

Dear Allerton Grange community,

I'm delighted to share some updates and celebrate the positive progress we're making together.

First, I want to extend my thanks to all our parents and carers for your continued support in our focus on punctuality. Your commitment to making sure your children arrive at school on time has been instrumental in the significant improvements we've witnessed. From Monday 27 January 2025, we have a new system where students arriving after the 8:30 am late bell receive a social time detention on the same day. This approach has shown remarkable results already, with a noticeable reduction in lateness throughout the week. To all our students who consistently arrive on time and in perfect uniform every day – thank you. Your dedication sets a wonderful example for your peers and contributes to the positive learning environment we work hard to maintain.

In the spirit of community support, we're working with our colleagues at Moor Allerton Hall Primary School (MAHPS), assisting them with safeguarding measures and managing access to their school site at the end of the day. If any Allerton Grange parent or carer needs their child to collect a younger sibling from MAHPS, you must provide your child's name to MAHPS. They will then be supplied with a pass granting them access to the primary school site. This collaboration ensures the safety and smooth operation of both our schools.

Now, let's turn our attention to something exciting on the horizon – our school production of "Guys and Dolls"! The performances are scheduled for 11-13 February, and we're eagerly counting down the days. The students and staff involved have been working incredibly hard, including after school and at weekends, to bring this classic musical to life, and we can't wait to share it with you all. Having lots of family members, friends and school staff in the audience would mean the world to our budding performers and backstage crew, so we hope to see many familiar faces at the performances.

As the school year continues, I'm constantly impressed by the resilience, adaptability, and enthusiasm of our school community. Your ongoing support and engagement makes Allerton Grange a truly special place to learn and grow, and we value our continued partnership with you.

We're looking forward to the rest of this term, filled with learning, achievement, and unforgettable moments like our upcoming production.

Andrew Norrington (Associate Headteacher)

Reminder about the changes to 'Late' Detentions

From Monday 27 January 2025, any student late to school will be booked in for a social time detention at lunch time on the same day. For example, if a student is late to school on Tuesday, they will have a lunch time detention on Tuesday.

Dates for your Diary:

Thursday 30 January 2025 - Year 11 Advice & Guidance meetings, 3.15 - 4.15 pm, Dining Room

Thursday 6 February - Year 10 Parent Consultation Evening Online Appointments, 4.30 - 7.30 pm Book now

Tuesday 11 to Thursday 13 February - Guys and Dolls, 7.00 - 9.00 pm Tickets from Parent Pay

Monday 17 to Friday 21 February - Half Term Holiday -School is closed

Monday 24 February - School reopens - First Day of Half Term 4

Wednesday 26 February - Health & Social Care Evening (Year 11), 5.00 - 6.00 pm

Monday 3 to Friday 7 March - National Careers Week

Monday 10 to Friday 14 March - National Science Week

Thursday 20 March - KS4&5 Concert, 7.00 - 9.00 pm

Training Days 2024-25

The Training Days this school year, when school is closed to students, are on:

Monday 2 September 2024 ✓

Friday 20 September 2024 ✓

Monday 6 January 2025 ✓

Monday 21 July 2025

Tuesday 22 July 2025

Sports Fixture Results Football

Yesterday, the Year 10 Football team played Boston Spa but lost 3-2. Sam and Billy scored the goals.



Coram Shakespeare Schools Workshop

On Wednesday, a group of students took part in an 'As You Like It' Drama workshop with the Coram Shakeshpeare Schools Festival. The students will continue working together before performing their Shakespeare production in a local theatre - more details to follow on this soon.



COMING.SOON.TO.A.SCHOOL.NEAR.YOU



11,12,13 Feb 2025 7.00 pm Tickets: £9 each from ParentPay

GUTS AND DOLLS

A Musical fable of Broadway

Based on a fabry and Characters of Domon Buryon

Music and Lynes by

JO SWEELING and ABE BURKOWS.
This amotive production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International.

All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MI

Don't miss out on seeing the show of the year!

Guys and Dolls is a classic Broadway musical, with the unlikeliest of love stories, set on the streets of Manhattan and the bars of Havana.

We hope you enjoy the show!

Watch our students' guide to the 'lingo' used in Guys & Dolls.

