



AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter

Supporting our students during exam season:

Our Year 11 and Year 13 students are now embarking on the final exams for their GCSEs and A Level courses. Our school website has a vast number of resources to support students and parents through this stressful period.

The resources include for students:

- Revision materials for every subject area (using our FACE it revision model).
- The exam specification for every subject area.
- Topic checklists for every subject area.

[Click here for Year 11 Resources](#)

[Click here for Year 13 Resources](#)

And for parents:

- The [presentation from our Supporting Success evening](#), for parents, earlier this year.
- [Exam timetables for GCSE and A level.](#)
- Allerton Grange Examination policies on the [Policies page of the School website.](#)
- Useful website links to exam boards - [see the link at the bottom of the Exams and Revision webpage.](#)

Please remember that if you have a child sitting an exam this summer, it is essential:

- They have a good night's sleep every evening.
- They arrive in plenty of time for each exam – lateness is penalised by exam boards.
- They have their full equipment for every exam. This should include a supply of spare pens. All equipment must be in a clear pencil case.
- They have a water bottle to keep them hydrated.
- If you have any questions about our exam procedures or policies then please contact Miss Moore (Assistant Headteacher).
- If you have concerns about your child and their exams then please contact their Head of Year for pastoral support:
 - Miss Davis (Year 11)
 - Mrs Braim (Year 13)

We wish every Year 11 and Year 13 students the very best of luck during this exam season.

Parent governor elections:

If you are a parent/carer of a child at Allerton Grange and want to make a difference to children reaching their potential, we have a vacancy for a parent governor on our governing body. No previous experience is required, as a free programme of training is provided, just enthusiasm, an interest in education and the willingness to learn. Further information about the role and how to apply has been sent home to all families today and is also [available on our website.](#)

Mike Roper
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 14 May - Start of A level Exams

Wednesday 15 May - Year 12 Careers Trip to Newcastle

Wednesday 15 & Thursday 16 May - Year 10 Geography Fieldtrip

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**

ClassCharts

Positive points: 9,275
Negative points: 1,530
84% positive points ratio

STUDY LEAVE - YEAR 11 AND YEAR 13

[Year 11 students start their study leave on Thursday 23 May,](#) after the GCSE Language Exam. (Due to finish at approx 11.00am)

[Year 13 students start their study leave on Monday 3 June.](#)

From those dates they only need to attend school for exams.

Sports Results

Rounders

On Tuesday 7 May, the **Year 8 Rounders team** played their first game of the season against Carr Manor. They successfully won, scoring 9 rounders in total. Special mentions go to Amrit and Daisy for their excellent fielding and Holly for superb batting.

Cricket

Also on Tuesday, the **Year 8 team** travelled to Kettlethorpe to play in the first round of the cup. After fielding first, they were chasing a total of 105 runs from 14 overs, and fell just 10 runs short, scoring 95. Sam was a standout retiree on 33 not out.

Basketball

The **Senior Basketball team** travelled to Leeds Beckett to play in the Leeds finals. Unfortunately, the scoring system was not monitored correctly and AGS lost, going through to the semi-final and were put into the 3/4th play off. This hindered our progress somewhat!

Special mention must go to Marcus who is a superb player scoring most of the points.

Year 11 Students:

Prom tickets are now available from ParentPay



Hot Chocolate Friday

At Hot Chocolate Friday on 10 May, with Mr Norrington (Associate Headteacher), students celebrated their achievements.

Congratulations this week to:

Maksym in Year 7 was nominated for being polite and respectful, having a great attitude to learning, and to peers and staff. Well done!

Ryan in Year 8 was nominated by his Biology teacher for showing amazing compassion when working with another student. He goes out of his way to make sure the other student understands and adapts his work so they can join in.

Xander in Year 9 was nominated for his perseverance and determination this year. A massive well done.

Isabelle in Year 10 was nominated by her Classics teacher for her incredible work in lessons. She was also exceptional during a trip to the Classics department at the University of Cambridge, where she asked lots of questions and gave her viewpoint.



Leeds Beckett English Literature Session

On Friday, we were delighted to host Dr Caroline Herbert, an expert on English Literature from Leeds Beckett University.

Dr Herbert delivered a fascinating session on colonialism and postcolonial literature to our Year 12 English Lit classes, which Ms Halaka organised as an insight into an aspect of our coursework.



Caroline certainly made her mark before she left; her talk not only expanded our horizons but also brought together both English Lit classes in a shared pursuit of knowledge. Not only were we introduced to the classic text, *Jane Eyre*, as well having a detailed discussion over the analysis of historical artwork, she introduced us briefly to Kei Miller, a poet who plays with the fundamentals of literature.

Dr Herbert introduced and illuminated us on the complex links between literature, culture, and history. It was an enriching experience that gave us a new insight into postcolonial artwork and how colonialism is represented in media.

Special thank you to Ms Halaka and the English department for organising the session.



Oral Health Project

Last week, Year 12 students led sessions with Year 7 students as part of the Raised in Yorkshire Oral Health Research Project.



School Mini Bus Information

If you are thinking about requesting a place for your child on the School Mini Bus for September 2024, **please read the Mini Bus Letter.**

Our School Mini Buses are oversubscribed so we use criteria to allocate places, ensuring our youngest and most vulnerable students can access school transport.

The letter includes the criteria we follow to allocate places, along with the routes the Mini Bus uses.

The deadline to request a place is Friday 17 May 2024.

Far from Pointless

You may have seen Ms Gershaw on the TV gameshow *Pointless* this week! Laura appeared on two episodes with her husband Ben, and *spoiler* they had an epic final round with three 'Pointless' answers. Well done to you both!



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		8:50am	
9:15am	1	1		9:15am	
10:05am	2	BREAK	10:05am	10:05am	
10:55am	BREAK	2		10:30am	
11:15am	3	3		10:50am	
12:05pm	4	LUNCH	12:05pm	11:15am	
12:55pm	LUNCH	4	12:30pm	12:05pm	
1:20pm	5	5		12:30pm	
2:10pm	6	6		12:55pm	
3:00pm				1:20pm	
		After School Provisions/Detentions begin		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)