



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

NEWSLETTER – Week 11

21 November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 11 Trial Exams

This week Y11 have begun their trial exams. We recognise that this is a stressful time for them with it being their first taste of an exam series in Year 11, but their effort and resilience has been excellent. We encourage students to treat this trial series like their real exams as it will give them a better understanding of how it will feel to go through the summer exam series. Additionally, ensuring they give 100% to each exam allows teaching staff to form a true understanding of exactly what students do and don't understand which then informs their teaching for the rest of the year.

Parent & Community Advisory Board

Here at Wath Academy, we continually reflect on our practice and always look to improve. PCAB meet every half term to discuss pertinent agenda items determined by members of the group. Please see our website for more information and dates of meetings for this academic year. [Wath Academy - PARENT AND COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD \(PCAB\)](#)

We would like to share students' success stories and achievements in the newsletter each week. Please email us at the following address : achievement@wathacademy.

Yours faithfully

Mr Ransome
Principal

Key Dates:

W.C 24 November
Year 11 Trial Exams

Tuesday 25 November
Year 7 Online Parents Evening

Thursday 4 December
PCAB Meeting

Saturday 6 December
Community Christmas Fayre

Tuesday 9 December
Year 9 Online Parents Evening

Thursday 11 December
Year 8/9 IEP Reviews

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

Weekly Update

Children in Need – Rowshow!

Well done to all students and staff who took part in the Rowshow last Friday for Children in Need, supporting an amazing cause. There is still time to make a donation via ParentPay. ! <https://www.parentpay.com/>
Thank you to all those who have donated so far!

Torch Magazine

Torch is Wath Academy's student-produced magazine, published every half term.

[Read the September/October 2025 edition of Torch now!](#)

Students can contribute to Torch by attending the after-school club on Tuesdays at 2:50 pm in G20 or by emailing articles to torch@wathacademy.com. Well done to all students and staff who have contributed to this edition.



**WATH ACADEMY
COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS FAYRE**
SATURDAY | 6TH DECEMBER | 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

- A photo opportunity with Father Christmas
- Tea, coffee and cake stalls
- Stalls selling pre-loved toys and gifts at a very low price
- Christmas music

Merry Christmas

WATH ACADEMY MUSIC DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

The Annual Christmas Concert

Tuesday 16 December | 6:30pm

Tickets - Adults: £6.00 | Children: £4.00

Tickets include a seasonal refreshment



Christmas Concert
The Wath Academy Music Department warmly invites you to an evening filled with festive music, sparkling performances, and Christmas cheer! <https://yourboxoffice.co.uk/.../1283-wath-music...>

Enrichment
Our second round of timetabled enrichment has begun! All students spent their Wednesday afternoon in their choice of over 70 enrichment clubs spanning areas such as sport and fitness, performing arts, strategic board games and creative strands. It was great to see so many students trying something new or developing existing interests whilst, most importantly, creating positive memories to last a lifetime.



Student Success
Abbie Barton (Y10) and Maddie Butler (Y8) have recently competed as a pair in the 13-15 Girl/Girl Freestyle Pairs section at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool for the National Finalists, a dance competition that they first had to qualify for to represent the Northeast. They are now officially ranked 5th in the country for 13-15 years Girl/Girl Freestyle Pairs! Abbie and Maddie are still beginners, meaning for them to achieve this is just amazing! Well done girls!

Anti-Bullying Week
Last week, our students were asked to use their "power for good". All 2200 students wrote a message of positivity to a friend, family member or teacher. These messages have been used to create our 'Positivitree' display.