



# School NEWSLETTER 315

Thursday 20 September 2018

## Head's Introduction

Dear Parents and Carers,



We look forward to welcoming new parents this evening to our Cheese and Wine Evening. I would like to remind everyone that it is our Open Evening on Tuesday 25 September (6.15pm for a 6.30pm start) as ever we appreciate all the support from students and parents with this important event.

We are delighted to announce the launch of our new school website which you can take a look at here: <https://archbishopholgates.academy>. The new website will make it easier for us to share news, events and information with you and also features a refreshed 'look and feel', redesigned navigation menu, improved appearance and performance on phones and tablets and is compliant with new data protection and privacy laws. Please take a moment to have a look through the website and let us know what you think. Over the next few weeks, we will also be updating the photos on the site with students in our new uniform!

## Food for Thought

This week during Collective Worship, form groups have been thinking about the experiences of singer Sam Smith, who spent time in the city of Mosul in Iraq with the charity War Child, and how through this he was inspired to write the song 'Pray'. One of the quotes we have spent some time thinking about is:

"Prayer is simply talking to God like a friend and should be the easiest thing we do each day." Joyce Mayer, Christian author

To receive the daily Thought for the Day straight to your phone or other electronic device sign up to @AHSChaplaincy on Twitter.



## Library News

Last week we took part in Roald Dahl Day, as 13 September would have been his birthday. The activities included quizzes, crosswords, artwork and writing poetry Roald Dahl style. The overall winner was Erven Colin (7Cy) for his fantastic poem written in Gobblefunk, a language created by Roald Dahl. Too many runners up to mention as there were lots of entries! Well done everyone. You're all Whoopsy Whiffing! (For those who can't speak Dahl, it means 'great'.)



## MAIN SCHOOL OPEN EVENING Tuesday 25th September, 6.30pm

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## European Day of Languages

European Day of Languages is being celebrated across Europe on 26 September 2018, AHS will be marking the occasion across the school with a series of exciting events. These will include a languages café, a table quiz on European themes, a British Sign Language taster session and a European Film. Teachers in all subjects will also include a nod to languages in their lessons, be it the date in a foreign language or greeting the class in a foreign language. Inspired by language quotes as our thought for the day, we will be looking at different reasons to study a language. To share one example, Nelson Mandela once said 'If you speak to a man in a language he understands, it will go to his head. If you speak to a man in his own language, it goes to his heart.'

## Upcoming Events

Thu 20 Sept	New Parents' Cheese & Wine Reception Evening with SLT, Main Hall, 7.00pm
Fri 21 Sept	Sixth Form Non-Uniform Day - Jeans 4 Genes
Tue 25 Sept	Training Day (school closed to students)
Tue 25 Sept	Open Evening, 6.30pm
Mon 1 Oct	Year 10 Work Experience Evening for Parents, 6.00pm

## Year 8 trip, Koblenz, July 2018

A massive thank you to all students and staff involved with the Germany trip before the summer. Students really enjoyed visiting the Rheinland area, especially Marksburg Castle, Cochem, Koblenz and last but not least, Phantasia Land.



## AHS Feedback

We welcome all feedback and thank all parents for their valuable contributions. If you have a query or simply an observation about the school please complete the form online.



## Social Media



Please follow us on Twitter @AHSYork or Facebook to keep up to date with the latest news and events!



# This Week's Main School News



## Message from Head of Year 8

It is my pleasure to welcome Year 8 back for another year at Archbishop Holgate's School. I feel privileged to be their new Head of Year, and myself and Mrs Chappell, as our Pastoral Support Worker, are very much looking forward to getting to know the year group over the next four years.



