

This week's update includes: Rewards and Golden Tickets; Return in September; Late Bus Change; Core Values, Student Leadership, Eco Ambassadors; Diversity Celebration; Snapchat Warning; New Mural; Year 10 Hair & Beauty; Maths celebrations; MUFC Ball Assistant Opportunity; Attendance; Musical Concert; Library competition; Year Teams for September; Staff Leaving us today

Don't forget to look at the support section at the end, which provides some help for parents in the holidays.

As usual at the end of term, lots and lots to update you on this week ...

We have reached the end of a very busy academic term, and the end of our school year.

It's been a challenging year of recovering from COVID for all of us hasn't it? I think we can safely say that we are slowly putting COVID behind us, but we are very aware that its effects remain behind in society, in our children, families and the whole school community.

Some of our younger children missed a key chunk of learning between primary and secondary school that we need to continue to work on. Our older children are also facing examinations where they have challenges around work that was more difficult to complete. So lots of work still to do, but we face it with optimism! I am confident that next year will continue our recovery as a nation, and as a school, and we look forward to that. We also of course look forward to welcoming our new Year 7s who have made a positive first impression with us on their transition day.



To state the obvious, it's been a very hot week! Most of our students took advantage of the ice cream van on site on Tuesday to counter the effects of the heat [see pic above].

It's been a fortnight of **rewards** for the vast majority who always get it right ... Senior leaders in school have this week given out over 200 postcards and rewards to students in order to recognise their excellent attendance and behaviour records this term. Well done to everyone who received a reward from us! And then our end of term Golden Ticket draws have also taken place this week - over 250 students were recognised by their teachers for consistent excellence in lessons, and a draw took place for 4 x £50 vouchers, and £6 x £10 voucher winners. Again, well done to everyone. [Here](#) are the Golden Ticket winner lists in full.

Return in September. In addition to this update, you will have received a letter via Edulink about our return in September. [Here](#) is the link to that letter. Please read if you haven't read it!

Change to School Buses. We have been informed by TfGM (Transport for Greater Manchester) that they are reorganising school services from September. For us, this only impacts our late bus to Brinnington at 4pm (the W3 service). They are planning to remove that bus at this stage. I am working

with other headteachers and local councillors to understand the changes fully and we will let you know when we know more.

We have been working hard on our school's **Core Values** moving forward into the future. Expect to hear a lot more about them from September, but [here](#) is a sneak preview. Alongside this consistent message, we are also introducing a new set of expectations around behaviour from September. Mr Willis and Mrs Taylor lead this area, and they have produced a booklet for parents on the new systems. They will also be making a video version to send out in September. The booklet is [here](#).

Student Leadership: It has been a busy couple of weeks for our new senior student leadership team. Our Head students Mary and Leah visited Bredbury Green to present to year 6 students about moving up to secondary school. Students were talked through a typical day at school, opportunities that they have both in and out of the classroom and were given time to ask any questions they had. It was lovely to see how excited they are for their next adventure and they enjoyed being able to speak with our students about their experiences. Our senior student leadership team met with Miss Hibbert on Monday and started to put into place ideas and plans for September. They have some fantastic ideas and are also looking to recruit younger leaders to join teams; school council, learning ambassadors and eco ambassadors. We also met our new senior prefect team and discussed what areas they would like to work in next year from the wider school community, charity to teaching and learning.

Our **Eco ambassadors** have also been working hard with Nicola Massey on preparing for 'The great big green week' which will take place from the 24th September. They have been working on ideas that we can bring into school to support our journey to being more eco efficient and support our climate. It is great to see so many students wanting to get involved with different areas of student leadership over the last few weeks and discussing all the different and exciting ideas for next year.



On Monday a group of students attended a **Diversity Celebration Event at Old Trafford**. The students took part in awareness and team building activities alongside students from other MU Foundation partner schools. The day was completed with a panel session with attendees discussing and taking questions around diversity in the wider community.

A social media update from our safeguarding lead Mrs Dee ... **Snapchat has recently added a 'Meet Up' feature**. If your child is sharing their location, other users would be able to get directions to where your child is. Encourage them to turn their location sharing off, and only be 'friends' on the app with people they know and trust offline. See our [factsheet](#) for more information on how to keep your child safe on Snapchat."



