

Year 10 Newsletter

Issue 4 - June 2026

Welcome

Hello and welcome to the latest edition of the Year 10 newsletter. As we come towards the end of the academic year, we would like to take the opportunity to reflect on another successful and productive period for our Year 10 students. It is hard to believe that students are now over halfway through their GCSE and vocational courses, and they have continued to demonstrate commitment and resilience as they work towards their qualifications.

The final weeks will be particularly important as students prepare for their upcoming Mock Examinations. Details of the exams were launched before the half-term break together with a copy of the Tracking 3 Revision Booklet, providing students with valuable guidance and strategies to support their preparation. We encourage all students to make the most of these resources and establish effective revision routines as they approach this key assessment period. While the weeks ahead will be busy, they also present an excellent opportunity for students to consolidate their learning, build confidence, and identify areas for further development before moving into Year 11.

We would like to thank all parents and carers for your continued support throughout the year, particularly during assessment periods. Your encouragement, guidance, and partnership with the school play a vital role in helping our students achieve their potential. We look forward to working together during this important final half term and celebrating the progress our students continue to make.

Miss Lithgow



Achievement Leader

Mrs Ryder



Head of Year



Miss Keenan
KS4
Head of Year

Achievement

Whole School Rewards:

Top 50 Achievement Points – £30 family entertainment voucher prize draw.
Winner = Eva T

Most grade 1s A2L – Cadbury’s chocolate hamper.
Winners = Ellie C, Riley H, Ollie S, Lilly A, Archie F, Shakila C, Joseph B, Nicole S, Millie S, Heidi H-M.

English Half Term 4 Heroes – Alisha G, Tansy C, Ayva T, Isabella S, Iris C, Amelia M, Regan W, John-Jaymes S, Comfort S, Grace B.
Winner - Molly R

Our Values

Winners of the most academy values points:



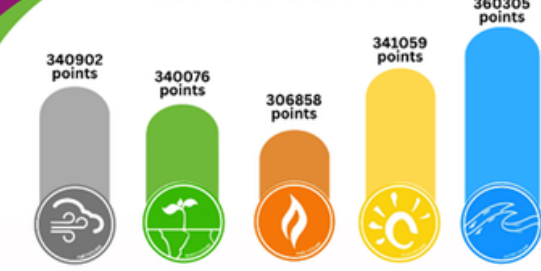
- Kind – Austin L
- Resilient – Ruby D
- Reflective – Freya H
- Part of a Community – Comfort S

Top 5 Achievement Points:

- 1st – Mark Mc
- 2nd – Grace B
- 3rd – Bobby T
- 4th – Beth S
- 5th – Emily P



House Points Leaderboard



WINNER

Student of the Month

April

Kieron W



Congratulations!

May

Luke D



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Curriculum Spotlight

Geography

In Geography, Year 10 students have been studying the Changing Economic World unit, focusing on Nigeria as a Newly Emerging Economy. They have explored Nigeria's rapid economic growth, the role of transnational corporations, and the opportunities and challenges associated with development. This half term, students will move on to studying economic change in the UK, with a particular focus on Liverpool as a case study. They will investigate how the city has adapted to economic change, including regeneration projects and the impact of these developments on people and the environment.

Food Preparation/Hospitality & Catering

Year 10 have continued to impress in Food Preparation and Nutrition and Hospitality and Catering. Last term, students developed high-level practical skills by deboning a whole chicken before using it to create a range of challenging dishes. This term, they are working independently on their own starters, main courses and desserts using this year's brief as a practice NEA. It has been fantastic to see students thriving, showing creativity, resilience and ambition as they prepare for Year 11.

Attendance Matters

Well done to the students who have 100% attendance so far this academic year. These students are giving themselves the best chance at succeeding in their lessons by not having any gaps in learning!

Congratulations to the following students who worked hard to improve their attendance last half term:

Alfie B | Maisy H | Cayden K
Alfie W | Harry W

100%

Congratulations to **Lucas P** who won a £10 voucher after winning the 100% attendance prize draw for half term 5.

