



WLD HIGH SCHOOL BULLETIN



Friday 9th February 2024

Headteacher's Message

You will see that we have a new rebranded website with much new content. We hope you find this easier to navigate. There will be further updates to this over the coming weeks, particularly as we join Aspirational Futures Multi Academy Trust on 1st March.

We have lots of site work being undertaken over half term, with money being invested in upgrading sports facilities, including brand new gym equipment and netball courts. In the coming months we will be having works completed on our rooves, we are improving our toilet facilities and have invested in machinery and facilities in our DT department, all of which we hope will improve the experiences for our students.

We hope our students have a restful half term and look forward to welcoming them back and implementing our new behaviour curriculum. You can read more about this below.

Mrs V Ardern
Headteacher

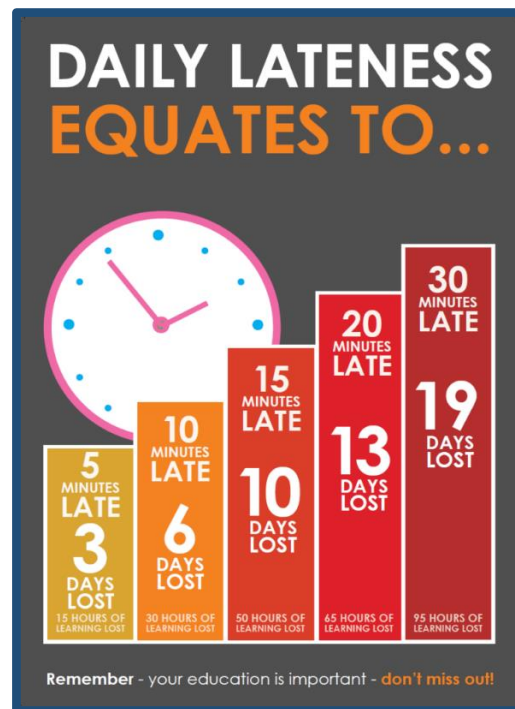
Whole School Messages

Free School Meal Vouchers

The FSM vouchers have been ordered, £15 per child to cover the February half term break and they will be emailed directly from Edenred. You should receive them either today or Monday. Please note the school will not be open to deal with any queries until 19th February.

STUDENT ABSENCE REPORTING

Parents should report any absences or medical appointments on Classcharts or Schoolcomms by 9am. Please ensure that you contact the school on each day of your child's absence. A link to "How to report student absences using Classcharts" can be found on our website.



Please can parents try and refrain from booking medical appointments during school time, if this cannot be helped, evidence of medical appointments will need to be added onto classcharts when inputting their absence.

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UNIFORM

Many thanks for supporting school and ensuring that your son/daughters arrive to school in the correct uniform. We have a uniform to reduce peer pressure and bullying, promote discipline and professionalism, to foster equality and inclusivity and to promote pride and unity.

Some students have been coming to school wearing trainers which are not acceptable footwear. Some of the girls have been wearing leggings which are not acceptable clothing. Many students do not have a grey school tie. We have a supply of uniform items students can borrow but if students do not comply, we inevitably must sanction them.

It is important that any issues with uniform are resolved over the half term break. The link to the policy is below. Please contact your son/daughters HAL if there is financial issues causing issues having uniform.

[Uniform Policy](#)

Behaviour Curriculum 2024

Each week we have been introducing part of the new behaviour curriculum. This week is the final strand and one that we feel is essential is for our students, to be **SAFE**. This looks at how students move around the school, how they behaviour towards each other and staff and how they are safeguarded when in the building.

One of the changes we made in September was the banning of mobile phones in school, which we feel has made school a much safer place. We want to remind parents that students should have phones off and in bags during the day, they should not be calling home or using their phones at all in school. If parents need to contact students or students need to make call, they just need to ask, and they will be provided an opportunity to use their own phone or be allowed to use a school landline. Summarise the changes so far and from after half term.

Another key issue that we need students to understand it regarding truancy. Students have a timetable, and we expect them to be in the correct classroom at the correct time. If they cannot do this, then we cannot be sure they are **SAFE**. Student who deliberately truant from lessons will be sanctioned with a 30 min same day after school detention.

A simple reminder of the key aspects of the behaviour curriculum are shown below.

<p><i>Be</i> READY</p> <p>Attend school and arrive on time</p>  <p>Wear the correct uniform</p> <p>Be in and on time for all your lessons</p> <p>Bring all the equipment you will need for the day</p>	<p><i>Be</i> RESPECTFUL</p> <p>Have good manners</p> <p>Give people respect, they don't need to earn it</p>  <p>Be kind and helpful to others</p> <p>Accept everyone as the individuals they are</p> <p>Line up and conduct ourselves properly when required</p>	<p><i>Be</i> SAFE</p> <p>Move around school calmly </p> <p>Caring for your school and any equipment you use </p> <p>Caring for others in school - be kind and helpful </p> <p>Breaks and lunchtimes should be calm </p> <p>Mobile phones should not be used, to safeguard us all in school </p>
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Whole School Messages

Year 11 Information: Upcoming Dates

Mock Exam Results: Tuesday 20th February

Our Year 11 students completed their mock exams earlier this term and they will receive a report that tells them their mock exam grades on Tuesday 20th February. We will hand out the reports in lesson 5/ lesson 6. Students will be asked to reflect on their results; what's gone well, what's gone less well and what do they need to do differently between now and the exam season which start on 2nd May. This is now just nine school weeks away.

