

Allerton Grange receives national recognition:

It is well reported about the crises facing education across England at the moment. Two of the most significant issues schools across the country are having to address are the poor attendance rates of students and the recruitment of new teachers.

I am delighted to announce that Allerton Grange appears to be bucking this trend:

1. Attendance

This week Allerton Grange received news that we are in the top 10% of schools nationally for our strong attendance record. This shows that our students enjoy coming to school, not only because they feel safe and happy, but more importantly, because they relish the ambitious curriculum we offer and the many enrichment opportunities outside of the classroom.

Thank you to all of our parents, carers and staff who work tirelessly on ensuring that all of our students attend school regularly.

2. **Teacher Recruitment**

I am delighted to announce that despite increasing the amount of curriculum time next year for all our students, and therefore needing to employ more teachers, we are fully staffed with qualified subject specialists from September. This means our ambitious curriculum will be taught by teachers with the relevant subject knowledge and training to ensure that all of our students can access our exciting curriculum offer.

These two factors bode well for Allerton Grange moving forward – strong and successful schools thrive because they offer a well taught ambitious curriculum which means students enjoy coming to school and they make strong progress. This is what we are delivering at Allerton Grange.

Reminder: Energy and Sports

	Mike Roper Headteacher	Drinks are banned in school.
Dates for your Diary:		
GCSE and A level Exams continue until Friday 23 June - Good luck to Year 11 and Year 13!		
French Trip to Normandy - Wednesday 7 June to Saturday 10 June		
Year 7 - Fountains Abbey - Monday 12 June (second half of the year) Remember water and suncream!		
Year 8 - Malham Cove on 14 June and 15 June		
Year 12 UCAS Exhibition at Leeds Beckett University - Thursday 15 June		

Year 10 Sixth Form Taster Day - Friday 16 June

Sports Week - Monday 19 to Friday 23 June

Transition Days for new Year 7 students - Monday 26 and Tuesday 27 June

New Year 7 Parents' Information Evening - Tuesday 27 June, 4.30 - 6.00 pm

As the weather forecast is predicting sun and higher temperatures are on the way, please remind students to bring a refillable water bottle to school, to use suncream and stay in the shade, where possible. On PE days they can wear a cap or hat during PE lessons only.

Sports Fixture Results

Rounders

The **Year 7 Rounders team** won their first tournament this week! They beat Allerton High 2.5-1.5 and Roundhay 5.5-4. This meant they reached the final, playing Wetherby, and won 6.5-2.



Athletics

We had our last Athletics Meet of the season on Tuesday 6 June. Allerton Grange was again very competitive with Stan coming a very close second in the 100m with a time of 13.4 seconds and Freddie convincingly winning the 400m in a time of 54.1 seconds.

The fantastic news is that all four of our teams are now through to the Athletics Finals on Tuesday 27 June!

Ms Caisley said: "Amazing and well done to all of the students who have represented the school".

Cricket

Our **Year 9 Girls' Cricket team** travelled to Allerton High on Tuesday 7 June to compete in their first cricket fixture of the season.

The girls set a great total of 55 runs from 10 overs and only lost 2 wickets. Top scorers were Amnah and Carys. Fielding was superb with a massive 8 wickets, Sofia bowled 2 maiden overs, Carys bowled one AHS student out for a duck and Amrit made an amazing diving catch.

AGS beat Allerton High by 50 runs. Super game well done all!



Payment needs to be made as soon as possible Last few tickets remaining -Don't miss out, Prom is almost sold out!



Thank you to the PE Team for supporting our students!

Year 7 vist Fountains Abbey (Part 1)

On Monday, half of Year 7 had an exciting start to the week with a visit to Fountains Abbey.

They visited the Abbey, the Mill and the beautifully designed lakes and gardens.

Members of the History and Religious Studies teams were on hand to guide students through the rich, historical and social past of the area.

The second half of the year group will be visiting Fountains Abbey on Monday 12 June.

Remember to prepare for all weathers and bring water, suncream and a waterproof.















AGS Library Revamp

Overhalfterm, our Library was given a makeover and is now looking even more fabulous than before!



Ms Williams, (School Librarian) said: "Students and staff demonstrated collaboration at its best on a school community event that will benefit all Library users."









Thank you to everyone who gave up their time to help:

Year 7 - Sam, Sreehari, Jimeto, Jessica, Harry, Ayesha & Esmae.

Year 8 - Aleesha, Leo, Ohenewah, Isaac & Isabella.

Year 9 - Chimamanda, Pooya & Matin.

Year 10 - Leonardo.

Year 12 - Zaha, Katie, Lisa T & Taslima.

The revamp would not have been possible without the kind assistance of the MITIE Team (Johno, Des & Dale), Ms Ryding, Mr Goodfield, Mr Wrightson, Mr Wall, Mr Ellis & Mr Fletcher.

We hope everyone enjoys using our 'new' Library!



Art & Technology Exhibition

We opened our doors on Thursday 8 June, to showcase our talented GCSE and A level Art, Photography, Product Design and Textiles students' work.



Should I become a Doctor?

Gain an insight into life as a medical student and doctor.

Virtual Zoom Event - Tuesday 13 June, 6.30 - .00 pm

This presentation is designed to help Year 9 -12 students decide where 'Medicine' is for them. It could also be helpful for anyone else seeking information about the Medicine Application Process, including parents and teachers.

Medical students will lead the event and answer questions inculding:

- How do I know medicine is right for me?
- The Application Process
- The Medical Degree/Life as a Medic Foundation Years (Post Degree)

Click here to sign up and receive log in details

If you have any questions, please email: <u>molly.butcher@nhs.net</u>



Small Visitors to Biology!

Students have been monitoring the progress of our group of ten chicks hatching this week.

They'll be at AGS until Friday 16 June. If any students would like to see them, please speak to Ms Gonzales.





Normandy Trip

A group of students from Years 8 and 9 are currently in Normandy. They arrived safely and Ms Seri- Baroan sent a message to say they had so much fun exploring Le Mont Saint Michel.

We're looking forward to hearing more about the trip when they are back in school next week!

Reminder: From September 2023, there will be changes to the timings of the School Day.

Students will need to arrive by 8.25 am for Registration at 8.30 am.

The School Day will be amended, with the first lesson starting at 9.15 am.

School will still finish at 3.00 pm, unless students are staying for extra-curricular clubs, revision sessions or detentions.



All students should leave the school site by 3.10pm unless attending a session 7 or working with a member of staff. There is to be no waiting in the cafe after school. The only students in the building must be involved in Enrichment sessions, a session 7, or isolation/detention.

(Monday) Stage 3 - SLT Detentions = 3:05pm = 4:30pm (85 minutes) (Tuesday - Friday) Stage 1 Detentions = 3:05pm - 3:35pm (30 minutes) Stage 2 Detentions - 3:05pm = 4:00pm (55 minutes) Isolation takes place between 9:00am-3pm/3.30pm/4.00pm (Depending on Behaviour)

There is no immediate change as the current School Day timings remain for the Summer Term (April to July 2023).

The new times will start after the summer holidays, in September 2023.