



AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter

AGS students ASPIRE-GROW-SUCCEED

"Allerton Grange is committed to ensuring that all students have the subject knowledge, the vocabulary, the experiences and the character to secure places at world-renowned universities and on elite training programmes, which will enable them to make aspirational career choices." This quote is from our 2025 vision statement and as you can see, destinations (where students move to on their education/training/employment journey) are very important to us. Since September, we have received a variety of data and information about where Allerton Grange Students progress post-16 and post-18. Here are some of the headlines:

Year 11 students (2023):

- 40% accepted into AGS Sixth Form.
- 40% secured places at Leeds City College.
- 6% are attending Notre Dame Sixth Form College.
- 3% are attending Leeds College of Building.
- 2% have secured apprenticeships.
- 8% are attending other educational providers.
- 3% are NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training). This figure compares to 5.2% nationally and 9.2% across Leeds.

Year 12 students (2023):

- 95% retention rate of students moving into their final year of A level programme. (This is significantly better than the 91% nationally and 89% for Leeds)
- 20 students are required to take early entry assessments to secure their post-18 placement:
- 5 students applying to Cambridge University.
- 1 student applying to Oxford University.
- 10 students applying to study medicine.
- 4 students applying to study dentistry.

Year 13 students (2023):

- 70% of students secured places at university.
- 25% secured places at Russell Group universities. (This compares to 15% nationally and 14% across Leeds).
- 20% have moved straight into employment.
- 1 student secured a degree apprenticeship.

We are so proud of every students who has completed their full 5 or 7 years of education at Allerton Grange – the vast majority move onto suitably aspirational education programmes or training.

Mike Roper
Headteacher

ClassCharts

Positive points: 15,000

Negative points: 1,200

93% positive points ratio

Dates for your Diary:

Monday 2 October - Open Morning for Prospective Parents

Wednesday 4 October - Black History Month Event: Screening of BBC Black and British Documentary, 3.15 - 4.20 pm

Thursday 5 October - Netball Tour Parents' Information Evening, 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Wednesday 11 October - Duke of Edinburgh Award Welcome Evening, 5.00 - 6.00 pm

Sports Fixture Results:

Netball

Our **Year 7 and 8 Netball teams** played Roundhay in their first game of the season on Wednesday. The **Year 8 team** held an extremely tall opposition to 4-4 until the final quarter, when tiredness set in. The final score was 12 - 6 to Roundhay. Our **Year 7 team** fared better beating Roundhay 8-5, Natalia (**Year 7**) and Holly (**Year 8**) were voted players' player.



We also played Allerton High this week. Our **B team** were unfortunately beaten 11-5, however the **A team** won 9 - 4. Miss Caisley's player of the match was Harriet for exceptional defending.



Thank you to the PE Team for supporting our students to take part in competitive fixtures.

Hot Chocolate Friday

At Hot Chocolate Friday on 29 September, with Mr Norrington (Associate Headteacher) and Ms Saunders (Deputy Headteacher), students celebrated their achievements.

Congratulations this week to:

Lucy in Year 7 was nominated for being an absolute star helping at Open Evening given that she's only been with us 3 weeks!

Dasi in Year 8 has shown grit and determination, despite her setbacks, always putting her best foot forward. Dasi - well done for being so brave and amazing!

Lars in Year 9 was nominated for being such a friendly, polite and adventurous student, who went above and beyond during the German trip to help out when needed, and immersed himself in everything the trip had to offer.

Zidan in Year 10 was nominated for contributing brilliantly during the recent poetry visit to BBC Radio Leeds.

Freddie in Year 11 was nominated for super leadership over Sports Week and for fabulous Athletics, running and jumping in the finals.



