

# Welcome back everyone to a new academic year!

It has been an absolute pleasure to welcome our students back this week - all year groups arrived looking fantastic. Our new Year 7 students have quickly adapted to their new school environment and have made a great first impression on all the staff at AGS; what a polite, well mannered and respectful group of young people.

We are currently focusing on standards, punctuality and uniform. Thank you to all our parents and carers for ensuring that students are arriving on time, in full uniform and fully equipped, ready to learn.

#### **Examination Results**

Our Year 11 and Year 13 students once again celebrated an excellent set of GCSE and A-Level results. A fantastic 44% of students achieved grade 5 in both English and Maths, making this the school's best ever set of GCSE results. At A-Level, 60% of all entries achieved a grade A\*- C, whilst 15% of entries achieved grades A\*- A. Again, this is the school's best ever set of A-level results and we are incredibly proud of our students' achievements.

#### Character Education

As a school we are already working incredibly hard to develop the character of our students through our:

- KLAS Curriculum
- Service & Leadership Programme
- Aspirational Enrichment Programme

As part of the School Development Plan we are now focusing on student culture. This will help ensure that our students are clear about the positive character traits and virtues that we, as a school, expect them to exhibit, and that we are helping them to foster. We will be launching these virtues with students in the coming days. It is a crucial part of school culture and we are excited to see this develop throughout the year ahead.

- Allerton Grange students show respect and compassion.
- Our students are responsible and committed.
- Our students are curious and courageous.
- Our students are ambitious and have self-belief.
- They are proud to be students at Allerton Grange School.

#### Open Evening: Book your place

We will be opening our doors to prospective students and their families on 19 September, 6.00 - 8.00 pm. If you know of any Year 6 families who wish to attend our Open Evening this year please encourage them to book a place. We opened the booking form during the summer and have already have over 400 people attending the event.

## Dropping off and collecting students at the end of the day

We have not made any changes in this area but a polite reminder that if you are dropping off or collecting children by car at the beginning and end of the day, please use the Turning Circle accessible from Lidgett Lane. The Talbot Avenue entrance is for staff only, and for pedestrians. As I'm sure you will understand and agree, the safety of our students is the priority, and we must ensure they are able to always enter/exit the school site safely. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Mike Roper (Headteacher)
Andy Norrington (Associate Headteacher)

# Dates for your Diary:

Monday 9 September - Individual School Photos for Years 7, 10, 11, 12.

Tuesday 10 September - Year 7 Supporting Success Evening, 6.00 - 7.00 pm - read the letter on the school website

Thursday 19 September - Open Evening - Book your place

Friday 20 September - Staff Training Day - School closed to students

Monday 23 September - EPQ Presentation Evening, 3.15 - 4.15 pm

Tuesday 24 September - Year 12 Welcome Event, 5.00 - 6.00 pm

Tuesday 24 September - Year 13 UCAS Information Evening, 5.30 - 6.30 pm

Wednesday 25 September - Year 10: Your GCSE journey, 6.00 - 7.00 pm

Friday 27 September - Open Morning - Book your place

Thursday 3 October - Careers Fair, 4.30 - 6.30 pm

Thursday 10 October - Year 11 Supporting Success Evening, 6.00 - 7.00 pm

Thursday 24 October - KS4/5 Concert, 7.00 - 9.00 pm

Friday 25 October - Culture Day

# Ongoing issue with Yahoo email addresses

This is a reminder that there is an ongoing problem which means we are unable to send emails to Yahoo email addresses.

This is an external problem and not something we can correct within school.

If you have a Yahoo email address, please create a new one with another provider and update us with your contact information to ensure you are receiving all communications from us.

Thank you for your support.

# 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

# Access to the School Site

#### Mornina:

**Talbot Avenue** - The gates open at 8.10 am and close at 8.40 am. Students arriving late will need to press the Student button at the gate to be let through to the Student Entrance/ Attendance Office.

**Lidgett Lane** - The gates will open at 8.15 am and close at 8.25 am. Students arriving late will need to enter school via Talbot Avenue. All cars must leave the Turning Circle area by 8.25 am.

## Afternoon:

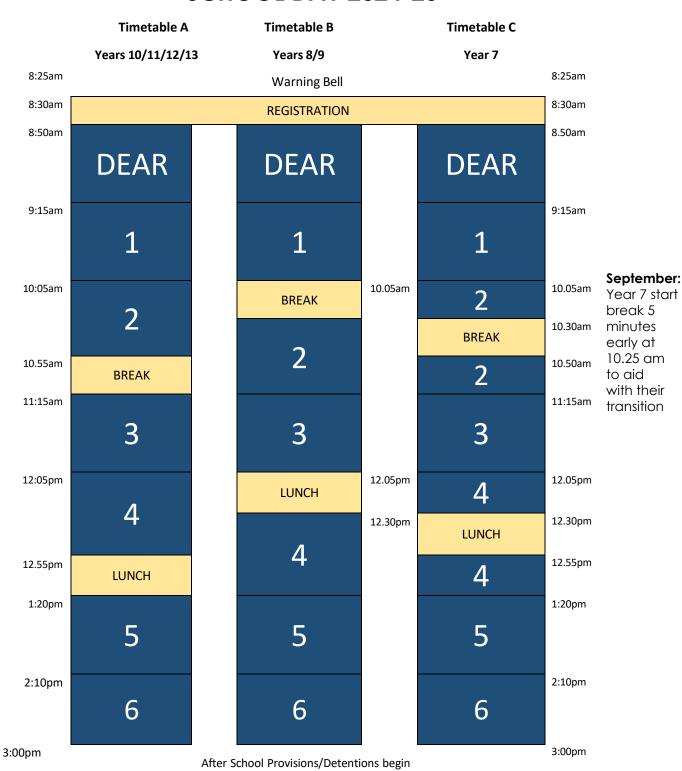
**Talbot Avenue** - The gates open at 3.00 pm and close at 3.30 pm.

**Lidgett Lane** - The gates to the Turning Circle open at 2.40 pm and will be locked at 3.30 pm. All cars must leave this area by 3.30 pm, when the gates will be locked.

Students staying in school for after school activities will be supervised by staff and taken to the gate to leave safely via Talbot Avenue.

# Don't start your day by being late to school! Students need to be in school, in their form room, at 8.25 am ready for the register to be taken at 8.30 am.

# **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.

(Monday) Stage 3 - SLT Detentions – 3:05pm – 4:30pm (85 minutes) (Tuesday - Friday)

Stage 1 Detentions – 3:05pm - 3:35pm (30 minutes) Stage

2 Detentions - 3:05pm - 4:00pm (55 minutes)

Isolation takes place between 9:00am-3pm/3.30pm/4.00pm (Depending on Behaviour)