



AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter

Head students recruitment process:

Our Student Leadership Group (SLG) is the committee which oversees the workings of our student council lower down the school. The SLG is run by our sixth formers and is elected every year. There are two chairs of the SLG, namely our Head Students. Year 12 students apply for these prestigious posts and are interviewed by myself and Mr Macrow (KS5 Director). It is one of my favourite parts of the year, reading applications from students and then interviewing prospective Head Students. This year, we have had 11 applications and the quality of the supporting applications is so strong I want to share some of the statements with you:

One student writes – “Allerton Grange School simply does not allow its students to feel held back by any perceived disadvantages of attending a state school.”

Another writes – “Having been at Allerton Grange for 6 years, I can clearly see that this school has shaped me into a person I feel confident being. I have learned many positive aspects of studying within a diverse community.”

Another student comments – “... I have grown up with the Allerton Grange school values – not just ASPIRE, GROW, SUCCEED, but also to celebrate my school community's diverse cultural heritage, unlock the power of reading, and above all to feel empowered to pursue high aspirations.”

One student also comments – “Over the last 6 years at Allerton Grange I have grown into a highly motivated and determined young woman with clear aspirations and a keen sense of self-worth. Our school has been at the heart of my transformation.”

Finally, another application states – “Whilst at Allerton Grange, I have grown as a person with the help of the school's main values: Integrity, Compassion, Community and Humility. I feel the school has a very close community which has helped me establish lifelong friendships.”

I have been blown away this week by the quality of the applications we received. I cannot wait to interview the students and then share with you in the coming weeks our new Head Students for 2024/25.

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 and is also available on our [website](#).

Mike Roper (Headteacher)

Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 22 May - Year 9 DTP Vaccinations - Students should wear PE kit to school

Thursday 23 May - Year 12 Next Steps Careers Day

Thursday 23 May - Library Trip to the Little Bookshop, Chapel Allerton

Friday 24 May - Last Day of Half Term, School is closed for the Half Term

Holiday 27 - 31 May, reopening on Monday 3 June.

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: 14,250

Negative points: 2,130

85% 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

The **Year 8 girls' Rounders team** won 8-5 against Carr Manor in a friendly game, and then won a tournament at Roundhay beating Carr Manor, Gorse, Allerton High and Cockburn.

Rugby

Our **Year 7/8 girls' Rugby team** played their third league game of the season against Carr Manor, and drew 12-12 with a much improved performance from their first game.

The **Year 9 boys' Rugby team** unfortunately lost to Sherburn and Cockburn, but beat Corpus Christi in a try 9's tournament. They came 3rd in their group.

Basketball

The **KS3 boys' Basketball team** travelled to Leeds Beckett for the Leeds Schools finals night. They came 5th overall.

Year 11 Students:

Prom tickets are now available from ParentPay



Hot Chocolate Friday

At Hot Chocolate Friday on 17 May, with Mr Norrington (Associate Headteacher), students celebrated their achievements.

Congratulations this week to:

Harrison in Year 7 was nominated for his achievements in swimming. Following recent competitions, he has been ranked 9th in England and has been invited to take part in the British Championships. Huge congratulations!

Marvel in Year 8 joined AGS a few weeks ago and has settled in well, been really positive in all of his lessons and is a polite, respectful young man. A great addition to Year 8!

Fabio in Year 9 has only been at AGS for 6 weeks and has settled in so well. He is so polite and kind, and is working brilliantly in all of his subjects. Well done Fabio!



Parent/Carer Survey

The Parent/Carer survey will open for parents and carers to complete on 10 June 2024 and will be open for three weeks, closing on the 28 June 2024.

A link to the anonymous survey will be provided in future newsletters.

You will be able to answer multiple choice questions about the school and leave comments.

Thank you for your support.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award at Allerton Grange



As another year of DofE Bronze expeditions comes to a close, and the Silver and Gold Students are preparing themselves for expedition, here are some updates about changes to the award in school.

Every year we see a huge amount of students sign up to the DofE at Allerton Grange and every year these students throw themselves into the award; trying new activities, meeting new people, achieving new goals and developing key skills as individuals.

We currently have over 180 students undertaking the Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards across Years 9 to 13. To ensure that we can continue to support each and every student that undertakes the award we have appointed Mr Mahoney who will take on the role of Duke of Edinburgh Manager in the school.

Students in Year 8 will receive an assembly and information about how to sign up for the Bronze Award next half term. If you require any information about the DofE Award at Allerton Grange, please e-mail dofe@allertongrange.com.

In other DofE news, Mr Morgan this week represented Allerton Grange at the Buckingham Palace Garden Party in recognition of the students' amazing achievements and our participation in running the award in school.



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 today, Friday 17 May 2024.

School Uniform Exchange

As we approach the end of the school year, please consider donating outgrown uniform to the Allerton Grange School Uniform Exchange.

Please drop clean donations off at main reception.

If you are looking for any uniform items, please email agadmin@allertongrange.com.

There are some items available but hopefully they will be more sizes by the end of term.



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					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)