

COMMUNITY NEWS

Week 7a – Monday 13th October



**Newsome
Academy**

STUDENT SEMINAR



Key information shared to all students and families each week.
To be discussed at home to support home/school communication & consistency.

HOLIDAY INSET Y6 TRANSITION

2025					2026						
August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
1 Fr	1 Mo ³⁶	1 We	1 Sa	1 Mo ⁴⁹	1 Th ^{New Year's Day}	1 Su	1 Su	1 We	1 Fr	1 Mo ²³	1 We
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4 Mo ³²	4 Th	4 Sa	4 Tu	4 Th	4 Su	4 We	4 We	4 Sa	4 Mo ^{Early May Bk. Hol.} ¹⁹	4 Th	4 Sa
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WE ARE HERE



2 WEEKS

UNTIL 1 WEEK HT
BREAK

2 WEEKS

UNTIL Y11 MOCK 3
5TH NOV

14 WEEKS

UNTIL Y10 GCSE
MOCKS
9TH FEB

23 WEEKS

UNTIL GCSE EXAMS
START
5TH MAY

30 WEEKS

UNTIL THE END OF
SCHOOL YEAR



YEAR 10
GCSE EVENTS
THROUGHOUT
THIS YEAR TO
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YEAR 10 GCSE SUCCESS EVENINGS

ENSURING THE BEST FOR YOUR CHILD

Dear Families

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Event 1 Thursday 23rd October 5pm - 6pm	Intro to GCSE Year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation for Mocks Race to Exceptional Initiative
Event 2 Thursday 26th February 5pm-6pm	February Mock results and Parents' Evening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information sharing and understanding results How to support your child further
Event 3 Monday 18th May 5pm - 6pm	Work Experience preparation (w/c 8th June) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final prep for Work Experience How to support your child further
Event 4 Thursday 9th July (5pm – 6pm)	June Mock results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam timings and protocol



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Event 1 Thursday 9th October 5pm-6pm	Key Deadlines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation for October Mocks Home Run Initiative Period 6 information
Event 2 Thursday 27th November 5pm-6pm	October Mock Results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information sharing and understanding results How to support your child further
Event 3 Thursday 19th March 5pm-6pm	March Mock Results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information sharing and understanding results How to support your child further
Event 4 Thursday 30th April 5pm-6pm	Preparing for the real thing! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exam timings and protocol

Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcademy · 3d
We had a fantastic time at the National Manufacturing Showcase Event with our Year 10s, learning about regional opportunities and future of manufacturing and engineering at Calderdale College



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Taylor - Altering Polymers in Chemistry. How Science amazes!



Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcademy · 22h
Year 11 having their Hudds New College Seminar



Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcademy · 4d
Our introduction to Black History Month takes a journey through the history, current poets and of course our Keynote speaker, Jess Clarke - 1 of 25 black lionesses 🐾



Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcademy · 13h
Newsome Academy welcomes inspirational speaker James Aidoo back from Innerscope! 🙌



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Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcademy · 13h
Year 10 students representing STEM Ambassadors in seminars this week delivering National Space Week 🚀



