

### Teacher strike days:

The NEU (National Education Union) has announced four strike days in the coming months: 1st & 28th February and 15th & 16th March.

We have been preparing contingency arrangements this week. Union officials are meeting with the government today and, therefore, we will wait to hear the outcome of these discussions before confirming the planned arrangements with parents via letter on Monday.

### Attendance award:

Allerton Grange was recognised this week for its strong student attendance rate. We received a national award that placed AGS in the top 25% of schools nationally for students' attendance. Thank you to all our parents that support with attendance and ensure their children are in school every day.

### Ofsted parent view:

We always welcome your feedback about the educational provision we provide for your children at Allerton Grange. One quick and easy method for doing this is through the Ofsted Parent View portal. Visit the Ofsted website (click on this hyperlink) to create an account to give your views. It should take no longer than 10 minutes.

> Mike Roper Headteacher

ClassCharts Positive Points this week: 12,000 Negative Points this week: 1,200 90% Positive Ratio

## Dates for your Diary:

Year 8 and Year 10 Rugby Teams playing in the Leeds Champion Schools' Final at John Charles Centre - Monday 23 January, Year 8: 4.00 pm kick off, Year 10: 5.15 pm kick off.

Year 11 Advice & Guidance meetings (2) - Tuesday 31 January, 3.15 - 4.15 pm Students will receive appointment times. This has moved from 1 February.

Year 9 Options Deadline - Friday 10 February 2023. Students need to give their Options Form to their Form Tutor by this date.

Half Term Holiday - Monday 13 February to Friday 17 February

Year 8 Parents' Evening (online appointments) - Tuesday 21 February, 4.30 - 7.30 pm

### Mini Bus Driver Vacancy

We are currently recruiting to our casual pool of mini bus drivers.

Candidates must be confident drivers, hold a clean driving licence, enjoy interacting with students and be willing to undergo the MiDAS Minibus Training course, that we will fund.

Hourly rate: £10.50 per hour

The role mainly consists of driving students to and from external provisions, to support their learning. The hours would be split, with a morning session from approximately 8 am for up to 2 hours, and then the afternoon from 12.30 pm, again for up to 2 hours. The opportunity for more hours may be possible from time to time.

If you are interested in finding out more, please phone 0113 393 0304 or email agadmin@allertongrange.com

### School Uniform Reminder

Students need to wear either full school uniform or their Allerton Grange PE kit to school, every day.

We have noticed that an increasing number of students have been arriving at school without all of their uniform, and have needed to borrow items, including ties and blazers.

### Please can we ask that you remind your child about the uniform policy and check if they have anything missing.

Our School Uniform Exchange may be able to help if you do need items of uniform.

We currently have trousers, skirts, blazers, PE polo shirts and a small number of jumpers in the School Uniform Exchange.

If you would like to check what's available, please email the details (eg which items and sizes you are looking for) to: <u>vikimciver@allertongrange.com</u>.

### Hot Chocolate Friday

At Hot Chocolate Friday on 20 January, students celebrated their achievements with Mr Roper, Headteacher.

Congratulations this week to:

**Ryan in Year 7** was nominated by Mr Lewin for his kindness and empathy towards another student.

**Will in Year 8** was nominated for completing a 24 hour swim for charity last weekend.

**Pooya in Year 9** has made the most wonderful start to his time at Allerton Grange. He is kind, polite and respectful, and takes his studies very seriously. Well don Pooya!

Archie in Year 10 was nominated for being a responsible, mature and kind student during an incident outside school.

Zaibaidah in Year 11 was nominated by Miss Barlow for their brilliant work in RS.

Abby and Iman in Year 12 are both superstars and help out every Tuesday in Drama Club with Year 7. They are so helpful, kind and wonderful to have around. They go above and beyond, and are absolutely wonderful!