Rugby

Our **Year 11 boys' Rugby team** played their first match this week in their quest to reach the Leeds Schools Final for the third year in a row. Unfortunately, they lost 22-12 to Temple Moor but there are still matches to play - good luck boys!.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2023

EVENTS SCHEDULE




Wednesday 4 October (3.15-4.20, Main Hall)
Screening of BBC documentary 'Black and British': Ep1 First Encounters

 Historian and broadcaster David Olusoga tells the rich and revealing story of the long relationship between the British Isles and the people of Africa and the Caribbean. This episode explores these roots, from African Romans who guarded Hadrian's Wall in the 3rd century AD to the Black trumpeter of the Tudor courts. [Links to Key Stage 3 Curriculum.](#)

Thursday 12 October (3.15-4.20, L018)
Screening of 'Black Tudors: Three Untold Stories', lecture by Dr Miranda Kaufman

 Dr Kaufman tells the intriguing tales of three Africans living in Tudor England – Jacques Francis, a diver employed by Henry VIII; Mary Fillis, a Moroccan woman baptized in Elizabethan London; and Edward Swarthye, a porter living in a Gloucestershire manor house. Their stories illuminate key issues: how did they come to England? What were their lives like? Most importantly, were they free? [Links to GCSE History: Early Elizabethan England, 1558-1588.](#)

Thursday 19 October: (3.15-4.20, L018)
Screening of 'Women of the Harlem Renaissance', lecture by Prof Kate Dossett

 In the cultural movement known as the Harlem Renaissance in the 1920s, African Americans created new platforms to promote their work and learned to navigate white gatekeepers who controlled America's publishing and cultural industries. At the forefront of this movement, women were among its most radical thinkers: as playwrights, poets, novelists and artists. [Links to A Level History: USA Boom and Bust, 1920-1955.](#)

Thursday 26 October: (3.15-4.20, L018)
Screening of 'Race and Post-War Migration Policy', lecture by David Olusoga MBE

 Britain's immigration policy was re-invented after 1945 to maintain historic ties to the Old Commonwealth, and shore-up Britain's position as a 'world power'. This lecture explores the significance of post WWII emigration, the Windrush and the passing of the British Nationality Act in 1948. [Links to A Level History: Britain Transformed, 1918-1998.](#)

All AGS students are welcome to attend the events, regardless of whether they study History at GCSE or A Level. Please collect a permission slip from a History teacher.

SAVE THE DATE!

Sixth Form Open Evening
Thursday 9 November 2023
6.00 - 8.00 pm

Year 11 students are invited to join us to find out about the options for studying at Allerton Grange Sixth Form.

Online bookings will open soon.

For more information please visit our Sixth Form website or email: sixthform@allertongrange.com



KS4&5 Careers Fair

Thank you to all those who attended the 2023 Allerton Grange Careers Fair and made it such a successful event.

Over 300 students attended, the majority came with a parent or carer.

Our exhibitors all commented on the outstanding students we have at Allerton Grange. Students were engaging, enthusiastic, polite and interested to hear about the different jobs, courses and opportunities available to them.

Thank you to the fantastic Year 7 and Year 8 volunteers. Exhibitors, teachers and parents alike all commented on how well the volunteers represented the school and what a fantastic job they did of looking after everyone.

We're already looking forward to next year's event!

