



AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half-term break.

It has been a fantastic first week back at Allerton Grange School, and I want to extend my sincere thanks to all of you for your continued support. Your encouragement and engagement play a vital role in helping us maintain a positive and productive school environment.

Our students have returned with great energy and enthusiasm, and it's been wonderful to see them settling back into their routines with focus and determination. Staff have commented on the excellent attitude to learning across all year groups, and we are proud of the respectful and inclusive atmosphere that continues to grow within our school community.

Looking ahead, next week marks **Anti-Bullying Week**, an important opportunity to reinforce our AGS Student Virtues of Respectful, Responsible, Courageous and Ambitious. We'll be kicking off the week with **Odd Socks Day on Monday**, celebrating individuality and encouraging everyone to express themselves freely and proudly. Students and staff are encouraged to wear odd socks on Monday to support Anti-Bullying Week.



We're also excited to welcome prospective students and families to our **Sixth Form Open Evening** next week on Thursday 13 November. Following last year's record-breaking results and unprecedented recruitment numbers, we anticipate another busy and inspiring evening. It's a chance to showcase the breadth of opportunities available at Allerton Grange Sixth Form and the supportive, ambitious culture that helps our students thrive.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. We look forward to another successful and enriching half term.

Warm regards,

Andrew Norrington
Headteacher

Leeds City Council Admission Policy Consultation

Leeds City Council is consulting on the 2027/28 admission policy for Leeds Community and Voluntary controlled schools under the Admission Code. All the information can be found at www.leeds.gov.uk/SchoolAdmissionsConsultations. You can share your views until 1 December 2025.

Dates for your Diary:

Monday 10 November to Friday 14 November - Anti Bullying Week

Monday 10 November - Odd Socks Day

Monday 10 November - Year 9 DofE Parents Information Evening, 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Thursday 13 November - Sixth Form Open Evening, 6.00 - 8.00 pm [Book your place](#)

Monday 17 to Friday 21 November - Book Fair in the Library

Tuesday 18 November - Year 11 Parents' Evening - online appointments

Monday 24 November to Friday 5 December - Year 11 Pre Public Exams

Friday 28 November - Deadline for Year 9 GCSE Options Choices.

Thursday 11 December - World of Music Concert, 7.00 - 9.00 pm.

Monday 15 to Friday 19 December - Rewards Assemblies

Friday 19 December - Last Day of Term

Monday 22 December to Friday 2 January 2026 - Christmas Holidays

Monday 5 January - Training Day (School closed to students)

Wednesday 7 January - Exam Certificate Collection, 3.30 - 4.30 pm

Training Days 2025-26

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

Monday 1 September 2025 ✓

Friday 19 September 2025 ✓

Monday 5 January 2026

Monday 20 July 2026

Tuesday 21 July 2026

Parents' Information Evenings 2025-26

We have an online booking system for Parents' Evenings

<https://agrange.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

For the 2025-26 academic year Parents' Evenings will continue to be online/virtual meetings.

Bookings open for each Parents' Evening 2-3 weeks before the event. You will receive a letter from school prompting you to book your appointments.

- 6 October 2025 - Year 13 Parents' Evening, 4:30 - 7:30 pm ✓
- 18 November 2025 - Year 11 Parents' Evening, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- 4 December 2025 - Year 12 Parents' Evening, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- 8 January 2026 - Year 9 Parents' Evening, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- 28 January 2026 - Year 7 Parents' Evening, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- 24 February 2026 - Year 10 Parents' Evening, 4:30 - 7:30 pm
- 24 March 2026 - Year 8 Parents' Evening, 4.30 - 7.30 pm

November Online Safety Newsletter

This month the newsletter covers Whats App Channels, CapCut, AI chatbots and companions, Age Ratings, Instagram Map and Online Roasting.

[Click to open the e-newsletter](#)



Book your place

Sixth Form Open Evening

13 November 2025, 6-8pm



KS4&5 Concert Review

by Scarlet (Year 7)

The Key Stage 4 and 5 concert was an exceptional showcase of talent, passion and artistry. Each performance was unique and demonstrated the amazing Allertonian spirit which radiated from the courageous performers and supporters alike.

Everyone attending was astounded by the musical talents of AGS, and the raw emotion in the vocals resonated with every person in the room. The wide variety of performances displayed a myriad of different styles and genres, ranging from exquisite solo vocalists, classical instrumentals, and bands that literally rocked the room! From start to finish, it was an explosion of colour and life and songs, expertly chosen, frequently moved the concert goers to tears.

