



Friday 24th May 2024

Headteacher's Message

We would like to thank parents for their support with our new initiative to reduce the number of students in Reflect (isolation). By asking students to hand in a phone, earpods etc. When given a detention has ensured greater attendance and reduced the number of students placed in isolation. We really appreciate both your feedback and your support with this. Students have, on the whole, been compliant with this.

Reminder school closes at 3.05pm on today for the half term break and will reopen on Monday 3rd June.

Mrs V Ardern
Headteacher



IMPORTANT DATES

24/05/2024 - Break up for half term

03/06/2024 - School reopens

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**



DEAR PARENTS / GUARDIANS,

Free School Meal Vouchers

The FSM vouchers will be ordered for the half term break, £15 per child and they will be emailed directly from Edenred around 27th May. Please note the school will not be open to deal with any queries until Monday 3rd June.



Shortcut links

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House with Highest Attendance			Voyager		
Form with Highest Attendance	Challenger C4	Apollo A4	Endeavour E3	Voyager V2	Discovery D3
100% Attendance Golden Ticket	Challenger Freddie T C1	Apollo Lucy B A6	Endeavour Kevin L E2	Voyager Aaron M V3	Discovery Niamh R D5

House with Most Positives			Apollo		
Form with the most Positives	Challenger C4	Apollo A4	Endeavour E3	Voyager V3	Discovery D1
Kindness Golden Ticket	Challenger Andrew N (C4)	Apollo Daniella N (A4)	Endeavour Benjamin H (E3)	Voyager William P (V3)	Discovery Billy D (D2)
Most Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Athena D (C4)	Apollo Fariya J (A5)	Endeavour Lucy H (E2)	Voyager Shanae B (V1)	Discovery Alicia M (D8)
Most Homework Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Elliot S-J (C1)	Apollo Jay M (A4)	Endeavour Brianny B (E6)	Voyager Jack H (V3)	Discovery Theo S (D1)
Most Improved Student	Challenger Mia C (C5)	Apollo Owen W (A4)	Endeavour Charlie F (E2)	Voyager Braydon A (V2)	Discover Darrell B (D1)



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: Fariya J, Hugo H

Year 8: Mal D, Ava-Grace D

Year 9: Emily B, Frank J

Year 10: Harry K, Madison C





Hot Chocolate Friday

Hot Chocolate



FANTASTIC

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

- Milo M, Brianny B, Igor K, Max D, Vinny R, Millie M, Indigo T, Josie C, Elliot S For a fantastic piece of Art homework
- Daniella N, Emily B, Lexi T, Riley M, Romy A, Inara T - For consistent hard work in English
- Erin C - for a massive improvement in attendance
- Georgia H for brilliant electrolysis equations and great effort in Science
- Lillie P for a massive improvement in attitude to learning and concentration
- Lucy S- for fantastic Chemistry knowledge and mock exam revision
- Alfie S, Ethan R - for being a great help with a new student
- Josh B - great effort with History revision
- Isaac R - brilliant focus in the fitness studio
- Queenie Y, Quisha C - relentless commitment to Science revision
- Nataniel K - great attitude and focus in Reading
- Diwan Y - extremely helpful in Maths lessons
- Fariya J - Amazing attitude to learning in Maths
- Tamzin B, Daniella N - always kind and helpful in History
- Mark K - kind, helpful and works really hard in History

Highest completion:
9WA/Ma (48.4%)

Biggest completion improvement
vs previous week:
7WP/Ma 22.7% (+13.6%)

Reached a new XP Level:
5 students
[view](#)

Highest average XP per student:
11WDI/Ma (923 XP)



WELL DONE!

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
Ava-Grace D	5	8
Hugo H	1	7
Sara S	1	7
Blake W	1	7
Harry L	1	8

Most XP earned:

Student Name	Year
Sahlah V	7
Ava-Grace D	8
Evan L	9
Alfie G	10
Amber B	11

Total hours completed: **5,349**
Correct answers: **416,040**



Y11 Exams

Year 11 GCSE Exams forward look W.C 03/06/24

Monday 3rd June – Maths Paper 2 (9am)

Monday 3rd June – PE Paper 2 (1pm)

Tuesday 4th June – History paper 2 (1pm)

Wednesday 5th June – Geography paper 2 (9am)

Wednesday 5th June – Business paper 2 (1pm)

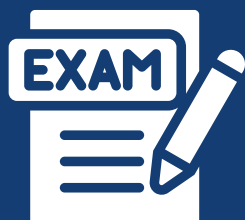
Thursday 6th June – English Language paper 2 (9am)

Thursday 6th June – Contingency Afternoon – MUST BE AVAILABLE

Friday 7th June – Further Maths paper 2 (9am)

Friday 7th June – Science Biology paper 2 (1pm)

GOOD
LUCK



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.

Year 11s continue to work through their revision guides (sent home before Easter). They are able to use Learning for Life lessons in school, as well as period 6s each day, to revise.

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. Thankyou.



Ski Trip Easter 2025 Yrs 7- 9



We are thrilled to announce that there are still some spaces left for the highly anticipated 2025 Austria Ski Trip! Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity for your child to experience the thrill of skiing in the beautiful Austrian Alps.

Secure Your Spot: To ensure your child's participation, please submit your deposit as soon as possible. Spaces are filling up quickly, and we don't want anyone to miss out on this fantastic experience.

For More Information: All the trip details, including dates, costs, and itineraries, can be found **here**.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Moore.



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.



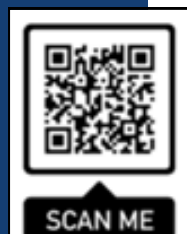
Safeguarding

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
- <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:

04-06-24; 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.

On 04-06-24 the drop-in clinic will be in Meeting Room 2.



Homework Support

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





Lancashire Fire
and Rescue Service

**STOP &
THINK!**

IT'S MORE DANGEROUS THAN IT LOOKS

**BE
WATER-
AWARE**

