

Gawthorpe Community Academy NEWSLETTER



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

We have had another wonderful week in school, filled with enthusiastic learning and bright smiles across every classroom. It was lovely to see so many of you at our "Meet the Teacher" meetings this week; thank you for taking the time to connect with us as we settle into the new term. For any parents who were unable to attend, please don't worry - all of the slides and information shared will be posted on Class Dojo. In our school assembly this week, we focused on our core Trust values: **support, innovation, collaboration, and excellence**. The children engaged brilliantly as we discussed what these principles look like in our daily school life, from helping a friend on the playground to striving for their personal best in the classroom. Thank you for your continued support and we wish you all a relaxing weekend!

Wellbeing Weekly

At Gawthorpe, we encourage the children to know that we need to be kind to ourselves to be kind to others. Each day, we complete our affirmations to reinforce this and remind ourselves how fabulous we are. Your child has come home with a 'Kindness starts with me' sheet - complete and return for a special certificate!

Important Reminders

On 01.10.26, we will be heading to Holy Trinity for our annual Harvest Festival. We will be performing our songs and parents/carers are invited to join! As always, we will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Resource Food Bank. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped into school by 30.09.26. Thank you in advance!

Our next SEND coffee morning is 22.09.26.

Attendance Update

Well done to **Year 4** 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	96.55%
Year 1	97.93%
Year 2	98.46%
Year 3	98.00%
Year 4	99.31%
Year 5	97.24%
Year 6	97.93%
Whole School	97.91%

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Dates for your diary

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
25.09.2026	PTFA Colour Run	Whole school
28.09.2026	Maths Workshop 3.15pm - 3.45pm	KS1 & KS2 Parents
01.10.2026	Harvest Festival	Whole School
05.10.2026	Black History Month	Whole School
07.10.2026	Y3 Inspire Event	Y3 Parents
10.10.2026	Nursery Open Morning	Prospective parents
14.10.2026	Y4 Inspire Event	Y4 Parents

Star Awards

Reception	George & Indy
Year 1	Nancie & Corey
Year 2	Isaac & Skylar-Mae
Year 3	Freddie & Kendal
Year 4	Rosa & Owais
Year 5	Lillie & Elizabeth
Year 6	Fela & Sufyaan

Class Spotlight

A shout out to our Year 6 children, who have set an excellent example at our new swimming provision. The staff team there and the team at Gawthorpe are incredibly proud of how respectful, resilient and determined you are each week in these lessons. Keep it up!

Club Spotlight

We are thrilled to see so many children sign up to our clubs ahead of next week. Remember, if your child signs up to a sports club, they are allowed to attend school that day in their PE kit.

Thank you.

Year 6 Open Evening

Outwood Grange Academy

Tuesday 22 September 2026, 4.30 - 7.00pm

No appointments necessary.

The principal will address families during this evening, the timings for these will be on our school website.

There will also be the opportunity to visit the different departments to speak with staff and students