Overall, the concert was testimony to the outstanding talent we have here at Allerton Grange and the overwhelming sense of community and love in the room which helped each person perform to the very highest standard.

An enormous thank you to all the staff who assisted in the concert, the tech team, music ambassadors, of course our superb performers, and last but not least the brilliant audience.



Our talented musicians will perform again at their **KS4&5 Concert on 26 March 2026, from 7.00 pm.**

For some students, this is their final concert performance at Allerton Grange.

World of Music Concert Auditions

Students are invited to audition to take part in the **World of Music Concert on 11 December 2025, 7.00 - 9.00 pm.**

Auditions are on 17 and 18 November 2025.

Please go to M001 to sign up for an audition.



School Musical - Little Shop of Horrors

Join us and be wowed by our talented performers and musicians at our school musical, **Little Shop of Horrors**, on 10, 11 & 12 February 2026.

A nerdy florist finds his chance for success and romance with the help of a giant man-eating plant who demands to be fed...



GCSE Drama Exam Performances

Huge congratulations to the Year 11 students who performed their devised exam pieces before half term.

From horror to drama to comedy secret agents, the three groups were incredible.

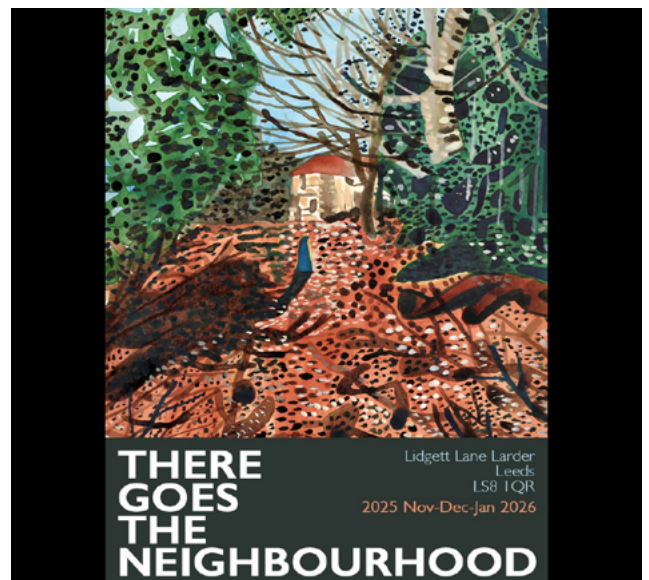


There Goes the Neighbourhood Exhibition

We are delighted that four Year 11 students, Olivia, Saba, Esha and Phoebe, are exhibiting their print work at the 'There Goes The Neighbourhood' exhibition at Lidgett Lane Larder, Leeds LS8 1QR.

Their artwork was selected by artist Si Smith, following a print making workshop he ran in school in the summer term.

The exhibition opens on Wednesday 12 November and then runs through November, December and January 2026.



Sports Fixture Results

Football (boys)

On Tuesday 4 November, we played an away fixture at Temple Moor and won 3-1.

Netball (girls)

The Year 7 won 12-2 against Allerton High.

The Year 8 teams also played Allerton High:

Year 8 lost 9-0 vs Allerton High A

Year 8 won 4-1 vs Allerton High B

Sporting Achievements in Year 10

Trampolining

In October, Adam took part in a trampoline competition at Skyscrapers Trampoline Club and won first prize for his routine.

Climbing

At the weekend, Edie competed in the final and 4th round of the UK Youth Climbing Series and won the under 17's girls Lead Climbing competition.

She has placed second in the under 17's female category in the Northwest & Yorkshire region for the series and has gained a place in the BMC National Youth Climbing final, which is held at the end of November and involves both Boulder and Lead climbing competitions.

Preparation for adulthood: friends, relationships and community

Wednesday 3 December 2025, 9.45 till 11.15 am

This session is suitable for parents and professionals who are currently supporting children and young people to develop healthy friendships and relationships.

We will be exploring the factors that can present challenges for autistic and neurodivergent children and young people and how to effectively promote positive social inclusion, consent and how to navigate the social world safely in the early years through to early adulthood.

We will be exploring and sharing key resources and approaches to promote healthy social opportunities for children and young people.



