



AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter

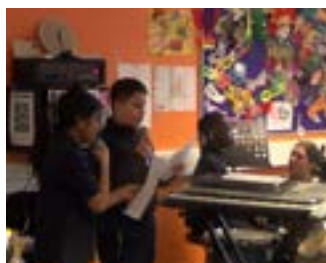
Enrichment Programme

Last Friday the whole of KS3 stepped away from their curriculum lessons and stepped into their new enrichment sessions, which is part of Allerton Grange's new Service and Leadership Programme. The programme follows three strands where students will have the opportunity to choose enrichment activities from: **Creativity**, **Community** and **Commitment**, which will rotate throughout the year.

The launch of these sessions was extremely successful. We saw students trying new activities from 'Self-Defence' to 'Hair Braiding' and 'Orienteering' to 'Contemporary Dance'. Students were developing an array of skills such as resilience, patience and teamwork, and some are developing an appreciation of culture and community, through exploring sessions such as 'An Introduction to Japan', 'British Sign Language', 'Music and the Deaf', 'St Gemma's Hospice Raising & Giving Group' and 'AGS Cultures'.

It was so lovely to see students enjoying their learning and adapting to these sessions so quickly, we cannot wait to see their progression throughout the term. Keep an eye out every other week for photo updates on the Service and Leadership programme.

Mike Roper
Headteacher



Music and the Deaf



Camp Crafts



Board Games



Self Defence

Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 24 January - Year 8 HPV Immunisations
(Parental consent required to receive vaccine)

Thursday 25 January - Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award Sign Up

Wednesday 31 January - Woman in Black Trip to York Grand Opera House

Wednesday 31 January - Sixth Form visit to Leeds Dental School

Tuesday 6, Wednesday 7 & Thursday 8 February - Our House: The Madness Musical, 7 - 9.30 pm - Tickets available on ParentPay

ClassCharts

Positive points: 17,280

Negative points: 1,570

92% positive points ratio

Training Days 2023-24

The remaining Training Days this school year, when school is closed to students, are on:

Friday 5 July,
Monday 22 July and
Tuesday 23 July

Sports Fixture Results

Cricket:

On Thursday 11 January, Miss Caisley took nine **Year 8** pupils to Woodhouse Grove School to take part in the West Yorkshire U13 Girls Indoor Cricket qualifying tournament.

Our first game was against our local rivals Allerton High, who we beat 69-57, with Zainah retiring on 15 not out.

Then, we had to face Woodhouse Grove. Skye won the toss and we fielded first, Skye bowled their number one batter out on the first ball which put us in a great position, and with Amrit's amazing one handed catch, we managed to keep them to 63 runs. Needing 7 from the last over, we were victorious winning 67-63.

We went on to also beat Leeds West 105-40, with Skye claiming 3 wickets, and Zainah and Holly making amazing catches.

Coming second overall, we progress onto the West Yorkshire U13 final on Tuesday 20 February.

Well done girls you were fantastic!



Netball:

On Monday night, our **Year 8 and 9 Netball teams** played against Dixon's Trinity Chapeltown for their first game in 2024.

Both teams started off nervous and frenetic, but the **Year 9 team** went into the 2nd quarter 4-1 ahead and **Year 8** 3-0 in the lead.

Once they had warmed up **Year 9** got into their flow and ended up winning the game 14-2 and **Year 8** ended also with a 12-3 win. Players of the match were Harriet and Lucy.



Hot Chocolate Friday

At Hot Chocolate Friday on 19 January, with Mr Norrington (Associate Headteacher), students celebrated their achievements.

Congratulations this week to:

Harley in Year 7 was nominated for being an exemplary student, and for also being nominated as Student of the Term in the December End of Term 1 Rewards.

Natty in Year 9 was nominated for using initiative and offered to help staff clean up rubbish in the dining room and playground. Well done Natty, you showed real maturity.

Alex in Year 10 was nominated for all his help with the Year 7 Drama Club. Alex goes above and beyond, and has been fantastic, helping all the students rehearse their pantomimes. He is so passionate, patient and kind, and the younger students really look up to him - an absolute star!



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

Battle of the Bands Winners!

Last night, Sixth Form students Eddie, Niamh, Krishna and Luke, and Lilia in Year 10, AKA 'Yacht Club' were crowned winners of the Red Kite Alliance Battle of the Bands 2024 at the Wardrobe.

They competed against 11 other schools within the Red Kite Alliance and won the professional judges votes for their exceptional performance of Locked Out of Heaven.

The announcement was given by Richard Sheriff, the CEO of The Red Kite Alliance, and they were presented the award by Simon Rix (bassist from Kaiser Chiefs/Holy Moly Management), Sally Bryant (an A&R Representative/Artist Manager, Dance to the Radio/Futuresound) and Sam Nicholls (aka whiskas, Director of Music Local and Music:Leeds).

You can watch the moment the Yacht Club were announced as winners and their final performance of the evening:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ue5xfBTING0>



Our House - The Madness Musical

Tickets for Our House, on **6, 7 & 8 February**, are now available from ParentPay. It promises to be a fantastic show. Last year, we had sold out shows, so don't miss out!

