

Whalley Range 11-18 High School

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Dear Parents/Carers

As we reach the end of our year school year, I want to write to thank you for your ongoing support. Across the year, our students have made great progress with their academic studies and have really engaged in the wider life of the school and a whole range of extra-curricular clubs, trips, visits and opportunities. We are very proud of all of them all.

A change to previous information regarding the school day.

As the Department for Education have withdrawn the changes to school hours, we will be staying with our current timings for the school day. Students will continue to finish school at 2.45 pm.

Students moving into years 8, 9, 10 and 11 in September 2023 will return to school on Tuesday 5th September and should arrive at 11.10 am.

Our end of year edition of the Range Review, detailing some of the exciting things that our students have been involved in, can be found at https://wrhs1118.co.uk/periodicals/range-review

Our Year 11 and 13 students have now completed their formal examinations in GCSE, BTEC, Applied Generals and A levels. The students have worked really hard, and we are eagerly awaiting our results days on the 17th August for Year 13 and the 24th August for Year 11. All other year groups have also completed their end of year assessments; a huge "Well Done" to each of them.

Our Year 11 Prom was held at the Lowry Theatre in Salford Quays in June with the students and staff dressed up in their finery to celebrate Year 11 successes. A great night was had by all.

It has been lovely to welcome our September 2023 Year 7 students into school in July and to meet their parents and carers at our Parent/Carer evening. We have also held our induction morning for our September 2023 Year 12 students. We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back in September for the start of their Whalley Range journey.

Our Key Stage 3 Graduation and Celebration events last week were super celebrations of the engagement and achievement of our students in years 7, 8 and 9 and our Sports Presentation Afternoon, saw hundreds of students receive awards for their engagement in sports, teams and clubs across a huge range of activities.

Our musicians and singers, from all year groups, have put on several performances this half term at social times and we held a wonderful Summer Concert after school to celebrate our students' musical talents.

Our students' kindness and generosity has resulted in over £1000 being raised for charity. We have donated money to the Wood Street Mission and to the Penny Appeal to build a well in Africa in memory of Mariah Hussain.

A number of colleagues are leaving us at the end of this academic year and we wish them all the very best in their new ventures and hope that they remember us as we will remember them and their massive contribution to the lives of the young women of Whalley Range High School.

I am sure that you will agree that it's been a busy half term and a busy year. We, as always, are enormously grateful for the dedication of our staff who support the learning and enrichment for our students and to our families for their ongoing support.

I wish you a restful summer break and very much look forward to welcoming our students back into school in September.

Best wishes

Mrs Fahey Academy Headteacher