# Key Stage 3 Extra-Curricular Activities Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spectrum (LGBTQ+) Club All years-1031 - Ms Arden	Neuroscience Club IS3 - Ms Gonzales - 5004	ALL YEARS MIXED Badminton Sports Hall	KS3 Coding Club 1002 – Mr Stone	Musical Pit Band M001 – Ms Casey
Library / Book Club KS3 – LRC1 – Ms Williams	Library / Book Club KS3-LRC1-Ms Williams	Year 8 Netball Netball Courts	Darts Club (Year 9 and 10) Mr Taylor – L024	Musical Rehearsal M001 and M002
Samba (Lunchtimes) Store Room 9 - Mr Harrington	Drama Club KS3 – D001 – Ms MacFadyen	Drama Club KS3 – D001 – Ms MacEadyen	Year 9 Netball Netball Courts	
Musical Rehearsal M001 and M002	Year 7 Netball Netball Courts	All YEARS Girls' Rugby Fields	Year 8 Boys Football Fields	
	Year 9 and 10 Boys Football Fields	Year 7 Boys Football Fields	Year 7 Trampolining Sports Hall	
	All Years Girls Football Fields	Year 9 and 10 Boys Rugby Fields	Bridge Club L022 – Mr Cliver Covren	
	Junior and senior Concert Band M001 and M002	DJ Club (11:25-11:45am) Store Room 9 - Mr Lynch	English Club LDO9 – English Department	
		Choir Half 2 - Miss Shrimpton	STEM Club SCO4 - Mr Gledhill	
		School of Rock M002 – Mr Sumray	Chess (and other board games) Club 1035	
		Duff Club (Jazz Band) M003/1 - Mr Duff	Staff Band M001 – Ms Casey	

# **Key Stage 4 Extra-Curricular Activities Calendar**

### Term 2 - January - April

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spectrum (LGBTQ+) Club All years – LO31 – Ms Arden	Year 10 and 11 Basketball Sports Hall	Year 9 and 10 Boys Rugby Fields	Darts Club Year 9 and 10 – Mr Taylor – L024	Grade S Theory (KS4 Lunch) M002 – Ms Shrimpton
KS4 Art Club Art – Ms Flander	Library / Book Club Library – Ms Williams	GCSE Photography and Art Catch up Art Department	Year 10 and 11 Fitness Club Fitness Suite	The Writers Collective Ms Halaka and Ms Ryding - 1010
Library / Book Club Library – Ms Williams	All Years Girls Football Fields	EPQ Club Sixth Form	GCSE Photography and Art Catch up Art Department	Musical Pit Band M001 – Ms Casey
Sixth Form Sport S <mark>ocial</mark> Sixth Form	Year 9 and 10 Boys Football Fields	All YEARS Girls' Rugby Fields	Staff Band MOO1 – Ms Casey	Musical Rehearsal M002/Drama – Ms Shrimpton
Musical Rehearsal MOD1 and MOD2	Junior and senior Concert Band M001 and M002	Year 10 and 11 Netball Miss Caisley	Chess (and other board games) Club 1035	Year 11 Self Defence Hall – Mr Sloan
	Physics Olympiad (Week A) - 511	GCSE Product Design Catch Up Ms Hawkins - Technology		
		ALL YEARS MIXED Badminton Sports Hall	1	



### **Sports Fixture Results:**

### Football

The **Year 8 boys' Football team** lost 4-3 to Boston Spa in the League.

The **Year 10 boys' Football team** beat Carr Manor 1-0 in the Leeds Cup.

The **Year 8 girls' Football team** beat Trinity Academy 3-0 in the Leeds Cup.

The **U14 girls' Football team** played a number of League fixtures - they won 2, drew 1 and lost 2.

# Grease is the Word!

### Badminton

The Year 7, KS3 and KS4 Badminton teams all won their matches, 8-0 against Allerton High. Well done to all!

### **Rugby Finals**

On Monday 23 January, the Year 8 boys' and Year 10 boys' Rugby teams are both playing in the **Leeds Champion Schools' Final at John Charles Centre - Monday 23 January**, Year 8: 4.00 pm kick off, Year 10: 5.15 pm kick off.

Join us to kick off our 70 years of Allerton Grange celebrations as our talented students transport us back to the 1950s, with the musical Grease!

Performances are taking place over three nights from 7.00 pm:

Tuesday 7 February Wednesday 8 February Thursday 9 February

The show is approx. 2h 30 mins long, including interval.

Tickets are £8 each and are now on sale on ParentPay.

At each performance, when you arrive, you will be able to preorder and pay for snacks for the interval, including popcorn and veggie hotdogs!



Tue 7 Feb Wed 8 Feb Thur 9 Feb

Tickets now on sale via ParentPay

"GREASE School Edition" is presented through special arrangement with and all authorised performance materials are supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW),

### Samba Mask Project

Year 7 students have been learning about the Samba in Music lessons, and have created their own fabulous masks!







### **BEBRAS Challenge Continues**

Students who progressed to the next round of the BEBRAS Computing Challenge have been working hard this week, under the supervision of Mr Noutch.