Free STARS Online Workshops for Parents and Professionals

STARS are running a series of free online parent/professional workshops linked to supporting neurodivergent children in the home.

Each workshop will be delivered via Teams from 9.45 to 11.15 am on each date.

Dates and topics:

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08.11.2024	Sensory Support in the Home
06.12.2024	Identity and Diagnosis
10.01.2025	Visual Supports in the Home EY
10.01.2025	Keeping autistic children and young
	people safe online
07.02.2025	Visual Supports Secondary & Post 16
07.03.2025	Key life transitions
02.05.2025	Anxiety based avoidance
06.06.2025	A basic introduction to Intensive Interaction
04.07.2025	Puberty and sexuality

To book your place:

Parents: email <u>starsteam@leeds.gov.uk</u> stating your name, email address and workshops you would like to book.

Professionals: book via Leeds for Learning.

Contact: starsteam@leeds.gov.uk

CYMPHS Crisis Call Line - Supporting students back into school after the holidays

Whatever your issue, big or small, they are there to listen and support you.

Call 8.00 am to 8.00 pm, everyday: 0800 953 0505

Time for Young People, Leeds

This is a new service designed to deliver community-based early emotional and mental health support for children and young people in Leeds, with a particular focus on children and young people aged 11-25 who needsupport outside of school or NHS services settings.

This service is delivered by The Children's Society, a national charity with over 140 years of experience commissioned by NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (Leeds) and Leeds City Council. 'Time for Young People, Leeds' is available for children and young adults up to 18 years old, including care leavers and young people with special educational needs and disabilities up to age 25, as well as their parents and carers.

To access the service and to find out further information, please visit the website or phone 0113 517 8000.

https://mindmate.org.uk/time-for-yp/



Free School Meals

Eating a nutritious school meal is essential for pupils' health, growth, and learning.

Free School Meals can save you many!

In January 2024, 8,435 eligible pupils missed out on their free school

meal which can save families up to £490 each year.

Find out if you are eligible to apply for Free School Meals by clicking on this link.

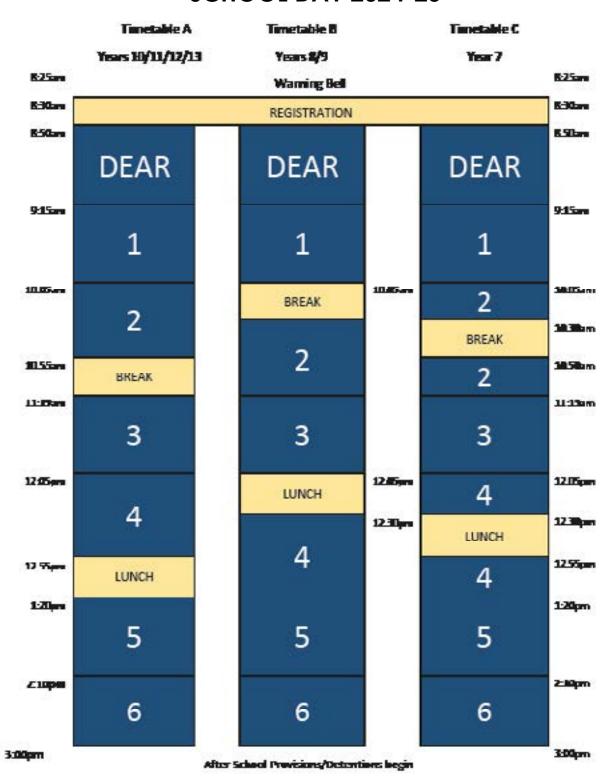
WIRED online resource for girls, women and minority gender young people aged 11-25 years

As part of the WIRED project, funded by Youth Music, free resources are now available to help girls, young women and minority gender people aged 11-25 learn about all aspects of working with audio – from creating tracks to careers in the music industry.

To access these free resources, please use the link below to register:

Register for WIRED Online · Yorkshire
Sound Women Network

SCHOOL DAY 2024-25



All students should leave the school site by 3.10pm unless attending a session 7 or working with a member of staff. There is to be no waiting in the cafe after school. The only students in the building must be involved in Enrichment sessions, a session 7, or isolation/detention.