An amazing new mural [left] was created in our intervention space this week based around our new mission statement. It was created by some talented artists working with Mrs Meaburn this week. Thanks to year 9 students Sophie Moore, Ruby Walsh, Ella Oliver, Jess Rowntree, Millie Lightfoot and Milan Henderson.

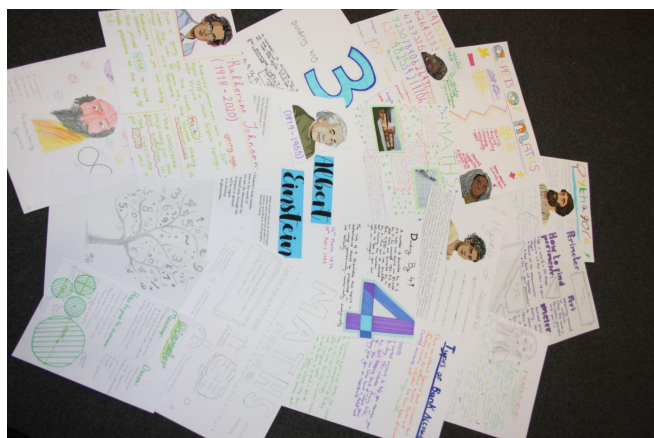
Congratulations to the Year 10 Hair and Beauty students who received their exam results last week. This cohort was the first to sit an official exam, and I'm told by the examinations officer that their conduct was exemplary throughout. Not only that, but their results were amongst some of the best Werneth has seen and I'm extremely proud of them. Well done, girls from Mrs Angove.



Miss Bennett reports “On Wednesday the **Maths Department** invited 113 students to join them in creating displays for the Maths area and also to celebrate their hard work in Maths this year. Students who attended have consistently completed their homework to a really good standard, have produced brilliant work in class and have displayed a positive, determined and focused attitude to their

learning day in, day out. Their hard work throughout the year was rewarded with pizza and ice creams. A further 200 students also received an ice cream reward at lunchtime for their efforts with homework and improvement shown over the year. Finally, we presented certificates and badges to 55 students who have achieved their level 1 or above on Sparx this year.

The Maths Department would also like to thank the many parents that have supported our recent push to encourage every student to engage fully with the Sparx home learning package that we introduced earlier this year.”



Year 10 - do you want to become a ball assistant for Manchester United? Applications are now open for all Year 10 students (2022/23 academic year) to apply for the role of Ball Assistant for Manchester United. Each season a student from Werneth can represent their school and the MU Foundation by having this highly responsible role. The role is a huge commitment of being available for home games for the Mens and Womens first teams alongside the Under 21s. Applications are being taken until Friday 9th September with shortlisting and interviews taking place w/c 12th September. Students can collect an application form Nicc Massey (MU Foundation Hub Officer) or Mr Brierley.

Mrs Hall: The Attendance Team wants to thank those of you who have ensured that your child attended school promptly every day. Your support for their education is invaluable and the benefits they gain from being at school every day cannot be underestimated. The school works incredibly hard to support those of you who struggle with attendance. Our attendance team works with individual pupils closely on this, also involving teachers, and many interventions and incentives have been developed and introduced to tackle barriers to learning - this work will continue to be developed so that all pupils attend well next academic year. **Our attendance team will be available at school from Monday 22nd August should you need any support with your child's return. Please see the website for contact details [Attendance Webpage](#).** Many thanks again for your support and have a wonderful summer break.

On Wednesday evening the **Music Department held its inaugural Musical Performance concert**. There were some fantastic solos from students; Lauren Earl Walker, Olivia Barton, Holly Slater, Lewis Sutton, Megan Voss & Eleanor Carr as well as a selection of songs by Senior Singing Group. Thank you to parents for coming along to support and the students involved for their commitment and talent. Hopefully this will be the first of many regular Performance Evenings over the coming year.



Can you help us to win £1000 of books for our school library, and a £100 prize for yourself? Please follow this [link](#) and enter the competition?

