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# 1 March 2024

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#### **Achievement Awards**

This week we recognised and celebrated the first five students who have continued to go above and beyond in their lessons and have already achieved more than 1,000 achievement points so far this academic year.

To mark this fantastic achievement, these students were awarded the 'Principal's Award' by Mr Whittle. While enjoying hot chocolates and cookies, they discussed what life is like at WTBA in Year 7, their favourite subjects, and what they would like to achieve by Year 11.

The students were also joined by Mr J Longden, a proud form tutor of the students in 7G and Mrs S Brown, our academy Rewards Champion.

A huge congratulations to the following students for being the first to achieve this outstanding academy milestone this academic year: Emily Wright 7G, Olivia Gibson 7G, Pippa Maddison 7G, Calvin Harvey 7G.

Will we be celebrating you next? Keep earning achievement points in lessons by providing SHAPE answers, producing fantastic pieces of work, exceptional pieces of homework, receiving postcards home, helping others and much more.

Left to right: Emily Wright 7G, Olivia Gibson 7G, Pippa Maddison 7G, Calvin Harvey 7G, with Mr Whittle (right), Mrs Brown and Mr Longden.







## Year 10 Dodgeball

Well done to our Year 10 dodgeball team who were crowned Grimsby and District champions after winning their local tournament. The standard of games was great to see from all schools involved.

Most pleasing was how our students conducted themselves by officiating their own game and playing with honesty and integrity throughout a competitive evening.

Congratulations Year 10!

Students involved were:

Ivan Boyd

Luke Neal

Luke Johnson

Max Ward

**Emmanuel Amadi** 

Charlie Nunn

Henry Peacock

Jack Walton



This was a great personal achievement for them along with our academy.

### **Breakfast**

As you have been informed, the free breakfast club will be finishing from Monday (4 March). This is because of extremely limited take up. If you are concerned please get in contact with Mr Whittle directly and we will endeavour to organise a bespoke plan. We will be open to students to come into school and have breakfast that our catering staff will be providing at the usual charges.





# Scartho Gateway Academy and Waltham Gateway Academy

WTBA is part of Lincolnshire Gateway, we are proud to be part of a Trust that

makes real progress. New websites have been launched and smart uniforms revealed for two new primaries being built in our catchment.

Waltham Gateway Academy and Scartho Gateway Academy will be run by Lincolnshire Gateway Academies Trust.



Please find the links here:

<u>Scartho Gateway Academy -</u>
<u>Welcome To Scartho Gateway Academy</u>



Waltham Gateway - Welcome To Waltham Gateway Academy

Planning permission has been granted on land off Sunningdale in Waltham and adjacent to Aldi on Scartho Top.

Contractors are to be appointed by North East Lincolnshire Council, which will oversee the build before they are handed over to the Trust, which also runs Waltham Toll Bar Academy.



#### Year 9 Art Exhibition

During last half term (10th-17th February), the work of Year 9 Art students was exhibited at Coffee On The Docks café.



Over the past weeks, students have developed their skills of drawing and designing and explored different textural surfaces which has resulted in the creation of clay relief work, with additional elements of textile, lnk work and graphics, to highlight the effects upon the diminishing coral reef whilst being influenced by ocean advocate artists.

So, where better to showcase the 'Save Our Seas - Under The Sea' scheme of work than within the regenerated Kasbah area of the historic Grimsby Docks.

Coffee On the Docks

2 Auckland Road, Grimsby Docks, Grimsby, DN31 3RP

Opening times:

Monday - Friday 8am-3pm

Saturday 10am-3pm







## Under 15 Girls Grimsby & District Dodgeball Championship

Two teams entered the Grimsby and District Dodgeball Championship.

Both played some fantastic dodgeball, winning the group stages. That meant it was Toll Bar A v Toll Bar B in the final.

After a very close final, the A team became the overall champions. The girls were a credit to the school and showed fantastic sportsmanship throughout the event.



#### **Eco-Committee**

The Waltham Toll Bar Eco-Committee is working to reduce waste by hosting a book swap.

