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# Weekly Parent Communications



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# Principal's Notes

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. We've had another packed and productive week at The Lowry Academy, full of celebration, creativity, and community spirit.

This week, we had the pleasure of welcoming Year 5 students from Dukesgate Primary School for their annual football tournament. Mr Fletcher, our Senior Vice Principal, was out on the pitch cheering them on and was very impressed with the talent on display. It's always a pleasure to host local primary schools.

We also said a fond (and very stylish!) farewell to our Year 11 students at their leavers' assembly and prom. This year's prom was held at Morley Hall in Astley, a stunning venue that was made even more special by the arrival of singing waiters—a surprise that went down brilliantly with both students and staff! The glamour and elegance on show were truly impressive, and we've included some of our favourite photos (on the following page) so you can enjoy the wonderful outfits and celebrations too. We look forward to seeing our Year 11s again on results day in August—we're so proud of everything they've achieved.

Another highlight this week was our first-ever Creative Arts and Design Technology Exhibition, which took place on Thursday evening. The event was a huge success, with visitors admiring the incredible talent on display. To make it feel extra special, the team served mocktails and canapés, adding a real touch of class to the occasion. The standard of artwork was outstanding—creative, expressive, and completely inspiring. A big thank you goes to all the staff who made the evening possible; we know just how much hard work and planning went on behind the scenes to bring it all together.

Looking ahead to next week, we have another exciting first: our very first Cultural Heritage Day, taking place on Tuesday. We are really looking forward to seeing students proudly dressed in traditional clothing that reflects their heritage. With over 40 different nationalities represented in our school community, it's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the diversity that makes The Lowry so special. We'll be sure to share some pictures in next week's newsletter!

Later in the week, on Thursday, we're keeping our fingers crossed for sunshine as we host Sports Day, followed shortly afterwards by our House Celebration.

It's such a busy and joyful time in school as the end of term approaches, but we want to remind families that attendance remains a top priority. Every day really does count!

Let's hope the sun continues to shine for the weekend ahead. As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any comments or questions.

Kind regards,  
Claire Coy











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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Celebrating Cultural Heritage Day – Tuesday 8th July**

We are excited to announce that on Tuesday 8th July, The Lowry Academy will be holding a Cultural Heritage Day as part of our Enrichment Day programme.

This special day will be a vibrant celebration of the diverse cultural backgrounds that make up our school community. With over 40 different nations of origin represented within our student and staff body, this is a brilliant opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the richness of our identities, traditions, and shared global connections.

The theme of the day is: **“Exploring cultural heritage – what it means, why it matters, and how it connects us all.”**

Throughout the day, students will engage in activities designed to deepen their understanding of cultural heritage — from exploring music, language, food, and clothing to reflecting on personal and collective identity. We believe that learning about and appreciating different cultures helps build mutual respect, encourages curiosity, and fosters a strong sense of belonging and community.

#### **Heritage Dress and Showcase Parade**

As part of the celebrations, students are invited to attend school wearing heritage dress that reflects and honours their cultural background. This could be traditional clothing, colours, or accessories that represent a part of their identity or family history.

We will also be holding a **Heritage Clothing Showcase Parade** at the end of the day to celebrate all those who take part. Please note:

- This is **not a non-uniform day** — students who are not wearing heritage dress should attend in full school uniform.
- Participation in the showcase parade is by invitation only.

Students were asked to submit a request via Microsoft Forms to come into school wearing heritage clothing. Passes will be issued to approved students on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Only students with a successful application and pass are eligible to wear heritage dress. Further criteria will be communicated to students via form tutors. All other students are expected to attend school in full school uniform. Students in Year 8 and Year 9 should attend school in PE kit to support the activities taking place throughout the day.

