



Relentlessly Pursuing Excellence

Parent Bulletin - Friday 6th September 2024

Headteacher Update:

Dear Parents & Carers,

A huge welcome back to all of our children and families. It has been so lovely to see everyone this week. Following the amazing exam success in the summer we have shown once again that Great Wyrley Academy continues to go from strength to strength by absolutely smashing the return to school. To say that students have been phenomenal is an understatement. Students have returned with a real drive and motivation to do well. Their positive attitude has been inspiring. Year 7 have had a terrific start to the year. Head of Year Mrs Drury has asked me to pass on a huge well done to them all. I thought in this week's bulletin we would go through some of new initiatives we have been through and give some general reminders

Mobile phones:

Students' response to our mobile phone initiative has shown that we all understand the reason why we are doing this. I refer back to my letter that I sent you in the summer term where I stated clearly that we want the main focus in school to be the only focus - Learning, if we continue to allow the distractions that mobile phones are creating instead of being brave and tackling this head on the issue will continue to grow. I am pleased to say that this is already having an immediate impact on learning. We have seen a reduction in the number of issues at social time and incidents reported that occur online. Whilst we are still in the early stages it looks as though this will be a positive intervention. I should remind you however that if students do fail to hand in their phones during form time and it is found, this will not be returned until a parent or carer has been into school to collect it and meet with a member of the leadership team. I want to thank you sincerely for your help and support with this.

Uniform:

Uniform is also looking smart. The Uniform expectations can be found [here](#). The only change this academic year is to the style of skirt where we have moved to pleated skirts. 99% of students have complied and are looking smart. A reminder that all skirts should be knee length and students will be challenged when this is not the case. Our uniform policy can be found on our website if you have any further questions or queries. Uniform is checked every day at the gate and corrected. Anyone who has uniform issues, for instance has lost their tie, forgotten a blazer etc we will ask them to borrow for the day. If students refuse they will be placed into refocus until the issue is resolved. Trainers are not permitted unless there is a medical note from a medical professional that states trainers should be worn. We are aware that things happen so if there are any problems then please contact your child's form tutor.

Communication:

Regular communication is vital to keep you informed about your child's attendance, academic progress, behaviour and general wellbeing. You can use the Arbor platform to do the following;

- Receive letters and notices
- Monitor behaviour incidents
- Monitor the number of Aspire points that have been awarded in lessons
- Track attendance to school and lessons
- Top up your child's food account to pay for items in the school canteen
- Pay for trips
- Monitor your child's timetable
- Report an absence

Arbor is the only communication platform that we will be using and it is essential that you are regularly checking this. Nearly 90% of our families have set up their Arbor account so far. Invites to log into the Parent portal are sent daily to the personal email address you have provided school with. These are sent daily as the link expires. If you are not seeing the link appear then please check your junk/spam folder. If you have any queries relating to your account then please email arbor@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk Parentmail no longer exists and any topping up of lunch accounts, paying for trips etc is also all done through the Arbor portal.

Attendance:

There is a strong link between regular school attendance and achievement and if your child is frequently absent from school, they will not meet their full potential. Regular attendance helps children to develop their confidence and to make lasting friendships. We have a motto at Great Wyrley Academy that "every lesson counts". One of the main reasons for the exam success this year is that last year's Year 11 attendance was in line with national average meaning that there were very little gaps in their knowledge and so they could sit the summer exams with confidence.

Please be aware that we will challenge any day where a student is absent where there is no given reason, we are not doing this to make things difficult, firstly if a child is not at school this is a safeguarding concern and we have to know where that child is and secondly, it is important that we are able to offer help and support to ensure that your child maintains good attendance. Absences must be reported via the Arbor app or by phoning the main reception and following the instructions to report a student absence. When we notice patterns and trends we will intervene to try and look at what the barriers are to good attendance and how we can remove them. We do not authorise requests for holidays and will follow the local authority statutory guidance around fines for each period of absence linked to a holiday. Our attendance policy can be read in full detail on our website.

I will leave you now to read through the rest of the bulletin but I just wanted to thank you all again for all your help and support and making sure that this has been a really positive start to the academic year. Enjoy the weekend.

