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# Weekly Parent Communications



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# Principal's Notes

Dear Families,

As we begin the first week back of our final half term, I want to take a moment to say how incredibly proud we are of our Year 11 students, who are now over halfway through their GCSE examinations. They have shown tremendous resilience, focus and determination, and we are very much looking forward to celebrating with them at their leavers' event on Thursday 18th June.

This week has also provided some fantastic enrichment opportunities. On Monday, we were delighted to welcome the brilliant author Sarah Hagger Holt, who delivered engaging workshops to a range of students throughout the day. It was a truly inspiring experience for all involved.

A huge congratulations goes to our Year 7 and 8 Softball team, who were crowned champions earlier this week after beating Irlam in a fantastic final. This is another well-earned addition to our new trophy cabinet! Mr Riley praised the team for their outstanding skill, teamwork and sportsmanship across the tournament - well done to all involved.

As we look ahead to the end of the school year, we have many exciting and celebratory events planned. We are especially looking forward to our first-ever LowryFest, taking place on Saturday 11th July. Please see this week's communications for further details - we hope to see many of you there.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Warm regards,  
Claire Coy





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4<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Dear Parent / Carer

**Notice of early closure on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

I am writing to inform you that school will close early at **1:45pm on Thursday, 18th June**, to allow for our annual event, where we celebrate our Year 11 officially leaving school.

Lunch will still be available for all students, with service beginning at **1:00pm**. Following lunch, students will be registered at **1:40pm** and then dismissed shortly afterwards.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely,



Ms S Wells

Assistant Principal

**Principal Mrs C Coy**

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# Year 11 Preparation – Saturday School

	Saturday	
	6th June 2026	13th June 2026
9:00am to 11:00am	<b>Maths (Foundation)</b> Mr McGuinness	
	<b>Maths (Higher)</b> Miss Blain	
	<b>Science</b> Miss Hindle	<b>Science</b> Miss Hindle
	<b>Geography</b> Ms Duckworth & Miss Jenkins	
11:00am to 1:00pm	<b>Maths (Foundation)</b> Mr McGuinness	
	<b>Maths (Higher)</b> Miss Blain	
	<b>Science</b> Miss Hindle	<b>Science</b> Miss Hindle
	<b>Geography</b> Ms Duckworth & Miss Jenkins	

# KS3 English and Maths Exam Schedule Summer 2026

To support your child's preparation for their end-of-year examinations, they have been provided with a revision booklet outlining the topics to be revised for each subject being assessed. An electronic copy of this booklet is also available at: [www.lowryacademy.org.uk/students/end-of-year-assessments](http://www.lowryacademy.org.uk/students/end-of-year-assessments) and within your child's TEAMS area.

Exams (with the exception of English and Maths) will take place during timetabled lessons in the week(s) indicated below:

Year	Week beginning 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Week beginning 18 <sup>th</sup> May	MAY HALF TERM	Week beginning 1 <sup>st</sup> June	Week beginning 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Week beginning 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Week beginning 22 <sup>nd</sup> June
7	REVISE	REVISE	<b>REVISE</b>	REVISE & D&T Exam	REVISE & Comp Sci Exam Spanish Exam	REVISE & History Exam Geography Exam RE Exam Spanish Exam	REVISE & Maths Exams English Exams (in the Sports Hall) Science Exam
8	REVISE	REVISE		REVISE & D&T Exam	REVISE & Comp Sci Exam Science Exam Spanish Exam	REVISE & History Exam Geography Exam RE Exam Spanish Exam	REVISE & Maths Exams English Exams (in the Sports Hall)
9	REVISE	REVISE		REVISE & D&T Exams Science Exam	REVISE & Comp Sci Exam Spanish Exam	REVISE & History Exam Geography Exam RE Exam Spanish Exam	REVISE & Maths Exams English Exams (in the Sports Hall)

