


 ACADEMY
LANGLEY

Weekly Newsletter

HEADTEACHER UPDATE



The last full week of the half-term started off on a positive footing due to two really strong days for attendance as KS3 prepare for assessment week. It is really pleasing to see the numbers of students revising – especially in Y9 – during Family Breakfast this morning. That certainly brightened my mood

after the Man City result from Sunday – it seemed at every corner Mr McOnie was there to greet me with a beaming smile! It was great to take a trip out to the Champions League game vs. PSG this week. A huge thank you to Mr Benyon, Mr Seaton, Miss Hanson, Mr Davis and Mr Lowe for facilitating this! Surprisingly Man City couldn't sell out such a prestigious game....

I attended a webinar delivered by Public First focusing on their landmark report – 'Education's Overlooked Middle Child: Reclaiming Key Stage 3' and was able to discuss many of the findings with our visitors on Tuesday. It was great to welcome colleagues from another Attendance and Behaviour Hub – The Khalsa Academy in Wolverhampton- and even better to re-connect with a former colleague, Manraj Dhillon the Trust Vice Principal for Behaviour and Culture. As ever, a huge thank you to colleagues such as Mr Caine, Mrs Hawthorne, and Miss Deasy for her organisation skills during the day. It was just so disappointing that a delegation from up north cancelled on the day which led to some free places going!

I held a T4T this week with Liberty McLean (7L1) following her representation of Birchfield Harriers in the U14 Girls' category, and Keyaan Knight (11L2), who has been awarded a two-year scholarship with West Brom, kicking off his career as a professional footballer - what superstars! As always please let us know of any achievements outside of the school day – I love to hear about it! We also celebrated the super efforts of our Y9 Tour Guides this week ahead of their final Open Morning. Well done to Radhiya (9A2), Stanley (9D1), Ava (9S2), Harshveer (9L2), Avneet (9C2), Aisha (9D2), Abdullateef (9A1), Matilda (9S1), Tommy (9L2),

Harrison (9D1), Marvellous (9A1), Boris (9L1), Carmen (9C2), Harvey (9S2), Ella (9A2), Lillia (9S1), Freddie (9C2), Zac (9S2) and Leilah-Milan (9L1). The winners of three star of the lesson awards are as follows: Diyar (11A1), Kuwaysah (7A1), Haadi (7L2), Mohammed (10D2) and Sehaj (8D1).

We have conducted some interviews for a couple of positions and, as ever, I am grateful for colleagues such as Mrs Koasha, Mr Law, and Mrs Francome for their dedication, commitment and hard work in ensuring these processes run smoothly! Watch this space for future announcements. I do have an internal appointment that we are delighted to make – Mrs Somel will become our new Head of Department from January 2027, and we look forward to her impact in the I.T. arena moving forwards!

Parents' Evening 1 was a wonderful event – and great to welcome so many new families to join us on the evening. As always, a huge thank you to our site and admin team, as well as City Year – Team Harmony for staying late for their social action project. Mrs Mackie co-ordinated an excellent list of external agencies that attended the event. A massive thanks to: Brook, Sandwell Careers Service, Just Youth Sandwell, King Ed's, Sandwell Children's Trust, Sandwell Family Hubs, Target 100, Uniform Plus, WBA Foundation and Macron.

Our first #Wearit day of 2026-27 was a great success – and we will update via the socials on how much monies were raised for the variety of causes – but, again, a huge thank you to all those who engaged with and supported the initiative. Next week sees just a three-day week – with normal finish time, but a reminder we are running Maths interventions for invited Year 11s on the Thursday and Friday and then English – again by invite only - on the Monday and Tuesday of the half-term. There will be a Newsletter issued on Wednesday so please look out for that!

Best wishes,

Peter Lee

Headteacher

Well done to our Stars of the Week, beginning 12th October 2026. They are:



Gurbaj
Singh
9A2



Amritha
Athwal
9C2



Muhammad
Furqan
Ayaan
9D2



Nabiha
Tazmin
9L2



Kirsten
Godwin
952



Sam
Shepherd
10C2

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 19/10/2026

<u>Day</u>	<u>Meat</u>	<u>Vegetarian</u>	<u>Dessert</u>
Monday 19th October	Beef Chilli con Carne Nacho Crumbs Mixed Rice & Sweetcorn	Mixed Bean Chilli (V) Nacho Crumbs Mixed Rice & Sweetcorn	Ice Cream Tubs
Tuesday 20th October	Creamy Chicken (H) Spinach & Pesto Pasta Bake House Salad	Veggieball Bake (V) House Salad	Chocolate & Orange Brownie
Wednesday 21st October	Glazed Gammon Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables	Quorn Fillet (V) Roast Potatoes	Fresh Fruit
Thursday 22nd October	Academy Closed bar invited Y11 students.		
Friday 23rd October			

(V) Suitable for Vegetarians (H) Halal Meat. The menu is subject to change at short notice.



SABIN'S SCRAMBLE

Last week's Sabin's Scramble winner is: Amaal Ijaz (7D1).

Well done Amaal!

This week's Sabin's Scramble is:

Answers should be clearly labelled and returned to Reception by Tuesday 20th September at 15:30pm. A Mars bar or financial equivalent will be awarded for the winning entry draw. The Headteacher's decision is final in this matter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Half Term

Thursday 22nd October 2026– Friday 30th October 2026 - Year 11 sessions by invite.

Inset Day

Monday 2nd November 2026 - Academy closed to students.

Students return on **Tuesday 3rd November 2026** at normal times.

Remembrance Service

Wednesday 11th November 2026

Parents' Consultation Evening 2

Thursday 10th December 2026

SAFEGUARDING NOTICEBOARD

Saturday 10th October 2026 was World Mental Health Day, a reminder that mental health matters just as much as physical health. Let's take time to check in with ourselves and support those around us. Sometimes the most important thing we can do is listen and help others feel heard. Please find the attached QR code for more information and support to resources.

