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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS

I am pleased to announce to that after our Ofsted inspection in March, that we have been graded a good school.

What is it like to attend this school?

The report highlights that **Halewood Academy** is a caring community and is a school that the staff are students are proud to work and learn within.

Leaders have high expectations of pupils behaviour and learning. Pupils achieve well. This includes pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).

Pupils take part in a range of activities that inspire and interest them. For example, pupils enjoy trips to places of interest and local universities. Many perform in drama productions, enjoy badminton and play football against other schools.

Please refer to our website for the full report.

Tracey Rollings

Principal

For the full OFSTED Inspection Report March 2022 click below or follow the link

https://www.halewoodacademy.co.uk/parents/ofsted-inspection-pa/



Halewood Academy continues to be a good school



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CHALLENGE PARTNERS REVIEW



Who are Challenge Partners?

Challenge Partners is an education charity, led by practitioners, through which schools collaborate to improve each other and the education system as a whole, so all children benefit.

They work with schools across the country, and focus on school improvement, leadership development and knowledge exchange. Their programmes are grounded in evidence of what works, regular quality assurance, and sharing the collective wisdom in schools. They visited **Halewood Academy** recently and below are the results from their **Quality Assurance Review**.



Staff raise students' aspirations by providing a broad range of experiences for them, for example the *Future Female Leaders* conference to boost the expectations and ambitions of girls at the school.

Governors provide challenge and support in equal measure. They are passionate about the school and hold leaders to account effectively.

Quality of provision and outcomes -What went well

Challenge Partners found that teachers exhibit high levels of subject knowledge and innovative methods that contribute directly to exciting classroom experiences for ths students.

Teachers use modelling effectively to support learning.

Questioning is a strength and fully probes student's understanding. High levels of engagement are a *'given'* at Halewood, largely because teachers create a **positive learning environment** in which students can learn safely and are not worried about making mistakes.

High quality relationships abound, built on **mutual respect and trust.** Teachers know the students exceptionally well and because routines and expectations are well embedded, students enter the classroom ready to learn. **Positive attitudes** are commonplace.

Leadership at all levels - What went well

Challenge Partners found that what is clear that leaders are all passionate in driving the school forward and they know the school extremely well.

Middle leaders are well-established in their roles. They demonstrate the autonomy and authority to develop their subjects or other areas of responsibility. They enjoy the trust that is invested in them.

Support from the Trust has enabled the development of a **clear curriculum model** and the intergral flexibility adds to the independence Halewood leaders enjoy.

Leaders and other staff have high expectations of the students. In interpreting the **school's values**, students can readily articulate them because there is a great consistency in teaching linked to them.

Quality of provision and outcomes for disadvantaged pupils and pupils with additional needs - *What went well*

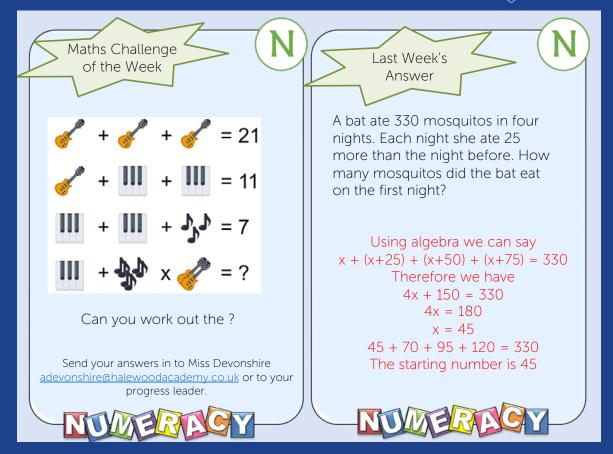
Students who are disadvantaged and those with SEND learn in a safe environment where everyone's views and opinions are heard and respected.

Raising standards of attainment for the disadvantaged group was evident in all lessons visited.

Leaders in SLT have enhanced the provision, particularly in relation to students with SEND. In many cases, these are **outperforming** their non-SEND peers. For students with and EHCP, the SEND coordinator has developed support to ensure that all staff are fully aware of their learning needs and how to best enrich their learning.

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WORD OF THE WEEK





THANKFUL THURSDAYS



Thankful Thursday Winners-28th April

<u>Thankful Thursdays</u> Each week, members of staff have the opportunity to nominate other staff for something that they are thankful for. Miss Rollings then picks three winners each Monday. Opposite are last week's winners and the reason for their nominations.

