



AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter

Access to the school site via Talbot Avenue is prohibited to parents or carers during the times of 08:20 to 09:00 and 14:30 to 15:20. If parents or carers are dropping off or picking up children, we advise you to use the turning circle accessible via Lidgett Lane.

Please be aware of parking restrictions outside of school. Whether you use Lidgett Lane or Talbot Avenue, please be considerate to local residents, pedestrians and other road users, and remember to follow the Highway Code.

Parking Enforcement Officers have been patrolling the area.

Allerton Grange showcases its musical talent at the World of Music concert:

An audience of nearly 300 were treated to an extravaganza of musical talent on Thursday evening. The concert truly celebrated the diversity of Allerton Grange and put everyone who attended into the holiday spirit. The evening began with a performance of African drumming and continued with choirs, individual vocalists, a bagpipes and Gaelic drum performance, R&B performances, Jazz bands, brass bands and rock bands. The evening concluded with Christmas songs, and due to the skill and commitment of our music staff, (Miss Casey, Mr Duff and Miss Shrimpton) the audience left with smiles on their faces. Well done and thank you to everyone involved.

Arrangements for 16 December 2022 (Last Day of Term):

This will be a non-uniform day with students expected to pay £1. All donations will be given to our chosen charity of the Leeds Weekend Care Association.

- Form time will begin at 8.50 am as usual.
- Lesson 1 as normal for everyone.
- Year 10,11 and Sixth Form break time as normal at 10:30am.
- Year 7 break as normal at 10:55am.
- Year 8/9 break as normal at 11:25am.
- **At 11:45 Year 8 and Year 9 students will safely exit the building.**
- **At 12 noon, ALL other year groups will be dismissed from their class and will safely exit the building.**

Attendance Data

Year to Date (up to 25 Nov):

93.5% (1.6% above National Average)

Week beginning 21 Nov: 92.8%

(3.1% above National Average)

Mike Roper
Headteacher

ClassCharts

Positive Points this week: 12,000

Negative Points this week: 1,200

90% Positive Ratio

Dates for your Diary:

Reward Assemblies take place for all year groups - w/c 12 December 2022

DAHIT Deaf Assembly - Tuesday 13 December 2022, 1 - 3 pm in PL01

Drama Trip to London - Wednesday 14 & Thursday 15 December

Last Day of Term - Friday 16 December - school closes to students by 12 noon (see details above)

Christmas Holiday - Monday 19 December to Monday 2 January. School reopens on 3 January 2023

Sports Results

Netball

The **Year 9 and Year 10 Netball teams** played Carr Manor. The Year 9 team won 11-10 and the Year 10 team won 8-4.

Football

The **Year 11 boys' Football team** lost 2-1 to Boston Spa.

Rugby

The **Year 8 boys's Rugby team** played two Yorkshire Cup matches. They beat Ryburn 92-6 and lost 38-16 to Sirius Academy, Hull.

The **Year 10 boys' Rugby team** drew 8-8 with Crawshaw and beat Brigshaw 16-8 at the Leeds Champion Schools Final. They will play Crawshaw in the Final in January.

Badminton

The **KS3 and KS4 Badminton teams** played Dixon's Trinity last Friday. The KS3 team won 8-0 and the KS4 team won 6-2.

Grease is the word!

by Ms Spencer-Matthews, Drama

Rehearsals continue for this year's main production of Grease!

This week, students have been perfecting their harmonies, honing their character, and crafting their jive skills. Mrs Spencer-Matthews is delighted with the efforts of this year's cast and would like to thank parents for their ongoing support.

Rehearsals are every Monday, Wednesday and Friday after school as well as morning singing rehearsals. Details of each rehearsal can be found on Teams.



At Hot Chocolate Friday on 9 December, students celebrated their achievements with Mr Roper, Headteacher.

Congratulations this week to the following students who were nominated by their Year Teams:

Ava in Year 7 is one of our two first Year 7 Millionaire Readers. Well done!

Henry in Year 8 was nominated for catching up with an assessment and being proactive about making improvements to his understanding. He has a fabulous, mature approach to his learning.

Eva and Isabelle in Year 9 have both been selected for the Leeds District Netball Team.

Carmen in Year 10 has made fantastic progress this term and gave a really insightful and thought-provoking answer in her RS assessment.

Amirah in Year 11 has produced an exceptional quality of work for Hair and Beauty.

Grace in Year 12 was nominated for being fantastic on the Year 12 residential.

Asma in Year 13 gave a fantastic presentation to SLT and launched the food bank initiative in assembly.



Winter Coat Collection

Sixth Form students are supporting the

[Zero Waste Leeds Winter Coat appeal](#) through the Social Science Core club, an enrichment activity trying to make a positive change in the world.

If you have any coats, hats, scarves and gloves that your child has outgrown, or if you are having a clear out, please bring them into school to Main Reception or to the Sixth Form Office.

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DAHIT Deaf Assembly

Our DAHIT Assembly is taking place on 13 December and will recognise our fabulous DAHIT students.

The team will also have a chance to celebrate their recent induction into the Signature Hall of Fame!



AGS Christmas Card design competition

We are delighted to announce the winners of this year's Allerton Grange Christmas card competition:

1st Place: Thanmayi (Year 7)



2nd Place: Esha, Olivia & Manroop (Year 8)



3rd Place: Daisy (Year 8)



Aiming High in English

A group of Year 10 students experienced a taste of university on Wednesday, when Professor Susan Watkins and Dr Caroline Herbert from Leeds Beckett University came in to run an English Literature workshop.

The theme of the workshop was 'Life Writing' and students explored an extract from 'The Buddha of Suburbia' by Hanif Kureishi, which they compared to 'The Word' - a poem by Zaffar Kunial and then touched on an extract from 'Brown Girl Like Me: The Essential Guidebook and Manifesto for South Asian Girls and Women' by Jaspreet Kaur. The students developed in confidence over the session and made some excellent observations and connections between the texts. The same group of students will be visiting Leeds Beckett University next term to find out more about what it's like studying English at university.



World of Music Concert

Our students shone at our World of Music concert last night! We'll be sharing a student review next week. Thank you to the Music Team and the Tech Team for all your hard work.