This day aligns with and promotes our school values, and we look forward to seeing students celebrate who they are and where they come from. If you have any questions or would like to support the day in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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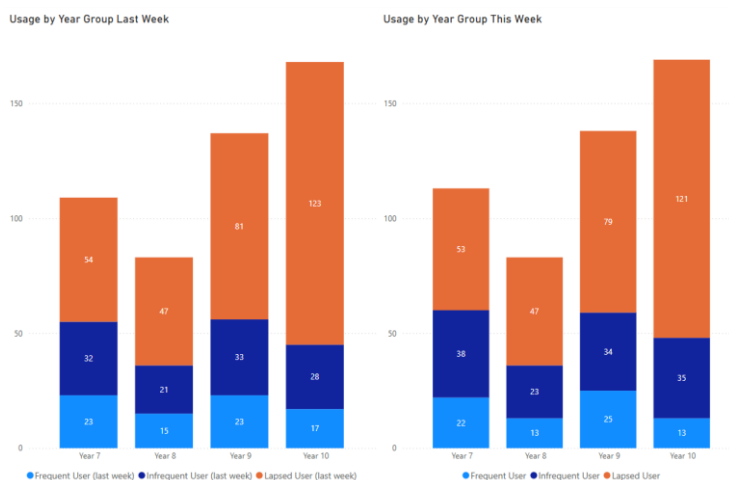
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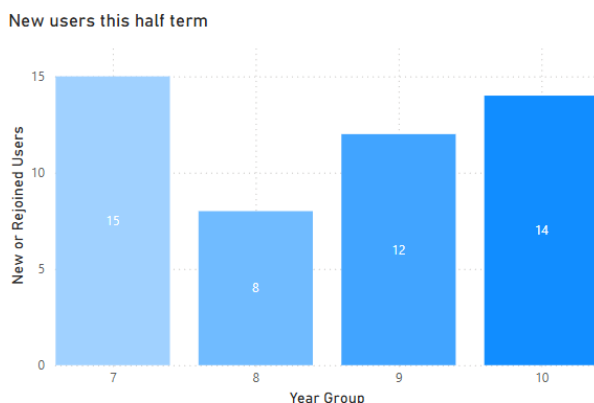
## Arbor App Update

Dear Families,

Thank you to those of you who have recently signed up to use our Arbor App. We are pleased to see a steady increase in the uptake of the App, this week improvement is showing evenly across all year groups. Please remember the Arbor App is our primary platform of communication between school and home. The information available in the app is used to stay connected with us and to keep you up to date with your child's daily school life. Our aim is to ensure every parent and carer has signed up to and make use of the Arbor App before we break for the summer holidays.



As we approach the end of the half term, we thought we'd have a look at the number of parents who have logged for the first time ever, or in several months, since we started these items in the newsletter. This shows the biggest uptake with parents of Year 7 students.



**End of year reports will be sent out via the Arbor App on the 14<sup>th</sup> July, make sure you have the App installed to ensure you get your child's report**

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## Rewards

This week we're going to explore what you can see about the rewards your child has earned through the Arbor App.

Let's start by having a look at the rewards they can earn:

### House Points

Recognises **everyday efforts** to meet expectations, **consistent positive behaviours**.

### Values Cards

Recognises **demonstrations of core values** – Aspiration, Resilience, Respect, Creativity and Confidence.

### Golden Tickets

Recognises **standout contributions**, and **excellence and motivation** during lessons. Only one awarded each lesson!

### Head of Year/Headteacher Awards

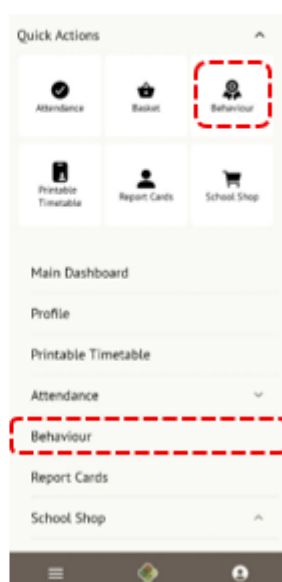
Termly and half-termly awards for recognition of exceptional contributions. Only one is awarded per year group.

Each of these rewards also scores more house points, adding to your child's personal total, and contributing to the total points for their house.

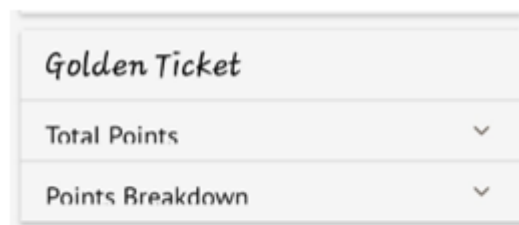
## Rewards in the Arbor App

Whilst you can find a quick overview of your child's reward points on the main dashboard, more detail is available in the Behaviour section of the App.