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Memories

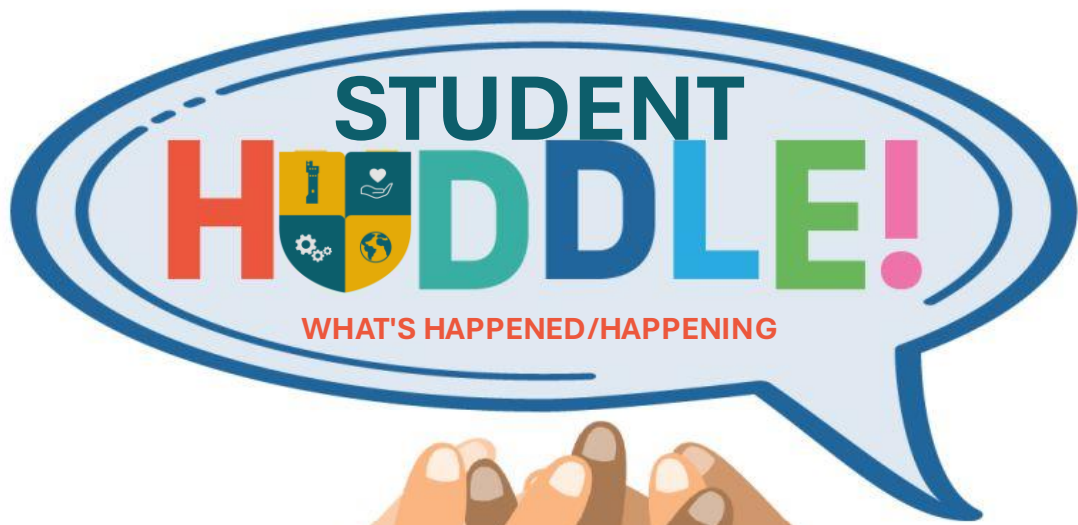


Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcademy · 1d
One of many additional GCSE Success Evenings. Great vibes 🙌



Newsome Academy @NewsomeAcade... · 4d
Our Y8 boys football team were fantastic today. They won a hard fought game against Royds Hall. Well done to both teams on a great game 🏆👍🙌

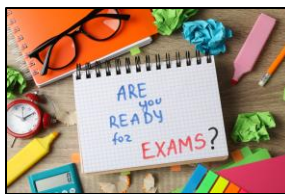




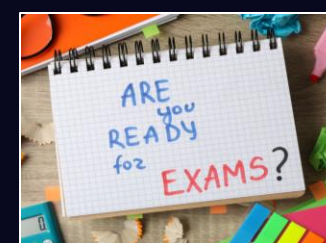
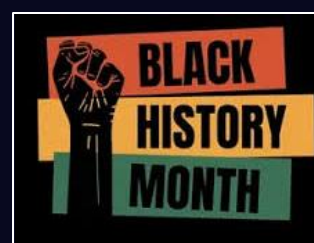
WEEKLY UPDATE

WEEK STARTING 13TH October

- **Show Racism the Red Card** – Non-uniform day on Friday 17th of October. Please encourage students to wear something RED and bring in their £1 donations. Thank you.
- **National Baking Week** – students will have the opportunity to enter a baking competition and a chance to win a baking set!
- **Yr 7 settling in evening** - on Thursday 16th October. Please make sure you attend.
- **Student Council** - A number of students will be out on the 16th and 22nd of October working with an external and CBR for training
- **Year 11 Mock Exams.** Please ensure you are talking to your students about what they are to be revising.



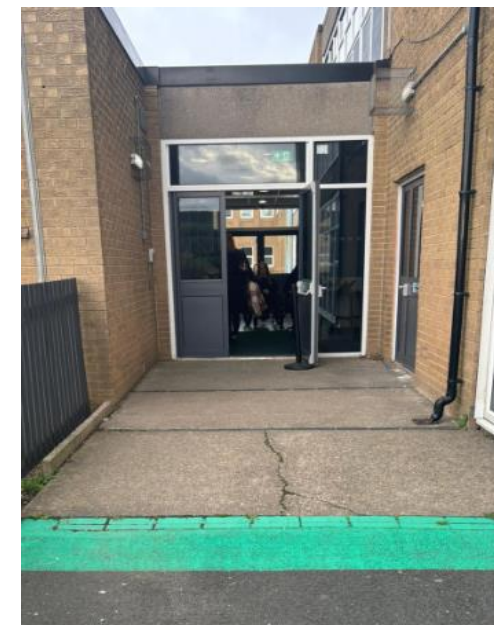
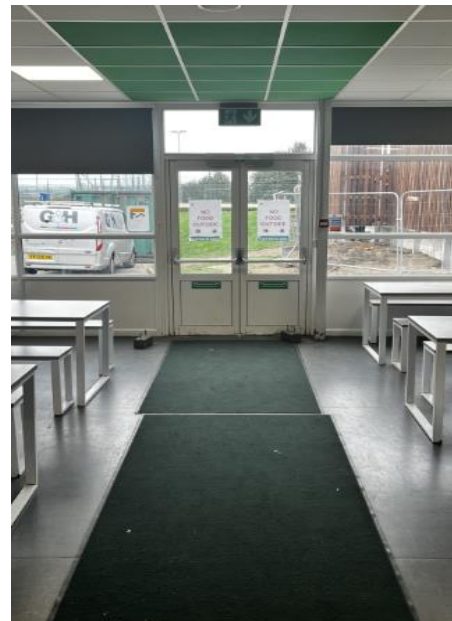
UPCOMING EVENTS



