

13th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring 1 Week 6

This has been a really busy and positive half term for so many of our students. If you follow us on Facebook, I hope you are enjoying seeing many of the activities and experiences our students have been taking part in, alongside seeing them shine in many subjects in our 'Lessons in the Limelight' feature each week. It is lovely to see so many young people so positively engaged in school life and in their learning, and proud of the work they are doing in and out of their lessons.

Extra-Curricular Clubs and Activities

When we did our parent survey last year, you told us that you would like to see more clubs and activities at school for our students to take part in. We have developed this offer over the past term and would like to gather your views about what is working well and what you think can still be improved in terms of our wider school offer.

We would be very grateful if you could complete this short survey to help us plan for the rest of the school year. [Parent View - Extracurricular Clubs](#)



Our clubs and activities timetable for next half term is now available and bookings are being taken via Scopy. Make sure you sign up!

A visit from our friends from Uganda



A couple of weeks ago, we had the pleasure of welcoming the AYF Band from Uganda to school. They played and sang for our students, and encouraged a great deal of audience participation! They also showed us how some of the money raised by our school community has been spent in the orphanage. It is truly amazing to see just how far that money goes. It is such an inspiring and uplifting experience for us all and we are blessed to have such a powerful partnership with them.



Neurodiversity in Schools Project

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the Neurodiversity in Schools Marketplace event in school on Monday 2nd February. We hope that the opportunity to speak to representatives from a range of services and providers will help you to access opportunities and support for your children.

We will be hosting further parental meetings and training throughout the year. To help us to provide the most meaningful opportunities for you, we would be grateful if you could complete the short survey below, which school are sharing on behalf of Wigan Parent and Carer Forum.

[NDIS Parent Carer Survey - Wigan](#)

**CARING, LEARNING
AND SUCCEEDING**

League Champions: Year 7 Netball Team



A massive well done to our Year 7 Netballers who secured the league title on Wednesday evening! Heading into their final fixture against Byrchall, the girls knew a win would make them champions. They rose to the occasion with a commanding 6-1 victory.

While the scoreline shows a strong win, the game was a challenging one which put the girls to the test. Byrchall's defence was dogged and resilient, making every entry into the D a challenge. However, our girls showed great patience and clinical finishing to take their chances when it mattered most.

Defensively, the team was almost flawless, defending from the front and limiting the opposition to just a single goal. This title is a testament to the hard work this group has put in during training every week since September.

Congratulations to Esther, Freya, Georgie, Holly, Lucy, Macie, Phoebe and Rosie on an undefeated season!

Careers Update

Mrs Ashton, our Careers Lead, has organised many exciting and valuable opportunities for our students this half term. Students have had the chance to visit a variety of workplaces and colleges to explore what choices are available to them beyond school. We were delighted to welcome staff from Wigan and Leigh College to school to interview Year 11 students as part of their college application process. There's lots more careers information to share with you the newest edition of our Careers Newsletter which is shared with this weekly letter.

February Half Term

School closes today (Friday 13th February) at 2.50pm for the February half term break.

We wish you all a lovely break and look forward to seeing everyone back at school at **8.30 am on Monday 23rd February.**

Thank you, as always, for your continuing support.

Yours faithfully,
Jane Galbraith
Headteacher



NEWSLETTER CAREERS



SPRING TERM 2025-26

WELCOME TO OUR SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER!

NEXT STEPS FOR YEAR 11

Aspiring Futures

What to expect from your careers advice appointment

The aim of your careers advice appointment is to help you move forward. It is not about telling you what to do or doing things for you. We're here to support and guide you so that you can take the next steps towards your future goals. You can have as many appointments as you need.

Wigan Council



We are so proud of our year 11 pupils who have not only been busy with GCSE Mock exams before Christmas but also thinking about their next steps and applying to colleges.

Pupils are supported by staff in school and our careers Advisor Sharon O'Hara-Moore from Aspiring Futures Team, Wigan Council who offers 1:1 career guidance to all our young people.

We are really pleased to hear about how they have been applying to college and attending their college interviews, also those seeking apprenticeship opportunities too – great work Year 11!

AIMING HIGH

CAREERS & APPRENTICESHIP FAIR AT ANFIELD

We were excited to take our Year 11 pupils to Anfield Stadium to visit The UK University & Apprenticeship search fair, connecting students with Higher Education institutes, inspiring employers, training providers, and apprenticeship opportunities. A fantastic day of future planning, career conversations, and big dreams.



UPCOMING EVENTS & KEY DATES

Reminder!

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK

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NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK FEBRUARY 2026

A week-long celebration that brings together businesses and apprentices across the country to shine a light on the positive impact that apprenticeships make to individuals, businesses and the wider economy. Pupils at Lowton Church of England High School have been hearing about the wide range of Apprenticeships in daily Form time.

NATIONAL CAREERS WEEK MARCH 2026

We are looking forward to celebrating NCW in March with our second Enrichment Day of the year where we invite guest speakers into school to inspire our pupils. The day will feature a live performance from an incredible Prime Agency artist and our interactive Careers Fair with over 25 exhibitors from a range of sectors including NHS, Construction, Engineering, Forces, Logistics, Further Education, Higher Education, and Creative industries.



NCW 2026 IS ON THE WAY!

SAVE THE DATE

2ND-7TH
MARCH 2026

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YOUR FUTURE IS CALLING!

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LOWTON FUTURE CHEFS!

Lowton Hospitality & Catering pupils had an incredible time at Worsley Sixth Form College. Getting hands-on experience in the state-of-the-art facilities The Glasshouse Restaurant and Bakery and learning directly from the expert staff.

A FANTASTIC EDUCATIONAL AND CAREERS EXPERIENCE!



CAREERS TRIPS AT LOWTON

Go Beyond!

Our future Computer Science pupils headed to Wigan & Leigh College for a special Esports Masterclass. They had a behind-the-scenes look at the exciting and fast-growing esports industry exploring potential careers in event management, broadcasting and digital marketing.

FROM CLASSROOM THEORY TO HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE IN THE COLLEGES' STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES IT WAS A BRILLIANT OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHERE A PASSION FOR GAMING CAN LEAD!

Any Questions?

Speak to your Form Tutor or visit the Careers Team in G6.

Mrs Ashton & Mrs O'Hara-Moore are here to help!

There's so much going on & we are always open to offers for support with careers. Please get in touch if you would be able to support with one of our employer workshops or a careers fair.

Y10 Pharmaceutical Masterclass

Wigan & Leigh College opened its doors for a deep dive into the world of pharmaceuticals. Our pupils spent the morning making paracetamol and learning about the role of chemists now and in the future.



GIVING OUR PUPILS HANDS-ON INSIGHTS INTO THIS INDUSTRY AND TO SEE WHERE A CAREER IN SCIENCE CAN TAKE THEM!

ADVANCED MATHS MASTERCLASS

Pupil took a 'Green Travel Route' through Pennington Flash to the campus. This is a brilliant opportunity for our pupils to experience Maths at a higher level and discover potential future pathways, this proved a big hit. We hope it sparks a deep interest in the subject and supports their upcoming GCSE studies!



WORK EXPERIENCE

Reminder

Our school Work Experience Programme launched in September for Year 10 pupils, and we can't wait to hear back from pupils on where their experiences will take them.

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY

23rd April 2026

Key Stage 3 pupils are invited to take part on this exciting day. Letters have been sent home. A fantastic opportunity to explore careers, build confidence, and understand different roles.

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