On returning back from the summer holidays, students in Year 8 are experiencing a wide and varied curriculum across all of their different subjects. In English, students are reading *Private Peaceful* by Michael Morpurgo. Following this, they will study a range of texts linked to the theme of 'conflict' and will then produce a story based on a line from a poem. In Maths, Year 8 are building on the 'Mastery' system they began last year, developing skills in manipulating decimals and fractions. Science lessons in the new year are covering a range of topics including pressure, atoms and environmental science. In History lessons, students are considering the origins and impact of the American Revolution, whereas in RE students are looking into Creation and the origins of the universe using the 'Big Freeze'; a new illustrated resource to enhance students' understanding of the Bible. MFL lessons are focussing around describing towns and the houses we live in, and there are a great many things going on in Technology lessons, ranging from an introduction to programming using 'Scratch', to making a pencil case from recycled materials in Textiles. Variety can also be found in the PE curriculum, with students taking part in activities ranging from Hockey to Swimming, Dance, Netball, Football and Badminton.

As part of the PSHCE Curriculum designed by Miss Holmes, we are also very pleased to welcome back PCSO Laura Harper who will be coming into Year 8 PSHCE lessons this term to discuss online safety and the law surrounding sexting and the use of social media. We are lucky to have her services in the community and in lessons, she is more than happy to answer questions about her role so look out for her around school.

Something that has been particularly pleasing to see at the beginning of a new year is how Year 8 students across different forms have done an excellent job of being 'Buddies' for different Year 7 forms and helping them to find their way around the school. The Year 8 buddies must have a clear memory of how daunting beginning at a new Secondary School is, and have shown great compassion in the job they have done helping the Year 7s get from lesson to lesson. It has been excellent to see the sense of community, and Mrs Edmondson and Mrs Stead are very pleased with the efforts these 'Buddies' have put in over the past 2 weeks.

As the new Head of Year 8, it has been excellent to see how students continue to live the school's values of Justice, Compassion, Forgiveness and Trust into being every single day. Two students in particular have been recognised for this in the first assembly of the year, and they are Grace Wilson in 8PI and Kyle Taylor in 8RNe. Grace has been excellent in form time with Dr Paul and excellent in helping Year 7s settle into their new school as a 'Buddy'. Kyle has shown great compassion to help another student find their lost bag, and Mrs Paver has been very pleased with the start he has made. 8ALa have also won this first week's attendance trophy for 100% attendance. This is a great start from 8ALa, and I look forward to rewarding different forms throughout the year for their excellent attendance.

However, as Open Evening is fast approaching on Tuesday 25 September, further opportunities are being presented to Year 8 to contribute to the wider school community. Many Year 8s have already expressed an interest in being part of the evening, and I would encourage as many as possible to find out how they can help departments show off the wonderful things going on around school and make this evening as successful as possible.

Finally, a key focus for the school this year will be the completing of homework. Staff are working hard to ensure all measures have been taken to make homework meaningful and accessible. Non-completion of homework will result in an after school detention the following day, and I very much hope that Year 8 will set the standard for making sure homework is completed consistently and to the best of their ability. Homework club will also be running for Year 8 in BS1 (in the English block) for anyone that is struggling to complete homework and needs extra support.

If you have any issues regarding your child in Year 8, whether it be related to homework completion or any other issues, please do get in contact with the school and ask for either Mr Arthur or Mrs Chappell and we'd be happy to help.

It's been an excellent start for Year 8 this year – long may this continue! Mr Arthur and Mrs Chappell

## English writing competition

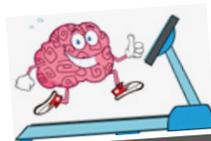
**HOW TO ENTER:** Students need to produce a piece of work (whether that is writing, artistic or any other form) about an inspirational person in history who has stood up and done the right thing for a particular group of people, someone who is an inspirational role model, from past or present. Or alternatively, students can produce a historical piece of work on Anne Frank herself.



Closing date for entries: Wednesday 5 December

All entries to Miss Woolerton in EN7 or the English office in the Harris Block.

## Mindful Exercise



People who exercise believe they have more energy and sleep better. Exercise can help to alleviate some symptoms of anxiety, depression and stress. Exercise promotes neural growth, and new activity patterns that promote feelings of calm and wellbeing.

Burning off additional energy prevents it becoming negative energy and stress. People also find it works as an excellent distraction.