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SEND PARENT CARER INFORMATION DROP IN

Date	Time	Venue
Wed 19 th November	10.30 till 12.30	The Welcome Centre, Belle Isle Rd, Belle Isle, LS10 3DN (signposted St John and St Barnabas Church)

Services in attendance:

- Leeds Local Offer
- SENDIASS
- Carers Leeds
- Child Health and Disability Team (CHAD)
- Leeds Parent Carer Forum
- Speech and Language Therapy Service
- SEND Coordinators, Family Hubs

Workshop details

- Theme: Carers Assessments and assessment for children
- Time: 11 am till 12 pm

Let us know if you will be attending the drop in
<https://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/InfoDropIn/>



If you would like more information about the drop in sessions email

LLO@leeds.gov.uk



Family Hubs SEND parent drop ins

Family Hubs are designed to support families by bringing together a range of services into one easy-to-access space. Whether you need parenting advice, health support, education guidance, or help navigating local services, our family hubs are here to help.

Family hubs act as a vital link between families and community support, offering a holistic approach to meet individual family needs. They are also a space where families can connect with others in their community.

The SEND Coordinators within the Family Hubs are hosting SEND parent drop in:

Outer West Family Hub

Last Thursday of the month, 9 am till 12 pm at Horsforth Library.

Inner West Family Hub

Last Wednesday of the month, 9.30 am till 12 pm at Armley Community Hub.

Book your place now

Book your place by calling 0113 535 0185 or emailing family.hubs@leeds.gov.uk quoting the drop in you would like to book a place for, upon booking you will be given a time slot.

Sixth Form Assembly

On Thursday, Steve Silver from Adrian Sudbury Schools' Education Trust (ASSET) delivered an R&Be (register and be a life saver) presentation. He covered details about organ, blood and stem cell donation with some very thought provoking details.

Students were able to collect a leaflet and were given advice about where to access further information if they are interested in signing up.



Leeds City of Languages 10 to 24 November 2025

Leeds City of Languages is a regional festival celebrating the rich diversity of languages and cultures across Yorkshire.

[You can view the programme here](#)

There are many events open to to all including film screenings, webinars, talks, language tasters, workshops and peformances.

Leeds City of Languages
Celebrating languages, cultures and global connections.
10th - 24th of November 2025
<https://leedscityoflanguages.leeds.ac.uk/>



Find out more:

Email: leedscityoflanguages@leeds.ac.uk

Instagram: [@leedscityoflanguages](#)

Bluesky: [@leedscitylanguages.bsky.social](#)

LinkedIn: [@leeds-city-of-languages-festival](#)

Allerton Grange School: Park and Stride

Help us to keep our students and local community safe, as well as encouraging your children to develop independence and healthy habits by walking part of their journey to and from school.

Drop your child off further away from school to reduce congestion and improve safety

Park and Stride is an easy way to change travel habits. Parents and carers are encouraged to park a 5 to 10 minute walk away from school and allow children to walk the rest of the way.

Benefits of Park and Stride

- ✓ Reduces traffic and congestion near school entrances
- ✓ Improves safety for children
- ✓ Lowers pollution levels
- ✓ Shows courtesy to local residents by avoiding blocked driveways and pavements

Safety Reminders

- ⊗ Do not park on zig-zag lines or pavements
- ✓ Avoid blocking driveways or junctions
- ✓ Use designated crossings & hold hands with younger children



Thank you for your support in helping to keep our community safe.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-Curricular Activities Calendar: Term 1 – September to December				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homework club Library 3-4pm	Homework club Library 3-4pm	Homework club Library 3-4pm	Homework club Library 3-4pm	
Samba (Y7 & Y8/9 Lunchtimes) Suitable for anyone who loves drums & rhythms. Music pod Store 9	Years 8-13 Advanced Rockers 3-4.15pm M001 TCa & DSu	Junior Concert Band Grade 1-3 Musicians 3-3.30pm M001 ASH/ TCa	Choir Everyone welcome! 3-4.15pm M002 ASH	Little shop of Horrors Full Company (invite only) 3-4pm Hall KSp/ CHu
Little shop of Horrors Pit Band (invite only) 3-4.15pm M001 TCa & SDu	Grade 5 Theory Club (invite only) 3-4.15pm M002 ASH	Senior Concert Band Grade 3-8 Musicians 3-4.15pm M001 ASH/ TCa	Latin Club- All year groups L20	KS3 Coding Club Week A ONLY 3-4pm I001 LMo/ Cba *
Little shop of Horrors Vocal Rehearsal (invite only) 3-4.15pm M002 ASH	Jazz Club Suitable for grade 2 & above musicians & singers 3-4.15pm M003 SDu	Years 8 & 9 Drama Club- all welcome! 3-4pm D001 KSp/ CHu	Year 7 School of Rock- for anyone who wants to learn instruments or enjoys playing as a group 3-4.15pm M001/2 AMa/ TCa	KS4 Software Development Club Week A ONLY 3-4pm I002 LMo/ Cba *
Little shop of Horrors Dance (invite only) 3-4pm D001 KSp/ CHu	Years 9 & 10 Boys Rugby Field 3-4pm JGa	Girls Football Field 3-4pm KAI	Years 7 & 8 Netball MUGA 3-4pm Eca	* Each term the club will explore a different programme ALL YEARS KS3 KS4 KS5
	Years 7 Boys Football Field 3-4pm SNo	All Years Badminton Sports Hall 3-4pm SNo	Year 9 Football Field 3-4pm DTo	
	Years 9, 10 & 11 Netball MUGA 3-4pm JAd	Years 8 Boys Football Field 3-4pm DTo	Year 7 & 8 Boys Rugby Field 3-4pm JGa	
	Girls Rugby Field 3-4pm Eca		Year 8 & 9 Drama Club- all welcome! 3-4pm D001 KSp/ CHu	
	Little shop of Horrors Main Parts (invite only) 3-4pm D002 KSp/ CHu		KS3 War Hammer Club 3-4pm L002 SLo	
	Years 7 Drama Club- all welcome! 3-4pm Hall KSp/ CHu			
	Debate Club- students from all year groups welcome! L15 3-4pm with SHa			
	Art Club 3-4pm A002 KCr			
	Year 7 & 8 Pokemon Club 3-4pm L008 Dwa			
	Social Science Catch-up Drop in session for KS5 L51 3-4pm NMu			



