

Dixons Allerton Academy Newsletter

News and Events- Friday 9th Feb

Welcome to our newsletter

As part of our drive to help the environment and engage more with parents we would like to introduce our newsletter. We think it looks bright and inviting, and more importantly will bring you key information about what is happening at the Academy for both Scholars and parents.

As a one off you may have received the link to this via text, in future this will only go out via email which is now our primary communication method. Therefore if you have not also received an email you may wish to contact admin@dixonsaa.com or ring us on 01274 089 890 so we can ensure your email address is up to date and correct on the system.

Message from Head of Secondary

Dear families,

Thank you for all your support in what has been a very busy and successful term. It is a pleasure to serve as the Head of School at Dixons Allerton Academy.

Everyone of our students has the potential to achieve great things and by us all working hard together every day, we will ensure that every one of our students will go on to fulfill their ambitious life choices.

Our attendance this term has improved, however we need to continue to work on this as a school. Please ensure that your child attends school every day and arrives, ready to learn in Collective Learning by 8:15am. Excellent attendance is the key to achieving exceptional outcomes.

The end of a term, often brings with it the need to replace equipment and uniform. Please could I ask that you check your child's equipment and uniform and that it meets our school expectations. A reminder that school shoes must be plain black, leather or leather look and that black trainers do not meet our uniform expectations.

Can I take this opportunity to remind families that our school uniform expectations mean that jewellery is not to be worn in school and that lines are not permitted in hair or in eyebrows. Students will receive corrections if they choose to not meet these expectations and families will be contacted to ensure expectations are met.

Thank you for ensuring your child returns on Monday 19 February, in perfect uniform and they are fully equipped, so our sole focus can be on supporting their wellbeing and happiness helping them to be successful in every lesson.

Thank you for taking care when driving and parking outside of school. Some local residents have contacted me to express concerns that there have been some people parking in the bus stop area and too close to the pedestrian crossing. On such a busy road, we all have a responsibility for the safety of our community.

Finally, I hope you all have a lovely break over the February holiday and we are excited to welcome all of our students and staff back on Monday 19 February.

Best wishes

Summary of Success

Year 9

This half-term has flown by! One because it is so short but two, because we have been so busy! As always, our year 9 have been so focused on their learning and it is a joy to walk around the school each day and see them so focussed. As a group and individuals, they are showing great maturity and enthusiasm. We also have some great news as Ubayd Alishan has won his first boxing match. The next Amir Khan in the making! Well done as well to Alia Tufail who won the Maths Logo Quiz! Year 9 are on a winning streak. The Duke of Edinburgh has gotten off to a great start this term, it's fantastic to see them engaging in challenging activities and working as a team. Currently leading on the League table is 9D2! Well done to Mr Chan and his Advisory group. Have a well-deserved rest this half term

Year 11

Mr Brown would like to wish all of Year 11 a well-deserved break. Another busy term has come to an end and before you know it, I will be writing my goodbyes to you all.

Your behaviour has again been a highlight, with you ranked the best-behaved year group in school by some distance this term. It fills me with immense pride to see how you have matured from little children to the young adults you are right now. Please keep setting these high standards for yourselves and the rest of the school right until the end of your journey here with us.

Examples of your maturity and industry have been shown in your attendances to the after-school masterclass sessions. It is great to see you striving to be the best you can be, putting in the extra hours and these will be rewarded with exceptional outcomes.....believe me!

The vast majority of you were also engaged and responsible on the recent History trip to the Royal Armouries and the theatre. These are the kinds of educational visits that will stand you in good

stead when completing your GCSEs and the information and notes you were taking will be critical in improving your current grade.

I would like to give a big shout out to the 48 students with 0 behaviour points this term. You know who you are, and you are a credit to yourselves and the academy and you should be very proud. Also, the 49 students with 100% attendance. You know who you are and being here every day, giving yourself the best opportunities to learn by soaking in every lesson should too, be very proud of yourselves.

I will have to name the 11 who fit in both categories who are absolute superstars, and this commitment has proven its worth in your most recent mock results. Well done to Khizer, Adam Y, Shanza, Harun, Amina, Sara N, Aliza, Hanna, Amin, Imaad H and Tayyeba.

I hope you enjoy a restful week, but please do remember that your last mock exams are right around the corner and this week is an excellent time to be creating revision timetables and completing some pivotal revision to increase your chances of success. Please do use the Year 11 Microsoft Teams channel where there is some vital information on revision and how to create appropriate resources for yourself.

I will finish with a plea to all the Year 11 students and parents reading this. As well behaved as they are, and as confident as I am of their success, we must please improve their attendance together. Attendance for all is a must, and to be only 3rd on the attendance data is something that we must improve. We're turning the corner for the home stretch in the most important year of your academic lives, and I truly want the best for you all. In order to give yourselves every chance of meeting your full potential, you must be in the building, on time, and using all the expertise and opportunities in front of you. These opportunities are available to you in every lesson, masterclasses and interventions after school. I truly believe you can all play your part in the best results the school has ever had! No excuses now!

