



16<sup>th</sup> May 2025

### Message from the Head of School

I want to take a moment to emphasise the significance of attendance. Regular attendance plays a crucial role in fostering a culture of responsibility and engagement.

Mrs K Gardner Head Of School

Studies have shown that students who maintain consistent attendance tend to perform better academically, which can significantly impact their future opportunities. Employers often look for candidates who

demonstrate commitment and reliability, traits that are cultivated through a consistent presence in school. As your child prepares to enter an increasingly competitive job market, the habits they form now regarding attendance can influence their future earnings and career trajectories.

Showing a strong work ethic and the ability to be dependable are skills highly valued by employers across all industries. We understand that life can sometimes present challenges that may affect attendance, but we encourage open communication with our staff if any issues arise. Together, we can support our students in developing the habits they need to succeed in their future lives.

#### Message from Wythenshawe Community Housing Group:

We are holding a Women in Apprenticeships, Cuppa & Cake afternoon on Wednesday 21st May 1.30 – 3.30pm. All females or those who identify as female are welcome to come along & have a chat about apprenticeships. This will take place a WCHG main office: 8 Poundswick Lane, Wythenshawe, Manchester, M22 9TA



## **Celebrating our Curriculum**

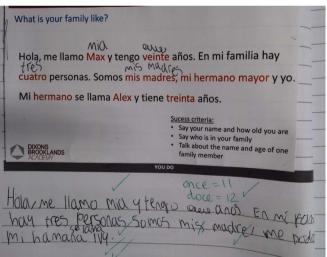




#### **Hospitality and Catering:**

Years 10 Hospitality and Catering students started their recipe trials for their mock exam this week. Miss Bowdery was so impressed with their independence as they cooked one of their dishes and sides from scratch.

Photos - Telaqwon L, Mehdi D, Ali M and Niamh B. Well done!



#### Spanish:

Well done to Mia B, Y7 for producing an excellent piece of work using WAGOLL to produce a very accurate paragraph in Spanish about her family.

#### Spanish:

Excellent focus and effort during a productive writing task in Spanish! Well done Oliver C, Yr 9!.

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## **Celebrating Student Achievements**

#### **Sparx Maths:**

#### Top credit earners for the last week!

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
1st Place	Caeden G	Gracie J	Callum M	Ellie-Me K	Kyran James C
2nd Place	Troy B	Finley H	Aistis V	Joseph J	Kaci C
3rd Place	Daniel B	Piper W	Riley R	Kian L	Joseph A



#### **Rounders:**

Each week on a Monday after school at 3:20, Ms Storr runs a Rounders Club. This week Ms Storr pictured Imogen F in action just minutes before she scored a rounder! Well done to all girls involved!

#### FULL HOUSE FRIDAY:

Each Friday, students who attend school are entered onto an Attendance Wheel! During Monday's Morning Meeting the wheel spins and selects one student per Year Group as a winner. The winning students will receive a sweet treat and a Queue Jump Pass in recognition of their Friday (and Monday) attendance to school! This week there are 791 students included in the Full House Friday spin! Winners will be announced on Facebook on Monday.

#### Full House Friday Attendance Wheel students - 791 in total

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
170 students	164 students	189 students	136 students	132 students



## Attendance

A total of 651 students from Years 7 to 11 achieved 100% attendance, demonstrating a strong commitment to their education. This accomplishment highlights the dedication of these students to maintaining perfect attendance throughout the school year.

#### Students with 100% attendance this week:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
138 students	129 students	153 students	110 students	107 students

#### **Top Advisory Groups:**

7Y	8Z	9W	10A	11Y
97%	91%	93%	95%	93%

#### **Student Absence: Reminder**

School attendance is the most crucial prerequisite for quality education; students cannot learn if they are not in school. We know that attendance to school is linked to high quality GCSE results which our students require to achieve their maximum potential.

The following are not reasons to be absent:

- common cold
  Cough
- headache
  asthma
- feeling sick

- hayfever
- stomach pains or general pains

Students with any of these symptoms should be well enough to be in lesson. Parents/ carers are advised to give their child paracetamol or equivalent in the morning for headache/stomach pains before sending them to school. If your child requires medication during the school day, this can be brought into school for attention of our school nurse, Samantha Divers. The school nurse will oversee students taking their medication.

Students should not be leaving school during the day because of their period. We can discreetly support students experiencing any issues.

# Wythenshawe

## Parent Power

What path would you like to see your child take after high school?

We warmly invite you to our first Parent Power meeting.

Date: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June Time: 4pm - 5pm Location: Dixons Brooklands Academy, Moor Rd, M23 9BP

Come along to hear more about how Parent Power can support your child's education.

We want to listen to you to find out the positive changes you'd like to see in Wythenshawe to improve lives for young people and families in the area.

Sign up by scanning the QR code and completing the form. To find out more information, contact:

Becky McNutt at parentpowerwythenshawe@thebrilliantclub.org





## DIXONS BROOKLANDS WEEKLY MENU

## WEEK COMMENCING 19TH MAY

## MONDAY

Chicken drumstick with Salt and Pepper Noodles

Or

Vegetable spring rolls with noodles and Sweet Chili sauce

Panini selection: cheese, ham, pepperoni or cheese & beans

### THURSDAY

Steak sliced with chips and gravy sauce

Or

Cheese and potato slice with side salad

Panini selection: cheese, ham, pepperoni or cheese & beans

## TUESDAY

Beef or chicken enchiladas with Tomato sauce and Cheese

Or

Cheese and tomato turnovers with side salad

Panini selection: cheese, ham, pepperoni or cheese & beans

## FRIDAY

Chicken Tikka on flat bread with chips and yogurt sauce

Or

Vegetable giant samosa with noodles

Panini selection: cheese, ham, pepperoni or cheese & beans

## WEDNESDAY

Chicken curry with yellow rice and Naan bread

Or

Cheese Tomato and Basil Pizza bread with side of salad

Panini selection: cheese, ham, pepperoni or cheese & beans

Every day the salad bar plus a variety of sandwiches and baguettes are available, as well as a choice of cold or hot desserts.

We follow best practices in safe food handling to prevent cross-contamination. However, we cannot guarantee our products are 100% free of any specific allergen. Allergens are listed on the front counter, which refer to the ingredients we use. We also cannot guarantee an allergen-free environment where some of our ingredients from suppliers or products may have been produced in an environment with other allergens. Please double-check with a member of staff.