Students are able to come along at lunchtime on Tuesday 5 March and Wednesday 6 March.

Students can swap their old book for a pre-loved one, or pick up a pre-loved book for a small donation.

All donations will go towards the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust.

We hope you will support us with this worthy activity. Thank you.



Tuesday 5th March, Upper lunch (13:20-14:00)

Wednesday 6th March, Lower and Upper lunch (12:20 - 13:00, 13:20 - 14:00)

What else do I need to know?

You can come along and find a pre-loved book in preparation for World Book Day on the 7th of March!

If you are able to, we ask that you make a small donation which will go to the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust.

You can bring a book to swap or donate your old books before Friday, 1st of March. Any Questions? Speak to Miss Wright (Science)







#### Mr Whittle

As ever, it remains a busy and productive time at Toll Bar and we have another great week planned ahead.

National Careers Week begins on Monday and there is a fantastic array of guests, workshops and presentations lined up to spark imagination and support students with choices.

Among the many highlights are:

- Charlotte Ritchie, Star of BBC's Ghosts, is kicking off the week by speaking to students taking part in our musical Matilda.
- Great British Paralympian Ayaz Bhuta will speak to students interested in becoming a professional athlete.

Staff from the Royal Ballet at London's Royal Opera House will discuss careers in performance.

They are joined by a host of other personalities and employers who will discuss a huge range of careers including medicine, engineering, veterinary science, architecture, construction, events, the fire service, football coaching, animation, teaching and agriculture.

Please encourage your children to make the most of this next week and sign up for talks by visiting the careers hub in 30B at breaks and lunches or by speaking to their form tutors.

An enormous amount of work goes into making these weeks a success. My thanks to all involved but particularly Assistant Principal Mr Fothergill and teachers Mrs Fuller, Mrs Fothergill, Miss Allison, Mrs Logue and the careers team Mrs Watterson and Mrs Offiler-Prime.

It was the turn of students to inspire me yesterday.

I presented Year 7s Emily Wright, Olivia Gibson, Pippa Maddison and Calvin Harvey with my 'Principal's Award' for earning 1,000 achievement points. These are the first students, since September to reach this level and I was so proud to meet them for hot chocolate and cookies in my office.

More is included on this milestone elsewhere in the newsletter but I was so proud of the students and heartened by their future ambitions. We will do all we can to support them and all our young people to achieve their goals.

Our role is to also support children with their emotional well-being and, to that end, a successful Relationships and Sex Education information session was delivered to Year 9 parents and carers explaining the lessons given to children on the topics. Thank you to those who gave positive feedback.

Finally, you may have seen we are holding a meeting at 4pm next Thursday (7<sup>th</sup>) in the Wellington Suite in the Conference Centre to gauge the level of interest in establishing a Community Parent / Teacher Association. I'd encourage anybody who'd like to get involved to attend. More information is <a href="https://example.com/here.com

There is so much going on in the Academy and I would recommend following our social media accounts on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to be kept informed.

Thank you for the interest you take in your children's education and for reading the newsletter.

Mr Whittle



#### **Term 4 Dates**

6 March Year 10 Social Media Talk

6 March Year 9 Parents Evening

7 March Year 9 DTP/MenACWY Immunisations

7 March World Book Day

7 March Year 12 Elephant Group visit to Sheffield University

11March Year 13 Politics Conference—London

13 March Year 8 & 9 County Lines Talk

14 March Year 9 DTP/MenACWY Immunisations

14 March Year 10 Madrid Trip Parent Talk @ 17.30

19 March World Poetry Day

20 March Year 7 Internet Safety Parental Talk

21 March Year 8 Internet Safety Parental Talk

21 March Year 10 French Trip Parent Talk @ 17.30

25 March Year 12 Assessment Reports

#### Week commencing

4 March Year 12 Assessment Week Begins/ National Careers Week

11 March British Science Week

18 March Year 13 Results Issued / End of Term Celebration Assemblies

We break up on Thursday 28 March for half term and return on Monday 15 April.