NOTICES

For the rest of this week ALL students will enter the courts via the front of school. You MUST stay within the white lines.

Green zones – There are two main Green Zones in school. One at the entrance/exit from the Canteen and one at Student Services. These zones show where you must have removed/put on your outdoor coat when entering/leaving school. The green lines outside these area show where you must put all electronic devices away and have full uniform on.



Tower block stairs – From today, the tower block stairs will be used as follows:
ORANGE = Up and down to all English lessons.
PURPLE = Up and down to all Humanities lessons (RE, History, Geography)

EXCEPTIONAL



**THE
SPECIAL 6**
STEPS TO EXCEPTIONAL

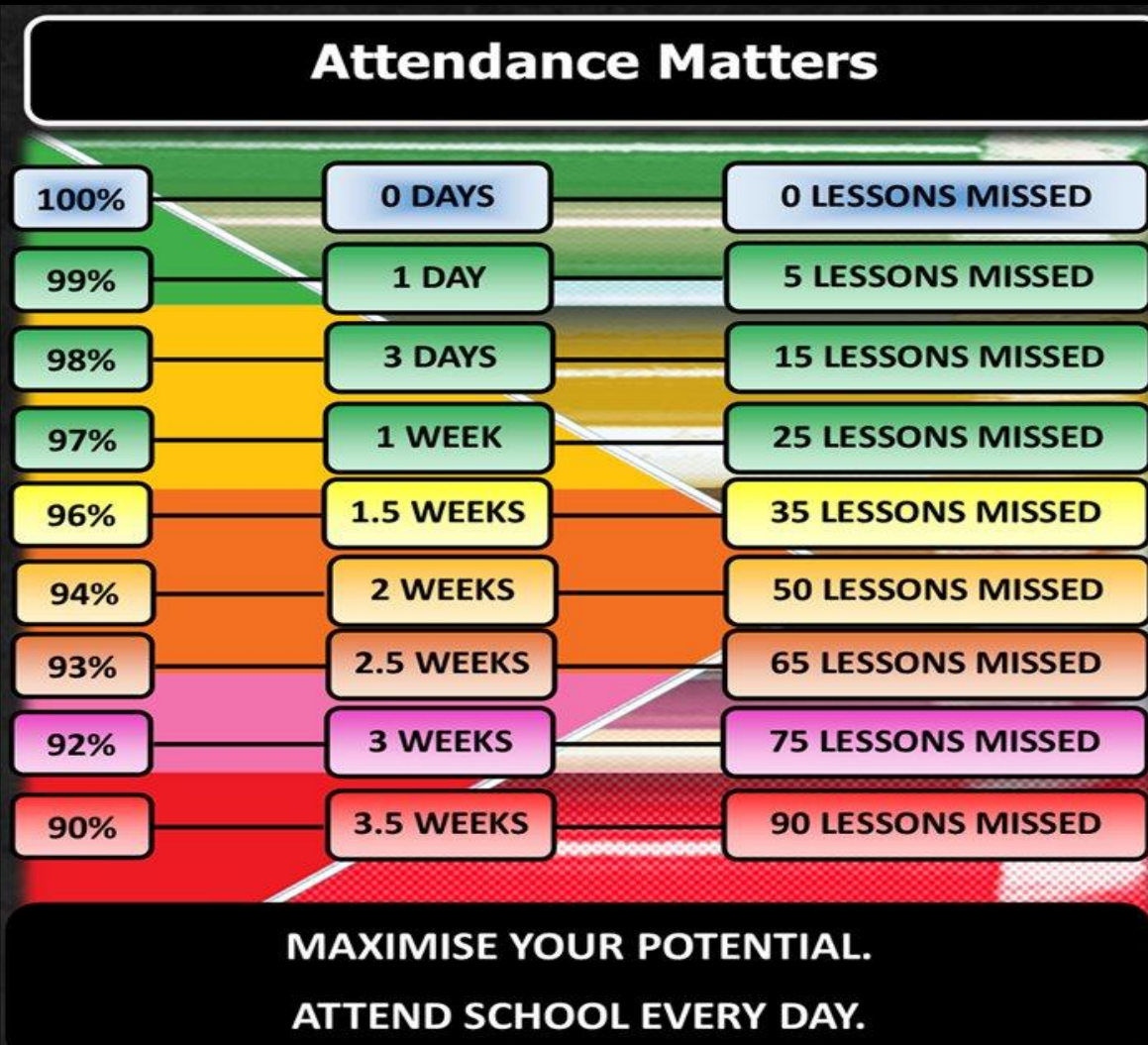
- ✓ **ATTENDANCE**
- ✓ **ATTITUDE TO LEARNING**
- ✓ **CONDUCT**
- ✓ **REWARDS**
- ✓ **EXTRA-CURRICULAR**
- ✓ **HEALTH**