Mrs Mills, Careers Leader



Extra-Curricular Activities Calendar

Term 1 – September - December

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---|--|--|---|
| Homework Club All Years - Library | Homework Club All Years - Library | Homework Club All Years - Library | Homework Club All Years - Library | Spectrum (LGBTQ+) Club All years – M003 |
| Girls Basketball All years - Courts | Badminton All Years | Junior Concert Band Grade 1-3 Musicians - M001 | Chess Club All Years – L029 | Rubik's Cube Club All years - L026 |
| Our House – Rehearsals All Years - Hall | Jazz Club Grade 2 or above musicians - M003 | Senior Concert Band Grade 4-8 Musicians - M001 | School of Rock All Years - M002 | Our House – Rehearsals All Years - Hall |
| Samba Year 7, 8 and 9 (Lunchtimes) | Music Theory Musicians approaching Grade 5 - M002 | Girls Rugby All Years | Choir All Years - Hall | Software development Club (WEEK B) KS4 and KS5 – I001 |
| | Our House – Rehearsals All Years - Hall | Boys Basketball All Years | Netball Year 9 | <p>ALL YEARS</p> <p>KS3</p> <p>KS4</p> <p>KS5</p> |
| | Girls Football Year 8, 9, 10 and 11 | Netball Year 8 | Netball Year 7 | |
| | Year 7 Drama Club Hall | Year 8 and 9 Drama Club Hall | Girls Football Year 7 | |
| | Boys Football Year 7 | Boys Rugby KS3 | Boys Football Year 8 | |
| | Netball Year 10 and Year 11 | Boys Football Year 9 | Coding Club (WEEK A) KS3 - I002 | |
| | | Maths GCSE Drop-in KS4 – L035 | Boys Football Year 10 and 11 | |
| | | Geography A-Level Drop-in KS5 – L022 | EPQ Club KS5 – I001 | |
| | | Social Sciences Drop-in KS5 – L031 | Social Sciences Drop-in KS5 – I001 | |
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| PHYSICAL EDUCATION | | AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS | |
|--------------------|--|---------------------------|--|
| WEEK 10 | SPORTS CLUBS | WEEK 11 | SPORTS CLUBS |
| MONDAY | GIRLS BASKETBALL (G04) | MONDAY | GIRLS BASKETBALL (G04) |
| TUESDAY | VR 10 & 11 NETBALL (G03) & (J04) VR 8, 9, 10 & 11 GIRLS FOOTBALL (G01) VR 7 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) BOOMINGTON (G05) | TUESDAY | VR 10 & 11 NETBALL (G03) & (J04) VR 8, 9, 10 & 11 GIRLS FOOTBALL (G01) VR 7 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) BADMINTON (G06) |
| WEDNESDAY | VR 8 NETBALL (G03) GIRLS RUGBY (G07) & (L04) (M04) BOYS BASKETBALL (G04) 10&11 BOYS RUGBY (L04) VR 8 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) | WEDNESDAY | VR 8 NETBALL (G03) GIRLS RUGBY (G07) & (L04) (M04) BOYS BASKETBALL (G04) 10&11 BOYS RUGBY (L04) VR 8 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) |
| THURSDAY | VR 9 NETBALL (G03) VR 7 NETBALL (G03) VR 7 GIRLS FOOTBALL (G01) VR 8 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) VR 10 & 11 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) | THURSDAY | VR 9 NETBALL (G03) VR 7 NETBALL (G03) VR 7 GIRLS FOOTBALL (G01) VR 8 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) VR 10 & 11 BOYS FOOTBALL (G02) |

If you DO NOT have PE on the above days you can still come to school in your PE kit!

STARTING TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

Careers Fair for students in KS4 & 5

We'd like to invite Year 10-13 students and a parent or carer to attend the Allerton Grange Careers Fair on Thursday 28 September from 4.30 - 6.30pm in the school Sports Hall.

There will be a range of colleges, universities, employers and industry professionals to meet with and hear more about the options available when leaving Allerton Grange.

We would also welcome any parents/carers who wish to host a stall at the event. If you, or someone you know, would like to come along to inspire our students with information and advice about a job, company, organisation or course, we'd love to hear from you. Please email louisemills@allertongrange.com for more information.

Don't start your day by being late to school!
Students need to be in school , in their form room, at 8.25 am
ready for the register to be taken at 8.30 am.

| Timetable A | | Timetable B | Timetable C | |
|-------------------|--------------|--|-------------|---------|
| Years 10/11/12/13 | | Years 8/9 | Year 7 | |
| 8:25am | | Warning Bell | | 8:25am |
| 8:30am | REGISTRATION | | | 8:30am |
| 8:50am | DEAR | DEAR | DEAR | 8:50am |
| 9:15am | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9:15am |
| 10:05am | 2 | BREAK | 2 | 10:05am |
| 10:55am | BREAK | 2 | BREAK | 10:25am |
| 11:15am | 3 | 3 | 3 | 10:50am |
| 12:05pm | 4 | LUNCH | 4 | 11:15am |
| 12:55pm | LUNCH | 4 | LUNCH | 12:05pm |
| 1:20pm | 5 | 5 | 5 | 12:30pm |
| 2:10pm | 6 | 6 | 6 | 12:55pm |
| 3:00pm | | After School Provisions/Detentions begin | | 1:20pm |
| | | | | 2:10pm |
| | | | | 3:00pm |

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)