



Dear Parent/Carer

We encourage every student at Great Wyrley Academy to aspire in their learning and in their lives. We want every student to believe that they can be all and more than they ever thought they could be, and to know what their future self looks like. Research tells us that the students who have clear aspirations, and who know what they need to do in the present, are significantly more likely to achieve those aspirations.

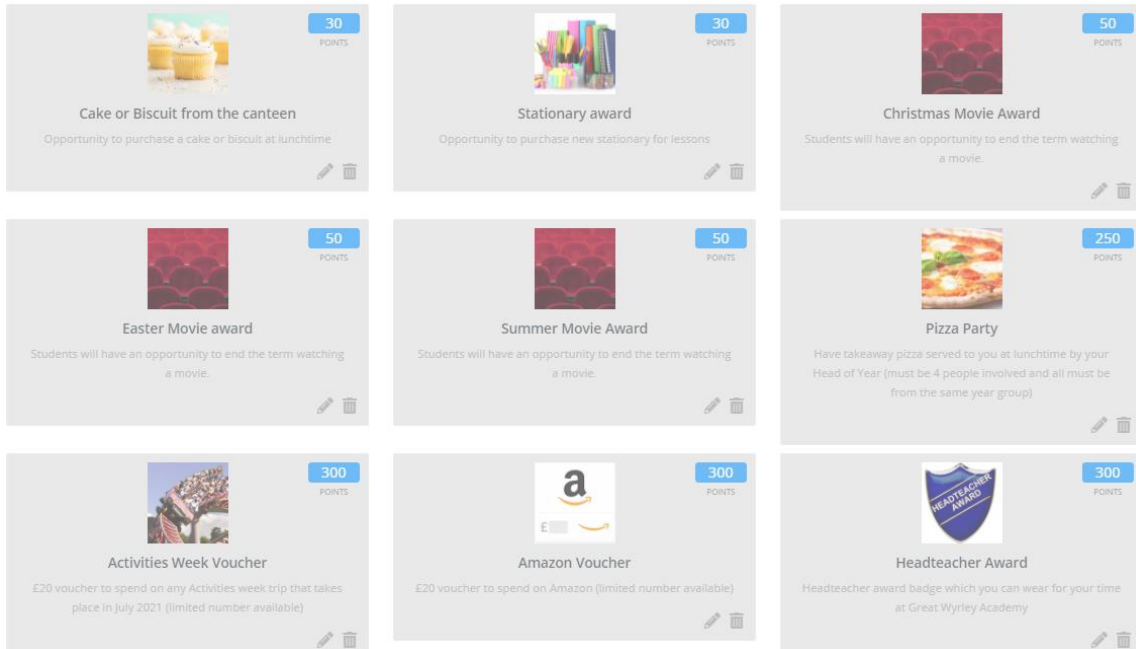
This half-term, all students in years 7 to 13 are going to be asked the question “*What do you ASPIRE to?*” Over the next three weeks, students will be working with their form tutors to construct an answer to this question: **an ASPIRE Sentence**. This sentence will include one of our core virtues (*respect, responsibility, resilience, creativity, compassion, courage*) and a career/area of work goal. Over the course of their journey through school and ASPIRE Sixth, this ASPIRE Sentence can be updated or changed as their aspirations change and students learn more about their future options.

We aim for students to make the connection between their ASPIRE Sentence and their involvement in whole school life here at Great Wyrley Academy, in particular: which subjects they may need to take forward into GCSE, Sixth Form and beyond; which leadership roles they take on; work experiences they encounter; and their participation in extra-curricular activities and events.

We will be asking all students to think carefully about their ASPIRE Sentences outside of form time. Whilst in school, they may wish to ask their subject teachers about possible careers linked to their favourite subjects. Furthermore, this provides an excellent opportunity for people at home to get involved in the conversation about students’ aspirations. Please join us in asking your child about their futures, and in supporting them to form a plan of action regarding how they can reach their goals. We can recommend the use of the National Careers Service website as a great place to start some research, by searching specific job titles or investigating different industries: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>



To reward our students in their development of ASPIRE we use class charts. As from Monday 15th March students will be made aware of how they can spend their ASPIRE points in our class chart shop. Please see over page for a sample of the rewards on offer:



We are truly excited for our students to develop their full potential through ASPIRE at Great Wyrley Academy and to support them in maintaining high aspirations for the future. Here is a link to a video to further explain ASPIRE

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Thank you for your support. If you have any questions please feel free to email me [hcornwall@greatwyrley.windsoracademytryst.org.uk](mailto:hcornwall@greatwyrley.windsoracademytryst.org.uk)

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