



WLD HIGH SCHOOL BULLETIN



Date Friday 22nd March

Headteacher's Message

It was lovely to meet our year 7 parents last night and I would also like to thank our parent panel for your feedback from the evening. Parents interested in joining our parent panel, we would welcome you. Please contact Mrs Long r.long@waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk.

Here at Walton-le-Dale, we feel it is so important to acknowledge and reward our students who consistently meet our expectations. Be that noticing students who hold the doors open for members of staff, answer a question confidently in class or demonstrate the week's character virtue. These things we encourage staff to reward using hot Chocolate with the Headteacher on Fridays and last week, we had so many nominations that we needed to run this on both Thursday and Friday! Yesterday our homework reward took place and next week will see our first attendance reward trip to Vue cinema. It is also important to note that we have far more students on these rewards than we do in detention each evening, so we have a vast majority of our students are consistently meeting our expectations!

And on that note of celebration, one of our year 10 students recently returned from Thailand where he represented Team GB in Thai Boxing, return with a gold medal! Well done Kayden.

Mrs V Ardern
Headteacher

Whole School Messages

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.

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.

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.

Free School Meal Vouchers

The FSM vouchers will be ordered for the Easter Break, £30 per child to cover the fortnight and they will be emailed directly from Edenred around 29th March. Please note the school will not be open to deal with any queries until 15th April.



SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR THE EASTER BREAK

Just a reminder that school will close at **3.05pm next Thursday 28th March** and will reopen on Monday 15th April 2024.

Whole School Messages

Important information regarding School ParentPay Accounts

Reminder that the Parentpay lunch account is limited to **-£4.80**. This means students will be allowed to go into arrears for a **maximum of 2 meal deals only**. Please ensure your child's account is always topped-up.

After this point students will be refused food.

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Year 11 Prom – Thursday 27th June

This year's Prom will be held at Charnock Farm with arrival from 6.30pm on Thursday 27th June. There are no coaches and students are expected to make their own way to the venue.

The cost of £45 includes a mocktail on arrival, a further soft drink and a buffet. If students would like to purchase any further drinks there are at a cost of approx. £1.75 per drink.

Prom will finish at 11pm when the venue will close. Staff from school will be present for the evening.

If you require any further information, please email Mrs Wall p.wall@waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk

Stationery Shop

Students can buy stationery every morning from our prefects who run the stationery shop. This 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 bottles



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.

Polish Day

On Friday 22nd March the students listed below will be off timetable and will spend the day with Mrs Holden, Head of Modern Foreign Languages to go through the expectations of their Polish exam.

Bartosz G; Nikola G; Nikola J; Oliwier J; Amelia M; Maksymilian N; Pawel S; Piotr S.

Thursday 25th April: Year 10 Progress Evening

Year 10 students and their parents/carers are invited to our Year 10 Progress Evening on **Thursday 25th April**. The evening will take place in school. It will run from 4-6.30pm. Parents and carers will be able to use the school booking system SchoolCloud to make appointments with subject teachers. The booking system will open after the Easter holidays. We will send parents and carers an email when we open SchoolCloud so that appointments can be made.

Homework Support

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

Do you have a safeguarding concern? There are lots of services available for you to speak to.

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 =



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- **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

Rewards



Homework Reward

Yesterday afternoon a large group of students were invited to spend an hour off timetable enjoying some snacks, Dominos pizza and doing some quizzes. This was a reward for not having missed a single piece of homework this half term! Well done everyone, keep up the hard work.

Hot Chocolate Friday



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!

Poppie M - Working super hard in RE.

Freya V - Brilliant effort and attitude in History - always trying as hard as possible.

Rosa W, Eva W, Alexa N, Georgie D, Grace T, George D - Above target in History GCSE and excellent effort in RS.

Abi E, Josh B, Brooke T, Ellen J - Above target in History GCSE.

Taylor H, Shardaya B, Emilia T - Making exceptional progress in RS.

Josie C - Fantastic attitude to learning in French.

Attendance awards week beginning 11th March

House with Highest Attendance			Voyager		
Form with Highest Attendance	Challenger C5	Apollo A4	Endeavour E4	Voyager V2	Discovery D3
100% Attendance Golden Ticket	Challenger Logan S C4	Apollo Hugo H A4	Endeavour Jasmine T E2	Voyager Jayde D V2	Discovery Eleanor H D4

Classcharts Awards week beginning 11th March

House with Most Positives			Apollo		
Form with the most Positives	Challenger C4	Apollo A5	Endeavour E6	Voyager V3	Discovery D3
Kindness Golden Ticket	Challenger Lia D (C2)	Apollo Harry S A3	Endeavour Emmie W (E4)	Voyager Cohen F (V2)	Discovery Alfie D (D3)
Most Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Danjel K (C3)	Apollo Enny F-D A5	Endeavour Lisia S (E3)	Voyager Georgia H (V3)	Discovery Isaac B (D1)
Most Homework Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Jasmine C (C6)	Apollo Ava-Grace D A5	Endeavour Poppy E (E1)	Voyager Khaleesi A (V3)	Discovery Henry B (D5)
Most Improved Student	Challenger Naveah H (C5)	Apollo Rubie-Leigh P A6	Endeavour Katie B (E5)	Voyager Regan ON (V1)	Discover Jacob O (D2)

This week staff have been awarding individual commendation for our end of term rewards assembly. Early next week Classcharts badges for our PUMA awards will also be given out.

Well done to all those wonderful students who do the right thing all day every day.

You are invited to our... **RUNSHAW COLLEGE**

STEM & T Level Showcase!

Wednesday **27th** March

6.00pm

Tour our fantastic STEM Assured campus

Be inspired by our STEM leaders

Get future ready with our STEM employers

Begin your own **STEM** story with us!

Register today! www.runshaw.ac.uk/stem-showcase

50th Anniversary 1974-2024

Wednesday 27th March

STEM & T Level Showcase Event — Runshaw College

Register [here](#) to attend the event!

Come along to hear from leaders in our STEM provision at **6pm**, then meet a wide and varied range of employers, see our STEM assured campus and speak to our STEM and T Level Curriculum colleagues.

Location:- **Leyland Campus, Langdale Road, PR25 3DQ**

Explore the courses before you go!

STEM Courses - [Courses Archive](#) — Runshaw College

T Level Courses - [T Level types of courses](#) — Runshaw College