



### PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

## **NEWSLETTER** – ISSUE 18



Dear Students / Parents / Carers,

Despite this half term being shorter it has been a very busy time for the academy. We have celebrated a number of success stories, Year 11 & 13 have started their exams, we have been busy planning for the upcoming Academy Awards and we have been consulting on an exciting new curriculum proposal for next academic year. (We will be further communicating with parents/carers and students over the coming weeks regarding the proposals for next year).

#### Success Stories

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

In previous letters I have updated you on Greg's progress in Powerlifting. Recently, in the APBU British Single Lift Championships in the 67.5kg section. Greg lifted 113.5kg in the Raw Bench Press and in the Single Ply Bench Press he lifted 115kgs. Hen then went on to lift 201kgs in the Raw Deadlift he did 210kgs and in the Single Ply Deadlift he lifted 215kgs.Greg came first in all 4 events so he got 4 gold medals and 2 daggers for best lifter.

As always we are incredibly proud of Greg and his achievements.

#### Inters Athletics Competition

It was great to once again compete against other schools in the Inters Athletics Competition. It was a very successful day for us returning with 3 year group trophies. Year 7, 9 and 10 all won their year group competitions. Unfortunately we just missed out on the overall trophy missing out by just 15 points. Well done to all the students, it was also commented that our students conducted themselves in exemplarity fashion.



#### Senior Citizens Platinum Jubilee Afternoon Tea

Yesterday afternoon we welcomed some senior citizens to the academy to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Our guests joined us for afternoon tea as well as performances from some of our talented musicians. It was lovely to spend the afternoon with members of our community and we look forward to future events when we can do the same again.





#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

PARENTS' EVENING

Year 10 Tuesday 21 June 2022

ACADEMY AWARDS Wednesday 6 July 2022

**2021/22 TERM DATES** 

SUMMER HALF TERM 30 May- 6 June 2022

SUMMER HOLIDAY 21 July – 1 September 2022







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#### Year 11 and 13

Year 11 and 13 have built on their exceptional start to the exam season. Their hard work and dedication is something they should be very proud of. They have attended a range of in school, after school and weekend interventions to provide themselves with a great chance of success. We hope that they get a good rest over half term, spend time with family and friends and return refreshed for the final weeks of their exams.

We do recognise that this can be a stressful time for students and families, if you or your child wished to access any support, please contact Mr Lines (<u>slines@wathacademy.com</u>) or Mrs Jandu (<u>ajandu@wathacademy.com</u>), they will be able to put the appropriate support in place for you and/or your child.

#### **Academy Awards**

There are still opportunities for local businesses to sponsor a page in the programme or even a prestigious award. In addition to advertising the business, we would also provide each sponsor with two VIP tickets which include reserved seating, canapés and drinks on arrival.

All money raised through sponsorship will be put directly in to making the event even more special. If you would like to sponsor the event in any way, please get in touch with us at <u>academyawards@wathacademy.com</u>

#### **Staff Appointments**

This week we have appointed two new teachers who will be joining us in September. Mrs Stanley will be joining the Science team whilst Mr Tingle will be starting his new role in as Head of Business and ICT Faculty. Again we are delighted with our recruitment so far this year and we look forward to welcoming them both next academic year.

#### Term Dates

We have updated our term dates and INSET days for 2022/23. You can find these by clicking on this link <u>Wath Academy - Term Dates</u>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ransome Principal

#### SIXTH FORM

#### Y13

It has been yet another great week for Y13 intervention and exams. Staff and Senior Leader's have commented on how they have been 'blown away' by how 'focused and determined' students have been.



We will have further information regarding rewards and celebrations for their efforts in the coming weeks.

Y12

We would like to invite parents to our Y12 Parents and Carers HE and Careers event on Thursday 30 June. This is an opportunity for parents to gain key information into the Post-16 options and choices available to their children. Further information to follow.



#### HOUSE COMPETITION WIINERS

Friday 20 May 2022 KS3 Limbo Challenge Winner - Sparta

**KS4 Tenable Challenge** Winners – Rome

**Sixth Form – Tenable Challenge** Winner - Sparta

Online City Scape Challenge Winner - Athens



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### **BOX TASK CHAMPIONS – Zombie Challenge**

1<sup>ST</sup> Place Thomas G





#### 5<sup>TH</sup> Place Elliott R



3<sup>RD</sup> Place Jayden E



6<sup>TH</sup> Place Alicia R









Building teamwork, confidence and community through competition



### **DEPARTMENT INFORMATION – HISTORY**

Our entry into this week's Newsletter arrives at a momentous time for our history students. Our Year 13 students have submitted their NEAs on the causes of the French Revolution, whilst also preparing themselves for their fast approaching A Level exams. In Year 11, our history cohort has just completed their first GCSE exam on conflict in Asia from 1955-1975 and are really demonstrating the rewards that can be reaped from hard work and effort regarding their revision. We have every confidence that they will carry this attitude forward when studying for their Germany and Health papers!

