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# **AGS Weekly**

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

27 June - HPV vaccine for Year 8

28-29 June - **Legally Blonde The Musical** 7 pm (Tickets from ParentPay)

29 June - **Sixth Form Taster Day** (Year 10 students)

29/30 June - SEND Ambassador Mornings

30 June - Sports Awards Dinner

1 July - Year 11 Prom

4/5 July - Year 6 Transition Days

5 July - **New Year 7 Parents' Information Evening** (4.30 - 6.00 pm)

# ClassCharts

Are you a regular user of ClassCharts?

Are you tracking your child's achievements and behaviour in school?

This week:

Positive points issued = 7,000 Negative points issued = 1,200 86% positive ratio

#### Reporting Student Absence

Parents and carers can use ClassCharts to report student absence to school. You can also upload any supporting evidence.

#### Sports Championships at AGS are back!

It has been wonderful this week to experience the excitement, joy and passion created by our weeklong festival of sport. All students in Years 7-10 have participated in team sports, field and track events they have had the opportunity to display individual sporting talents but also to shine as team players. Every morning this week tutor groups from each year group took part in team sports - netball, rounders, football and rugby. Later on in the day, individual students took part in field events and each afternoon culminated in a track extravaganza in front of the whole year group. Every student I have spoken to this week have expressed their enjoyment in being able to partake in our Sports Championships. A massive thank you goes out to our wonderful PE team for the planning and running of such an event - we are so lucky to have you!

#### More great news for PE

This week our PE department achieved national recognition by being awarded a silver commendation by the Sports Games Mark awarding body. This is in recognition for all the competitive sports and fixtures that are played at Allerton Grange. Well done to our PE department!

#### Year 11 say goodbye with tears and cheers!

On Thursday afternoon, after their final examination, we invited Year 11 back into school for their special leavers assembly. Subject and specialist awards were given out to individual students and students presented gifts and cards to their form tutors and heads of year. It was a very emotional afternoon with lots of tears and hugs. Of course we will be seeing our Year 11 students next week in their finery as they enjoy their prom – watch out for photos on social media.

Mike Roper Headteacher

#### **Attendance**

Are you ensuring your child attends school every day and on time?

AGS Attendance this week: 94.1%

National Average: 88.5%

# **Sports Fixtures**

#### Cricket

Our **Year 8** cricket team beat Abbey Grange in a fantastic game of cricket on Tuesday. Set 105 to win, our team hit the winning runs with just seven balls of the match left! They are now in the Yorkshire Cup quarter final, playing Ilkley Grammar on Monday.

#### **Rounders:**

The **Year 7** rounders team won a tournament on Wednesday night, beating Roundhay, Bishop Young and Boston Spa along the way!

Well done to all!

# **Academic Vocabulary**

'Words Matter' is a programme designed to improve literacy levels in KS3. Students need to learn these words to be able to fully access the curriculum, examinations, and a wide range of academic texts.

 technical relating to a particular subject (often mechanical or scientific), or to an art, or craft, or its techniques (see below)

The artist was better known for his technical ability than his creativity:

He didn't know how to set up his Wi-Fi system, as the instructions were too technical.

Synonyms: specialised, specific

 technique a way of carrying out a particular task, especially the execution or performance of an artistic work or a scientific procedure.

She needs to work on her interview technique if she's going to get a job.

Synonyms: method, art, procedure, know-how

 technology the application of scientific knowledge for practical purposes, especially in industry;

machinery and equipment developed from the application of scientific knowledge.

New technology has made it possible to communicate more easily.

Synonyms: automation, engineering, equipment

4. valid legally or officially acceptable; (of an argument or point), logical or factual Her Leeds bus pass was not valid in any other city; He couldn't think of a valid reason for not doing his homework.

Synonyms: genuine, legitimate, reasonable, logical

5. volume the amount of space that a substance or object occupies, or that is enclosed within a container.

Heavy rain increased the volume of water in the

Synonyms: mass, quantity, amount

# At Cold Juice Friday on 24 June, students celebrated their achievements with Mr Roper.

**Maryam, Anisa and Nardus from Year 10** were nominated as they are the winners of the Aspiring Black Neuroscientists/Physiologists Competition 2022.

Their submissions were based on 'Diversity in Science' and they had to discuss the following:

- (a) Minorities are underserved in large scale research (genetics, clinical, epidemiological). How might this be addressed?
- (b) Discuss the lack of diversity in universities and colleges and the impact this might have on you and your peers, as you consider your future education and career options.

Mayam wrote an essay on 'The lack of diversity in science', and Anisa and Nardus submitted a video called 'Acting White! What do you mean?'.

Congratulations to you all for this outstanding achievement.



# **Environment Agency visit Year 7**

Year 7 had a visit recently from the Environment Agency to find out about future career opportunities.



**Sports Week**This week, we've had an action-packed programme of sport for students from Years 7 to 10.















### Inter-Primary Sports Day

We also held our Inter-Primary Sports Day on Tuesday, with Talbot Primary, Moortown Primary, Gledhow Primary and Wigton Moor Primary taking part.

Talbot were crowned the winners, and retained the trophy! Wigton Moor were 2nd, Moortown 3rd and Gledhow a very close 4th place.

Thank you to all the competitors!







## Good bye to Year 11

On Thursday 23 June, we said goodbye to our Year 11 students!

Mr Mahoney, Ms Hibbert and Year 11 Form Tutors gave out the end of year awards, and there were video messages from AGS staff as well as Mr Hundal and Mr Russell (all the way from South Africa!)!

After the last few years of disruption due to Covid, we are so indredibly proud of Year 11 and wish them every success in the future.

And, we will see them next Friday at their Prom!









# Last Chance to Buy Tickets!! Please pay by Weds 28 June

Year 11 Prom Tickets: £30 Available from ParentPay

**Date:** Friday 1 July 2022 **Time:** 6.00 - 10.00 pm

**Venue:** Allerton Grange Ballroom **Dress code:** Gowns and Suits

## Legally Blonde

Our production of Legally Blonde is coming together, with staff and students working hard to be ready for shows on Tuesday 28 and Wednesday 29 June.

There are two types of ticket available: 🍸

General seating: £8 Adults, £5 Children III
VIP Table seating: £10 Adults, £7 Childre

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If you're thinking about booking tickets, don't delay as our Summer Show is always very popular and usually sells out quickly!

\*\*Last chance to buy your tickets\*\*

\*\*from ParentPay\*\*



Legally Blonde Poster Designed by Neela in Year 7