Doors open at 6.30 pm

Performances starts at 7.00 pm

If you have any accessibility needs, please email vikimciver@allertongrange.com.



Oxford University Computing Challenge (OUCC)

On Monday, the students who finished in the top 10% of the Oxford Bebras Computing Competition (now called the Oxford University Computing Challenge) took part in the second round.

We're incredibly proud of the group for getting so far in this tough competition. Well done to all!



Careers Update



FREE EMPLOYABILITY WORKSHOP

STARTING 17TH JANUARY!

Employment & Enterprise opportunities for 16 - 25 year olds!

- Build your confidence
- Build connections
- Networking
- Gain employability skills
- Find employment

Unity Business Centre,
26 Roundhay Road,
LS7 1AB

EVERY WEDNESDAY
13:00 - 14:30pm

Refreshments will be provided

FOR MORE INFO:

Contact Kelly or Ben:

07730870810 / 07593561613



Birmingham	Monday, 29 January 2024
Bristol	Thursday, 9 February 2024
Cambridge	Wednesday, 31 January 2024
Edinburgh	Monday, 29 January 2024
Glasgow	Tuesday, 20 January 2024
Leeds	Wednesday, 7 February 2024
Liverpool	Wednesday, 14 February 2024
London	Monday, 4 March 2024
Manchester	Thursday, 15 February 2024
Newcastle	Friday, 2 February 2024
Reading	Tuesday, 13 February 2024
Southampton	Tuesday, 6 February 2024

Medic Mentor - Virtual Work Experience

Participating in this virtual work experience not only opens doors for students to gain insights and opportunities that may otherwise be hard to access but also serves as a crucial step in preparing them for their upcoming physical placements.

Partnering with Birmingham Universities Hospitals Trust, our Virtual Work Experience has been a game-changer for thousands of secondary school students in the past year.

If any students aged 14-18 haven't yet attended a Get Into Conference but are interested in joining the Virtual Work Experience, they can sign up for the upcoming conferences on these dates to gain INSTANT access after attending:

For aspiring Doctors: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Medicine conference dates:

Saturday 27 January, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Saturday 3 February, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Sunday 4 February, 9:30am - 3:30pm

For aspiring Dentists: FREE LIVE VIRTUAL Get Into Dentistry conference date:

Sunday 28 January, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Students and parents can register for free at these links:

Medicine: <https://medicmentor.org/get-into-medicine-ucas-conference/>

Dentistry: <https://dental-mentor.org/get-into-dentistry-ucas-conference/>

Throughout these conferences, students will have the chance to interact directly with doctors, dentists, and medical and dental students LIVE. They'll gain critical information to make a competitive application to study medicine or dentistry at university.

Students aged 14 - 18 are invited to attend with a parent or guardian, equipped with a working camera and microphone.

Medical Registration Link: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZYH3MGpjvO>

Dental Registration Link: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shrBuiR7SBACc19kE>

Leeds - Meet Your Army: The Army Engagement Group

Wednesday 28 February 2024 18:30 - 21:00

Elland Road Stadium

[Book your ticket here \(click on link\)](#)

Join us for an exciting evening at Elland Road Stadium on Wed 28 Feb 2024 at 18:30 GMT. Get ready to meet the Army Engagement Group and discover what they're all about!

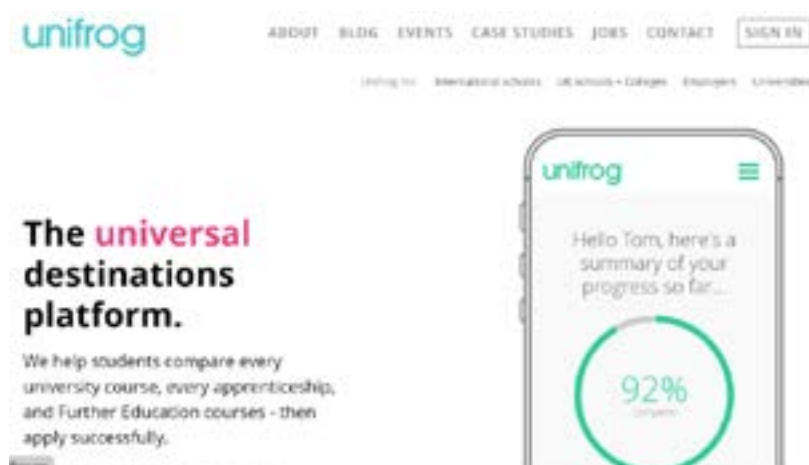
This in-person event offers a unique opportunity to engage with the Army and gain insights into their work. Whether you're curious about the army's role or considering a career, this event is perfect for you.

Learn about the army's various departments, their missions, and the incredible individuals who serve. You'll have the chance to interact with army personnel.

Don't miss this chance to get up close and personal with the army. Mark your calendars for Wed 28 Feb 2024 and join us at Elland Road Stadium

[Book your ticket here](#)

We're a Unifrog School!