G Walsh: For her amazing motivation and consistently being positive! Well done Gemma!

H Reynolds and C Knight: They planned and delivered a fantastic assembly on Earth Day and despite technical difficulties managed to ensure the assembly went ahead even without the presentation. True professionals!

L Parr: Thank you for your support with my form, they were singing your praises in form on Wednesday and I really appreciate the help with my students.



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YEAR 11 REVISION NIGHTS



On Mondays and Fridays, the LRC will be open with a designated space for year 11s to revise after school.

Please attend timetabled revision before using the LRC, or if you have no revision on these nights, then consider using it to do some independent or group studying.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Good attendance and punctuality are essential if you are to succeed at the Academy, in fact research shows that there is a direct link between good attendance and academic progress and achievement.

Children who are late should come to the main school reception where they need to sign-in.







EARTH DAY HUMANITIES CLUB

We are currently creating designs for **Earth Day** within **Humanities Club**; we are trying to get the message across of '*Invest in our planet*' which is this year's theme for Earth day.

Next Monday we are painting our designs on to T-shirts that will be displayed around the **Humanities** homebase from next week.

If anybody is interested in coming to **Humanities Club** and designing your own T-shirt, we will be in F38 on the Humanities homebase every Monday from **2.45pm to 3.30pm**.



'Invest in our planet'

Monday from 2.45pm to 3.30pm. T-Shirt designing - Room F38



Come along and design your own T-shirt

YEAR 7 PARENTS' & CARERS EVENING FEEDBACK

A big thank you to all that attended Year 7 parents' evening and making the event a success. Overall, 83% of all year 7 parents and carers attended parents' evening and it was lovely to meet you all.

Parents were able to listen to glowing reports from their child's teachers and the areas in which they need to improve were discussed.

We were also able to gain valuable feedback about what improvements we can make to ensure your children feel safe and happy in school and are able to avccess the curriculum. Parents were invited to complete a questionnaire in the LRC and these are the results from the questions asked:

- Q. Did you find the year 7 parents evening useful? A. said 100%
- Q. Is your son/daughter happy at the school? A. 98% said
- Q. Does your son/daughter feel safe at this school? A. 100% said
- Q. My son/daughter is well looked after at this school.

A. 100% said 🕮

Q. This school ensures the pupils are well behaved?

A. 98% said 🕮

Q. This school effectively deals with bullying?

A. 98% said

Q. This school responds well to any concern/s I raise.

A. 100% of who had needed to contact school, said



- Q. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress and well being
 A. 100% said (19)
- Q. Is this school is well led and managed? A. 100% said
- Q. I would recommend this school to another parent.
 A. 98% said (13)
- Q. Do you use Classcharts to track your child's achievements and progress?
 A. 84% said (19)

Please contact via email, **Mrs Traynor** if you need an invite for your child's classcharts - vtraynor@halewoodacademy.co.uk

- Q. If a parent/carer learning programme was set up in Maths, English, Science and other subjects. Would you be interested in training on this parent/carer programme/s?
 A. 25% said
- **Q.** If you feel the Academy could improve their parental engagement events further, please state how so we can continue to develop our parent partnership?

A. Parents have suggested having a tour around the school as this was not possible during the Pandemic and they would like the opportunity to have a look around. If this is something, you would wish to participate in, please email **Mrs Traynor - <u>vtraynor@halewoodacademy.co.uk</u>** and she will arrange this.

> Mrs V Traynor Year 7 Progress Leader





Recommended Reads Year 7 Year 8 Gangsta Granny Strikes Shadow Sea by Peter Bunzl Again by David Walliams David Walliams Year 11 Turtles All the Way Down by John Green NETFLIX PETER BUNZ URTLE ALL THE Year 10 MAY EARTSTOPPER Trinkets by Kirsten Smith A FACELESS FACE EVELESS EVES, A SKULL BONES, BLOOD ALL J AN Parent / Guardian Year 9 2.5 2 Shatter City by Scott Westerfeld Heartstopper Volume 1 by Alice Oseman SHATTER Staff See Through Me by **Kevin Brooks** WESTERFELD

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Alan Gibbons



On the 28th of April we had the pleasure of welcoming author Alan Gibbons into the school to work with pupils from KS3. Our Year 8s had recently read Alan's book, 'The Edge', and were extremely excited to meet him. Our KS3 pupils took part in writing workshops,

focusing on Shakespeare's Macbeth, which some them are currently studying in their English lessons.