Kind regards



Mrs K Moore
Headteacher

Curriculum Updates for this week:

Homework:

- Homework will be assigned by the class teacher via the **Google Classroom** at the end of week B for a two week period. This will be recorded by the class teacher using **Arbor** to allow students (*via the student portal*) and parents (*via the parent portal*) to easily see what has been set
- Homework will be **submitted via the Google Classroom** by the due date

 Homework set		 Homework Due
Friday 13 September 2024	↷	Thursday 26 September 2024
Thursday 26 September 2024	↷	Thursday 10 October 2024
Friday 11 October 2024	↷	Thursday 24 October 2024
Friday 25 October 2024	↷	Thursday 14 November 2024
Friday 15 November 2024	↷	Thursday 28 November 2024
Friday 29 November 2024	↷	Thursday 12 December 2024
Friday 13 December 2024	↷	Thursday 9 January 2025
Friday 10 January 2025	↷	Thursday 23 January 2025
Friday 24 January 2025	↷	Thursday 6 February 2025
Friday 7 February 2025	↷	Thursday 27 February 2025
Friday 28 February 2025	↷	Thursday 13 March 2025
Friday 14 March 2025	↷	Thursday 27 April 2025
Friday 28 March 2025	↷	Thursday 10 April 2025
Friday 11 April 2025	↷	Thursday 8 May 2025
Friday 9 May 2025	↷	Thursday 22 May 2025
Friday 23 May 2025	↷	Thursday 12 June 2025
Friday 13 June 2025	↷	Thursday 26 June 2025
Friday 27 June 2025	↷	Thursday 10 July 2025

- As the homework is set over a **2 week period** there is an expectation of time spent on the assignments to vary in relation to curriculum time
- The following table indicates the amount of time students should spend on their homework for each subject **each fortnight**

Key Stage 3 (*approximately 1 hour each day after school*)

English	1 hour 30 minutes	Art	30 minutes
Mathematics	1 hour 30 minutes	Drama	30 minutes
Science	1 hour	IT	30 minutes
French	45 minutes	Music	30 minutes
Geography	45 minutes	Religious Education	30 minutes
History	45 minutes	Technology	30 minutes

Key Stage 4

(*approx 1 hour each day after school*)

English	1 hour 45 minutes
Mathematics	1 hour 45 minutes
Science	1 hour 30 minutes
Option A	1 hour
Option B	1 hour
Option C	1 hour
Option D	1 hour

New Year 7 iPads

On Monday 9th September 2024 all Year 7 students will be receiving their NEW iPad. It is essential that your child is in school and that you have logged into your Arbor account using the app and confirm or decline the consent for students to bring their iPad home, without this consent it will have to remain in school. Students should bring their iPad to school every day, fully charged as this is where they will access all of their lesson resources.

Student Services Updates for this week:



Respectful	339
Be collaborative	313
Communicate clearly	288
Be organised	281
Become unstuck	133
Creative	132
Resilient	127
Responsible	110
Courageous	75
Compassionate	3
Self-quiz	1

Top 10 Aspire Points @ Fri 6 Sept 2pm

Year 7				Year 8				Year 9			
Tyler	Stratfull	7 Wolves	24	Grace	Flynn	8 Lions	21	Violet-May	Hannon	9 Wolves	15
Sophia	Pugh	7 Wolves	22	Sonia	Nock	8 Lions	21	Olivia	Ward	9 Warriors	15
Vice	Taylor	7 Lions	22	Sienna	Sanders	8 Lions	20	Freya	Preston	9 Warriors	13
Sophie	Capewell	7 Warriors	21	Harry	Evans	8 Lions	19	Emie-Lou	Arrowsmith	9 Warriors	12
James	Harrison	7 Warriors	21	Evie-Mai	Lloyd	8 Lions	19	Nicole	Sykorova	9 Wolves	12
Samuel	Johnson	7 Lions	21	Paige	Noon	8 Lions	19	Eloane	Boyi	9 Warriors	11
Layton	Fletcher	7 Wolves	20	Will	Harris	8 Lions	18	Megan	Carter	9 Lions	11
Jacob	Jarvis	7 Wolves	20	Holly	Shotton	8 Lions	18	Harrison	Kelley	9 Wolves	11
Layton	Looker	7 Warriors	20	Noemi	Halmo	8 Wolves	17	Gracie	Mansell	9 Lions	11
Oyedele	Rafiu	7 Wolves	20	Eden	Peakman	8 Warriors	17	Layla	Spink	9 Raptors	11

