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Academy Update

Principal's Message



Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome our students back to school this week. As we continue through this academic year, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support in helping us raise expectations and ensure every student achieves their very best.

Across the academy, it has been fantastic to see students embracing the opportunities available to them. Our outdoor activities programme, led by Mr Ashton continues to be a real success and participation in our enrichment programme remains strong. These experiences play a vital role in developing confidence, resilience and character alongside academic achievement.

This week also marks the start of the Year 11 GCSE mock examinations. I have been extremely impressed by the mature and positive attitude shown by our Year 11 students as they begin this important examination period. These mock exams are designed to prepare students for their GCSE examinations in the summer, helping them understand the expectations, identify strengths and areas for development and build confidence ahead of the real examinations. We greatly appreciate the support parents and carers provide at home to help students revise and prepare effectively.

As part of our focus on raising expectations, I would ask all parents and carers to support students by ensuring they are ready for school each morning, arrive punctually, complete their homework, and use their planners effectively. Please take time each week to review and sign your child's planner, where students record their weekly targets and key actions for improvement.

We have an exciting and busy term ahead. Upcoming events include our Enrichment Day, Christmas Fair, Christmas Jumper Day and a range of festive activities as we approach the Christmas break. Next week, we will also be supporting Children in Need and the following week marking Anti-Bullying Week, which will culminate in our popular Odd Socks Day as we celebrate individuality and promote kindness and inclusion across our school community.

Thank you once again for your continued partnership and support. Together, we can ensure every student at The Hyndburn Academy achieves success and makes the most of the many opportunities available to them.

Mr U Wazir - Principal

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WEEK COMMENCING
2nd November 2026
Next week is:
Week A

UPCOMING KEY DATES

Monday 9th November
Announcement for Year 7,8 and 9.

World Challenge

Wednesday 11th November
Rememberance Day

Y11 Mock exams continue throughout the week

ATTENDANCE

Year 7 - 93.9%

Year 8 - 88.2%

Year 9 - 88.8%

Year 10 - 89.1%

Year 11 - 93%

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SPORTS RECAP

Members of the Badminton team went to St Christophers on Tuesday the 3rd of November for the annual U16 District Badminton Championships. The tournament consisted of three matches, match one being against St Christophers. Mr Perham said the boys were visibly nervous, but grew into the game becoming more competitive. Match two was against Clitheroe Royal Grammar School, and Match 3 was against Oakhill, which was the teams most competitive performance, seeing us take 42 points from. Mr Perham said the lads conducted themselves superbly throughout the competition, with a special mention to Dean and Harry who played a superb doubles match against Oakhill, with another shoutout to Dean for stepping up from Year 9 too play against top tier Year 10 and 11s, courageous! Well done boys.

On Wednesday the 4rd of November our netball girls went head to head against St Christophers, and what a night it was! Year 10 beat their Year 9's 23-2, with Lily being voted Player of the match, and Ella being chosen by the teacher of St. Christophers! The Year 8 team faced their very first game, and sadly got beat 19-2 however despite this, Ms. Parker said the progress they made during the match was amazing, and she is looking forward to them playing more games and developing their skills further. Well done, Girls!

OUTDOOR EDUCATION DAY

This week, selected students from Year 7 and Year 8 were given the opportunity to go beyond the classroom and get outside for National Outdoor Classroom Day. Outdoor Classroom Day is a global movement to make time outdoors part of every child's day.



Mr Ashton and Ms Burrows took four groups of students to partake in the activity. Students learned a lot, from how to safely build and light fires to constructing their own shelter; they all enjoyed a fun-packed session. A highlight of the day was the students making their own fires, then using them to toast marshmallows for delicious s'mores! Students also worked together to build shelters, putting their creativity, communication and problem-solving skills to the test, with planning and construction!

Theo, Year 8 Student, said, "It was Brilliant, I would like to do it again." Another student said, "Fantastic, no words. I loved it!"

It was a fantastic opportunity for the students to develop their teamwork, problem-solving, and practical skills while enjoying everything the outdoors has to offer.

A huge well done to everyone who took part and helped make this day such a success. We look forward to many more opportunities for learning and adventures that don't just end in the classroom.