## New product being introduced @ AHS

Water will now be available in carton form, this is part of the Catering Manager's commitment to reduce the amount of plastics that we use, we have already moved most of our drinks to carton form, with a goal to eventually only sell drinks in cartons.





# This Week's Sixth Form News



## New Parents' Cheese and Wine Reception Evening

Just a reminder that tonight is the Year 12 Parents' Reception between 7.00-8.15pm, in the Main School Hall. Members of the Senior Leadership will be there to address any questions. Subject teachers will not be present on this occasion, but if you wish to hear from a specific subject teacher please contact Mrs Walton via: [swalton@archbishopholgates.org](mailto:swalton@archbishopholgates.org).

## Sixth Form students medical appointments - a polite reminder

Medical and dental appointments should be made out of school hours. In the event a student needs to have an appointment during school hours, please contact Mrs Walton prior to the appointment. This must be from a parent or carer. Every effort must be made to avoid time spent out of lessons as this impacts negatively on student progress. Thank you for your support with this.

## Sixth Form Discretionary Fund

Archbishop Holgate's Sixth Form students can apply for Discretionary Funding. This fund is accessible to students whose households annual income is £35,000 or below and can be used to pay for a range of educational costs, e.g. transport to universities, books, contributions to course trips, etc. An application pack is available from Mrs Walton in the Sixth Form or email [swalton@archbishopholgates.org](mailto:swalton@archbishopholgates.org).

## Year 12 Volunteering

Year 12 have made a great start with their volunteering which they complete for an hour a week in a session they chose from 193 available options! We have already had great feedback from staff running the sessions about their energy, enthusiasm and impact in lunchtime clubs, 1 to 1 support in Form Times for younger students, as Homework Club mentors, in-class KS3 and KS4 support, and paired readers.

### Key Dates

- Tue 25 Sept - Staff Training Day (school closed)
- Tue 2 Oct - Year 11 IAG Day (no school for Sixth Formers)
- Wed 8 Nov - Sixth Form Opening Evening (Year 11 students)

### Fulford Partnership Key Dates

- Fri 5 Oct - Staff Training Day (school closed)
- Thu 18 Oct - Alternative Curriculum Day (no lessons)
- Mon 3 Dec - Year 13 Parents' Evening
- Tue 11 Dec - Year 12 Parents' Evening
- Fri 14 Dec - Taster Day (no lessons)

## Maths and English GCSE resits

Please note these are straight after the October half-term break.

- Mon 5 Nov - English Lang Paper 1
- Wed 7 Nov - English Lang Paper 2
- Tue 6 Nov - Maths Paper 1
- Thu 8 Nov - Maths Paper 2
- Mon 12 Nov - Maths Paper 3

**PLEASE SHARE:** If you would like to share students' achievements in the community with us, then please email [jssissons@archbishopholgates.org](mailto:jssissons@archbishopholgates.org). It's always nice to celebrate what students are accomplishing outside of school



## Rewards and Recognition

**The Gold Award** - At Archbishop Holgate's, we truly value hard work and effort. Each week, Heads of Year select two members of their year group to appear on the "Wall of Excellence" reflecting exceptional work and effort where students have done something extra special in lessons or in the wider life of the school. Winners of the Gold Award will receive a weekly prize. The following students have been awarded the Gold Award.

Lottie Hardy, 7Hv - For her resilience after being really ill and having a very positive attitude towards school and her attendance. Well done! Mrs Edmondson

Ender Ali, 7CBr - For his compassionate attitude and support for new members of our community. Thank you and well done! Mrs Edmondson

Molly-May Stephenson, 8RNe - For showing great resilience and having a fabulous start to the year. Mr Arthur

Aisha Kelly, 8By - For helping a student with English as an additional language to settle into her new school. Mr Arthur

Tommy Naismith, 9Ob - For producing some beautiful homework which demonstrated real empathy. Well done Tommy. Mrs Avey

Sophie Vella, 9Cr - For a fantastic first impression in English: excellent listening skills and work ethic. Great start Sophie. Mrs Avey

