



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

NEWSLETTER – Week 28

25 April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

As we approach the May half-term, we are busy making staff appointments for the new academic year. This week, we have appointed Mrs Woodward to teach Geography and History and Miss Birks as our new SEND Administrator. Additionally, we have appointed Mr Brown in Science as our AI in Education Lead. Mr Brown will be exploring ways we can effectively use AI in education and setting a strategic direction for its use. This is an exciting post, and we look to utilising his skill set to ensure we continue to offer a relevant curriculum for our students.

Following feedback in our PCAB meetings, we would like to share the topics covered in Life Skills lessons in the newsletter. This half term Year 10 are learning about "young people and mental health" as part of our Health and Wellbeing topic. This builds on the content they have learnt in Year 8 around different types of mental health and discrimination experienced in society. Young Minds is a fantastic organisation that helps raise awareness. Please see the link for advice for parents/carers. [YoungMinds](#) | [Mental Health Charity For Children And Young People](#) | [YoungMinds](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr Ransome
Principal

Key Dates:

W.C 28 April – 20 June
Y11 & Y13 Summer Exams

W.C 19 May
Year 10 Work Experience

W.C.02 June
Year 12 Work Experience

Thursday 22 May
Golden Ticket Rewards Event

Tuesday 24 June
Year 8 Online Parents Evening

Friday 27 June
Year 11 Prom

Monday 07 July
Academy Awards

Click here for our term dates and INSET days.
[Wath Academy Term Dates](#)

Enrichment – Summer Term

The next block of enrichment activities will start on Wednesday 30 April. Students will receive a revised timetable next week and messages will be sent home via Classcharts on Monday if your child has chosen an offsite activity. If you have not already done so, please ensure you have completed the general consent form on the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/TbKHWG7VMa>

Sponsorship Opportunity

We would like to provide local businesses with an opportunity to sponsor our Academy Awards which is being held at Sheffield City Hall on Monday 07 July. All money raised through sponsorship will be put directly in to making the event even more special. If you would like to become a new sponsor for 2025 or renew your sponsorship from last year, please get in touch with us at

academyawards@wathacademy.com

F1 Williams Trip

On Thursday, Year 9 students had the opportunity to visit Williams F1 Racing Centre in Oxfordshire to attend their STEM workshop. This engaging day inspired students to consider a career in STEM. It highlighted the importance of STEM subjects for careers in Engineering and Formula 1. Students toured the museum, took part in a session on the ESports simulators and a workshop activity where they had to design and create a nose cone for a Formula 1 car.

Year 11 Hoodies

If you would like to purchase a leavers hoodie, please follow the link below or scan the QR code on the handout provided on the final countdown evening. The final order date is 24 May.

<https://www.leavershoodies.com/wath-academy-2025-leavers>

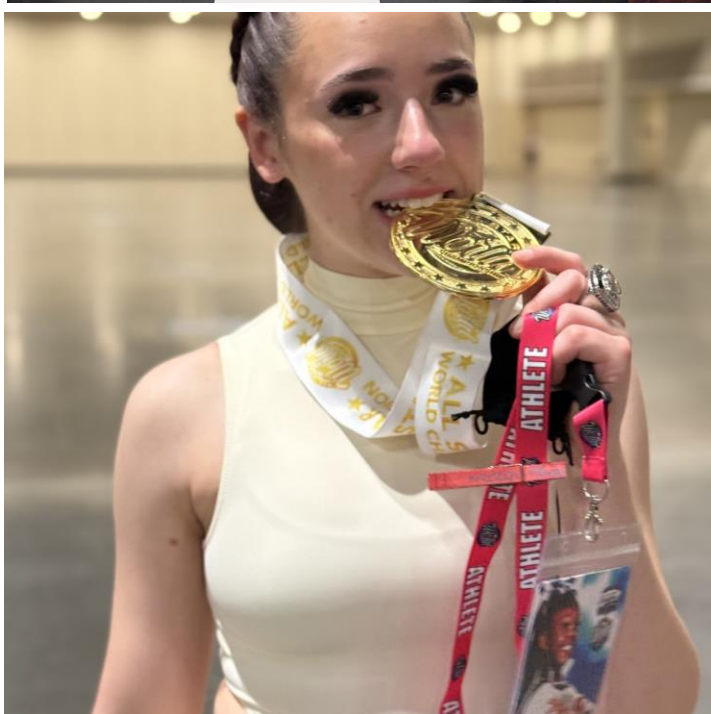


Student Achievement

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Maddison Leader in Year 12, who has been crowned a World Champion Cheer Leader with her team in America. They won gold in the Open Lyrical dance category. This is a phenomenal achievement, and it is great to say that we have a current World Champion amongst our student body. If you would like to share your success stories with us, please email us via the following address achievement@wathacademy.com

Prospective Year 7 Students

We have been inundated with completed activities from our prospective Year 7 students! Thank you very much to everyone who has sent us their amazing efforts. Good luck to you all for your upcoming assessments in May!



Wath Parish Church

Last Friday afternoon, our GCSE and A-Level Religious Studies students were warmly welcomed at All Saints Parish Church in Wath. Reverend Charles was a fantastic host in showing our students around the church looking for artefacts. What an honor on Maundy Thursday.

Better Learners Better Workers

Year 9 students represented Wath Academy at the grand opening of Maltby Grammar Business Hub. They took part in a workshop with Kitlocker, designing their own sports kit, discovering more about roles within the company, and even had chance to try their hand at running a production line.

Long serving staff

We would like to recognise long-serving staff who have dedicated large parts of their career to our community. If you know of any staff who served more than 10 years and left before 1991, please get in touch via enquiries@wathacademy.com