



# Maghull High News

Aspire Achieve Enjoy

16 March—20 March

Hello and welcome to the last newsletter of the Spring term. There has been lots to celebrate this week which we have included in this edition. A reminder that Easter revision will run next week with the timetable enclosed. Term ends today and we look forward to welcoming back all staff and students at normal time on Monday 13 April. We would like to wish all of our staff and families a wonderful Easter.

## Onside Winners!

Twelve students from year 9 have been working with Paul from the LFC Foundation for the last 6 weeks to discuss social action awareness within our city. This programme is funded by Merseyside Police to give young people to share ideas and help create a safer city to live in.

Students attended sessions with Paul and learned about county lines, child criminal exploitation and also watched some videos to learn about the ripple effect for the victim, the perpetrator and the extended family to both parties.

Having discussed a number of themes, the students chose to highlight mental health and suicide as their social action challenge.

Students have worked together over the last two weeks to create a presentation, including a video which they delivered at Anfield on Monday 23rd March and to six other high schools, LFC Foundation staff, Merseyside Police and external agencies too.



The day also included some activities including a large game of head and tails, with Elizabeth winning a Easter egg.

Angela Preston, Chris Kirkland and Elena from Kooth shared stories on how to seek support before being caught in a situation in the future.

The results were shared at the end of the day with our school crowned winners of the trophy once again!

We are so proud of the efforts of the students for their commitment and effort during the programme and how confident they were on the day.

### Parking Around School

Please can we remind all parents and carers that you are **not permitted to drive onto school site to drop off students in the morning, or to collect students at 3:20pm** unless you have a pre-arranged appointment with a member of staff, or a student has accessibility needs.

### 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.

# Celebration Assemblies

This week saw the return of our half termly celebration assemblies where students were awarded subject prizes, alongside Head of Year and Headteacher's Awards. Students in each year group who had achieved a targeted amount of achievement points, as well as holding excellent attendance, were invited to a cinema afternoon as part of our rewards programme.



## Attendance Challenge Winners

Congratulations to our 'Egg-cellent Attendance Challenge' winners. All students who had 100% attendance this half term were placed into a draw with two winners selected. Congratulations to Winnie (Y7) and Max (Y11) who were our overall challenge prize winners, taking home a selection of Easter goodies and an Amazon voucher.



# Education Business Award Winners!

We are so thrilled to announce that Maghull High School have been crowned winners at this year's Education Business Awards. After being shortlisted against some fantastic finalists from across the country for the Community Award, we are incredibly proud to have won!

The event was held In Old Billingsgate Exhibition Hall in London and was hosted by Educating Yorkshire's Matthew Burton.

Maghull High School is proud of our school and wider community and are committed to positively impacting the world around us, with the help of our phenomenal staff and students.



# Gardening Club Support Local Primary School

Maghull High School Gardening Students joined forces with Friends of Maghull & District (FOMD) in helping planting trees at St Thomas's Primary in Lydiate. Frank and the team took time to show the students how to correctly dig and plant then secure the saplings with protective covers. The project meant planting over 1,400 trees as a huge restorative environmental difference to the sadly depleted nature around the school due to neighbouring housebuilding. This was a great project and our students loved being involved.



## Year 7 Drama

Year 7 have been exploring the genre of horror through Darkwood Manor, diving into how tension, atmosphere, and suspense can be created on stage. They have been using physical theatre techniques to bring haunted house furniture to life, transforming everyday objects into eerie, animated characters. Through movement, expression, and teamwork, students have experimented with how their bodies can communicate mood and storytelling without words, building confidence and creativity along the way.



# Sixth Form Visit to Lancaster University

On Tuesday, our Sixth Formers visited Lancaster University as part of the UK University & Apprenticeship Fair.



## Sixth Form Make a Difference Challenge

Our Year 12 students have been actively engaging in the Make a Difference Challenge. This week, they have been forming their groups and refining their project briefs. From hosting KS3 clubs to planning performances for care homes, we are excited to see how their challenges develop.

# Sixth Form Make A Difference Challenge

Example projects:

Create a poster campaign to encourage more people to read

Organise the next sixth form tournament

Create a social media video to raise awareness for a charity

Organise a Year 8 rewards afternoon

Create a display for History which shows career paths

**Brief:** Work as a team to make a difference to our school. You will have 4 weeks in form time to complete the project. Teams can be made up of 3-5 members. You will feedback on your progress each week.