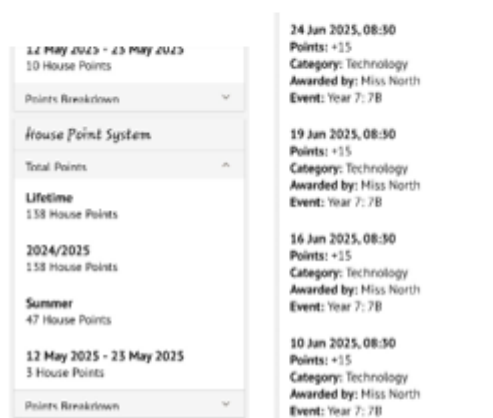
Tap on either the tile in the Quick Actions at the top, or the menu item in the bottom half of the menu screen.



Once inside the behaviour section of the App, you can access some more detail.



For each reward, you can tap to expand out to see more detail on the total points they have earned, or get a full breakdown.



Tap on the **Total Points** to see a breakdown by week, term and academic year.

Tap on **Points Breakdown** to see the teacher and lessons for each award – we'd recommend using this for less common rewards, like Golden Tickets

## Important Reminders!

We intend to use App Notifications to send out our end-of-year reports, so please make sure you are signed up to the app so that you don't miss out.

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## Next Week

Next week will be our last App Newsletter this year, and will return to the school reports, ready for when you receive the report via the App on the following Monday.

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# Quality of Education

## Sparx Leaderboard

Homework competition is by 4pm on Friday (Thursday 8am for Year 10).

**Winning Forms:**

**7E**

**8B**

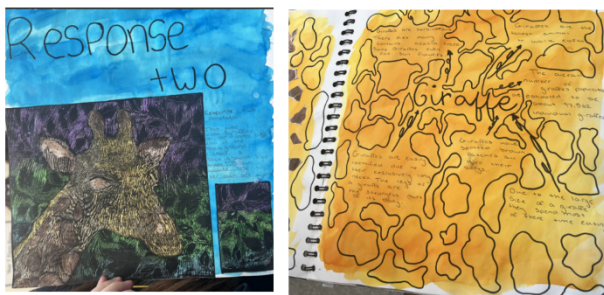
**9F, 9G & 9I**

**10G**

Overall Best Form: **7D**

Access Homework: [Homework](#) | [Students](#) | [The Lowry Academy](#)

## Celebration Station



**Next week's focus:** Your best piece of work this year!

## Curriculum Spotlight

Mastery - next week's focus:

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- Year 9 – Geography – Page 45

### Curriculum in Action:

This week and next, in KS3 History lessons, students are working on creating their own historical fiction. Students will be crafting and combining their historical knowledge and English fiction writing skills. Winning students will each receive a book token and an Amazon gift voucher,

## Recommended Reads



**KS3:**

**Deadlock**  
By Simon Fox



**KS4:**

**All That It Ever Meant**  
By Blessing Musariri

Values link: Resilience

**Library updates/announcements:**  
Collect 10 house points for each book that you read and 5 more when you submit a book review.

Access our Online Library: [The Lowry Academy UK](#) - [The Lowry Academy UK](#)

## Teaching & Learning Reminders

**Homework Catch-up Detentions:** Years 7 & 9 – Tuesday (3pm), Year 8 – Wednesday (3pm), Year 10 – Thursday or Friday (Lunchtime).

**Equipment for lessons** – 2 black pens, 2 green pens, 2 pencils, ruler, eraser.



# Rewards & House System

## Points Update

### House Points:

Pankhurst  
**167,745**

Kingsley  
**189,401**

Delaney  
**177,452**

Turing  
**180,809**



### Attendance Points

#### Year 7

77,515

#### Year 8

56,648

#### Year 9

83,759

#### Year 10

86,161



### Golden Tickets

#### Year 7

50,537

#### Year 8

34,743

#### Year 9

33,701

#### Year 10

18,491



### Values Cards

#### Year 7

11,615

#### Year 8

8,240

#### Year 9

7,930

#### Year 10

5,370

**Total points this year = 715,408**

## Rewards & House Reminders

### Upcoming house events this term:

Date	Event
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Enrichment Day
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	House Celebration Assembly/Event

Students can visit **The Celebration Station** every Tuesday and Thursday to share their fantastic work and collect Golden Tickets.