Mr Brown

Year 7 Girls' Football

The year 7 girls' football team performed amazingly at their most recent friendly fixture against Dixons Cottingley! They played their hearts out pushing for another goal towards the end of the second half, but time was not on their side with the game ending 1-1! If anyone wants to join the girls' football team or attend practice after school, girls' football is on a Wednesday 15:30-16:30.



Dixons Cup Rowing competition!

Amazing effort to the year 7, 8 and 9's who demonstrated our key values whilst pushing themselves to the limits in the Dixons Cup Rowing competition!



Attendance

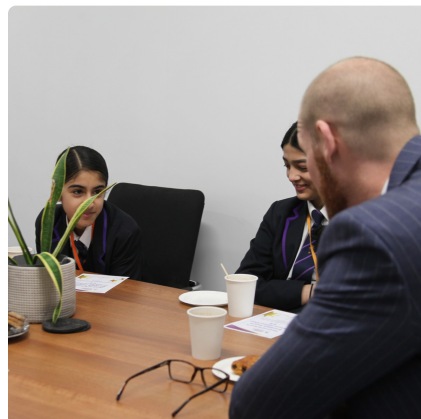
Attendance remains a focus for every school. Our biggest gift to your child is their education. We

and skills they need to achieve exceptional results and fulfill their ambitious life choices.

Thank you for ensuring that you do not arrange any holidays during term time and that your child attends school every day ready to learn.

Head of School Breakfast

Head of School breakfast, Students were nominated from ART and Photography. It was an absolute pleasure to spend time with students from year 7 to 11 and recognise the amazing things they are doing on a daily basis.



Crochet Enrichment

Crochet classes Every Tuesday, 3:30-4:30pm in F11 until Easter. If anyone wants to join please speak to Mrs Oliver.



Star of the week

Yr 7 - Momina Malik

Always showing positivity and responsibility and being a kind member of the Yr7 community

Yr8- Ayaan Mehmood 8A1

Making great improvement this year

YR10- Eliza Ali

Fantastic effort in numerous sports qualifying for Sports Day

Yr12 - Ismail Choudhury

Thoughtful of peers, hard working

Appreciations

Year 7 Appreciations

Mr Brooke would like to appreciate Daniyaal Ali 7A2 for a massive change in behaviour at the beginning of the week. Making the choice to get things right, showing great responsibility and industry and advisory sessions.

Mr Brooke would like to appreciate the YR7 football squad for showing great hard work and resilience against Beckfoot Oakbank. The weather conditions were brutal but the students

powered on. Well done.

Miss Martin would like to appreciate Esa Khan, Hamdan Khan, Giasmin Latif, Zaynab Rani for their amazing effort in the Dixons rowing competition

Ms Sharrock would like to thank year 7a/Sp2 and yr7d/Sp1 for being amazing during assessments this week. Keep up the good work.

Miss Akter would like to appreciate 7D1 for working really well despite all the pressures around exams. Well done for being very responsible and taking ownership over your own learning and behaviour inside and outside of the classroom.

Mr Cook would like to appreciate Fezaan Obiegala and Kashif Shah for their amazing leadership qualities during PE this week.

Miss Ewing would like to appreciate the historians from 7D1, 7A2, and 7A3 for their positivity during their assessment this week. I was very proud to see the majority of you be determined to give your best work to get a good result. These are the kind of values that make successful GCSE students - keep this up, you're great classes and I love being your teacher!

Mr Harrod would like to appreciate the entirety of Y7 & Y8 for their conduct and resilience during their cycle assessments, especially to those students who have had to sit their assessments with cover or supply teachers. Your resilience and responsibility have been brilliant to continue to work hard, and it will pay dividends in the future for you

Year 8 Appreciations

Miss Miss Martin would like to appreciate Abdullah Darr, Zunairah Rafiq, Maryam Tarafder, Yusuf Khan for their amazing effort in the Dixons rowing competition!

Miss Martin would like to appreciate 8A5 girls PE for demonstrating our values of happiness and industry when motivating and cheering their team on during the fitness challenge! Amazing work!

Miss Akter (English) would like to appreciate 8A3 for their improved attitude to learning and not giving up when the texts are hard to grasp. Well done for showing resilience and diligence.

Miss Ewing would like to appreciate the historians from 8D2 for their outstanding values for learning this week during their C2 assessment!

Mr White would like to appreciate
Zainab Batool
Awai Khan
Sidra Shah
Aysha Sanghera

All of whom have really shown application to their studies this week.
Yayha Ali
Hussain Maqbool
Zakirah Khan

Anabia Jamshad

Aamal Gulzar

All of whom have shown good attitude and effort in lessons

Year 9 Appreciations

Miss Akter would like to appreciate Dua, Fatimah, Boris, Ibraheem, Yamen, Ghazi and Hasib for showing great progress when annotating the play and writing analytical paragraphs. Well done for always trying your best and putting 100% very lesson.

Mr Foster would like to appreciate the whole year 9 football team who played on Tuesday. A victory over Dixons Cottingley having won 6 nil. The whole teams showed high levels of industry and Responsibility.