SOUTHPORT LEARNING TRUST  
THE ATKINSON OPEN ART  
**EXHIBITION**

**MAR** TO **APR**  
**27** TO **27**

THE ATKINSON ART  
GALLERY  
LORD STREET, SOUTHPORT  
PR8 1DH



Celebrating the bold creativity of young artists, this exhibition showcases work from schools across the Southport Learning Trust. Curated by Range High School's Creative Curatorial Council—students from Years 7 to 13—the exhibition highlights the voices, visions and creative journeys of these emerging artists.



[www.southportlearningtrust.org](http://www.southportlearningtrust.org)









<u>Easter Revision Opportunities</u>	Monday 30.03.26	Tuesday 31.03.26	Wednesday 01.04.26	Thursday 02.04.26
<b>Morning</b>	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Morning</b>
9.00-9.30am	Careers Advice/ Next Steps Ms. Wallace Dining RM			
9.30-11.30am	Science Revision Ms. Perry, Ms. Shannon Mr. Ketch, Ms. Sutton RM M16-M17	Music Revision Mr. Dutch, Miss Smith RM M3/M4	Drama Revision Ms. Middleman Howe Theatre	Art Ms Richardson RM 58
		RE Revision Mr. Holdsworth RM M26	Geography Revision Mr. Perkins RM M2	Photography Ms. Richardson Rm 58
<b>Afternoon</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>	<b>Afternoon</b>
11.45-12.15pm	Careers Advice/ Next Steps Ms. Wallace Dining RM			
12.30-2.30pm	Year 11 English Language Revision Ms. Kirby Rm M13 Year 10 English Literature Ms Brady Rm M12	Math's Revision (Higher Tier) Ms. Stanistreet Rm M22 (Foundation Tier) Mr Pye Rm M18	Spanish Revision Ms. Jones, MsGregory RM M8/M9	Sports Revision Mr. Moran RM M7
	Dance Ms. Millington RM PAS			

# SIXTH FORM @ MAGHULL

*Where independence begins the moment you arrive.*

## NOW ENROLLING FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

A Level @  
Maghull

Build @  
Maghull

Sport @  
Maghull

Health @  
Maghull



Follow the QR Code to watch our Sixth Form video. Your journey to Aspire, Achieve, Enjoy starts here!





# ARE YOU READY TO SHINE ON STAGE?



If you are interested in singing, dancing  
or acting in our next school production  
join us for a short meeting:



**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April @ 12:40pm**



**In the Drama Studio**

# 10 IDEAS FOR ASPIRING ARTISTS

## WATCH

Watch YouTube tutorials to help refine your skills:

**Shading:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-W7FyUQc6I&t=63s>

**Colour pencil:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bhpQfKqsi0U>



You can also search 'Maghull High Art Department' to find the demonstrations

## READ

Keep up to date with art in the news: <https://www.theartnewspaper.com/>

Or find a book on your favourite artist/art movement and read it.

Share what you think of the book with a family member or friend.



## DRAW



Challenge yourself to draw a different object from around your house every day for 1 month. 1 drawing per day, every day!

## PHOTOGRAPH



Photograph the view from your window every day for 1 month. Make sure the camera is in the same position every day. What changes do you notice over the course of the month?

You could put all of the photographs together in to a video using the free app 'Snapshot'.

## COLLECT



Collect any objects or props that you could use in an art project. Visit charity shops and car boot sale.

You can also collect every type of paper which you can find to use in a collage.

## ANIMATE



Download the free app 'Koma Koma' and create a stop frame animation using toys at home. What can you make the toys do? Dance? Walk? Party?

## SHARE

Do you have a skill which your art teacher does not know about? It could be any creative skill, SFX make up, crochet, photography, the list is endless! We want to know about all of your talents.



## TEACH

Which art skill could you teach to a family member or friend? Take a look at some of the suggestions below. Explain the process to them, and demonstrate what to do. Work alongside them until they are confident.

- Embroidery
- Watercolour
- Animation
- Any other skill you know...

