

Gawthorpe Community Academy NEWSLETTER



A word from Mrs Berry, Mrs Davies, Miss Darby and Mr Stephenson

What a wonderful start to our new academic year we have had this week!

The school environment has been calm and the children themselves have shown up daily ready to learn and have taken all challenges in their stride - we are incredibly proud of them. We look forward to welcoming our parents and carers into school next week for our Meet the Teacher events! Our celebration assemblies will commence next Friday 11.09.2026 and we are excited to share all the amazing things the children have been up to.

Wellbeing Weekly

The safeguarding and wellbeing of our children is our utmost priority. Our DSL Team for this academic year is:

Mrs Davies, Mrs Berry, Miss Darby, Mr Stephenson, Miss Croisdale and Mrs Dearnley.

Important Reminders

Our new Class Dojo pages are up and running. If you are having difficulty joining, please see your class teacher.

Whilst Wakefield Music Service will no longer be working with us, we still have an excellent music offer across school. Our weekly music sessions are delivered by Mr Walker, our Trust music specialist, and we also have our fantastic RockSteady sessions - please see the office for more information about this.

Attendance Update

Well done to **Year Reception and Year 1** who are our attendance champions this week.

As a school, we strive to **ensure our weekly attendance is at least 97%** and your continued support is vital.

Reception	100%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	94.87%
Year 3	93.33%
Year 4	97.70%
Year 5	98.28%
Year 6	95.98%
Whole School	97.17%

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Dates for your diary

School Diary Dates 2026/27		
Date	Event	Year Group
02.09.2026	Back to School	Whole School
07.09.2026	Meet the Teacher 3.15 - 3.45pm	Year 5 and Year 6 in classrooms.
09.09.2026	Meet the Teacher 3.15pm - 3.45pm	Year 3 and Year 4 in classrooms.
10.09.2026	Meet the Teacher 3.15pm - 3.45pm	Year 1 and Year 2 in classrooms.
21.09.2026	Phonics Workshop 3.15pm - 3.45pm	Reception and Year 1 Parents
22.09.2026	SEND Coffee Morning	SEND Parents
22.09.2026	Reading Workshop 3.15pm - 3.45pm	Key Stage Two Parents
24.09.2026	PTFA Colour Run	Whole school
28.09.2026	Maths Workshop 3.15pm - 3.45pm	KS1 & KS2 Parents
01.10.2026	Harvest Festival	Whole School

Star Awards

Reception

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Year 6

Class Spotlight

An exciting week for Year 3! We were honored to welcome the Rotary Club alongside Deputy Lord Lieutenant Helen Mack MBE, a representative of the King, to present our children with their new dictionaries. It was a fantastic event, and our visitors were thoroughly impressed by our wonderful school and amazing pupils!

Club Spotlight

We are pleased to share that we have recently collected pupil voice to find out which lunchtime and after-school clubs our children would love to see here at Gawthorpe. The final club timetable and details on how to sign up will be sent out to parents next week, ahead of all clubs officially commencing the week beginning Monday, 14th September. We look forward to offering an exciting range of activities for everyone to enjoy!

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

Be Reflective

Be Ready to Learn


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