



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

NEWSLETTER – Week 39

18 July 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of another exceptional academic year at Wath Academy, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the achievements, growth, and community spirit that have defined our year.

Our students have continued to excel across a wide range of disciplines. In sports, we celebrated our victory as Rotherham Athletics Champions, a number of our netball teams won at the Rotherham finals day, our Rugby team scholarship team won their league, and our cheerleading teams showcased their talents at the UK National Championships, achieving impressive placements.

In the arts, we have hosted our annual Murder Mystery event, We Will Rock You and at our Annual Christmas Concert over 75 students performing to an audience of around 200. We have also recently celebrated our students' artistic abilities at our Art Exhibition and of course we celebrated student ability and achievement at the Academy Awards at the Sheffield City Hall in front of over 2000 people.

As we conclude this academic year, I extend my heartfelt thanks to our students, staff, and the wider community for your unwavering support and dedication. Together, we have created a vibrant and successful year, filled with achievements and memorable experiences.

I wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year at Wath Academy.

Yours faithfully
Mr Ransome
Principal

Key Dates:

Friday 18 July

House Awards Presentation
Last day of term

Monday 01 Sept

Staff Inset Day

Tuesday 02 Sept

Y7 and Y12 Back to School

Wednesday 03 Sept

All students Back to school

Monday 13 October

Murder Mystery

Click here for our term dates
and INSET days.

[Wath Academy Term Dates](#)

Enrichment Programme

Our enrichment programme has been a cornerstone of student development. From gardening clubs harvesting tomatoes and chillis to engaging in careers workshops with Yorkshire Ambulance Service, students have had numerous opportunities to explore new interests. We are very proud of our enrichment offer and we're passionate about making it bigger and better next year. As always, thank you once again for your continued support.

Academic and Personal Growth

We have continued to strengthen our learning culture and academic provision. Y11 and Y13 students demonstrated determination during their trial exams. The quality of T&L at the academy has yet again improved as we strive to provide students with exceptional learning experiences.

External and internal audits as well as safeguarding reviews and Quad visits have all praised the Academy's systems and culture, reflecting our commitment to providing a safe and supportive environment for all students.



Year 7 Cricket

The Year 7 cricket team had a great day at the Yorkshire Finals Day of the R66 Joe Root Cup at Woodhouse Grove School near Bradford.

The first encounter in the semi-final was a closely fought game against South Hunsley with Wath losing out by just 6 runs. In the 3rd and 4th place Wath played Roundhay. Wath victorious by 8 runs. Some great individual performances on a very hot day!

This concludes the Year 7 cricket season, and they can look back with pride on reaching the quarter finals of the Yorkshire Cup and Finals day of the R66 Joe Root Cup. Well done boys!



Community Engagement

Our commitment to community service was evident this year through initiatives such as delivering over 80 Christmas hampers to local residents and organising a Christmas visit to Sandygate Care Home, spreading festive cheer to the elderly. We opened our doors to Governors, PCAB and members of the public to remember fallen soldiers on Armistice Day. Visitors joined us to witness the playing of the last post and saw over 2000 students stand in impeccable silence whilst we remembered those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We took part in various charity events including the Colour Run in aid of local charity Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice.

Academy Awards Photo Gallery

We're thrilled to share this year's incredible photos, capturing the energy, emotion and the magic of one of the biggest nights in our calendar! [Wath Academy - Academy Awards 2025](#)



Results Days

A Level Results Day – 14 August

GCSE Results Day – 21 August

Please see our website for further information about collecting results.

[Wath Academy - LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS](#)

A Murder Mystery – Save the Date

Wath Academy's annual Murder Mystery 'A Casket of Chaos' will be performed at 6:30 pm on Monday 13 October. Tickets are priced at £10 to include a pie and pea supper. Get your tickets now by clicking on the link. <https://yourboxoffice.co.uk/wath.../1270-murder-mystery-2025>



Golden Ticket Rewards

Last week, our students enjoyed their well-deserved Golden Ticket Rewards!

A choice of the Aquapark at Rother Valley Country Park, a football tournament, Golf at Waterfront Driving Range or making an afternoon tea to take home and share with family or friends. It was wonderful to see them celebrating their hard work and positive achievements while creating great memories with friends.

Sponsored Walk

On Friday, students completed our annual sponsored walk to raise money for local charity Rotherham Hospice. It was a fantastic afternoon with plenty of water, suncream and smiles!

Thank you to everyone who has donated so far, a polite reminder that ParentPay is open for donations until the 1 August. [ParentPay - Leading Cashless Payment System for Schools](#)



Careers Day 2025

All Y10 and Y12 students have had the opportunity to visit one of nine universities as part of our whole school Careers Day. The aim of these visits is to promote aspiration and develop student confidence in accessing Higher Education. Thank you to Sheffield Hallam, University of Sheffield, Derby University, Loughborough University, University of Northampton, De Montford University, Edge Hill, Bishop Grosseteste University and University of Nottingham for your hospitality.

Y8 and Y9 students took part in Work Shadowing Day – a great opportunity to get a closer look at the world of work. They gained hands-on experience in a wide range of roles and industries, helping them explore different career paths and think about their own futures



Trash Fashion

As part of our whole school careers day, Y7 students took part in a trash fashion challenge where they competed against other tutor groups and houses for the best creations. The designs were incredible and showcased in a jaw dropping catwalk. Throughout the day, students were introduced to the range of job roles that support the fashion industry and have developed their understanding of the world of work. Well done to 7LTE who were crowned the winners and were awarded our the WAFTA award.

Multi Sports Holiday Camp

For further information about our Multi Sports Summer camps , please see our website [Wath Academy - Latest News](#)