## VISIT

Why not visit a local art gallery, you could try:

- Tate Liverpool
- Bluecoat, Liverpool
- The Walker Art Gallery
- The Atkinson, Southport

Or any other galleries you find.



## PIN

Create a mood boards on Pinterest for your current art project. Use the search tool to get inspired by other pieces of artwork and artists.





**Sefton's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme offers free, high-quality activities during the Easter school holidays for children and young people who receive Benefit-Related Free School Meals. To get a free place on the HAF programme, a child or young person must be receiving Benefit-Related Free School Meals.**

**FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AGED BETWEEN 5-16 YEARS OLD (OR 4 IF IN RECEPTION)**

**CLICK HERE** 

[CLICK TO FIND OUT WHAT IS AVAILABLE IN YOUR AREA FOR EASTER 2026](#)



**PLEASE CONTACT PROVIDERS DIRECTLY FOR MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND TO BOOK A PLACE**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL: [HOLIDAYACTIVITY.ANDFOODPROGRAMME@SEFTON.GOV.UK](mailto:holidayactivity.annualfoodprogramme@sefton.gov.uk)**

# SEND Parent Support Drop In



Knowsley Health Visitors/School Health Team, along with Home-Start Knowsley run an on-going SEND Drop-in service, as listed below. This is for any parents/carers of Knowsley children/young people (aged 0-25 years) who have potential or confirmed additional needs. Just pop in for a coffee and a chat and we can advise and link you in with the local support/make appropriate referrals that your child might benefit from at this time. No appointment necessary.

## **George Howard Centre, Lickers Lane, Whiston, L35 3SR**

**Every 1st Thursday of the month 9.30am-12noon**

Thursday 7th May  
Thursday 4th June  
Thursday 2nd July  
Thursday 6th August

## **Northwood Family Hub at The Pride, 2 Simonswood Lane, Northwood, L33 5YP**

**Every 2nd Thursday of the month 9.30am-12noon**

Thursday 14th May  
Thursday 11th June  
Thursday 9th July  
Thursday 13th August

## **Hilltop Children's Centre, Bedford Close, Huyton, L36 1XH**

**Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 9.30am-12noon**

Wednesday 20th May  
Wednesday 17th June  
Wednesday 15th July  
Wednesday 19th August

## **New Hutte Children & Family Hub, Litchfield Road, Halewood, L26 1TT**

**Every 4th Wednesday of the month 9.30am-12noon**

Wednesday 27th May  
Wednesday 24th June  
Wednesday 22nd July  
Wednesday 26th August



**For any further information please call Knowsley School Health and Health Visiting Team: 0151 514 2666 or Knowsley Homestart: 0151 480 3910**

# Maghull High School & #kNOwKnifeCrime

**KNOW  
KNIFE  
CRIME**  
#kNOwKnifeCrime



Since July 2023, schools in the Southport Learning Trust have been coming together to raise funds for #kNOwKnifeCrime – a youth campaign dedicated to educating and empowering young people with essential life skills. We're passionate about creating safer communities and equipping our pupils with the knowledge and confidence to make positive choices

## Why Your Support Matters...

From 2023–2025, our schools have raised over £45,000, funding bleed control kits, community cabinets, and Mini Medics first aid training. This year, we're determined to go further – expanding Mini Medics training to even more schools. This essential training equips pupils with practical first aid skills and the confidence to act in emergencies, empowering them to step up when it matters most.



## Making a Difference...

**£455**

FUNDS A BLEED  
CONTROL CABINET

**£55**

COVERS A BLEED  
CONTROL KIT

**£299**

PROVIDES A MINI-MEDIC EMERGENCY  
FIRST AID SESSION FOR 30 CHILDREN

## Supporting Our Upcoming Events...

We've got an exciting lineup of fundraising events coming up, within Maghull High School and across the Trust, and we'd love your support!

**NO Excuse. NO Knife. NO Crime.**



# Maghull High School & #kNOwKnifeCrime

KNOW  
KNIFE  
CRIME  
#kNOwKnifeCrime



**TUCK SHOP**  
**FRIDAY**  
**#kNOw**  
**KnifeCrime**

## Upcoming Events & Activities...

Join us for [Tuck Shop Friday](#) in the Activity Studio - 27<sup>th</sup> February, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 13<sup>th</sup> March, 20<sup>th</sup> March and 27<sup>th</sup> March. [Chocolate and sweets](#) will be available to purchase from [£1](#), with all proceeds going directly towards our #kNOwKnifeCrime fundraising efforts.

