



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

NEWSLETTER – Week 29

02 May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

This week we have hosted a CEO, Director of Education and two Headteachers who have come from Warrington and Liverpool to see great practice at Wath Academy. Working collaboratively with other schools is something we have really embraced over the last couple of years: members of our senior leaders have visited the highest performing schools in the country to identify excellent practice in order for us to continue to learn and further improve our offer.

Throughout the year we engage in a number of audits both externally and internally. This week we have had a Single Central Record audit conducted by the Trust which was very successful.

We are pleased to announce that we have appointed a new Assistant Attendance Officer; Miss Gray will join the team in a couple of weeks. We are very much looking forward to her starting at the Academy.

Finally, yesterday, Y11 received their good luck tags for their upcoming exams. It was a surprise which was planned weeks in advance, parents came to the Academy for a Y11 countdown event where they received key updates, and they also wrote a good luck tag for their child. These tags were then presented to the students yesterday in an assembly. As with each year, there were many happy tears and positive emotions. It was a great way to start the exam period.

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

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[Wath Academy Term Dates](#)

Golf Scholarship

Wath Academy Golf scholarship have recently competed in the English School's scratch event. The team was made up of three students, Ethan C, William B and Harrison H. You all played very well through a tough Darrington course and have now qualified for the scratch final event hosted at Woodhall Spa on the Hotchkin Course. Good luck in the next round gentlemen and well done!

Yorkshire Bowl Winners!

Well done to our Year 9 students who played rugby for Wath RUFC Under 14s against Huddersfield in the Yorkshire Bowl final on Sunday. The final score was Huddersfield 5 – Wath 11 in a hard fought and thrilling match. A brilliant performance from all players including Riley, Tyler, Ben, Alfie, Freddie, Josh, Anesu, Anotida, Ollie, Owen and Ethan who showed great determination and team spirit. Special mentions to Alfie B and Tyler Z-N for the fabulous penalty kicks!



National Holocaust Museum

Year 9 students attended the National Holocaust Museum this week. An immersive experience for students to appreciate events surrounding the Holocaust with a museum and a memorial garden. Students were very lucky to meet a real Holocaust survivor who shared their story. A fantastic cultural experience for students to learn about events at the time, and how this is still a pertinent message today.

Duke of Edinburgh Practice Weekend

Year 10 students on the Duke of Edinburgh visit this weekend showed grit, resilience and no excuses attitude. Students encountered many challenges over the weekend including setting up camp as well as map reading skills to navigate their way along their walks.



Brilliant Club Scholars Programme

A group of our Year 8 students graduated from their Scholars programme on Wednesday at the University of Leeds. The PHD tutor has visited the Academy over the last few months and worked with our students closely throughout the programme. The tutor was very impressed with their attitude and engagement – well done scholars!!

Rotherham Schools Athletics Competition

On Wednesday evening, we held the first Rotherham Schools Athletics Competition at the Academy. We hosted 9 schools in the glorious sunshine. Our Y7-10 athletics team demonstrated world class performances in both the track and field events! Outstanding relay results from 7 out of 8 teams! Well done to all involved!