Unifrog is the universal destinations platform and is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. All students have their own account where they can explore all the career and next step options available to them and find information on everything from managing their workload to writing a winning CV. Students have access to a wide variety of video and written content, and interactive quizzes and tests, including:

Section of the platform	Examples of what students can do	Suitable age range
Quizzes	Finding their interests, personality type, preferred work environment, and skillset.	Years 7-13
Exploring pathways	Explore careers, career sectors, subjects, sign up to free webinars, explore MOOCs and courses, and find wider reading materials.	Years 7-13
Recording what you've done	Record their in-class and extracurricular activities, record examples of their skills, and see the record of CEIAG events the school has added to their accounts.	Years 7-13
Searching for opportunities	Find scholarships, activities, and bursaries to support their HE journey. Find and compare degrees in the UK and overseas, live apprenticeships, and FE courses.	Years 10-13
Application materials / Making applications	Write their CV, cover letter, Personal Statement, and more. Track their applications and record their Post 16 / 18 intentions.	Years 11-13

Students sign in to Unifrog using their school email address and password and they can do so from any computer, tablet or smartphone. A welcome email has been sent to all students.

We have also added a parent sign in code, to enable you to research careers, attend webinars delivered by employers and universities to learn more about their opportunities, and compare pathways so you can support your child in making an informed decision about their next steps. **The sign up code you need is: [AGSparents](#) and you can sign up here: www.unifrog.org/code.**

Extra-Curricular Activities Calendar

Term 2 – January to April

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	PE Band Rehearsal M002
Girls Basketball Sports Hall	Spectrum (LGBTQ+) Club All years - M002	Juniors Concert Band Grade 1-3 Musicians - M001	Chess Club All Years - L029	Rubik's Cube Club All years - L026
Art Club Art	Spars Maths All Year - Maths Pod	Senior Concert Band Grade 4-8 Musicians - M001	School of Rock All Years - M002	Our House – Rehearsals All Years - Hall
Our House – Rehearsals All Years - Hall	All Years Badminton Sports Hall	Boys Basketball Sports Hall	Choir All Years - Hall	Software development Club (WEEK 8) KS4 and KS5 - 1001
Samba Year 7, 8 and 9 (Lunchtimes)	Jazz Club Grade 2 or above musicians - M003	Year 8/9 Trampoline Sports Hall	KS3 Table Tennis Sports Hall	Product Design Drop-in T002
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	Our House – Rehearsals All Years - Hall	Year 8 and 9 Drama Club Hall	Year 7 Trampoline Sports Hall	<p>ALL YEARS</p> <p>KS3</p> <p>KS4</p> <p>KS5</p>
	Year 7 Drama Club Hall	Politics Club KS3 - L053	Coding Club (WEEK A) KS3 - KS7	
	Writers' Collective KS3 - L011	Fine Art GCSE/ A-Level drop in Art	Physics Olympiad KS4 - S11 (from March)	
	Darts Club Year 8 - L024	Foundation French GCSE Revision L002	Product Design Drop-in T002	
	KS4 Fitness Fitness Suite	Product Design Drop-in T002	Debating Society KS5 and KS4 - L15.	
	Physics Drop-in Year 11 - S004	GCSE PE Revision L044	Fine Art GCSE/ A-Level drop in Art	
	Fine Art GCSE/ A-Level drop Art	Geography A-Level Drop-in KS3 - L022	Debating Society KS5 and KS4 - L15.	
	Geography GCSE Drop-in KS5 - L022	Social Sciences Drop-in KS5 - L051	EPQ Club KS5 - 1001	
	Product Design Drop-in T002		Social Sciences Drop-in KS5 - L011	
	Social Sciences Drop-in KS5 - L051			



[Click here to open a PDF version of the Extra-Curricular timetable](#)



WHAT'S ON AFTER SCHOOL IN PE?

	ACTIVITY	WHERE	STAFF
MONDAY	Girls Basketball	Sports Hall	BCA
TUESDAY	All Years Badminton KS4 Fitness	Sports Hall Fitness Suite	SNO JGA
WEDNESDAY	Boys Basketball Y7 Fitness Y8/9 Trampoline Year 11 GCSE Revision	Sports Hall Fitness Suite Sports Hall L44	DTO JGA KAI BCA
THURSDAY	KS3 Table Tennis Year 8/9 Fitness Year 7 Trampoline	Sports Hall Fitness Suite Sports Hall	SNO JSM BCA & KAI

YOU MUST SIGN UP IF YOU WANT TO JOIN.

Sheets are outside the PE Office.

These clubs start the week beginning 27th November until February half term.

ALL CLUBS ARE FROM 3 - 4pm.

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.

The School Day 2023-2024

Timetable A Years 10/11/12/13		Timetable B Years 8/9		Timetable C 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	10:05am	2	10:05am
10:55am	BREAK	2		BREAK	10:30am
11:15am	3	3		3	10:50am
12:05pm	4	LUNCH	12:05pm	4	11:15am
12:55pm	LUNCH	4	12:30pm	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)