Scholastic Book Fair

Reading for pleasure is transformative for pupils' academic success and personal wellbeing. We wanted to inspire and excite them by bringing books to pupils in the heart of our school with a pop-up school book fair, that ran from the 27th April until the 5th May. This was run through Scholastic who provided us with the books to sell to our pupils in order to promote reading for pleasure. Each purchase also enabled the library to receive tokens that we can spend on the Scholastic website, in order to purchase new resources. Pupils were able to browse and purchase books during break and lunch, as well as being able to visit the library during allocated lesson time. We also opened up the library after school to parents and carers to browse the selection and make purchases for their children. The book fair has been a huge success and created a real buzz around reading!

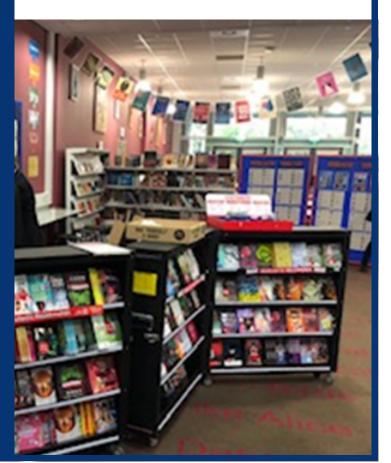
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289 BOOKS SOLD

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£1273.69 WORTH OF TOKENS REWARDED TO THE SCHOOL





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SHAKESPEARE MOVIE NIGHT

The library is hosting two movie nights for students after school, showing animated adaptations of famous Shakespeare plays that are currently being studied in English classes. There will be limited availability, therefore if you wish to attend then please come see Miss Robinson to receive an admission ticket. There will be a limit of 25 students on each evening.

The film showings are below:

Gnomeo and Juliet - Monday 23rd May (3pm-4:30pm)

The Lion King - Thursday 26th May (3pm-4:30pm)

If you have any questions please see Miss Robinson!



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KS3 & 4 SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK

Collaboration

Lewis Franey (7KWI)

Dylan Mee (8LTR)

Alfie

Hodgson (9SJO)

Ruby Horton (10JCA)

Humberto

Albrecht (11SRL)

Excellence

Freya

Morgan (7KWI)

Sadie

Edwards (8CSA)

Hannah

Leader

(9KHO)

Excellence

Bradley

Morris

(10DKE)

Angel Bird (11LON)



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Resilience

Thomas

Riley (7SOW)

Joel

Hargreaves (8CSA)

Lewis Smith (9PMC)

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Resilience

Ruby Mills (10JNC)

Abigail

Docherty (11JQU)

KS3 SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK Lewis Franey (7KWI) KS3 CORE VALUE CHAMPIONS Respect Aspiration Imogen Haydock (7KWI) Charlotte Cain (7KHE) Daren Arslan **Ben Ashton** Y8 (8EBB) (8EBB) Jack Aisha Suraj McCarthy **Y9** (9RKH) (9KHO) **MEMBER OF THE WADE DEACON TRUST** KS4 SCIENTIST **OF THE WEEK** Laurie Corran (10AGN) **KS4 CORE VALUE CHAMPIONS** Respect Aspiration James Mollie Nicholls Y10 Murray (10AGL) (10AGL) Ella Marsh (11JMA) Ellie Fletcher (11DOL) Y11 **MEMBER OF THE WADE DEACON TRUST**

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 ² Focus on do rather than what you can't do ⁹ What values are important to you? Find ways to use then today ¹⁰ Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things you've done that you are proud of ³⁰ Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost 	SUNDAY MONDAY
the spirit spiri	MONDAY
 ³ Take a step towards an important goal, however small ¹⁷ Find a way to make what you do today meaningful ²⁴ Make choices that have a positive impact for others today ³¹ Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future 	TUESDAY
 ⁴ Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together ¹¹ Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder ¹⁸ Send a handwritten note to someone you care about ²⁵ Ask someone else what matters most to them and why ²⁶ Ogether 	WEDNESDAY
 ⁵ Let someone know how much they mean to you and why ¹² Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you ¹⁹ Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful ²⁶ Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful 	THURSDAY
 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful 13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture 20 27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others 	FRIDAY
 Make a list of what matters most to you and why 14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature 21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something special and revisit it in your memory tonight 	SATURDAY