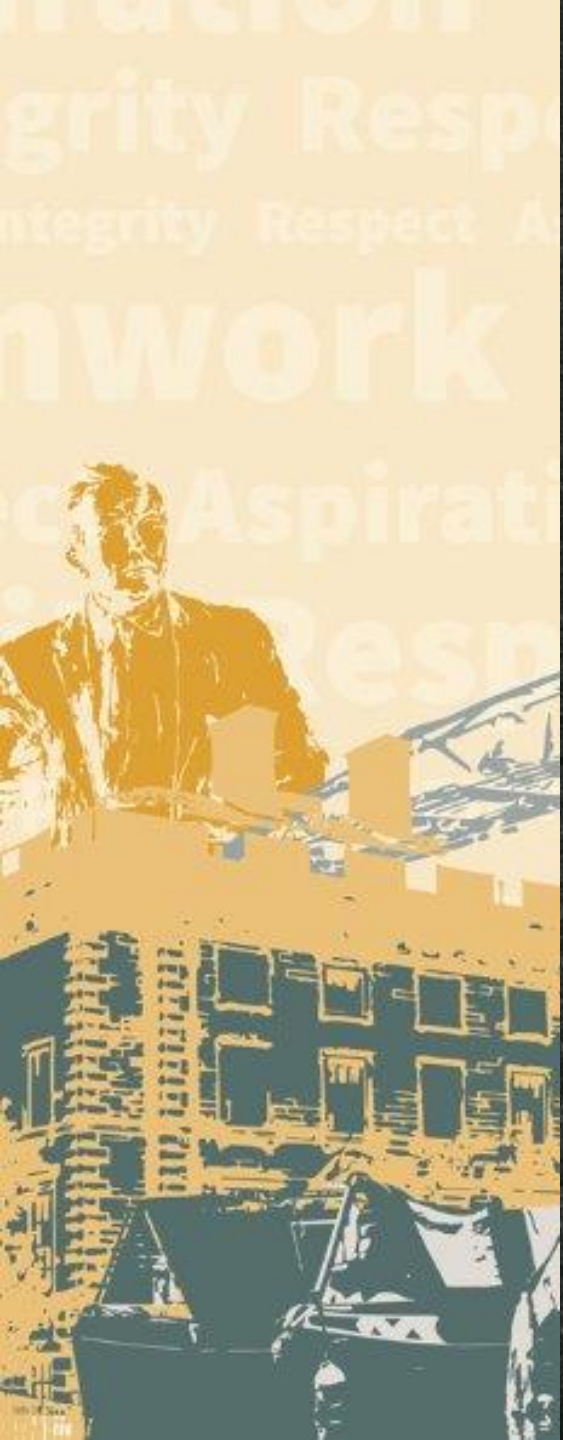
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General Expectations

