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#### DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS

Welcome back to the new academic year and also this first edition of our newsletter.

I hope you find the newsletter informative and I would encourage you to read it thoroughly. There is important information about our Safeguarding Team and on the Standards & Expectation page a link to our new Behaviour Policy.

I would like to say again, well done, to the Class of 2022 and we will ensure that the Class of 2023 do even better. In order for students to achieve highly it is crucially important they attend school every day. We are having a focus on attendance across the school and I would like you to work with us to ensure students achieve the school target of 96%. May I also remind parents and carers that students should be on site for 8.40am. I am aware that the Speke bus is running slightly later than usual and we have contacted the bus company regarding this.

Over the next few editions and on our social media you will see the wide range of extra and super curricular

activities we will be offering. Please can you encourage your child(ren) to attend these activities as they will make new friends and learn new skills.

I would also like to remind prospective parents and children that our Open Evening is on Thursday 22nd September – please come along and take a look at what we have to offer.

Finally, thank you for your support in ensuring that our students meet the school expectations in terms of uniform and appearance. I appreciate your support in ensuring your child(ren) look smart, are on time, well equipped and arrive to school with a positive attitude to learning.

I look forward to working with you this academic year.

Best Wishes,

Mr I Critchley, Principal

## OPEN EVENING FOR YEAR 6

We would like to invite Year 6 pupils and families to our Open Evening on

Thursday 22nd September 2022.

Click here for more details



## GCSE RESULTS 2022



As formal examinations returned for the first time since 2019 there was a lot of excitement and nerves as students came into school to collect their results. However, the nerves quickly disappeared as students have much to be proud of following an extremely difficult two years. In addition to the impact of Covid 19, the students have demonstrated great resilience during a period of change within school.

Whilst the challenges of recent years made preparation for exams difficult, students have been rewarded with a thoroughly deserved set of GCSE grades, with many outstanding individual achievements. Top achievers who were rewarded with excellent grades included; Harrison Zysiak-Tobin, Callum Klausen-Jones, Archie Coulthard, Holly Perrins; Phoebe Tasker and Isabella Heffron. We are delighted to report a significant increase in the number of students achieving the top 9-7 grades.

Harrison Zysiak-Tobin was the top performer with 9 GCSEs with a fantastic six Grade 9s in Maths, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, History and Geography, two 8s and a level 2 distinction. Harrison intends to continue his studies at Carmel College where we have no doubt he will use his positive work ethic and Head Boy qualities to achieve further success in his chosen A Level subjects.

Callum Klausen-Jones achieved extremely well in his suite of subjects, receiving Grade 9s in Maths, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Geography and Computer Science. Callum is now planning to continue his studies at Carmel College and plans to study a challenging combination of A Levels.

**Holly Perrins** achieved another excellent set of results, achieving three grade 9s in English Literature, Physics and History. In addition, she received three grade 8s, one 7 and a 6. Holly will continue her studies at Cronton College.

**Mr Critchley** said, "I am looking forward to building on these results so students at Halewood Academy achieve exceptionally well. These results follow a successful year for the school with another 'Good' judgement from OfSTED. I look forward to hearing of the continued success of the class of 2022; I wish them well for their next steps.

Our whole school community are very proud of the achievements of the Class of 2022 and wish them the very best in all future ventures.









### SAFEGUARDING TEAM



All staff at **Halewood Academy** are responsible for ensuring all pupils feel safe in school. Our dedicated safeguarding team below are the first port of call for any safeguarding concerns. Pupils are aware who they should speak to in their year group for any safeguarding matters.

### Safeguarding Team



Designated Safeguarding Lead Ms Gallagher



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Campbell



Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr Day





Ms Price Year 7



Mrs Dodgson Year 8



Ms Clarke Year 9



Ms Murray Year 10



Mrs Campbell



Year 7 Miss Heath



Year 8 Miss Evans



Year 9 Miss Morgan



Year 10 Mr Bailev



Year 11 Miss Martin

## BREAKFAST ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES



Every morning from 8:00am - 8:30am school is now open for pupils to enjoy a range of supervised enrichment activities. No booking is required and pupils can attend a number of different activities throughout the week.