WHAT'S ON AFTER SCHOOL IN PE?

	ACTIVITY	WHERE	STAFF
TUESDAY	Year 9/10/11 Netball	MUGA	JAD
	Girls Rugby	Fields	ECA
	Year 7 Boy's Football	Fields	SNO
	Year 9 + 10 Rugby	Fields	JGA
WEDNESDAY	Girl's Football	Fields	KAI
	All Year's Badminton (SNO)	Sports Hall	SNO
	Year 8 Boys Football	Fields	DTO
THURSDAY	Year 7+8 Netball	MUGA	ECA
	Year 9 Football	Fields	DTO
	Year 7 & 8 Boys Rugby (JGA)	Fields	JGA

YOU MUST SIGN UP IF YOU WANT TO JOIN AND YOU WILL RECEIVE AN INVITE ON CLASS CHARTS
Sign up sheets are located on the wall outside the Sports Hall.
These clubs start the week beginning 16th September.

Music Extra-Curricular Clubs

No need to sign up to the Music Clubs, just come along and let the music making begin!

Day	Time	Room	Club	Teacher
Monday	Year 7/8&9 Lunch	Storeroom 9	Samba Suitable for anyone who loves drums, rhythm and noise!	Ian Matthews (Drum Teacher)
Monday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M001	Little Shop of Horrors Pit Band (Invite only)	Mrs Casey/ Mr Duff
Monday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M002	Little Shop of Horrors Musical Vocal Rehearsal (Invite only)	Miss Shrimpton
Tuesday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M001	Year 8 - 13 Advanced Rockers! Suitable for students who have attended School of Rock before/ can play a rock-based instrument/ sing	Mrs Casey / Mr Sumroy
Tuesday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M002	Grade 5 Theory Club (Invite only)	Miss Shrimpton
Tuesday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M003	Jazz Club Suitable for grade 2 and above musicians and singers	Mr Duff
Wednesday	3.00 - 3.30 pm	M001	Junior Concert Band Suitable for grade 1-3 musicians	Miss Shrimpton/ Mrs Casey
Wednesday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M001	Senior Concert Band Suitable for grade 3-8 musicians	Miss Shrimpton/Mrs Casey
Thursday	3.00 - 4.15 pm	M001/ M002	Year 7 School of Rock Suitable for anyone who wants to learn instruments or enjoys playing as a group	Al Matthews and Mrs Casey
Thursday	3.00 - 3.45 pm	M002	Choir Suitable for anyone who likes singing!	Miss Shrimpton

Extra Curricular Drama

We must all do theatre to find out who we are and to discover who we could become
(Augusto Boal)