They can enter our raffle by posting their **Values Cards** in the blue post box to enter every Tuesday and Thursday.

Students can take part in our **weekly house events** to collect house points.

# Rewards & House System

## Celebrating success this week!

We are thrilled to recognise and celebrate the following students achievement in earning their **Bronze/Silver/Gold Award** for their continued hard work and dedication to school and achieving **1000/2000/3000** house points.

This award reflects their perseverance, positive attitude, and commitment to doing their best in everything they set out to accomplish. We are incredible proud of our students for this accomplishment – it's a testament to their outstanding efforts and a wonderful example to others in our school community by consistently demonstrating our school values.

As part of this achievement, they have been presented with a Bronze/Silver/Gold Badge and a Certificate. We encourage them to wear their badge with pride as a symbol of their dedication and success. It represents all the effort they have put in and the positive impact they have made.

We are confident that this is just the beginning of their journey to achieving even greater milestones. Keep up the amazing work and remember that their dedication is truly inspiring to everyone around them.

We look forward to celebrating many more successes in the future. Well done and congratulations to;

### Bronze

Year 7  
**Benjamin I**  
**Reggie B**  
**Id Baich Abed, Omar A**  
**Neo K**  
**Riley R**  
**Ted S**  
**Amelia T**

Year 8  
**Kelby-Sue D**  
**Lovelle D**  
**Harley D-W**  
**Violet G**

Year 9  
**Max M**  
**Jessica M**  
**David M**  
**Alexander B**  
**Max C**  
**Lloyd H**  
**Toby R**  
**Payton S**  
**Eliza W-B**

Year 10  
**Scarlet R**  
**Taha A**  
**Zarina N**  
**Gabriel O**

### Silver

Year 7  
**Alif Muhammed S**

Year 9  
**Kai B-M**



CLEAVLEY ATHLETICS TRACK, ECCLES

# SUMMER

SALFORD COMMUNITY LEISURE'S

# FESTIVAL

12-4<sup>PM</sup>

SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Join us for a fun afternoon of **FREE** activities for everyone to enjoy!

MUSIC WORKSHOPS



ATHLETICS

LIBRARY STORYTIME

TENNIS

DANCE

BOUNCY CASTLE

GAMES

GYMNASTICS

ARTS & CRAFTS



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**28 July to 29 August 2025**

# Free summer fun

**#HAF  
2025**



**holiday  
activities for  
4 to 16 year olds  
in Salford**



Salford's Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme is a package of support for children and young people on benefits related Free School Meals.

Whether its arts and crafts, dance, sports or drama, Salford's #HAF2025 programme has something for everyone! A wide range of organisations have come together to deliver a range of activities across Salford.

HAF is free for school-aged children and young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. Find out more at [www.salford.gov.uk/HAF](http://www.salford.gov.uk/HAF)

If you don't receive benefits, you may be able to attend some of the clubs. A small number of places are available for other eligible groups. Additionally, some clubs also offer paid places alongside HAF-funded ones, charges may differ from club to club.

If you have any difficulties making a booking please contact the Health Improvement Team via [health.improvement@salford.gov.uk](mailto:health.improvement@salford.gov.uk) or 0800 952 1000 (option 2) Monday to Friday, 9am to 4.30pm.



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# PROJECT *Dance* x DNA SUMMER DANCE CAMP

AGES 4-16

Join us for a summer of fun dance lessons that will get you competition ready! The sessions will cover a variety of categories such as set routine, solos, duos & teams. These sessions will work towards a project dance competition!



## LOCATION

**DUKESGATE ACADEMY**

EARLESDON CRES, LITTLE HULTON, M38 9HF



## DATES

**28TH JULY - 21ST AUGUST**  
MONDAY - THURSDAY



## TIME

**10AM - 2PM**  
4 HOUR SESSION

HAF bookings for this site are taken through Salford Council's booking system EEQ

Visit the council's website for the link to book!

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### **Diary dates**

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

<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Relevant to</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	All Families	Enrichment Day
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b>	All Families	Sports Day
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	All Families	Gold Reward Trip Day
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	All Families	End of School Year

<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Relevant to</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	All Families	INSET Day – School closed to students
<b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	All Families	INSET Day – School closed to students
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	All Families	Students return to school

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