# KS3 English and Maths Exam Schedule – Summer 2026

English and Maths exams will take place on the following days and will be sat in the Sports Hall between Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	19.06.26	22.06.26	23.06.26	24.06.26
<b>Form Time</b>				
<b>Period 1 09:00 - 10:05</b>	<b>Y7 Maths Paper 1 Non-Calculator (45mins) 09:10-09:55</b>	<b>Y7 English Reading (50mins) 09:05-09:55</b>	<b>Y7 English Writing (45mins) 09:10-09:55</b>	<b>Y7 Maths Paper 2 Non-Calculator (45mins) 09:00-09:55</b>
<b>Period 2 10:05 - 11:05</b>				
<b>BREAK</b>				
<b>Period 3 11:20 - 12:20</b>	<b>Y8 English Reading (50mins) 11:30-12:20</b>			<b>Y8 Maths Paper 2 Calculator (45mins) 11:30-12:15</b>
<b>Period 4 12:20 - 13:20</b>		<b>Y9 Maths Paper 1 Non-Calculator (45mins) 12:30-13:15</b>	<b>Y9 English Reading (45mins) 12:30-13:15</b>	
<b>LUNCH</b>				
<b>Period 5 14:00 - 15:00</b>	<b>Y9 English Writing (45mins) 14:10-14:55</b>	<b>Y8 Maths Paper 1 Non Calculator (45mins) 14:10-14:55</b>	<b>Y8 English Writing (45mins) 14:10-14:55</b>	<b>Y9 Maths Paper 2 Calculator (45mins) 14:10-14:55</b>

# Quality of Education



## Curriculum Spotlight – Religious Education

### Why study RE?

The purpose of the Religious Education curriculum is for students to know and understand a range of religious and non-religious worldviews and be able to critically engage with those views. Students should gain an appreciation for how these worldviews have impacted the world they live in at a local, national and global level.

### What Students are learning this half term and why it's Important



#### Year 7 – Christianity

Learning about Christianity is important because it has had a major influence on history, culture, art, and laws in many parts of the world. It helps people understand the beliefs, values, and traditions of millions of individuals, promoting respect and intercultural awareness. Studying Christianity can encourage deeper reflection on moral questions, ethics, and different perspectives on life.

#### Year 8 – Hindu Dharma and Sikhi

Learning about Hindu Dharma (Hinduism) is important because it helps us understand one of the world's oldest religions and appreciate the diverse beliefs and traditions that shape many cultures today. Its influence can be seen in activities such as yoga, which originates from ancient Hindu spiritual discipline, and meditation techniques that promote mindfulness and well-being. By studying Hindu Dharma, we gain insight into how these practices and ideas continue to affect modern lifestyles around the world.

Learning about Sikhi (Sikhism) is important because it helps people understand the beliefs, values, and practices of Sikh communities around the world. It promotes respect and appreciation for diversity, encouraging peaceful coexistence between diverse cultures and religions. Additionally, studying Sikhi can inspire individuals through its teachings on equality, service, and standing up for justice.

#### Year 9 – Equality – including racism and gender equality.

Learning about equality is important because it helps us recognise unfair treatment and understand how diverse groups have been affected throughout history. Many religions offer teachings that can be interpreted in different ways, for example, some use biblical ideas to support gender equality, while others interpret traditional roles differently. Studying both sides of these arguments helps us think critically about how beliefs are applied today and encourages us to make informed, fair, and respectful choices in our own lives.

#### Year 10 – Marriage and the Family (Christianity). Matters of Life and Death (Christianity).

Learning about marriage and the family in Christianity is important because it helps students understand how Christian beliefs shape views on relationships, roles, and family life. It also enables students to explore different Christian attitudes and apply them to modern issues such as contraception and divorce, developing their ability to evaluate and respect a range of beliefs and attitudes.

Learning about matters of life and death is important because issues like abortion and euthanasia raise deep moral questions about the sanctity of life, which many Christians believe is given by God. Studying these topics helps students understand how Christian beliefs influence ethical decisions and responses to complex medical and social issues.

**Year 11** – Year 11 have now finished their GCSE Religious Studies course and have sat both exam papers. Well done on all your hard work, Year 11. Good luck with your results!

### How you can support at home



**KS3** - Encourage and check completion of revision for their upcoming end-of-year assessments.

**Year 10** – Encourage and check completion of homework tasks (including revision for fluency quizzes and answering practice exam questions). Encourage and check completion of revision for their end-of-year assessment on 18th June. Students can use the revision guide they have been given to aid them in their revision.

### Fun RE Challenge

Ask your child:

Year 7 – What do Christians believe happened to Jesus at his resurrection? ANSWER – He came back to life.

Year 8 – What do Hindus call the cycle of birth, life, death, and rebirth? ANSWER – Samsara

Year 9 – What did Jesus say to his disciple, Peter, influencing some Christians to believe that women cannot be ordained priests in the Catholic Church? ANSWER – "You are the rock on which I will build my church".