Summer Exams 2024

The full exam timetable is now on our [website](#). Please be aware that this timetable is set by the national exam boards and is therefore subject to change (by the exam boards). As we head closer to the exams, we will provide students with their own individual exam timetables.

Year 11 Progress Evening: Thursday 29th February

We look forward to seeing our Year 11 students, parents and carers at the second Year 11 Progress evening of the year when we will discuss mock exam results, predicted grades and how students should prepare for their exams in the remaining weeks. The SchoolCloud booking system will open after half term. We will send an email and a link for parents and carers to make their appointments.

Year 9 Options Process

This week, Year 9 students have had listened to option subject talks from their teachers to help them make decisions regarding the option subjects that they want to study at KS4. The 'options booklet' will soon be available online for students, parents and carers to read. If you need a paper copy of this then please contact me and I will provide this (h.brown@waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk).

The next important date for your diaries is Thursday 7th March when Year 9 students, parents and carers are invited to our Year 9 Progress Evening when you can discuss with teachers how students are getting on in their subjects and also ask any questions you have about the KS4 courses. The SchoolCloud booking system will open after half term. We will send an email and a link for parents and carers to make their appointments.

Kind regards,
Mrs Helen Brown

Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh

Please find payment details in ParentPay for anyone wishing to complete their Duke of Edinburgh. Payment needs to be made by 1st March. Any interested pupils should have received a letter this morning with details on. If you need any more information, please contact Mr Cairns.

d.cairns@waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk



Ski Trip

Nine GCSE PE students attended Chill Factore on Tuesday 6th February for their skiing/snowboarding practical moderation.

All students were a credit to the school and an absolute pleasure to take. Well done to all involved.

Whole School Messages

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:



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- **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

t: 0300 247 0040
w: lancsyoungpeoplefamilyservice.co.uk



Scan this code to contact us via Chat Health, for anonymous advice Mon-Fri 9-5

SCAN ME



Scan here to access our website

School Nurse Drop ins – Carol Williams

Our school nurse will be in for breaktime drops ins on the following dates:

20th Feb 2024 - D2 meeting room 10:55am-11:15am

25th March 2024 - D2 meeting room 10:55am-11:15am

If you wish to contact our school nurse, please scan the QR code below or contact Mrs Sheridan on 01772 335726.

Interhouse competition results – Half term 3

Data used includes Mon 8th Jan – Monday 5th Jan

Whos pet is it anyway? 11/12 Jan	Apollo	6	Endeavour	5	Challenger	4	Discovery	3	Voyager	2
20th Jan - National cheese quiz 18/19 Jan	Apollo	6	Endeavour	5	Voyager	4	Challenger	3	Discovery	2
Holocaust memorial competition close 25th jan	Apollo	6	Voyager	5	Discovery	4	Challenger	0	Endeavour	0
General Knowledge Quiz	Endeavour	6	Discovery	5	Challenger	4	Apollo	3	Voyager	2
Punctuality Points	Discovery	6	Challenger	5	Endeavour	4	Voyager	3	Apollo	2
Uniform Points	Challenger	6	Endeavour	5	Voyager	4	Apollo	3	Discovery	2
Merit Points	Discovery	6	Challenger	5	Voyager	4	Apollo	3	Endeavour	2
Attendance Points	Voyager	6	Endeavour	5	Discovery	4	Apollo	3	Challenger	2
Highest % attendance	Voyager	6	Discovery	5	Endeavour	4	Apollo	3	Challenger	2
Highest total points	Endeavour	6	Apollo	5	Challenger	4	Discovery	3	Voyager	2

Winner of Half Term Three is Endeavour

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House	Half term 3
Endeavour	39
Apollo	38
Voyager	35
Discovery	34
Challenger	30

Congratulations
to
Endeavour

Walton-le-Dale High School,



Brindle Road,
Bamber Bridge,
Preston,
PR5 6RN
01772 335726

www.waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk

RECRUITMENT - Exam Invigilators

This is a paid casual role with the opportunity to work with an experienced team of invigilators. It will be required for both Year 11 GCSE Exams (May/June) and Year 10 Mock Exams (June/July). No experience is necessary as full training will be given.

Brief Job Specification:

- To conduct examinations in accordance with the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ), awarding body regulations and instructions.
- To have a key role in upholding the integrity and security of the external examination/assessment process.