For [£1 per entry](#), pupils can guess the total number of sweets, and the closest guess wins the jar. Details on when and where to enter will be shared in school. The competition will run next half term, [starting Monday 23rd February](#).

## GUESS HOW MANY SWEETS?



**MAGHULL**  
**STAFF**  
**TEAM**  
**MARATHON**  
**CHALLENGE**



Maghull staff are gearing up for the [Maghull Team Relay Marathon Challenge](#). Teams of staff will join forces to cover a collective [26.2 miles](#) within the challenge window. Each team member contributes to the total distance. The [quickest overall team time](#) will take home the prize.

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# Maghull High School & #kNOwKnifeCrime

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CRIME  
#kNOwKnifeCrime



## Upcoming Events & Activities...

On [Thursday 16th April](#), Y8 and Y9 students will attend an [assembly](#) led by Laura Hughes from the #kNOwKnifeCrime campaign. Laura has extensive experience working with young people and delivers an assembly that is both informative and impactful.

## MINI-MARATHON KS3 RUNNING EVENT



Pupils across the Southport Learning Trust will be taking part in Mini Marathon events to support the #kNOwKnifeCrime campaign. At Maghull High School, [KS3 students](#) will run a [two-mile course](#) during their [PE lessons](#). We are asking pupils to [donate £2](#), which will go directly to the Mini Medics programme. Donations will be collected by PE teachers during their lesson.

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Period 3	Year 9BC
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Period 1	Year 8RS
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Period 2	Year 9RS
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Period 1	Year 7RS
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Period 2	Year 7BC
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Period 3	Year 8BC

On Wednesday 22nd April, over 180 pupils will take on a [30-mile Relay Run](#) across our Trust, travelling from Bootle to Maghull to Formby to Southport - symbolically connecting our communities.

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## ASSEMBLY FOR Y8 AND Y9 #kNOw KnifeCrime

## SOUTHPORT LEARNING TRUST

# RELAY

# Maghull High School & #kNOwKnifeCrime

KNOW  
KNIFE  
CRIME  
#kNOwKnifeCrime



## Upcoming Events & Activities...

# LONDON



# MINI MARATHON

A group of 60 pupils from across the Trust will be heading to London to take part in the School Mile Race, finishing at the iconic TCS London Marathon finish line and earning their Mini Marathon medals.

## Know the Risks. Know the Signs



# LONDON MARATHON # kNOw KnifeCrime

Miss Low will be joining four colleagues from across the Trust to represent the Southport Learning Trust in running the 2026 London Marathon, in support of #kNOwKnifeCrime. Please join us in cheering them on as they prepare for this incredible challenge!

## SUPPORT FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

We welcome support from local businesses to help raise funds for #kNOwKnifeCrime. Sponsorship, matched funding, prize donations, or one-off contributions all make a real difference. Donating businesses will be acknowledged on our school social media pages. If you or your workplace can help, we'd love to hear from you!

## NO Excuse. NO Knife. NO Crime.

**TUCK SHOP**

**FRIDAY**

**#kNOw**

**KnifeCrime**



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime 12:35 - 13:20	Art / Photography Club All Years - Room 58/59	Art / Photography Club All Years - Room 58/59	Art / Photography Club All Years - Room 58/59	Art / Photography Club All Years - Room 58/59	Y9 & Y10 & Y11 Lego, K'Nex & Meccano - Room 46
	Further Maths (Y11 Invite Only) - Room M22	Eco / Gardening Club - Sixth Form	GCSE Music / Drama / Art/ Photography Catch-up	Puzzle Club All Years - Room M20	Library Homework Club -LRC & M27
Afterschool 3:20 - 4:20	Library Homework Club -LRC & M27	L2 Further Maths Tutorial Drop In - Room M22	Library Homework Club -LRC & M27	Chess Club - Room 54	Model Making Club - Room 42
	Y7 & Y8 Lego, K'Nex & Meccano - Room 46	Y7-9 Geography Club - Room M2	KS3 Drama Club - Drama Studio	STEM Club - Room 50	Y11 Dungeons & Dragons Room 43-44
	Y7 & Y8 Girls Netball	Y7-10 Netball Fixtures	GCSE Dance Revision - Dance Studio	Y9 & Y10 Girls Netball	Spotlight Drama Club - Drama Studio
	Y7 & Y8 Boys Football	Y7-10 Dungeons & Dragons - Room 43/44	Y9 & Y10 & 11 Boys Football	Y7-Y10 Girls Football	
	Cross-Stitch - Room 40	Higher GCSE & L2 Further Maths Revision - Room M22	Debate Mate - Room M15	Dodgeball All Years	
	KS3 Dance (Y7/8/9) - Dance Studio	Spotlight Dance - Dance Studio	Other Clubs	Badminton All Years	
			Sport & Exercise	Y11 Revision Hub - Sixth Form Centre	
				Academic Support	

