



Wath Academy Newsletter

Issue 9

Principal's Update

11 March 2022

Dear Students / Parents / Carers,

Success Stories

This year we would like to celebrate the successes of our students. We have therefore created an email address: achievement@wathacademy.com for parents/carers to send in information about their child's success.

This week we are incredibly proud to announce that Phoebe Gregg in Y11 has been selected for the Great Britain under 16 Ice Hockey team for the season. She was chosen following 5 selection camps which have taken place over the last year. Well done Phoebe, this is a great achievement.



Also, Amelie Henthorn has recently achieved a Distinction in her Grade 4 Musical Theatre exam with an amazing 100%. The examiner commented that she has beautiful lyrical phrasing, excellent pitch and superb diction. This is an incredible achievement, well done Amelie!

Ukraine Appeal

I wrote to parents on Wednesday last week regarding raising money for the victims of the war in Ukraine. We have so far raised over **£2,500** which is amazing. Thank you so much! There is still time to donate using the link below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/wathacademy>

Staffing Updates

During the last week we have made further appointments at the academy:

We have appointed two new Teaching Assistants to support our SEND students. Both members of staff will be starting in the coming weeks and we are looking forward to welcoming them to the academy.



We also appointed a new Assistant Attendance Officer to support the attendance team and a new Student Support Worker to provide further pastoral support to our students.

Finally, we have appointed a new Second in Mathematics. Miss Haigh will join us in September. Miss Haigh is a fantastic teacher and someone we know will improve us even further.

We are very excited by another round of successful recruitment and we are sure these staff members will help the academy in its pursuit of the vision.

Website

On our website there is a section under the Students & Parents tab called 'Curriculum'. This section gives an overview of the academy curriculum but also information about each subject.

<https://www.wathacademy.com/students-and-parents/curriculum/-our-subjects>

Within each subject you will find the department curriculum intent, the 39-week plan for each year group and the start to end point grids. The 39-week plan gives an overview of the topics covered while the start to end point grids give further detail around specific learning objectives. This section is designed to give parents and carers an understanding of what their child is learning at each point in the year.

Year 7 Transition

Over the last couple of weeks we have been informed that we will have 348 Y7s next year. This is an increase on last year's numbers as we received a record number of first choice applications. The fact that we are over subscribed for the second year running is testimony to the hard work of staff and students in driving the academy forward. We very much look forward to welcoming the new Y7s for some transition days this year and then in September when they will become Wath Academy students.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ransome
Principal



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Sixth Form

Sixth form students have this week visited Oxford University to experience tours of two different campuses, meet students and attend sessions on how to write a personal statement. This is the start of the Y12 UCAS process and students will be looking at university applications and exploring different Post-18 routes over the next term.

We will shortly be sending home details of our Y13 Easter intervention timetable. Y13 students are all encouraged to attend the revision sessions for their respective subjects.

Department Information

Modern Foreign Language Department

Hola! Bonjour! Hallo! The MFL staff at Wath Academy love teaching foreign languages because it is fun and it opens a window to a wonderful, diverse and colourful world. We feel immensely proud of being able to speak more than one language and we love to inspire our students to feel the same way too.

Foreign languages sound great and the cultures of different countries inspire the curious minds: from the language to the music, from the food to the art, from the history to the unique customs.

In MFL we learn through games and feel at ease when making mistakes. We believe that speaking a foreign language gives you that edge you need in whichever job you decide to pursue and makes your travels much more interesting!

Russian Club

Takes place every Monday after school.



Football Scholarship



Upcoming Fixtures

- Wednesday 16 March
- Boys 1st XI – Wales High (A)
- Girls – Park View (A)
- Boys 2nd XI – Woldgate (H)
- Boys 3rd XI – TRC (H)



In other news we are very excited to say that the resurfacing of our Asto-turf has started this week. We cannot wait to see the finished product! It is going to be an outstanding facility for the school and wider community.

PE Fixtures

Week commencing Monday 14 March 22

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Trampolining (all years, boys and girls) Fitness Suite (all years, boys and girls) Y8 Football Table Tennis (all years, boys and girls) KS2 Gymnastics event (3:45-5:15) Year 11 Football vs Oakwood (H)	Y10 Football Girls Football	KS4 Netball Tournament (Wales) Netball Training (7-9) Y7 Football Climbing (all years, boys and girls) Football vs Winterhill- Y11 (H) Y9 + Y10 (A) Y8 Rugby
Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Y9 Football Year 7 and 8 Rugby Vs Wickersley	Indoor Athletics at EIS (y7 girls, Y8 boys and girls) Badminton (all years, boys and girls)	





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Wath Academy House Competitions

Last week's WINNERS!