Confirmation of Werneth Year Teams for September

	Year Achievement Leader	Year Inclusion Manager	Senior Leader linked to year group
Y7	Mrs J Tonge	Mrs T Taylor	Mrs J Dee
Y8	Mrs L Aspinall	Mr A Rule	Mr G Norman
Y9	Mr J Foulkes	Miss M Graham	Mrs G Kennedy
Y10	Mr M Mujagic	Miss M Arnold	Mrs L Taylor
Y11	Mrs H Massey	Mrs M Lewis	Mrs R Chantler

Staff Leaving Us at the end of term. The end of the year is always tinged with sadness as we say farewell to staff who are leaving us. We will miss each of them as they seek pastures new.

Miss Hunt, Year Inclusion Manager for year 11, retires today after 16 years service at Werneth School. It was lovely to see how warmly she was congratulated by our Year 11 students at the end of term: she has been a loyal and hardworking advocate for young people, and keen to support Year 11 through the dramas of their final year examinations.

Miss Pullar in History and **Mrs Baker** in Maths are both leaving us to take up roles in other Stockport schools, whilst **Miss Mosley** in History is taking up an exciting new position teaching on another continent! We also thank **Mrs Cuthbert**, who is promoted to SENDCO elsewhere.

Finally, thank you to **Miss Chadwick**, who has been supporting with tutoring in English and also **Mrs Sutcliffe**, who came out of retirement to provide maternity cover as our medical needs officer.

Confirmation that all positions are filled: we are fully staffed for September. I will introduce you to our new staff in September.

As I always do at this time of year, I would like to extend a sincere ***thank you to everyone associated with the school for your support this year.*** That especially applies to families, in supporting your child. Where we work in partnership with your support, it is always stronger and leads to better outcomes for your child. We thank you for that and we look forward to working with you next year.

Have a wonderful, safe summer and we look forward to seeing you all safely back in school on Monday 5th September

See section below for family support during the break

SUMMER HOLIDAYS SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES

We know that the summer holidays are not easy for some parents, and there is the additional financial pressure that it brings some families. The following resources may support parents ...

Summer Holiday Support with uniform

In light of the issues for many parents with the cost of living crisis, Merseyway Shopping Centre - supported by Stockport Council - have agreed to set up a **TOWN CENTRE/MERSEYWAY uniform pop-up shop** for the last week of the summer holidays. If you would like to take advantage of this, the NEW uniform pop-up shop will open in Merseyway for the final week of the holidays, and each item will only cost 25p. If you have any good

quality UNIFORM DONATIONS for Werneth School that you can donate, please drop off items to the donation bin, in the centre of Merseyway outside Specsavers (near Primark) **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. They are looking for shirts, trousers, skirts, blazers, jumpers, PE kit items that can be reused and also shoes, trainers and PE Pumps. Equally if you can drop them at our school office, they will come and collect these from us and use them for families who need support.

On the link below you will find lots of useful information, advice, and organisations available to children and young people for free to support them with their mental health and emotional wellbeing over the summer period. [Emotional Wellbeing Hub for under 18s](#)

FREE Holiday course places filling up fast! Active Kids Education are once again running their multi-sports course at Werneth School this August! Great for keeping students busy over summer and helping with childcare! Lunch and snacks are provided every day! Use the link below to register your interest, free places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSej243BEOhfhSRba6D947K1eONA0RB8F1qwiwfgYZJ9Vb6Mcg/viewform>

KIDS EAT FOR FREE OR LESS DURING SUMMER 2022	
	
MORRISONS Spend £4.99 to get a free kids meal after 3pm daily, normally all day during half term.	IKEA Get TWO kids hot meals, fruit, drink and jelly for £5 in their Swedish restaurants (subject to availability).
ASDA CAFE Kids eat for £1 every day with NO need for a paying adult from 25th July - 4th Sept, 2022.	BELLA ITALIA Kids eat for £1 with each adult meal from 4-6pm on Mon-Thurs.
DUNELM One free mini main, two snacks and a drink for every £4 spent in the in-store cafe.	DOBBIES Kids eat free with an adult main meal.
YO! Kids eat free from 3pm-5:30pm Mon-Thurs for every £10 spent on food.	TABLE TABLE Two children under 16 get a free breakfast with one paying adult every day.
BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE Free breakfast for two children under 16 with every paying adult.	CAFE ROUGE Kids eat for £1 with an adult meal excluding Saturday.
HUNGRY HORSE Free kids breakfast with an adults breakfast from 9am-12pm daily.	MORE TO COME!! M&S, TESCO and more expected soon, see websites for latest information.