No cost. Just turn up.

# Debate Mate is back for 2025/2026!

## Where?

**M15 (English corridor)**

## When?

**3:20pm until 4:20pm each  
Wednesday**



# Understanding New Ofsted Grading System: For Parents/Carers

You may be aware that as of December 2025, a new Ofsted Framework and Reporting Process came into practice. We believe it is important that all parents and carers are aware of these changes and have a good understanding as to what this means for schools. As opposed to the previous report style of writing where schools were awarded a single grade, Ofsted will now measure a school's success against several different categories and produce a report card to indicate their progress. Report cards will look similar to the one used as an example below.



Ofsted have kindly put together a helpful video to help parents and carers understand the new reporting and inspection process. This video can be accessed here and via the QR Code below:



Additionally, Ofsted have also produced some of their latest reports so parents and carers can take a look at the new reporting format. A link to these reports can be found here:



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Learning  
Trust



Southport Learning Trust

# Teaching Internship Program

*Immerse into school life,  
work directly with pupils  
and observe expert  
practitioners.*



Receive £425 per week



Gain new skills, insights & confidence



Explore key areas of teaching



Paid opportunity for aspiring teachers in key subjects.



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# Year 6 Transition

We are excited to welcome our new students and families into our school from September 2026. Our transition website is now live. Here, you can find all of the information you will need to support your child's transition into our school. Some important dates we have coming up are:

**SEND Information Evening: Wednesday 6 May (5pm-6pm)**

**Transition Day: Thursday 25 June (all year 6 students)**

**Parental Induction Evening: Thursday 25 June (6pm—7pm)**

Our website can be accessed via: <https://maghullhigh.com/Transition2026/> If you wish to speak to a member of the transition team, please email: [transition2026@maghullhigh.com](mailto:transition2026@maghullhigh.com)

## SEND Virtual Drop In

We have an exciting, new initiative as part of our Inclusion offer here at Maghull High School. We are pleased to introduce our SEND Virtual Drop-In Service. Every week, our SENDCO and Assistant SENDCO will be available for pre-booked, virtual appointments to discuss any queries or concerns you have.

There will be nine, 10 minute appointment slots available each week and the service is open to all parents and carers. More information on how you can book your appointment is outlined above.

The first drop-in will take place on Wednesday 15 April and you can book an appointment using the following website: <https://maghull.schoolcloud.co.uk> We will then open up for the following week after this date.

We hope by offering this service, it further provides families with an even more accessible way to engage with our Inclusion team.

### Dates for the diary

**Friday, 27 March:** End of term (3:20pm)

**Monday, 13 April:** Return to school (8:50am)

**Monday, 27 April:** Year 10 and Year 12 Mock Exams begin

**Monday, 4 May:** Bank Holiday

**Tuesday, 5 May:** GCSE and A Level Exams begin

**Friday, 22 May:** End of term

**Monday, 1 June:** Return to school

**w/c Monday, 8 June:** Year 10 Work Experience

**w/c Monday, 22 June:** Year 10 & 12 mock exams

**Thursday, 25 June:** Y6 Transition Day

**Friday, 26 June:** Enhanced Transition Day

**Saturday, 27 June:** Open Morning

**w/c Monday 29, June:** Year 12 Work Experience

**Thursday, 2 July:** Year 11 Prom

**Friday, 17 July:** End of term