Special mentions to Ubaid for scoring 5 Goals, and Albright for a world class save to keep their clean sheet

Mr Harrod would like to appreciate his year 9 historians. Last week's diagrams and annotations lessons were brilliant and seeing your illustrations of both trenches and soldiers was brilliant. Mr Harrod would like to especially appreciate the artistic stylings of Inaya, your drawings of trench soldiers were absolutely brilliant.

Mr White would like to appreciate Nathan Brewer for showing responsibility and maturity in getting himself organised during advisory time.

Miss Martin would like to appreciate Safira Mahmood, Aizah Iqbal, Ubayd Alishan, Khizar Mansoor for their amazing effort in the Dixons rowing competition!

Miss Ashley would like to appreciate all of 9A1 and all of 9D4 - another fantastic week teaching the two best classes in the school!

Year 10 Appreciations

Miss Barker would like to appreciate 10D2 for their much improved focus in yesterday's lesson. If we keep this up, you should soon be back on track to achieve grades 7+.

A particular appreciation for Milena, Narmina, Haleema and Ashanty for always being helpful. Also for their consistently positive attitudes to learning along with Zayan, Sameer, Aneesa, Qurrat, Aliyah, Aakifah, Sayaan, Subhan, Ehsan, Max and Richard.

Well done to Sameeth, Rayhan, Saif and Nazir for their improved focus and attitudes during Thursday's lesson also. This led to you producing much more work than you had been and if you keep it up I am sure you will make lots of progress before your checkpoint.

Miss Martin would like to appreciate Kiran and Armani for demonstrating our value of industry in fitness this week!

10A5 English

Miss Barker would like to appreciate the whole group for their flexibility in having to be in the theatre recently. It was lovely to have you back in the classroom and really focused this week. Well

done for getting straight back into our usual routines.

Miss Laverick would like to appreciate 10D4 and 10D5 PE classes. Your enthusiasm towards PE over the last couple of weeks has been fantastic! Please keep it up, huge improvement in attitudes to learning!

Mrs Reynolds would like to appreciate Safiya, Mariam, Hannan, Ismail and Sulieman, for showing great level of responsibility and determination in their learning. Well done for achieving excellent scores on your spelling test!

Year 11 Appreciations

The PE Department would like to appreciate any students that have been involved in the Dixons Cup, well done!

Miss Newsham would like to appreciate 11A2 for showing some great industry this week when preparing for your language paper. Particularly well done to Aisha, Alizah, Mahnoor, Bilal, Shayan, Abdur-Rahman, Husna, Mysha and Laiba for particularly strong effort this week.

Mrs. Williams would like to thank Emma Whitford-Motton for her help and support with a younger student in F03.

Miss Aslam (ICT) would like to appreciate the scholars listed below for demonstrating the values of industry and responsibility.

11A3

Reyah Altaff

Harun Aziz

Inayah Hussain

Bilal Akram

Mohammed Haidri

Arooba Bibi

11D2

Amir Hussain

Zainab Kosar

Rehan Malik

Muskaan Javed

Ibrahim Ahmed

Miss Robinson would like to appreciate 11V01 hospitality and catering for their fantastic attitude to learning with their revision for unit 1.

Mr Foy would like to appreciate Abdur Rahman Amrez for his ability to reflect on his behaviour and make improvements. It would be great to see him take this approach and add it to football. Mr Foy believes this would results in a reduction of open goals missed.

Miss Suess would like to appreciate Haris Haider for his amazing speaking exam test. Also a big thank you for all those students who turned up on time and tried their best for the speaking exams.

Mr Harrod would like to appreciate Raees Habib. I have been genuinely impressed for the past two weeks with the level of industry you have achieved. I know it isn't always easy, but you are putting in the work that will pay off in summer, I guarantee it

Mr Radcliffe would like to appreciate my Y11 Spanish class, 11D/Sp1, for working so hard this week and going out of their comfort zones in preparing for their mock Spanish speaking exam.

I'd also like to appreciate Shan Wajid for working so hard in Spanish intervention last week. His prepared answers were great and I was impressed how quickly he memorised them.

Miss Baksh would like to appreciate 11D4 English for their hard work and wonderful contributions in lesson. You have been an absolute delight to teach, keep it up!

A special shoutout to Armaan, Salahuddin, Zain, Faizan I and Faizan K for your resilience and industry in lesson which is always showcased through your thoughtful answers and engagement in lesson. Well done!

Year 11 Mrs Oliver (ICT) I would like to appreciate the following students in 11AIT1 and 11DIT1 for their continued hard work, determination and responsibility.

11A1 -

Inaya, Shanza, Faizaan, Sayam, Haris, Ali, Ibrahim, Farhan, Umar, Isabel, Aleena

11D1 -

Inaaya, Umar, Sami H, Losif, Faizan, Raees, Tayyeba, Amina, Maryam, Farah, Abu-bakr, Zaynah, Sami

Miss Ashley would like to appreciate all of the students in 11a4 who have worked really hard on their Kingship essays. I'd also especially like to appreciate Aleena M who has settled into a4 really well and produced some excellent work this week and Roman D who wrote his best piece of work this year yesterday. Well done everyone!



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