



Whalley Range 11-18 High School

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Dear Parents & Carers

As we reach the end of this half term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support. It has been lovely to be able to see so many parents/carers in school over this half term at our parent/carer events. A reminder that students break up for the Easter holiday today at 2.45pm and return to school on Monday 15th April 2024.

It was lovely to see our parents and carers at the two Parent/Carer evenings that have happened this half term. Parents and carers of our Year 8 students were able to discuss progress with their daughter's teachers and parents of our Year 12 students could discuss progress and assessments. Thank you to all our parents and carers for your attendance.

This half term has been an action packed one with a wide range of trips, visits and extra-curricular activities across all year groups. All of our Year 11 students have visited the Palace theatre to watch a performance of Macbeth, to support their English Literature studies and students in Year 9 visited The Crucible theatre in Sheffield to watch a production of The Crucible. Year 12 students visited either Deloitte in Manchester or the Manchester Museum and a range of students represented the school at the Trust's first Eco-Conference at Old Trafford. I am sure that you would like to join me in thanking staff at school for arranging these opportunities for our students.

Do please take a moment to take a look at our most recent edition of the Range Review, where you will find details about many of the opportunities that students have been involved in over recent months <https://wrhs1118.co.uk/periodicals/range-review>

Our app, EduLink One lets you check your daughter's homework, timetable, attendance and progress reports etc. If you wish to access the app, please visit www.edulinkone.com using the school ID 'WRHS'. Choose 'RESET LOGIN' and enter your email address to be sent your login details. Please also encourage your daughter to use the app herself to check homework. Students use the 'Microsoft' option for logging in, then enter their usual school email address and password.

Year 11 students have been working hard for their pre-public exams in preparation for the start of the exam season this summer. Our sixth form students are also preparing for their exams and students have attended Business and Health and Social Care conferences to support their learning.

As we move into the exam and assessment season, a reminder that we have a range of revision and support materials on our website. If your daughter needs any support, please remember that she can also always contact her Head of Year who will signpost her and support her.

As ever, we have continued to promote and celebrate reading across school. However, it is crucial that all the fantastic enthusiasm and enjoyment that our students have shown for reading over the last few months is not lost over the Easter break. Your daughter should have the opportunity to read as often as possible and, as parents, there are lots of things that you can do to support your daughter's enjoyment of reading:

- Encourage your daughter to read a book for pleasure (this can be fiction or non-fiction). Perhaps she could borrow a book from the local library?
- Model reading aloud to your daughter
- Encourage your daughter to read aloud to you and ask her questions about the story and characters
- Encourage your daughter to create storyboards or reviews of books that she has enjoyed

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Just setting aside 30 minutes each day for your daughter to read for pleasure could have a dramatic impact on her enjoyment of reading and her literacy skills.

I know that we all have very high expectations of our students both in lessons and around school. It is important that students show self-responsibility in their day-to-day life in school and keep to our high standards in terms of behaviour, uniform and completion of homework. To support this, please continue to ensure that your daughter comes to school with her blazer, lanyard, school bag and stationery every day as this ensures a smart start to learning.

Please could I ask all parents/carers to park well away from the school and drive safely at all times near our school to keep our students and local community safe. Please encourage your daughter to walk to school wherever possible.

Key Contact Information

If you would like to speak to someone about «Forename»'s progress, personal development or have any concerns, please contact your daughter's Year Office on one of the numbers given below:

	Head of Year	Year Co-ordinator
Year 7 0161 860 2976	Mrs Lynam	Mrs Mackenzie
Year 8 0161 860 2975	Ms Kheratkar	Mr Mustafa
Year 9 0161 860 2978	Mrs Saleem	Ms Carr
Year 10 0161 860 2979	Mr Da Silva/ Mrs O'Brien	Mr Ellis-Scott
Year 11 0161 860 2977	Mr Kavanagh	Miss Drake Thomas
Sixth Form 0161 860 2984	Mrs Davies (Head of Year 12) Mrs Maloney-Rock (Head of Year 13)	Miss Smith (Sixth Form Admin/Pastoral Support)

I would like to thank you again for your continued support and I hope that you and your family enjoy the break and for our families celebrating Eid we all wish you Eid Mubarak.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Fahey
Academy Headteacher