Year 10 – Which letter, written by Pope Paul VI in 1968, affirms that artificial contraception is not acceptable? ANSWER – Humanae Vitae

# Education With Character

## The Lowry Way

At the Lowry Academy, we believe education goes beyond the classroom. Through enriching experiences, we help students develop the qualities that matter most - Confidence, Creativity, Aspiration, Resilience, and Respect - our Lowry values. This week, these values have been at the heart of everything we do.

## Education with Character: Student Leadership in Action



At The Lowry Academy, our commitment to Education with Character is brought to life every day through the actions, voices and values of our students. This term is a powerful reminder that leadership is not just about titles – it is about service, integrity and making a positive difference.

## Environment day in Action



To mark World Environment Day on 5th June, our Student Council took the lead in organising a whole-school initiative to raise awareness and inspire action. Students and staff showed their support by taking part in a “Wear Green” event, accessorising with green to demonstrate our shared commitment to protecting the environment. Alongside this, students completed environmental pledges, reflecting on the small but meaningful changes they can make to support sustainability.

## Student Leadership Driving Change



This initiative is just the beginning. Our student leaders have an exciting programme of activities planned, including: A Lowry Litter Pick Blitz, encouraging collective responsibility for our local environment to Sustainability Fairs at lunchtime to promote eco-friendly ideas and actions Form time activities focused on environmental awareness and education A poster competition with an environmental focus, giving students the opportunity to creatively advocate for change

## Looking Ahead



These events highlight the power of student-led action in shaping a more sustainable future. Through their leadership, our students are not only raising awareness but actively contributing to a culture of responsibility, pride and environmental stewardship across the academy.

**As always, thank you for supporting our work on Education with Character. You can further strengthen these values at home by encouraging children to try new things, reflect on challenges, celebrate effort, and show kindness within the family and community. Together, we help our young people grow into confident, compassionate, and resilient individuals.**

# Education With Character

## Celebrating Success this week

### House Points Update:

**Pankhurst**  
**361,235**

**Kingsley**  
**382,734**

**Delaney**  
**362,285**

**Turing**  
**399,186**



#### Total Points

**Year 7**  
382,660

**Year 8**  
364,983

**Year 9**  
238,357

**Year 10**  
274,652

**Year 11**  
243,194



#### Golden Tickets

**Year 7**  
4,862

**Year 8**  
3,484

**Year 9**  
2,894

**Year 10**  
1,877

**Year 11**  
810



#### Values Cards

**Year 7**  
3,125

**Year 8**  
3,473

**Year 9**  
3,190

**Year 10**  
2,978

**Year 11**  
1,825



#### Bronze Awards

**Year 7**  
161

**Year 8**  
160

**Year 9**  
110

**Year 10**  
166

**Year 11**  
163



#### Silver Awards

**Year 7**  
37

**Year 8**  
40

**Year 9**  
22

**Year 10**  
6

**Year 11**  
4



#### Gold Awards

**Year 7**  
11

**Year 8**  
5

**Year 9**  
4

**Year 10**  
0

**Year 11**  
0

## House Events This Term

**10 House Points per event attended for you and your House!**

### House Events this term ...

This half term we have a fantastic line-up of House events designed to bring students together, spark creativity, and ignite a little friendly competition. There's something for everyone, and we can't wait to see students getting involved and earning those all-important House points!

Tuesday 9th June – Escape Room with Miss Butterworth-Jones

Friday 19th June – Guess the Country with Miss King

Friday 26th June – Guess the Sound Round 2 – with Miss Ballantyne

Thursday 2nd July – Spelling Bee with Miss Shackleton

Wednesday 8th July – Paper Planes with Miss Stubbs

House Winners Celebration Event

If you have any ideas for house events that you would like to see next month, please pass these to our student council and house captains.



# Celebrating Success this week!

## Congratulations on Achieving the Bronze, Silver or Gold Award!



We are proud to celebrate the success of students who have achieved the **Bronze (1,000 points), Silver (2,500 points), or Gold (5,000 points)** Award this week.

These awards recognise not only their continued hard work and dedication, but also their embodiment of the values that underpin our Education With Character ethos.

Each milestone reflects a student's perseverance, positive attitude, and commitment to excellence – qualities that contribute to both personal growth and a thriving school community.

Their achievements set a powerful example for others and highlight the impact of character-driven education.

To mark this accomplishment, each student will receive a **Bronze, Silver, or Gold Badge and Certificate** – symbols of their success and the positive contribution they make to our school.

We're confident this is just the beginning of even greater achievements to come.

