



# Maghull High News

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Hello and welcome to our latest weekly newsletter. This week we have celebrated National Careers Week with a host of events and visits taking place to help support students in understanding the wider world of work. Staff and students enjoyed taking part in our annual World Book Day celebrations, with staff once again getting into the spirit by coming into school in fancy dress. Students in year 10 took part in a cross-Trust event to celebrate International Women's Day and year 7 and 8 students enjoyed working with the Shakespeare North Playhouse as part of their Sonnets Aloud project. This week, we also began our transition programme as year 6 students gained their places as our new cohort from September 2025.

## Careers Week

To celebrate National Careers Week, students have engaged in a variety of activities to raise awareness of future pathways available to them once they leave school. Throughout the week, all students have received assemblies led by representatives from All About STEM and apprenticeship teams to provide more information around apprenticeships post-16 and post-18. Apprenticeship workshops were held which allowed students to understand how best to get ahead of the crowd and really stand out in their applications. Students were given guidance on how best to start investigating future apprenticeship pathways from large companies and exploring opportunities available to them.



Students in year 9 and 10 visited KGV College to work with a range of Energy companies to explore future career pathways and opportunities. With thanks to Southport College and T Level Business Studies students, our students were able to engage in a question and answer session in which they asked employers about their own career pathways and for their thoughts on the next generation of energy for the future. Students are now in the process of creating posters to showcase their findings from their meeting with each company of which representatives from KGV will select a winner in the summer term.

## Attendance

We understand that some parents/carers have struggled to make contact with school to report an absence due to busy phonelines. When reporting your child's absence, please email [attendance@maghullhigh.com](mailto:attendance@maghullhigh.com) so a member of the team can get in touch.

## Nut Free School

A polite reminder that Maghull High School is a Nut Free School. Most school classrooms will have at least one allergic pupil. To protect our school community Maghull High School is ensuring we are a Nut Free School.

# Rewards and Recognition

Congratulations to this week's Headteacher's Award winners: Lexi, Bella, Antonia, Joseph, Jem, Poppi, Morgan and Arya.



## Maghull High Way

### Aspire

- Attend every day and every lesson on time



- Wear full school uniform worn smartly and with pride



- Be fully equipped every day for all lessons



### Achieve

- Be ready to learn and listen to all instructions – First time every time



- Stay engaged and always try your best



- Take pride in your work and achievements



### Enjoy

- Treat all members of the school community with kindness, dignity and respect



- Move in a calm and orderly manner taking responsibility for the school environment



- Embrace all opportunities that are offered throughout the school

## Collaboration with Shakespeare North Playhouse



Southport Learning Trust and Shakespeare North Playhouse have announced a very exciting partnership which is the first Multi-Academy Trust collaboration of its kind, highlighting the power of the arts and educational partnerships. Recently, students from Maghull High School were invited to join Mr Raikes (Trust CEO), Mr Parry (Trust's Head of Education) and Miss Murphy (Assistant Headteacher, Maghull High School), were invited along to Shakespeare North Playhouse to explore its history and the various opportunities on offer to students. As part of this new and exciting partnership, students in year 7 and 8 took part in a cross-Trust project called Sonnets Aloud. On Monday 3 March, we were fortunate to be joined by local poet and artist, Ali Harwood, who led a workshop in which students developed their oracy and writing skills, putting their creativity to the test. Students performed their work amongst their peers as part of this project's competition. Winners of this competition will be announced on Monday 10 March and invited to perform their work live on the cockpit stage of Shakespeare North Playhouse.



## World Book Day 2025

On Thursday 6 March we celebrated World Book Day. This year's theme was 'Read Your Way' and saw staff and students taking part in a range of activities. Staff took part in our annual dress-up where they arrived to school dressed as some of their favourite characters. Students enjoyed a virtual author visit from acclaimed author, Philippa Gregory. Sixth Form students organized a 'book hunt' during lunchtime and during English lessons, students took part in a 'character battle'. Students ended the day taking part in a Readathon! Thank you to Miss Kirby for organizing an exciting afternoon.