Exams Attendance – being in and on time for every mock exam is vitally important. Please encourage your child to attend school every day and to be punctual for exam warm ups.

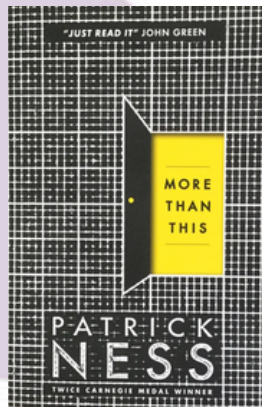
Aspirations

Student Leadership Team – good luck to all students who have applied and have their interviews this week!

College Visits – All Year 10 students will be taking part in a Post 16 experience day on either the 2nd or 3rd July. Students will visit one of our local colleges and sample a range of lessons. This is one of many opportunities that students take part in to ensure that they are prepared for life after GCSEs.

More details about the visits will be sent to parents directly.

Reading Spotlight



Reading in R2L – students are reading **More Than This**.

Engage in Enrichment

Well done to all those that take part in our range of clubs after school. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to join a club in this new term.

Year 10 Enrichment Involvement:
163 students (61.7%)
Best Represented Tutor Group:
10M

Home Learning Focus

Year 10 Homework Club – takes place every day in EG01. Please contact Miss Lithgow if you would like your child to attend and receive further support.



Parental Support – You can support your child to revise for their Mocks by quizzing them on their knowledge. Ask them to give you their flash cards, knowledge organisers or revision booklet for their weakest topics and ask them questions based on the content.

Assessment Focus



Year 10 Mock Exams

Mock Exams Begin – week beginning Monday 15th June. These will take place in exam venues and provide students' Tracking 3 results.

Exam Timetables – students have a paper copy of their exam timetables and electronic copies have been sent home.

Revision Challenge – students who show staff their revision resources will receive a nomination worth 10 resilience points and a chance to win the Revision Revolution if they produce the most resources. All students have been issued with revision booklets for their upcoming exams and should be using these every day to revise for all subjects.

GOOD LUCK
YEAR 10!!!



Sports Awards 2026 – Golden Tickets will be given out shortly. These will be awarded to the students that regular attend Extra-Curricular PE clubs, have represented the academy in a sports team or took part in the school dance show.



Trips and Events

Sutton Speaks

Sutton Speaks is a new competitive event we will hold yearly at the Academy to select students to take part in the Rotary Youth Speaks local and national oracy competition. Three students from key stage three, and three from key stage four will form teams to compete against neighbouring schools - delivering speeches about topics they are passionate about. In 2026, The Sutton Academy won the first round of Youth Speaks for our local area. We're now all set to compete in the 2026-2027 competition!

Many congratulations to Joseph H who has won a place in next year's senior team working alongside Lucas H and Linards M! A highly commended award went to Sebastian C for his fantastic efforts. A huge thank you goes to Andrew S for their outstanding work in judging all of the entries.

Simply Race

Simply Race - As part of our enrichment reward programme, students had the opportunity to attend our reward trip to Simply Race at Trafford.

They had the chance to race on iconic formula 1 racing tracks interactively in state of the art driving simulators giving real life experience of what it would be like to drive super cars in competitive races against friends.

Year 10 Revision Conference

Thanks you to those parents/carers and students that attended the event on Thursday 4th June. All information shared can be found on our website in the Revision Hub section.

[CLICK HERE](#)

Congratulations to the following child's parents who won a £25 voucher in the prize draw:

Riley H, Caleb H, Joshua D.

GCSE PE Padel Ball

Year 10 GCSE PE students attended an introduction to Padel session at Queens Park this term. The students learned lots of different skills which they were able to apply to competitive games. The session was really interactive and the coaches delivering were fantastic! We hope to arrange future trips to Padel for more students next academic year.