**Congratulations to all our award recipients - keep up the fantastic work!**

# Dates for your Diary

Please make a note of the following dates, further information will be sent to families closer to specific events:

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 7	Science Kings Centre Trip
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 11	Leavers' Assembly
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> & Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6	Year 6 Transition Days
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 10	College Taster Day
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 10	Mock Interviews
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 7	MiSST Residential Parent's Evening
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	KS3	Salford Children's Book Awards
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	All Families	Sports Day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 11	Prom
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 7	Grammar Stream Celebration Evening
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 7	MiSST Residential
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 10	North West Computer Museum Trip
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	All Families	Final Day of Half-Term 6



# Lowry Fest 2026

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2026 12pm - 3pm**

We would love for you to join us for an afternoon filled with fun, community spirit, and celebration.

LowryFest 2026 will bring together families, students, staff, and the wider community for a fantastic day of entertainment, activities, food, and stalls. It's set to be a memorable occasion and with your support, we hope to make it bigger and better than ever.

We're Looking for Stall Holders and would like to invite the following to host a stall and be part of the event:

Local businesses  
Community groups and organisations  
Creative individuals and makers

Whether you sell products, offer services, run activities, or simply want to showcase what you do, this is a wonderful opportunity to connect with local families and be part of something special.

Please help us spread the word because the more people involved, the better. Together, we can make LowryFest 2026 a day to remember.

Interested in Having a Stall?

Please complete our Stall Holder Expression of Interest Form and tell us a little more about what you would like to offer:

Registration Form:  
LowryFest 2026 Stall Holder Registration Form

If you have any questions, please contact us:

Email: [ask.lowry@lowryacademy.org.uk](mailto:ask.lowry@lowryacademy.org.uk)  
Telephone: 0161 529 5200 (Monday–Friday, 8:00am–4:00pm)

Please ask to speak with Sarra Smith, Transition and Community Lead.

We look forward to welcoming you to LowryFest 2026!



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# Lowry Fest 2026

## CALLING ALL STALLHOLDERS!

We're looking for local businesses, makers, crafters, food vendors and community stalls to join us for a fun-filled summer event!

### Interested in having a stall?

Please email [ask.lowry@lowryacademy.org.uk](mailto:ask.lowry@lowryacademy.org.uk)



or

Call our school number on **0161 529 5200** and ask to speak to Sarra Smith.



 **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

 **12pm – 3pm**

 **The Lowry Academy,  
Hilton Lane, Worsley,  
M28 0SY**



**School Fair ■ Summer School Fair ■ Summer School Fair**



# Pre-Loved Shop



The Pre – Loved Shop that we launched last year proved the kindness and generosity that our parents and carers always share when it comes to supporting our school events, our food bank, fundraisers and our community at large.

So far this year we have helped over 40 families and now we find our pre-loved uniform running low.

If you have any pre-loved or unused uniform including blazers, shirts, skirts, trousers, ties and also P.E kit, please can you send it in to school with your child or bring in your donations to our main office. Feet grow quickly, so any shoes or trainers will also be gratefully received.

We are also creating some hygiene packs so if you have spare toiletries you can send in to us we would be most grateful.

We will be accepting uniform donations from Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> until the end of the academic year so please check your wardrobes and drawers and send in what you can. All donations will be gifted a bag of sweet treats in return as a thank you.

Please know how much we value and appreciate your support. The need for assistance is greater than ever, with many families turning to us for help with the cost of school uniforms, especially those who have recently arrived in our country and have little support available as they settle into a new community.

Thank you in advance for taking the time and making the effort to continue to support us with this initiative.

Mrs Smith, Transition and Community Lead





# WorkWell in Salford

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drink and  
snack

For free confidential support, health and employment advice, drop-in to our WorkWell mobile session to speak to our friendly team.

**Date:** Wednesday 10 June 2026

**Time:** 9am to 3pm

**Location:** CommUNITY Little Hulton, 33 Manchester Road West, Little Hulton M38 9EG

## Book your place

Please email [alison.jones@communitylittlehulton.co.uk](mailto:alison.jones@communitylittlehulton.co.uk) or call **07858086910** to book your appointment. Drop-ins also available on the day.



Salford City Council



# St John's Community Coffee Morning

*& Litter Pick*

*Every 1st Saturday of the month*

*10am - 12pm*

All equipment  
provided



St John's  
Community  
Hub

Coffee, Tea,  
Toast &  
Crumpets

*Family-Friendly Fun!  
Everyone Welcome!*

Join us for a friendly  
community coffee morning!

**10am** Coffee, tea, toast & crumpets  
at St John's Community Hub, M28 3RE

**10am-12pm Litter Pick & Coffee Morning!**

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