✓ Attendance matters



Remember the impact that a low attendance figure has on College applications and life chances!



MINIMINDSET

MASTERY



national
baking
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**SEMESTER 1****Year 7****Year 8****Year 9****Year 10/11**

Buckle your seat belts as we prepare you with the fundamentals of how the world around us works...

Students must equip themselves with the exam board that will be followed when taking their GCSEs.

English

Adventure writing - Coraline



Horror Writing – The Woman in Black



Dystopian Writing



- ENGLISH LANGUAGE - AQA
- ENGLISH LITERATURE – AQA
- FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH LEVEL 2 - AQA
- STEP UP TO ENGLISH - AQA

Maths

Operations, Algebra and place value



Tables, sequences, co-ordinates and graphs



Percentages, shapes and line angles (construction)



- MATHS (HIGHER) - AQA
- MATHS (FOUNDATION) - AQA
- ENTRY LEVEL MATHS - AQA

Science

Energy, substances and cells



Earth in Space, Light & Sound, Plant Reproduction
Magnetism



Cell Structure & Microscopes, Digestion & Health, Acids
& Alkalis, Energy, Atoms & Calculations



- BIOLOGY - AQA
- CHEMISTRY - AQA
- PHYSICS - AQA
- COMBINED SCIENCE TRILOGY - AQA
- ENTRY LEVEL SCIENCE - AQA

Languages

F – Names, animals & parts of the body



F – Views and numbers
G – Numbers and Months



F – Sentence structures and navigation
G – Family and Navigation



- GERMAN - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- FRENCH - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- ARABIC - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- HISTORY - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- ITALIAN - AQA
- PERSIAN - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- SPANISH - AQA

Humanities

About the UK
Discovering the past
Festivals and ceremonies



Populations
Tudors, Stuarts and Monarchs
Life after death



Rivers
Democracy and war
Holocaust



- GEOGRAPHY – AQA
- RELIGIOUS STUDIES – AQA
- HISTORY - AQA
- ENTRY LEVEL GEOGRAPHY – OCR
- ENTRY LEVEL HISTORY - OCR

Computing

Hardware and software packages



Binary and Denary



Spreadsheets



- BUSINESS & ENTERPRISE – NCFE
- COMPUTING (DIT) - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- TRAVEL & TOURISM - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- MEDIA - PEARSON EDEXCEL

PE

Fitness and training techniques



Skill-related fitness



Training Principles



- HEALTH & FITNESS – NCFE
- PERFORMING ARTS – WJEC
- HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE - OCR

Creative Arts

Fruit, Pasta Salad and Choc-Chip Cookies
The basics of drawing
Music minimalism
Bottle packaging and festive themes



Pizza, flapjacks, Pasty and Foccaccia Bread
Formal elements
Rap and Hip-Hop
Nature themes



Shortbread, Samosa, Marble Cake, Chicken Alfredo
Formal Elements – dimensions of Art
Performance Skills
Media and Typography



- ART & DESIGN (ART, CRAFT & DESIGN) - AQA
- ART & DESIGN (PHOTOGRAPHY) - AQA
- MUSIC - PEARSON EDEXCEL
- FOOD & COOKERY – NCFE
- PHOTOGRAPHY - AQA

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Mutual respect and behaviours



Self-Identity



Self-esteem and Tolerance





NATIONAL BAKING WEEK 2025

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WHAT'S
YOUR
FAVOURITE
CAKE?