Year 10				Year 11			
Katie	Bailey	10 Wolves	27	Regan	Burton	11 Warriors	20
Freya	Lane	10 Warriors	18	Lyndon	Dawney	11 Warriors	19
Kayla	Brown	10 Warriors	12	Brandon	Elkins-Mansell	11 Lions	18
Amari	Hamilton-Morris	10 Lions	11	Alfie	Clarke	11 Wolves	14
Jonathan	Homer	10 Warriors	11	Katie	Copeland	11 Warriors	13
A-Jay	Daley	10 Warriors	10	Georgia	Dolman	11 Wolves	13
Katie	Gosling	10 Lions	10	William	Brittle	11 Wolves	12
Chloe	Salter	10 Lions	10	Ethan	Hunt	11 Wolves	12
Phoebe	Street	10 Lions	10	Brody	Lane	11 Wolves	12
Kacey	Barnard	10 Lions	9	Roman	Bingham	11 Raptors	11

Well done to KATIE BAILEY (10 WOLVES) having the top aspire points and being BEST IN SCHOOL

100% Attendance for this Week - Roll of Honour
(To get on next week's roll of honour you need to make sure you are in EVERYDAY)

YEAR 7			
LIONS	RAPTORS	WARRIORS	WOLVES
Adey, Oliver	Ashmore, Dylan	Adkins, Stanley	Allcutt, Harry
Bevan-Pilbeam, Logan	Bate, Macy	Allsopp, Freddie	Bradbury, Evie
Bingham, Daniel	Bate, Miyah	Ashley, Amira	Brookes, Clara
Brotherton, Lana	Bird, Florence	Beddow, Drew	Brookhouse, Blake
Critch, Amelia	Blakeway, Tate	Bevan, Phoebe	Carter, Elliemae
Hadley, Elijah	Bowen, Vinny	Birch, Jake	Daley, Amelia
Heathcock, Isabelle	Briers, Eve	Brandrick, Eva	Davies, Maisie
Hems, Emilie	Cooper, Daisy	Capewell, Sophie	Durbin, Harry
Hinsley, Zane	Cooper, Ellis	Cartridge, Ella	Farkas, Lili
Holmes, Harry	Corfield, Haydn	Cook, Oscar	Fletcher, Layton
Johnson, Samuel	Cox, Joseph	Davenport, Gracie	Green, Alfie
Jordan-Lees, Tyler	Duncan, Ayvah	Donnelly, Keris	Haste, Jamie
Leesing, Isla-Jay	Edwards, Morgan	Dummelow, Ronnie	Hogarth, Hattie
Mulliss-Blewitt, Kylan	Flynn, Connie	Evans, Paige	Jarvis, Jacob
Muthuhewa, Christian	Harris, Bradley	Harrison, James	Kane, Riley
Poole, Darcey	Hilditch, Lexi-Jane	Haywood, Kylan	Mitchell, Cece
Powell, Thomas	Hill, Riley	Hill, Penny	Peel, Jack
Redmond, Ayva	Hooks, Daniel	Hulse, Drew	Pugh, Sophia
Richards, Kaila	Jennings, Vincent	Jennings, Olivia	Purser, Izabelle
Rose, Izaak	Kayode, Nicole	King, Ollie	Rafiu, Oyedele
Russell, Alice	Knight, Charlie	Looker, Layton	Read, Lily
Tarback, Isla	Mansell, Lailah	Parcell, Max	Robertson, Sammie
Taylor, Vice	Mrewa, Tillie	Preston, George	Stratfull, Tyler
Thompson, Leo	Nunn, Joey	Pritchard, Jacey	Turner, Penny
Trow, Lewis	Powell, Emily	Robinson, Emily	Walker, Luvarna
Wakelam, Betsy	Poxon, Charlie	Runiewicz, Skye	Walker, Thomas
Wesley, Jaylon	Rennocks, Evie	Simpson, Riley	West, Evie
Whitehouse, Ava	Roberts, Michael	Tipton, Demi Jo	White, Luke
Winter, Jenson	Robinson, Daisy	Turner, Charlie	Yates, Oliver

Wright, Kai	Shawa, Mal	Walleth, Mya	Yewer, Max
	Stanley, Poppy	Wood, Harry	
	Taylor, Luke		