Before examinations:

- Report to and be briefed by the exams officer prior to each exam session
- Keep confidential exam question papers and materials secure before, during and after exams
- Ensure exam rooms are set up according to the requirements

During examinations:

- Supervise and observe candidates at all times and be vigilant throughout examinations
- Keep disruption in examination rooms to a minimum

After examinations:

- Instruct candidates in finishing their examinations and collect examination scripts and materials
- Securely return all examination scripts and materials to the exams officer

If you are interested in this important role or wish to see a full job description, please contact Mrs Lindsay Crozier - lcrozier@waltonledale.lancs.sch.uk

Please note this post will be subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.



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Parklands High School : An Academy

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Co-Ed Comprehensive with 1107 students on roll. Tel: 01257 264596

www.parklandsacademy.co.uk

Email: admin@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Learn, Respect, Aspire, Achieve

Business Support Officer (Reception)

Full Time (Monday to Friday), 37 hours per week, term time only.

Grade 3, scale point 4 £19544.26 (£23114 FTE)

Required as soon as possible.

Parklands High School is looking to appoint a reliable, flexible and well-motivated individual to join our existing busy office team as a business support officer / receptionist. The main duty of the role is to oversee the main and student receptions as well as working as part of the school support team. You will be a main point of contact for visitors in person and on the phone, and responsible for ensuring a good first impression of the school.

Hours of work are 8.15am to 16.30pm Monday to Thursday with a 45 minute lunch break, 8.15am to 15:45pm Friday, with a 30 minute lunch break. Experience of working in a busy school office is preferred but not essential as appropriate training will be given.

Parklands High School is part of the newly formed Aspirational Futures Multi Academy Trust and this would be an exciting time to be joining us. We are a popular and high-achieving school located in extensive grounds close to Chorley town centre. It is easily accessed from across the region and is located just a few minutes' drive from the M6/M61/M65 motorways.

For more information about the role please email Mrs J Cunningham, Office Manager, via admin@parklandsacademy.co.uk. Candidates should complete an electronic application form, available from the school website, along with a letter of no more than 2 sides of A4, in which you outline your experience and suitability for the position. Electronic applications should be returned to the email address admin@aspirationalfutures.co.uk

Closing date for applications: 12 noon 7th February 2024 with interviews to be held 22nd February 2024

Please note, we reserve the right to withdraw this vacancy at any time and regret we are unable to contact individual applicants who may be unsuccessful. Parklands High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its staff and pupils and expects those working at the School to share this commitment. Applications from ethnic minority candidates and other diverse groups are welcomed. The successful candidate will be required to undertake a criminal record check via the Disclosure and Barring Service as well as qualification and reference checks. Online checks will also be conducted on shortlisted candidates. Copies of our Recruitment and Selection policy are available from hr@aspirationalfutures.co.uk

Rewards

Attendance awards week beginning 29th Jan

House with Highest Attendance			Discovery		
Form with Highest Attendance	Challenger C4 86.1%	Apollo A5 83.1%	Endeavour E1 89.2%	Voyager V4 88.5%	Discovery D3 91.6%
100% Attendance Golden Ticket	Challenger Lilly M (C5)	Apollo Jay M (A4)	Endeavour Maddison W-B (E3)	Voyager Kyle N (V2)	Discovery Jayden S (D6)

Classcharts Awards week beginning 5th Feb

House with Most Positives			Endeavour		
Form with the most Positives	Challenger C3	Apollo A4	Endeavour E3	Voyager V3	Discovery D4
Kindness Golden Ticket	Challenger Josie C (C1)	Apollo Harry S (A3)	Endeavour Kyran W (E1)	Voyager Riley M (V2)	Discovery Filip S (D6)
Most Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Ashley B (C6)	Apollo Jay M (A4)	Endeavour Kevin L (E2)	Voyager Lily F (V1)	Discovery Alexandra D (D4)
Most Homework Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Kian O'M (C3)	Apollo Owain J (A4)	Endeavour Callum H (E2)	Voyager Ruby C (V1)	Discovery Henry B (D5)
Most Improved Student	Challenger Ruby-Lynn (C1)	Apollo Nevaeh M (A3)	Endeavour Otero S (E2)	Voyager Autumn T (V2)	Discover Alfie D (D3)

Arts Awards of the Week

Year 7 Art Awards	
7WP	Sophie H (C6)
7DR	Riley M (V2)
Year 8 Art Awards	
8WA	Athena D (C4)
8WP	Oliver S (D5)
8DI	Jay M (A4)
8DR	Pawel S (V5)
8DE	Lexi D (D6)
Year 9 Art Awards	
9WA	Emily B (C5)
9WS	Aimee H (D1)
9WP	Caitlin T (E6)
9DI	Poppy G (V4)
9DE	Rubie-Leigh
GCSE Art Awards	
10C Art	Jasmine C (C6)
11A Art	Angel L (V5)