

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

NEWSLETTER – ISSUE 26

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Dear Parents / Carers,

Success Stories

Abbie Poulton in Year 10 has recently auditioned for the Platinum Pro Dance Associates Programme. We're delighted to share that she was successful in her audition and will be starting the programme in September. Well done Abbie.



KEY DATES:

Golden Ticket Rewards Event 24 May 2023

Year 11 Exams 15-31 May 2023

2022/23 TERM DATES

Our term dates and INSET days for this academic year can be found on the academy website by clicking the following link Wath Academy - Term Dates

If you would like to share your success stories with us, please email us via the following address: achievement@wathacademy.com.

Enrichment Curriculum

We are now in the process of working through feedback from all stakeholders. The feedback so far has been overwhelmingly positive and we are looking forward to implementing the new curriculum in September.

We will now be working on putting together an offer of enrichment clubs which students will be choosing from. We will be working with students over the coming weeks asking them to indicate what they may choose, so we can ensure there is an appropriate uptake for each session. Following this we will then finalise the offer in preparation for next year.



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Carbon Capture Workshop at Wath Academy

On Wednesday, LIBERTY Steel UK employees took part in the Carbon Capture workshop at Wath Academy arranged by the Engineering Development Trust (EDT) and supported by the GFG Foundation.

Over 100 Year 8 students took part in the half-day event to raise awareness of climate change, air pollution and the importance of carbon capture.

Students carried out research to investigate their own carbon footprint and to consider ways in which it could be reduced with ideas including, better recycling of household rubbish. Using this newly acquired knowledge, the young people were then tasked with designing and building a model of an eco-garden using different craft materials.







Students in Years 9 and 10 have been enjoying Kayaking at Manvers Lake this term. Students will complete a 4 lesson block where they learn paddling, survival skills and even compete through the race course. By the end of the summer term, over 200 students will have had the opportunity to experience this thanks to our PE Department. Well done everyone!



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Staff Appointments

This week we have appointed Mr Montgomery as our new Subject Leader for Drama as well as Miss Adams as a teacher of Drama. This is an exciting time for the drama team as it is expanding due to the additional curriculum time we are putting into the subject at KS3. Both Mr Montgomery and Miss Adams will be joining us in September.

Y11 and 13 Intervention

Both Y11 and Y13 are now entering their exam periods. We have an extensive intervention schedule over the coming weeks which has been strategically designed to give them the best possible opportunities. We are so proud of their hard work up until this point and we are confident that if they continue this, they will do very well in the coming weeks.

Toilet Systems Update

As you will know over recent weeks we have been trialling a new system around toilet use. I'm pleased to say this system has been very effective and we are going to continue with it. As always we will continue to review and refine the system but we are pleased with how it is working up to this point.

Multi-Sports Camp – Spring Bank

Do you have a child that is between 5 and 12 years old? If so, this is the perfect opportunity for them.

Complete the form on our website and return it to either eflowers@wathacademy.com or football@wathacademy.com by Friday 26 May 2023.





Academy Awards

Following the hugely successful Academy Awards event hosted last year at the Sheffield City Hall, we have again secured the historic venue for this year's event which will be held on Wednesday 19 July 2023.

On the evening we will be rewarding a number of students with a range of awards as well as watching the Academy's best musicians, dancers and actors. Last year Mark Labbett (best known as 'The Beast' from ITVs The Chase) presented awards. We will be looking to secure a celebrity once again to make the event special for our students.

We will be giving out over 2000 free tickets to students, parents/carers and the community for what promises to be an exceptional night.



We would like to provide local businesses with an opportunity to be involved in the event by sponsoring a page in the programme or even a prestigious award. In addition to advertising the business, we would also provide two VIP tickets which include reserved seating and drinks on arrival.

All money raised through sponsorship will be put directly in to making the event even more special. If you would like to sponsor the event in any way, please get in touch with us at academyawards@wathacademy.com.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ransome

Principal



Class Charts

From Monday 20 March, all notifications regarding Achievement points, Behaviour and Whole school notifications will be sent via the Class Charts App. When information is sent from the Academy, an email notification will be received. The School Gateway app and Epraise will no longer be used.

The Attendance Team will continue to send messages regarding absence or punctuality via text message.

Satchel One and ParentPay will continue to be used as normal.

Emails have already been sent home to parents/carers with information on how to access the Class Charts App.

If you have any queries, please email enquries@wathacademy.com

Yours sincerely

Mr A Hopkin Vice Principal