Maisy Fisher, 10Ry - For her excellent start to Art homework in Year 10. Well done. Mr Nicholson and Mr Wiles

Sydnie Rae Layton, 10Mc - Well done on a more positive attitude to form time and Year 10. Keep it up. Mrs McHugh

Sirjan Rana, 11Pi - For an excellent effort and achievement in preparing his Art portfolio. Mrs Atthews and Miss Turvey

Maia Leites, 11Gs - For superb artwork and a positive work ethic in completing her portfolio. Mrs Atthews and Miss Turvey

Holly Macfarlane, 12HGa - For helping younger students in main school when in difficulty. Well done! Mrs Hopkinson-Kearney

Tyler Bell, 12Aw - For an enthusiastic approach to his studies. Mrs Hopkinson-Kearney

Romani Small, 13Yg - For demonstrating our school values and exemplary role modelling by supporting new members of our community to feel welcomed and valued. Miss De Lashley

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## MFL Stars of the Week

Students were nominated by Language staff to receive an Effort merit, a postcard home and appear on the 'Stars Wall' for all their hard work:

KS3 French - Theo Barnard, 8LBr  
KS3 German - Matthew Dalglish, 7RGi  
KS4 French - Hannah Dalglish, 11Ha  
KS4 German - Jocelin Leites, 9Lp  
KS4 Spanish - Amelie MacKender, 11Gs

## Sports Corner

### Rugby

AHS was recently confirmed as an official England Rugby League Talent Pathway School. The PE department has developed close links with the RFL as well as the England Rugby Union



over the last three years. As a result, we have received a huge amount of support in the form of trips, resources, equipment and first rate coaching in our lessons and extra-curricular activities. The PE team will continue to work closely with both organisations going forward.

### Netball

The Y11's were on winning form last week playing their first netball match of their season winning 21-18 against Jo Ro. Fantastic result ladies. Star player was Gabby Sanderson.



A fantastic draw for our Y11 netball team this week against Manor. Star player of the game was Faith Battersby for showing compassion for the other team and playing in one of their positions. It was a very close game with AHS bringing back the goal deficit to draw 20-20. Well done ladies.



Winning form for our Y9's first netball game of the season winning 30 points to 1 against Manor this week. All students showed enthusiasm, determination and excellent team work. Star player of the game going to Lilli Jordan. Well done ladies.



### Football

Congratulations to Poppy Clancey (Y13) on signing for Leeds United Ladies. Poppy has had a tough year with injury, but she hasn't let it get her down. Well done Poppy!



The Year 8's, 9's and 11's were all in action this week against Bootham (Y8) and Fulford (Y9 & 11). The Year 8's won a comfortable 7-1 with player of the match going to Ben Hawkworth.



Year 9 won 5-2 with Charlie Petch, Lewis Carruthers and Yonese Lazrak all putting in great performances.



Unfortunately Y11 were unable to get a result against a very strong Fulford side, however Adam Hunter played superbly well in goal earning himself player of the match. Well done to all that played this week.



**WOW!**  
word of the week



Analysis: A detailed examination of something in order to understand it better. "This question needs me to give a detailed analysis of the problem."

**Tweet OF THE WEEK**

@pathfindertsa: Great first day with our new cohort of secondary Schools Direct trainees.