YEAR 8			
LIONS	RAPTORS	WARRIORS	WOLVES
Abbott, Noah	Ahmad, Kanar	Birkett, Peyton	Bayliss, Logan
Bowen, Caelan	Andrews, Frankie	Bowes, Taliah	Farrell, Cameron
Clark, Alfie	Bacon-Jones, Tyler	Bowyer, Mini	Fitzsimons, Méabh
Cook, Poppy	Brooks, Jaquan	Brooks, Riley	Gorman, Oliver
Crump, Edward	Copeland, Evie	Buckler, Jessica	Hall, Laila-Faith
Ebagua, Wilson	Davies, Bella	Burke, Paije	Halmo, Noemi
Evans, Harry	Dawes, Jake	Burton, Logan	Harris, Millie
Flynn, Grace	Dicken, Logan	Clarke, Callum	Harrison, Lexie
Ford, Reuben	Downes, Brandon	Colley, Elsie-May	Kerr, Lewis
Harris, Will	Edwards, Preston	Delaney, Brodi	Kus, Harry
Hooper, Jensen	Finch, Joshua	Fisher, Alex	Lloyd, Ashton
Howell, Oscar	Fletcher, Avary-Lea	Fletcher, Avary-Lea	Manley, Jade
Jackson, Nicole-Lea	Franks, Lacey	Friel, Flynn	Mohammadi, Leah
Jakes, Evie-Mae	Gradev, Ventsislav	Hall, Laila-Faith	Pattihis, Leonidas
Lloyd, Evie-Mai	Graham, Ky	Harris, Millie	Plant, Ruby
Marshall, Miley	Gunn, Dexi-Beau	Hayward, James	Porton-Beaman, Grace
Morgan, Rosie	Heath, Isabella	Kayode, Bryan	Price, Darci
Morris, Charlie	Heath, Olivia	Kerr, Riley	Rafiu, Yetunde
Nock, Sonia	Martin, Bailee	Lines, Cole	Randell, Bradley
Noon, Paige	Mayfield, Rocky	Mills, Daniel	Rocks, Aidrienne
Perry, Lydia	Price, Darci	O'Hare, India	Simkiss, Mazie-Lou
Sanders, Sienna	Rawlins, Hannah	Pattihis, Leonidas	Skelton, Freddie
Sephton, Lola	Russell, Louie	Peakman, Eden	Slater, Jenson
Shotton, Holly	Smith, Brodie	Plummer, Evie	Smith, Brodie
Simkiss, Mazie-Lou	Upton, Mason	Reynolds, George	Taylor, Libby
Walker, Jacob	Williams, Harry	Rushton, William	Telford, Beau
Weaver, Emily		Sedgwick, Eli	Tipton, Andrew
Williams, Harry		Selvey, Eden	Wall, Jorge
Williams, Megan		Stokes, Jack	Walsh, Daniel

Williams, Paige		Tisdell, Millie	
Wootton, Darcey			

YEAR 9			
LIONS	RAPTORS	WARRIORS	WOLVES
Bellingham, Noah	Bellingham, Noah	Arrowsmith, Emie-Lou	Arrowsmith, Isabella
Billett, Olivia	Boshell, Kai	Boyi, Eloane	Bacon-Jones, Tia
Carter, Megan	Brown, Ryan	Cahill, Mai	Bates, Ryan
Challinor, Lily-Rose	Clark, Ellie-Mae	Davis, Scarlett-Rose	Bingham, Taylor
Davis, Lucas	Dawkins, Hollie	De Castro, Judah	Burgess, Isla
Dutton, Lily	Elmore, Jayden	Duval, Tianna	Cadman, Harriet
Dutton, Lydia	Evans, Amy-Lee	Ellis, Grace	Cahill, Mai
Grant, Gracie	Foster, Phoebe	Gillion, Xander	Cartwright, Leah
Guy, Chloe	Hancox, Harry	Gray-Davis, Amelia	Delaney, Olly
Hunt, Reuben	Harrison, Daniel	Harman, Faith	Devey, Jacob
Jarvis, Oliver	Hill, Macey	Hems, Dainton	Element-Stretton, Jayden
Lloyd, Grace	Hulett, Owen	Hodgkiss, Lucy-May	Evans, Riley
Lunt, Elliot	Jenkins, Poppy	Horton, Dom	Everall, Sophie
Mansell, Gracie	Kendrick, Thomas	Hutchinson, Xavier	French, Charlie
Orme, Leo	Kneller, Isaac	Jackanowska, Chanel	Gray-Davis, Amelia
Palmer, Joshua	Leesing, Marley	Jones, Harry	Guy, Chloe
Poxton, Ellie-Mae	Noon, Megan	Norton, Oliver	Headley, Chloe
Rayer, Finley	Rhodes, Lexie-Mae	Nye, Elliott	Heeley, Lily
Ridgway, Harry	Severn, Beau	Preston, Freya	Jones-Williams, Lexii
Rossiter, Jacob	Spink, Layla	Read, Daisie	Kelley, Harrison
Skelton, Ava	Stanton, Saffron	Skelton, Ava	Mason, Harry
Taylor, Isobella	Sykes, Mya	Summerton, Jonathan	Niles, Joshua
Trow, Olivia	Taylor, Rain	Ward, Olivia	Poole, Noah
Walker, Oliver	Williams, Charlie	Warke, Lacey	Robbins, Ellie-May
Wootton, Poppy			Rochelle, George
Yates, Isabelle			Smith, Ella
			Sykorova, Nicole