Friday 4 March 2022 – Netball Hoop Challenge

KS3 = Troy

KS4 = Thebes

Sixth Form = Thebes

Online Challenge = Athens



Upcoming Challenges include:

Friday 18 March– Footprint Challenge

Box Challenges

Science Elements Challenge

This term each Head of House will be giving you an in site in to what their House is all about. This week we have spoken to Mr Marriott, Head of Carthage.



Wow, What a year so far!! Since taking over as Head of House in October I have been amazed, astounded, and blown away by the efforts of all students and staff that make Carthage so great.

Thomas B, our Year 9 Vice-Captain has been an ever present at Friday events and his unique brand of enthusiasm has proven infectious to all that meet him.



In 2020-2021 Carthage came last in the overall house competition and this year started in a similar way, with us being in fourth place overall up until the beginning of November. Following some great performances in the online and Friday challenges we managed to push up to second and have consolidated this position and are now within striking distance of first place.

We have consistently been among the highest participators in all events and box tasks have generated some fantastic entries. Our winning Origami challenge from Chelsea C in 10RFO is an example of the ingenuity, imagination and attention to detail that Wath Academy students demonstrate on a daily basis

It's not all about winning events though, consistently performing at high standards and picking up points for the runner up positions has been essential in maintaining our position in the league table.

In addition to the House events, there have been opportunities to raise funds for our chosen charity – Macmillan Cancer Support. This was chosen during our first House assembly following suggestions from our students. At the Academy's Christmas fair, we raised just under £50 selling Christmas decorations.

As I said earlier, we have been incredibly successful and have come a long way since September. I am certain that if we keep building on this success, we can overtake Athens by the end of this year! Come on Carthage, "Get Involved!!!!"



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Careers



National Careers Week
NCW



This week we have been celebrating National Careers Week! Our students have enjoyed finding out how their subjects link to the world of work, with careers information in their lessons. Students have also had careers assemblies with Y7 and Y8 students having their assembly with Kevin Mincher.

Y10 Mock Interview Day

On Friday 18 March we are holding a Mock Interview Day for our Y10 students to give them the chance to experience what a real interview would be like and build their confidence.

We're looking for volunteers to conduct interviews with our students. There is no work to complete in advance, questions will be provided. If you can support our event, whether for a whole or part day, we'd love to hear from you. Please complete the form in the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/r/dLZGQ12tpb>



Events

Piano Recital

Tickets are still available for this event. Come and enjoy a wonderful evening while also supporting a good cause!



Upcoming Parents' Evening

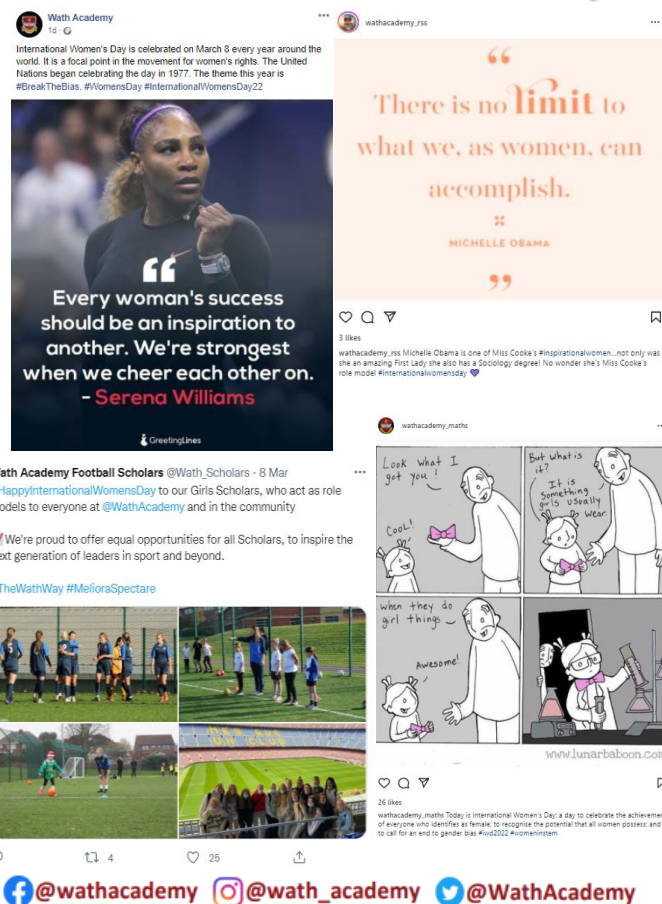
Year 7 – Tuesday 22 March 2022

Year 12 – Tuesday 26 April 2022

Year 9 – Tuesday 3 May 2022

Year 10 – Tuesday 21 June 2022

International Women's Day



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