Move Together Programme

This is a free female only exercise class in the community as a national project that Nuffield Health have designed to encourage 11years – 16year old females to engage in physical activity.

We are launching the programme this Thursday 6th June at The Foxton Centre, Unit 10&12, Oakham Court, Avenham, Preston, PR1 3XP.



Sign up [here](#)

## Sport Fixtures



### This week's fixtures:

3/6 Year 10 girls rounders tournament

### Player of the match:

3/6 - Year 10 rounders tournament - Ruby May P-W

### Upcoming fixtures:

Year 10 boys play off football semi-final vs Lostock Hall - TBC

Year 8/9 girls cup semi-final vs Lostock Hall - TBC

Stanley Park athletics - Friday 21st June

Year 8 girls rounders tournament - Tuesday 25th June

Year 7 girls rounders tournament - Wednesday 3rd July