YEAR 10			
LIONS	RAPTORS	WARRIORS	WOLVES
Buckley, Nathan	Asbury, Megan	Clarke, Scarlett	Bailey, Katie
Cahill, Dhillon	Barker, Leah	Daley, A-Jay	Bentley, Ashleigh
Cantello, Noah	Bulai, Cristian	Delaney, Alex	Bingham, Angel
Gosling, Katie	Collins, Brandon	French, Mia	Blaymires, Charlie
Gryska, Aurelia	Dudley-Mowe, Louisa	Homer, Jonathan	Devey, Millie-May
Hamilton-Morris, Amari	Evans, Isaac	Lane, Freya	Evans, Lola
Harley, Olly	Field, Lexi-Jay	Munemo, Adonai	Hickman, Joshua
Jenkins, Lexi	Forrester, Libby	Parker, James	Hopps, Tegan
Lane, Ellie-Mae	James-Bracknall, Lottie	Pearson, Sophie	Kerr, Sophie
Maycock, Lacey	Jones, Maisie	Robinson, Jessie	Memela, Michelle
Phillips, Freddie	Kayode, Samuel	Sanders, Lexie	Mohammadi, Ricardo
Salter, Chloe	Lane, Jake	Taylor, Kayden	Obakpe, Rhoda
Sheldon, Tyler	Leek, Harvey	Walker, Ava	Pearce, Keeley
Standing, Callum	McDonald, Joseph	Wellington, Lucy-Mae	Shaw, Courtney
Stanton, Dominic	Mills, Paige	Westwood, Alfie	Stanton, Ocean
Street, Phoebe	Rowley, Kielan-Leigh		Stevenson-Daniel, Rhianna
Vaughan, Kyon	Toyin-Balogun, Champion		Stone, Archie
	Turner-Wilkes, Aiden		Tehn-Addy, Daniel
	Walker, Henry		Walters, Kirsty

YEAR 11			
LIONS	RAPTORS	WARRIORS	WOLVES
Brendel, Sonnie	Bingham, Roman	Bayliss, Brooklyn	Bateman, Lauren
Collett, Leisal	Bradley, Solomon	Burke, Connor	Brittle, William
Daley, Tye	Brotherton, Amelia	Burton, Regan	Clarke, Alfie
Davis, Zac	Despotaki, Georgia	Copeland, Katie	Dawkins, Ashley
Fardon, Carl	Ebbans, Kasey	Crone, Max	Dolman, Georgia
Follett, Conor	Firkin, Owen Junior	Dawney, Lyndon	Haste, Lewis
Halls, Monique	Garbett, Conner	Geddes, Robyn	Hunt, Ethan
Morgan, Macie	Hardaker, Owen	Hickman, Warren	Lane, Brody
Opoku, Henry	Lavender, William	Kelley, Leah	Parker, Christian
Oxley, James	Lee-Clarke, Akyla	Murphy, Joe	Reynolds, Isaac

Procter, Maddison	Pearson, Thomas	Robinson, Billy	Spooner, Benjamin
Rawlins, Katie-Mae	Robins, Bethany	Stokes, Amelia	Stanton, Tyler
Shotton, Ellie	Rogers, Freddie	Turner-March, Bladenn	Weaver, Jack
Sirrett, Olivia	Sutcliffe, Eve	Wilding, Owen	Weeks, Lily
Wiggin, Grace	Taylor, Kenzie-Jay		Widdowson, Freya
Woolley, Jack	Wise-Hughes, Austin		Williams, Autumn
Wray, Freddie			