MONDAY

Little Shop of Horrors
Dance

Invite only

3-4

D001



TUESDAY

Year 7 Drama Club
All Welcome

3-4

HALL



TUESDAY

Little Shop of Horrors
Main parts

Invite only

3-4

D002



WEDNESDAY

Year 8 and 9
Drama Club
All Welcome

3-4

D001



FRIDAY

Little Shop of Horrors
Full Company
Invite Only

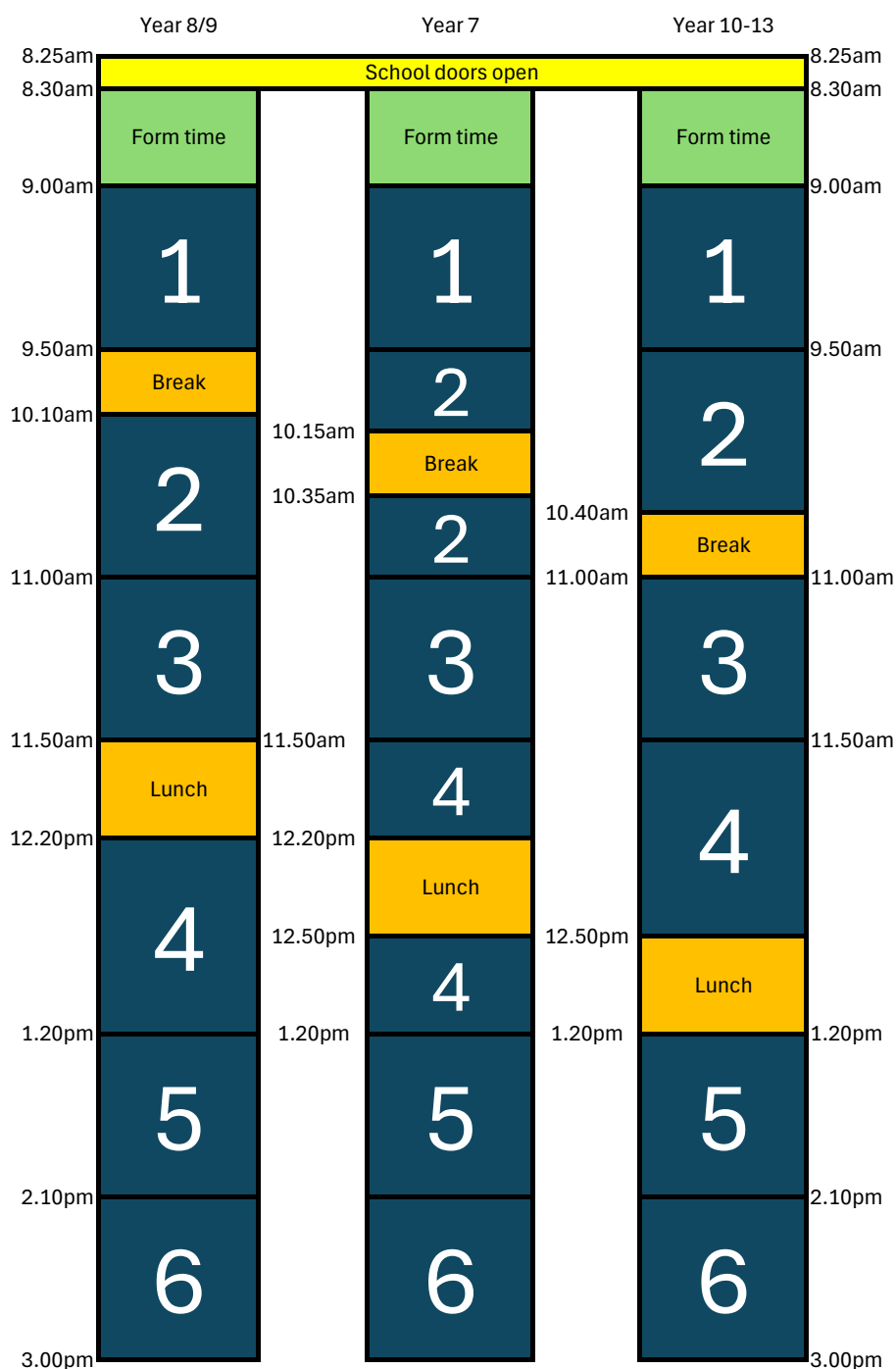
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HALL



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE MRS SPENCER-MATTHEWS OR MISS HULLOCK

SCHOOL DAY 2025-26



After School Arrangements

This is a reminder that all students should leave the school site by 3.10 pm. There isn't anywhere inside school where students can wait. The only students in the building must be involved in Enrichment sessions, Session 7, isolation/Reflection or detention.

Detention times:

Stage 1 Detention - Mondays 3.00 - 3.30 pm
(30 minutes)

Stage 2 Detention - Mondays 3.00 - 4.00 pm
(60 minutes)

SLT Detention - Wednesdays 3.00 - 4.30 pm
(90 minutes)

Isolation/Reflection takes place between 9.00 am - 3.00 pm/3.30 pm/4.00 pm depending on behaviour.