



**PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE** **NEWSLETTER – Week 10**

Dear Parents/Carers

**Success Stories**

This week, we would like to wish Jenson Cooke in Year 7 the best of luck as he is performing in the Rotherham Pantomime – Cinderella, at the Civic Theatre with the first show being tonight! Well done, Jenson.

If you would like to share your success stories with us, please email us via the following address: [achievement@wathacademy.com](mailto:achievement@wathacademy.com)

**Academy Productions**

Our students have been working hard in their enrichment time in order to put on a production of Oliver. We are looking forward to hosting visitors on Thursday 14 December from 18:30. To book tickets please follow the link - <https://yourboxoffice.co.uk/wath-academy/988-oliver>

We are also hosting our annual Christmas Concert on Monday 18 December. This is a fantastic event each year and we are looking forward to seeing our students showcase their talents once again. <https://yourboxoffice.co.uk/wath-academy/997-the-annual-christmas-concert>

Thank you once again for your continued support of the Academy.  
Yours faithfully

Mr Ransome, Principal

**Key Dates:**  
**Tuesday 5 December**  
Year 7 Parents' Evening

**Thursday 7 December**  
PCAB

**Monday 18 December**  
Marché de Noël  
Annual Christmas Concert

**Tuesday 19 December**  
Year 9 IEP Review Day

**Wednesday 20 December**  
Year 10 and 11 IEP Review  
Day

**Friday 22 December**  
Last day of term  
Christmas Day celebrations

Click here for our term dates  
and INSET days.  
[Wath Academy Term Dates](#)



## Sixth Form Round Up

Year 13 French and Spanish students took part in a business language event at Sheffield High School on Tuesday. Organised by BLC, students were tasked with writing a draft UN resolution in the foreign language they felt strongly about. Well done everyone for your input and congratulations to Isobel and Abigail who were runners up in Spanish on the topic of drug trafficking and Megan, who was highly commended in French, advocating an end to police brutality in France.

This week, Year 12 Psychology students completed a brain dissection workshop led by medical students from The University of Sheffield. We were particularly proud to see former student Lauren return as a third year medic student to support our current students.



### Maltby Learning Trust – First Netball Tournament

On Wednesday, our Year 7-10 netball teams competed in the first MLT Netball Tournament. We competed against the other two secondary schools in our trust, Sir Thomas Wharton and Maltby Academy, and all teams were undefeated throughout and crowned the winners! We now have a fabulous trophy to add to our collection!

### Wath Academy Christmas Day

We are well underway with our plans for the final day of term. This day is a firm favourite amongst the students and staff and we are looking forward to it in a few weeks' time.

Students will have lesson 1 and 2 as normal, but then after break they will engage with Christmas activities and have Christmas lunch together.

Students are able to wear a Christmas Jumper in exchange for a small donation to their house charity. We are accepting Christmas Jumpers as donations so that students of families who may not be able to afford a Christmas jumper can also wear one on the day.

**SCHOLASTIC**  
**Book Fairs**  
**COME TO THE HALF PRICE BOOK FAIR**  
In the School Library. Break, lunch and after school. 1 – 7 December

Book covers shown include: *Elea Thompson's Vollebooster Boys*, *The Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes* by Suzanne Collins, *Eugene* by Malorie Blackman, *Dead Popular* by Sue Wallman, and *Lionel Lincoln* by Cressida Cowell.

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## Cash

We have been using ParentPay for a number of years for parents / carers to upload money on to their child's account in order to pay for their lunch. Recently, there has been an increase in the number of Year 7 and Year 8 students who are wishing to pay for their lunch with cash. This process slows down the queue. Can I please ask that all parents use ParentPay, we will no longer be accepting cash at lunch or break time. If you have any issues, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Academy reception by emailing [enquiries@wathacademy.com](mailto:enquiries@wathacademy.com)

## Website

Every year we ensure that all of our curriculum documentation is on the website for parents/carers to view. This documentation includes 39 week plans for every year group in every subject as well as a more detailed start to end point grid which shows in more details what we would expect to see from students at certain points in the year. Please feel free to have a look using the following link:

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