Meanwhile, our Year 10's have begun their study of the Norman Conquest in 1066, as they begin to grapple with the various contenders for the English throne and explore the outcomes of the battles in which they were embroiled. They are particularly excited to explore the impact of this on the local area, which will include visits to the Norman sites of Yorkshire. Further down the school, Year 9 have delved into the American Civil Rights Movement and the extent to which it was able to affect change, both in the Twentieth Century and today. In Year 8, our pupils have mastered the Industrial Revolution and the importance of the local area in fuelling this phenomenon and are now studying the impact of the Victorian period on the lives of ordinary people. Finally, in Year 7, we are challenging students' stereotypical view of Tudor England by looking at Miranda Kaufmann's book on the Black Tudors. Our academic year will finish with a flourish as we reprise our tradition of taking students to explore of the battlefields of the Somme and Ypres in July. Exciting times!



### ACADEMY AWARDS

As you are aware we are holding our Academy Awards on Wednesday 6 July, and we cannot wait!

There is an opportunity for local businesses to sponsor a page in the programme or even a prestigious award. All money raised through sponsorship will be put directly in to making the event even more special!

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Discord is a free voice, video, and text chat app that's used by tens of millions of people ages 13+ to talk and hang out with their communities and friends.

People use Discord daily to talk about many things, ranging from art projects and family trips to homework and mental health support. It's a home for communities of any size, but it's most widely used by small and active groups of people who talk regularly.

The vast majority of servers are private, invite-only spaces for groups of friends and communities to stay in touch and spend time together. There are also larger, more open communities, generally centered around specific topics such as popular games like Minecraft and Fortnite. All conversations are opt-in, so people have total control over who they interact with and what their experience on Discord is.

People love Discord because it's a home for all their communities and groups of friends. It's a place where they can be themselves and spend time with other people who share their interests and hobbies. There's no algorithm deciding what they should see, no endless scrolling, and no news feed. Conversations on Discord are driven by shared interests.







### **Construction Virtual Work Experience Opportunity**

Wates invites you onto their 5 day Virtual Work Experience! This week long Virtual Work Experience will help you understand more about Wates as a company and discover the different routes into Construction. During the duration of the week you will be assigned many fun and exciting projects, as well as have the opportunity to meet and ask questions to:

- Current Apprentices
- Quantity Surveyors
- Meet the Director
- Virtual Tour on site.

The week will be informative and be filled with fun packed sessions involving workshops, projects, talks and quizzes! To register log on to: <u>https://app.speakersforschools.org/en/applications</u>



On First Careers you can get behind the scenes of some of the UK's most interesting jobs and find what's right for you. Search through over 150 job profiles and discover career opportunities, inspiration and advice. First Careers offers guidance to primary and secondary school students in making decisions about future careers and professions.

For more information go to: <u>https://www.firstcareers.co.uk/</u>

### Careers Speed Networking – 25 May 2022

Y8 students have taken part in their very first careers speed networking event at Wath Academy! A number of local businesses and employers volunteered their valuable time to support our students with employer interactions and links to the world of work. Students have spent five minutes interviewing each of our visitors to learn about job roles, sectors and pathways into industries such as construction, finance and human resources.



SPEAKERS

for schools

- Y11 Careers Guidance Careers guidance is still available for Y11 students. All Y11 students should have made a post 16 application, but there is still time to make further applications or receive support. Please speak to a member of the Careers team in the Library for more information.
- A representative from JobCentre Plus has been into the academy offering additional support to students who are looking for apprenticeship opportunities. Students should contact the Careers team if they would like an appointment.
- Careers Drop Zone is available for Y11students, Wednesdays, in the Library!



### FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

This week our scholars had the opportunity to get involved and help with the JMAT Y5/6 Girls Football League tournament. The students were fantastic and really enjoyed themselves!



### SPRING BANK TRAINING SESSIONS

Through Spring Bank we are holding another event for prospective 22/23 Scholars.

BOYS – Monday 30 May, 4.00 p.m – 6.00 p.m

GIRLS – Tuesday 31 May, 4.00 p.m – 6.00 p.m

All players welcome to sample the Scholarship Programme!!

### MULTI SPORTS HOLIDAY CAMP

We now have limited availability left! To register please use the following link: <u>Wath Academy - Multi Sports Holiday</u> <u>Camp</u>

WHEN - Monday 30 May and Tuesday 31 May ONLY! TIME - 10.00 a.m – 3.00 p.m AGE – Reception – Year 6 PRICE – £20.00 for 2 days



#### WATH ACADEMY SENIOR CITIZENS PLATINUM JUBILEE AFTERNOON TEA

Our Student Leaders put on a fabulous afternoon with the help of our Music department. We had a range of students perform for our guests who said they thoroughly enjoyed their afternoon!







# HOLIDAY CAMPS



#### **TERM DATES 22-23**

Our term dates and INSET days for the next academic year can be found on the academy website by clicking the following link, <u>Wath</u> Academy - TERM DATES 2022 - 23



### SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some of our highlights from this half term! We have had so much going on and cannot wait to see what the final half term brings us! Keep a look out on our social media pages.