## International Women's Day 2025

To celebrate International Women's Day, students in year 10 were invited to Southport's Little Theatre to take part in a cross-Trust event centred around the powerful theme 'Accelerating Action'. Students had the opportunity to listen to a number of guests speakers, who are leaders in their field. Guest speakers shared their personal journeys, insights and tips on how we can all take action to create a more inclusive, equitable future. We want our students to dream big, take bold steps and accelerate change in their own lives and communities.

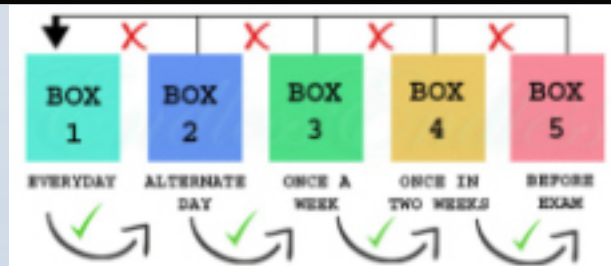


# Revision Strategies

As we edge closer to exam season, each week we will publish some useful hints and tips to help parents and carers support students at home with their revision. If students haven't already, they must start their revision programmes now as we enter into the final weeks of study.

## Flashcards—a highly effective but largely mis-used resource!

- Colour code your flashcards per subject e.g. yellow for Spanish and blue for maths. This is purely for organisation.
- Aim to include one question per flash card or limit the amount of questions. This is to avoid confusion and make it explicitly clear where there are gaps in knowledge. **The focus should be on Q&A; not copying and re-reading!** Flashcards may not have a question but instead a prompt—whether a word, phrase or picture—where students recall as much as they can and flip over to check their answers.
- Don't make flashcard questions overly complicated: the answer won't fit on the back! Extended questions should be used for essay practice and planning.
- Flashcards do not need to be pricey! They're often being sold off. You could even cut up bits of card, use post-its: whatever you have to hand.
- Try to make flashcards as you go through the course: making them all at the end of year 11 will be very daunting due to the sheer content of work you've covered!
- Ask friends or family to help test you using the flashcards so that you're pushing yourself to work harder.



# Revision Timetable

Please see below our Year 11 revision timetable. A reminder that year 10 students are also welcomed to English revision sessions in preparation for their current exams.

Year 11 Revision Timetable					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week A</b>	Science Business Studies – Miss Douglas ICT BTEC – Mr Maddock Lunch Art	- Further Maths - Maths – Intervention focus groups - Computer Science & IT BTEC Revision Hub - English (HBR) - Geography (BP) - BTEC PE (LR) Lunch RE	Geography Music Lunch Art RE Music	English – Intervention focus groups Music Revision Hub - Science (LP) - BTEC PE (LR) - Maths (Mr Pye) - Spanish (Miss Gregory) Lunch Music	Spanish – Higher and foundation (Miss Jones 68) PE BTEC – all staff Lunch Dance – March onwards
<b>Week B</b>	Science Business Studies – Miss Douglas ICT BTEC – Mr Maddock Lunch Art	- Further Maths - Maths – Intervention focus groups - Computer Science & IT BTEC Revision Hub - English (HBR) - Geography (GD) - BTEC PE (LR) Lunch RE	Geography Lunch Art RE Music	English – Intervention focus groups Music Revision Hub - Science (LP) - BTEC PE (LR) - Maths (Mr Pye) - Spanish (Miss Gregory) Lunch Music	Spanish – Higher and foundation (Miss Jones 68) PE BTEC – all staff Lunch Dance – March onwards

## Sporting Success



Well done to both year 7 teams who played against King's Leadership Academy this week. Year 7 A team won and Y7 B team drew their game. Year 8 and 9 teams demonstrated excellent commitment whilst playing each other in a friendly match. Girl of the Game was awarded to Tilly and Theodora.

Congratulations to Bella, Lexi and Antonia who represented Sefton School Girls on Friday in the English Schools FA Semi-Final against Brighton, held at Marine FC. The team were outstanding and won 6-1, securing a place in the final which will be televised. We are looking forward to watching you all in the final!



Well done to Harry in year 7 who plays for Maghull FC U12 Sunday team. Last Sunday, Harry's team won 3-0 in a cup match and Harry was awarded Man of the Match. Well done, Harry!