# AHS Extra Curricular Timetable **AUTUMN**

**REMEMBER!!!** This TT is in addition to the many catch up and support sessions around school – ask subject staff for details!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Lunchtime</b> Art Homework Club (Yrs7-8) @ 1.15 in AR2 Band Rehearsals @ 1.10 in Studio Beginner's Swimming (Yr7) @ 1.15 in Pool Football (Yr7) @ 1.15 in Sports Hall Open Dance @ 1.15 in Gym (last session 1/10/18) Recorder ensemble @ 1.10 in L40 Retro Gaming @ 1.15 in IT4	<b>Lunchtime</b> Boys Aloud Choir @ 1.10 in L37 Christian Union (Yrs10-13) @ 1.10 in Chapel Debate Club (Yrs7-9) @ 1.20 in Sc7 Netball (Yrs8,9,10) @ 1.15 in Sports Hall Science Club (Yr7) @ 1.20 in L25	<b>Lunchtime</b> Art Homework Club (Yrs7-8) @ 1.15 in AR1 and Art 3 Badminton @ 1.15 in Sports Hall Boccia @ 1.15 in Gym Computer Graphics @ 1.15 in L13 KS3 reading group @ 1.15 in Library Trampoline @ 1.15 in Sports Hall Transition Choir Yrs 7 & 8 @ 1.10 in L37	<b>Lunchtime</b> Allotment Club @ 1.10 in allotment or L32 if wet. Football (Yr8-9) @ 1.15 in Sports Hall Jazz Band @ 1.10 in L40 MFL Film Club (Yrs7-11) @ 1.10 in ML4 Open Dance @ 1.15 in Gym (last session 1/10/18)	<b>Lunchtime</b> Band Rehearsals @ 1.10 in Studio Chess Club @ 1.25 in Sc1 Maths Club @ 1.10 in Ma4 Mindful Colouring (Yrs7-8) @ 1.15 in AR2 Music Tech @ 1.20 in L40 Netball (Yr7-8) @ 1.15 in Gym Sign Language @ 1.15 in L19 YoYo 'Invaders' (Yrs7-9) @ 1.10 in Chapel
<b>PM Reg</b> Spellzone @ 1.55 in SSR	<b>PM Reg</b> Spellzone @ 1.55 in SSR Paired Reading @ 1.55 in Library	<b>PM Reg</b> Spellzone @ 1.55 in SSR Paired Reading @ 1.55 in Library	<b>PM Reg</b> Spellzone @ 1.55 in SSR Paired Reading @ 1.55 in Library	<b>PM Reg</b> Spellzone @ 1.55 in SSR
<b>After School</b> Backstage Club @ 3.10 in Main Hall Drama Club @ 3.15-4.00 in Drama Studio <b>September – February</b> Netball @ 3.15-4.15, Courts Rugby @ 3.15-4.00, Back Field Senior Choir @ 3.10 in L37 Sporting Fixtures	<b>After School</b> Band Rehearsals @ 3.10 in Studio Games Workshop Club @ 3:10 in En4 Girls' Football @ 3.20-4.20 in Sports Hall/Gym Sporting Fixtures	<b>After School</b> AHS Youth Orchestra @ 3.30 in L37 Band Rehearsals @ 3.10 in Studio Y7,8,9 Volleyball in Gym Sporting Fixtures	<b>After School</b> Board, Card & Model Gaming Club @ 3.10 in En3 Orchestra @ 3.10 in L37 Sporting Fixtures	<b>After School</b> Chamber Choir @ 3.10 in L37 Soul Band @ 3.10 in Hall

**Coming Soon:** New weekly lunchtime Feminist Club – day TBC. Get together with like-minded folk to explore, discuss and debate feminist issues and icons - from Beyoncé and Serena to the Trans vs TERFs question. All year groups and genders welcome!



**KEY:** ART/CRAFTS/TEXTILES, DRAMA, IT/TECHNOLOGY, MATHS, MFL, MUSIC, SCIENCE, SPORT, OTHER

## Pathfinder Trust Board Vacancy

Are you interested in taking a leading role in the governance of our Multi Academy Trust?

As you know, our school is part of Pathfinder Multi Academy Trust, a partnership of nine church and community schools serving more than 3,500 pupils across York.

The Trust is currently looking to recruit a Trustee to sit on the Multi Academy Trust Board and as a parent/carer at our school, they would like to offer you the opportunity to apply. The Trust are looking for people with skills and experience in the areas of governance, primary school improvement, charity law, finance, procurement and bid writing.

For more information, please visit <http://www.pathfindermt.co.uk/new-vacancies-holder/>

If you would like to apply, please email [info@pmat.academy](mailto:info@pmat.academy) with your CV and a covering letter explaining the skills and experience you could bring to the Trust Board. The closing date for applications is Friday 12 October.

