



The Winsford Academy

Issue 2

Friday 16th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

As you know everything that we do here at The Academy is based on the three principles of being ready, being respectful and being safe. Next week we will focus on the importance of respect. Respectful relationships are at the heart of everything that we do in school. Over the last two weeks I have been impressed by the number of our students who routinely show respect to staff and to one another, behave maturely, and use positive and courteous language around the Academy.

Our aim next week will be to recognise and celebrate as much of this respectful behaviour as we can. Throughout the week staff will reward the most respectful students by the award of stars. Students will collect stars as the week goes on. Each lunchtime, they will be able to exchange their stars for a chocolate reward.

Although it has taken a little time of working with the manufacturer to iron out a few teething troubles, I am delighted to be able to confirm that our Class Chart communication system is now ready to go live to all parents. This is a really important development because it will enable us to let you know much more quickly how your child is doing in a whole range of aspects of school life, including their attendance, their behaviour, and their performance in class. As use of this app develops, we hope that it will enable us to celebrate student successes and let you know of any problems much more quickly than other forms of communication. Most parents seem to be managing the app but if you encounter any difficulties, please contact the Academy office.

Communication is, of course, crucial to the relationship between home and school. It is also a two way process. If there is anything at all that you think we need to know about your child that may affect their learning, their wellbeing or their behaviour in school, please let us know by contacting their tutor in the first instance. If you have any suggestions for things that we could do differently, or do better, as an Academy, please contact me directly on laura.halsall@winsfordacademy.org.uk. As I am sure you will understand, the day to day life of a new Principal is very busy but I will always try and reply to your emails within three working days at the most.

Finally, I have two sad reminders to pass on. As you know, Monday sees the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The whole day has been declared a bank holiday, and schools all over the country are closing as a mark of respect to honour the remarkable contribution that the Queen made to our national life over the 70 years of her reign. We will therefore be closed on Monday and will reopen as normal on Tuesday morning.

As I told you by email last week, however, Tuesday afternoon also sees the funeral of Lorraine Ball, our long serving and much missed food technician. So that as many colleagues as possible can pay their last respects to Lorraine, we will close early at 2.00pm on Tuesday.

Ms L Halsall
Principal





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SCIENCE CLUB

EVERY WEDNESDAY 15:00 – 15:45
ROOM A97

EXPERIMENTS
COMPETITIONS
DEMONSTRATIONS
SCIENCE TRIP

SCIENCE CLUB IS OPEN FOR ALL
YEAR 7 STUDENTS. IT'S FREE AND FUN.
SCIENCE ASSISTANT POSITIONS OPEN
TO RESPONSIBLE YEAR 8 & 9 STUDENTS

ASK YOUR SCIENCE TEACHER FOR MORE INFO.



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WINSFORD TENNIS CLUB

Knights Grange Sports Complex, Grange Lane, Winsford, Cheshire, CW7 2PT



OPEN DAY - Sunday 25th September: 1 - 4pm

Winsford Tennis Club is holding an open day to officially open our two newly resurfaced and repainted courts. All are welcome to come and see the courts, meet Club members, and play for free between 1pm and 4pm. Food and drink will be supplied by the Club.

The Club offers the opportunity for people of all ages and skill level to play social and/or competitive tennis. Membership prices are below if interested in joining.

MEMBERSHIP FEES (April 2022 – March 2023):

Category	Price
Adult	£60
Adult (aged over 65)	£50
Student / Unemployed	£35
Junior (aged 10 and under)	£20
Junior (aged between 11 – 16)	£30
Family (2 Adults and up to 3 Juniors, plus £5 for each additional child)	£120

For information about the Club and membership, please visit our website (clubspark.lta.org.uk/winsfordlta) or contact Steve Harris via email (stphh513@aol.com) or phone (07470216884)

Courts may be booked by non-members for £7.50 per hour per court.
To book a court, please visit this link: clubspark.lta.org.uk/winsfordlta/Booking



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Please remind your child to bring their correct PE kit on the days they have PE.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PE Band	Week A	Week B
7a	Monday (P4) + Thursday (P1)	Monday (P4)
7b	Thursday (P5)	Wednesday (P2) + Friday (P4)
8a	Monday (P1) + Friday (P2)	Friday (P2)
8b	Wednesday (P5)	Wednesday (P5) + Thursday (P4)
9a	Wednesday (P4) + Thursday (P3)	Wednesday (P4)
9b	Monday (P5)	Monday (P5) + Wednesday (P3)
10a	Thursday (P2)	Thursday (P3)
10b	Tuesday (P5)	Thursday (P2)
11a	Monday (P2)	Monday (P1)
11b	Friday (P3)	Monday (P3)



EXTRA-CURRICULAR PE OFFER

September - October 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch 13.25-13.55pm	3G PBT & GHT Yr7, 8, 9, 10	3G PBT & GHT Yr8, 9, 10, 11	3G MFN & GHT Yr7, 9, 10, 11	3G MFN & PBT Yr7, 8, 10, 11	3G MFN & DFN Yr7, 8, 9, 11
After-school 3.00-4.00pm	<u>KS3 FOOTBALL CLUB</u> GHT/ PBT / MFN / DRN	<u>FOOTBALL FIXTURE NIGHT</u> <u>BODY PUMP CLUB</u> EDY <u>GIRLS FOOTBALL CLUB</u> CBN / KHN	<u>FOOTBALL FIXTURE NIGHT</u> <u>BADMINTON CLUB</u> KHN <u>FITNESS CLUB</u> SLN	<u>STAFF MEETING NIGHT</u> <u>Primary transition sport festivals</u>	<u>EXAM PE STUDY SUPPORT</u> with GHT in A71 (3.00 - 3.30pm) <u>YR11 INTERVENTION FOOTBALL</u> 3.30 - 4.30pm





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Attendance Matters

Each week we will be running an attendance competition for the form that has had the best attendance.

**Weekly
Rewards**

Be in to win!

Every 3 weeks there will be a prize draw for students who have attended school every day and a prize will be given to one lucky winner.

If pupils fell unwell or wish to be collected for any reason they must speak to a member of staff who will contact home if necessary. If parents collect children without this being requested by school then the absence will be unauthorised.



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Football News

Well done to the year 7 boys who represented the academy in the Vale Royal Schools football festival held at Middlewich on Tuesday 13th September.

The boys played a good brand of football in their first outing as a team and represented the academy in a very good light. A special mention to Harry who finished as the academies leading goal scorer.





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Reading Homework Challenge.



**Read a book at
home**



For twenty minutes



Everyday

Read for 20 minutes, at home, every day.

*“ The more that you read, the more things you will know.
The more that you learn, the more places you'll go. ”
Dr. Seuss*





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