## Sporting Success



We are really excited to learn that Henry S has been selected to represent Team GB in the Obstacle Course Running European Championship to be held in Portugal in June. Henry has also been asked to attend the World Championships in Sweden in September. We are extremely proud of Henry who has been training in this sport for 8 years and has been competing for the last 18 months.

## Debate Mate Success

Well done to our year 7, year 8 and year 10 debating teams who participated in round 2 of the Urban Debate League. Our teams won a fantastic 5 out of their 6 debates and will find out their place nationally, next week. Prior to this debate, our teams were placing 12th nationally—a position we wish to hold or increase as those within the top 16 will be invited to London!






## Days absent, add up!

Attendance during one school year	equals this number of days absent	which is approximately this many weeks absent	which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons

## EVERY MINUTE COUNTS



MINUTES LATE PER DAY	EQUIVALENT OF MISSING	HOW MANY LESSONS THIS IS MISSED
5 MINUTES	3.4 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	17 LESSONS
10 MINUTES	6.9 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	35 LESSONS
15 MINUTES	10.3 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	51 LESSONS
20 MINUTES	13.8 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	69 LESSONS
30 MINUTES	20.7 SCHOOL DAYS A YEAR	104 LESSONS

Punctuality to school and lessons still affects your attendance. Being late is still a type of absence.

Report your child's absence: Email [attendance@maghullhigh.com](mailto:attendance@maghullhigh.com) each day with a reason for absence.

# KEY STAFF TO CONTACT



## Pastoral team

### Year 7

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## MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

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Would you like to tell us your opinion about the Team Around the School (TAS)?

We are completing a service evaluation, and we would like to know about your experiences.

Your voice is important to us and will help shape future social care practice.

Please scan this QR code to answer our survey or sign up for a 1:1 interview.

If you choose to participate in an interview after completing the survey, you will receive a £20 voucher as a thank you.



<https://forms.office.com/e/WrMcTNBtv1>

For more information, please email [isabelle.cadwallader@alderhey.nhs.uk](mailto:isabelle.cadwallader@alderhey.nhs.uk) OR  
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# Transition 2025

We are so excited to meet our new year 7 cohort for September 2025. This week, all families will have received their welcome email containing a welcome pack with essential information. Our transition induction day for new students will take place on Thursday 26 June, with an evening for parents and carers held at 6pm on the same day. We are also hosting a SEND information evening on Wednesday 14 May at 5pm. We are pleased to direct you all to our transition website: <https://maghullhigh.com/transition25> Here, you can find out all the information needed for a successful transition into Maghull High School including transition work, school policies and our summer school timetable. For any queries, please email our dedicated transition email address: [transition2025@maghullhigh.com](mailto:transition2025@maghullhigh.com)



## Dates for the diary

**Monday, 6 January:** All students return to school

**Thursday, 23 January:** Year 7 Parents Evening

**Thursday, 30 January:** Sixth Form Open Day

**Thursday, 6 February:** Year 8 Parents Evening

**Tuesday, 11 February:** Year 9 Options Evening

**Friday, 14 February:** Staff and students finish for half term (normal school hours).

**Monday, 24 February:** INSET Day.

**Thursday, 27 February:** Year 11 Parents Evening

**Thursday, 6 March:** Year 9 Parents Evening

**Thursday, 3 April:** Year 13 Parents Evening

Term	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form Careers onwards	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form Careers onwards	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form Careers onwards	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form Careers onwards	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form Careers onwards
Break		Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form	Curriculum Drop In - Sixth Form	
Lunch	Library/Workshop Club - LRC Art Club - Room 40 Inclusion Club Football on the Field	BOB Exercise Club Life Enrichment Club - LRC Football on the Field	Chess Club - Academy Stable Life Enrichment Club - LRC Art Club - Room 40 Junior Chess Club Football on the Field	BMX Club BOB Football Club - M3 Football on the Field	BOB Sports Training Club - M3 Football on the Field
After School	BOB Chess Club BOB Football Training Year 7 Boys Football Training	Open Gym/Activities Dance/Workshops Netball For Fun Football on the Field Art/Workshops - Room 2A		Green Schoolers Year 11 B.D.C. Football Training Basketball Club Sports Hall	Year 11 B.D.C. Football Training Year 11 & 12