



Parent & Carer Newsletter

April 2023

A very warm welcome to all of our parents/carers and families who are reading this update. I do hope you enjoyed a wonderful Easter break with friends and family. I know I certainly did, managing to spend many days with those dearest and making some brilliant memories. Eid Mubarak to many of our families who celebrated last weekend also, from what our students have said this week, a great time was had by so many.!



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This update will be a shortened version due to a large part of April being the school holidays, that said though it was still an action packed few weeks.

The lead up to the final examinations is such a significant period for all of our Year 11 cohort. Many students attended additional Easter revision sessions (see some images below from Biology and Spanish sessions) as students continue to access all the expert help, support and guidance which we know will make all the difference



this summer. We are already very proud of this year group and wish them well in what is their final ever term at Audenshaw school!

#Carpe Diem



Still on the theme of year 11, the English Department delivered "Walking Talking mocks" in our main hall last week which were a great success. Students will no doubt benefit from such experiences as they themselves prepare for the summer examinations. You can see below our students in the midst of a session – taking it all in!



It is also a crucial time for our current year 9 students as they are now choosing their GCSE option subjects for 2023-25. We welcomed approximately 200 parent/carers to a school event last week where our Assistant Principal, Mr Herbert, presented the guided pathways offer and the response was excellent. The students have also received many other internal talks and support in order to fully support them in this process.

During the Easter break, approximately 40 or so of our Y10 students visited Milan, Italy. Such amazing memories and opportunities were had by so many. Mr Sutherland, alongside Mr Donnelly, Mr Leach and Mr Fox accompanied the students. The feedback on our students from staff at the accommodation on the trip, and the sites/venues visited, noted that student conduct was second to none – credit to them all and to you, their families. It makes us all even more excited about just how **many future experiences (both inside school and outside of school) we will have on offer in forthcoming years!** These are lifetime memories for both students and staff. What I do know is we have the sheer passion, drive and will amongst our whole staff body to want this experience for our students, that's a credit to the culture we set.



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On April 19th, Mr Watkinson and Miss Warner had the pleasure of taking 12 students from Yr7-10 to the Chill Factor in Trafford Park. The students enjoyed an hour's skiing lesson with professional instructors. They picked it up surprisingly quickly! After lunch, the boys then went to the 'Snow Play' and were whizzing down huge slides on sledges and inflated doughnuts. Sledging was next up and the competition to get to the bottom of the ski slope first was on!

After a fun- but chilly- afternoon the boys landed back at school. Every single one of them thanked us for taking them out. Their behaviour and conduct throughout was a credit to the boys and their families. The planning for our next outing starts now...

BREAKING NEWS



We now have new signs on our gates which are a fantastic welcome to staff, students and visitors. We hope you like them as much as we do.



In other news our Geography Club have made a start on their Globes. We can't wait to see the end results, they look absolutely fantastic – well done chaps and to the staff supporting this activity.



For their reward trip our Senior Prefects wanted to 'buy all of the food' from Costco and then watch a film whilst eating it. They had a great afternoon.



Finally, I wish all of our parents and carers a wonderful spring and summer. We are soon to be in a position to share with you all our recent fully graded Ofsted inspection which we are proud of. Thank you as ever for the continued support as we work in partnership to ensure each and every student has the opportunity to be simply exceptional.

Mr Taylor
Principal