This half term the activities are:

**MUSIC CLUB** 

CHESS & BOARD
GAME CLUB

**MATHS CLUB** 

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

STUDY CLUB

The canteen is also open from 8:00am serving a selection of hot and cold breakfast items.

# FREE SCHOOL MEAL REMINDER

If your child is entitled to free school meals please ensure that they are using this service every day.

The canteen are already aware of families who are registered for free school meals and the credit is is automatically applied to their ParentPay account.

This credit can only be used during lunchtime and cannot be rolled over.

If you have any questions regarding free school meals or ParentPay please contact reception.

The lunch menu for this half-term can be found at



https://www.halewoodacademy.co.uk/parents/lunch-menu/

### SPORTS UPDATE



Congratulations to the current **Year 8** boys football team, they won the **Year 7 Knowsley Cup!** The final was postponed in July due to the incredible heat. It was a close game against Kirkby High at the neutral venue of All Saints High School. We started strongly and enjoyed great support from our travelling parents! We had a couple of half chances with **Connolly** and **Dobie** but it remained 0-0. A piece of individual brilliance by **Hickey** broke the deadlock with a strong run beating defenders before a deadly finish. HT 1-0!

Into the second half and Kirkby High came on strong and threatened an equaliser. Only solid defending by **Low**, **Berry** and **Kilgallon** kept us ahead. A brilliant counter attacking run and expert finish by **Dobie** doubled our lead. As Kirkby pushed we scored another through **Dobie**. 3-0! What a fantastic performance and squad effort.

The result and trophy was a reward for an outstanding season! It was a great result against a strong Kirkby High team. Special mentions to **Campbell, Densmore and MOTM Low.** 

Mr Rylands is very proud.





# DESIGN A CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Only 14 weeks to Christmas!

Strawberry Fields are running a Design a Christmas Card competition. Closing date is Friday 30th September. Please see below link for further details.

https://bit.ly/3QsnnzG



### **STANDARDS & EXPECTATIONS**



At Halewood Academy our Core Values are called RACER.

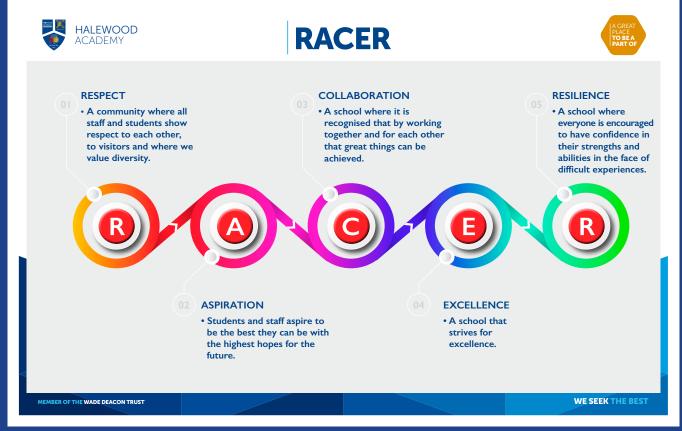
The school behaviour guidelines, which should be strictly adhered to at all times, can be summarised as follows:

- Respect yourself and your work.
- Respect other pupils.
- Respect all adults in school.
- Respect your school.

We must emphasise to all pupils that at **Halewood Academy** we do not tolerate bullying of any description including homophobia, racism or any other form of discrimination.

All pupils have the right to enjoy their education in safe and secure surroundings. Anyone breaching these conditions will be dealt with appropriately. Sanctions for serious misconduct include time spent in our remove classroom, time in our Reset Centre and even fixed term suspension or permanent exclusion.

A full copy of the Behaviour for Learning Policy can be found on our school website <a href="https://www.halewoodacademy.co.uk/academy\_information/policies/">https://www.halewoodacademy.co.uk/academy\_information/policies/</a>



## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



We would like to say a big congratulations to the year group who has achieved the school attendance target of 96% so far this term!

#### **YEAR 7 (ATTENDANCE 97%)**

#### REMEMBER: Time off school adds up to lost learning

There are 175 non-school days each year.
That's 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs and other appointments.

Days Absent (Sept-Jul)	0	6	9.5	19	21	38
Days in School (Sept-Jul)	190	184	180.5	171	169	152
Overall Attendance	100%	97%	95%	90%	89%	80%
Attendance Profile	Excellent	Good	Worrying		Serious Concern	



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