What is National Baking Week?

National Baking Week is an annual, UK-based celebration in the second week of October that promotes the benefits of baking, such as fostering creativity, stress relief, and connection with loved ones.

Founded in 2007 to encourage people of all skill levels to bake, it's a time for both home bakers and professionals to get involved, try new recipes, and share their creations, highlighting the joy and comfort that baking brings.



What was the first ever cake like?



The first cakes were very different from what we enjoy today. The earliest cakes were more like bread, made with simple ingredients such as flour, water, and honey.

The first recorded evidence of cake-making dates back to ancient Egypt, where cakes were baked as offerings to the gods. However, it was the Greeks who are credited with the development of more cake-like confections, adding eggs, butter, and leavening agents to create a richer, softer texture.

As trade routes expanded and ingredients became more readily available, cakes began to evolve into the sweet treats we know today. The Romans introduced the use of yeast as a leavening agent, leading to lighter, airier cakes. By the Middle Ages, cakes had become a popular dessert in Europe, with various regions developing their own unique styles and flavors.



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Baking brings out
our creativity...



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Baking for Wellbeing

- **Stress Relief** - Baking is a great activity for stress relief. Not only can you take out some of your frustrations on your dough, but baking can also reduce stress hormones such as cortisol
- **Boost our mood** - Baking is a great feel-good activity! Research has shown that individuals with a mental health diagnosis can benefit from baking therapy, whether a delicious chocolate cake or a mouth-watering sausage roll.
- **Stimulate the senses** - baking is an activity that stimulates all five of our senses – touch, smell, sight, sound, and taste. The sensory aspect of baking can be very therapeutic for many people.
- **Create and strengthen relationships** -Another important mental health benefit of baking is that it can strengthen your existing relationships, and even lead to forming new friendships! Baking together with family members or with a friend is a lovely bonding experience and a perfect way to create new memories together.
- **Boost self-confidence** - The process of preparing ingredients, measuring everything out, and following a recipe means that when we see and taste the finished product, it's even better! It can lead to improved self-confidence due to the sense of achievement, similar to that of achieving a goal!



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Baking for
each other...

...could you
give this a
go?



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COMPETITION TIME!

Over the next two weeks we would love for you to bring in **pictures** of you baking at home and of your finished bakes! They don't have to be cakes... you could make biscuits or breads also.

Any pictures need bringing to Miss Cole in the VTC office. Best baker wins a baking set!



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EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

AUTUMN TERM 1 2025-2026



Extra-Curricular Activities: Autumn Term 25/26 (3-4pm)



ACTIVITIES

Day	Club	Location	Staff Lead	YR11 P6 WK A	YR 11 P6 WK
MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Netball D of E Table Tennis Cooking Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sports Hall 402 Gym Cooking Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HRA/MH/SMT GEA/JDA GEA/JDA JBA 		
TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wheelchair sports club Music Club (Invite Only) KS3 Coding Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gym 401 608 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCU AMC OMO 		
WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sparx Support Club 7/8 Girls Football BSL Club STEM on Track (Invite only) (starting 24th Sept) Music Club PRIDE club – Week A lunch time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 402 Astro 805 Lecture Theatre 401 302 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EBU HRA/HH DCR/ She EGA AMC CBR 		
THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls Fitness Yr 7 Boys football Reading/HW Club (KS3&4) IDEA Lab (starting 25th Sept) Choir Starting 2nd October Drama Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fitness suite Astro Library 503 401 Lecture Theatre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SMT GEA,JDA,DHO KST EGA ECO LAB/BRO 		
FRIDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student Council KS3 – Week A lunch Student Council KS4 – Week A lunch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 302 302 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CBR CBR 		

RESPECT | INTEGRITY | TEAMWORK | ASPIRATION