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Newsletter

29th September 2025

Final plans are coming together for Open Evening on Thursday, we are looking forward to welcoming Year 6 students to visit the Academy and Year 10 & 11 students to visit Athena. Don't forget it's a half day for students on Thursday!

Best wishes for the coming week,
Natalie



Upcoming events & Notices

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	PSHE focus
	Summer competition celebration 5pm-6pm		Open Evening Half day for students – buses leave at 12.30pm		What makes a discussion inclusive and productive?

Notices

Don't forget DMA is a **nut free school**; please ensure packed lunches don't contain any items containing nuts.

Open Evening

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Don't forget it's the Academy Open Evening on Thursday 2nd October. Students will have a half day with school ending at 12.15pm and buses leaving at 12.30pm. Students will have an extended break time to enable them to purchase lunch from the canteen



Work of the Week

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Key stage 3
maths



Celebrating success

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Year 7

Year 7 have been busy this week! We had a speaker from MAP in assembly today, who was very eloquently supported by one of our older students. I hinted at some exciting news last week. As it's very nearly Panto season, the Year 7 Panto this Christmas is Jack and the Bean Stalk. Each year the trip keeps growing with over 200 students attending last year. I have a feeling this year will be even bigger! Watch out for information regarding tickets

Year 8

We were especially proud of you all during the "practice" fire drill, this was amazing conduct, thank you all for taking this seriously.

Please check out the achievements section of the newsletter for one of our Year 8's who has created a bit of fame!

Miss Walpole & Mr Arrowsmith

Year 9

We are in week 4 of school, and we have 4 more to go until half term!

The student with more house points in year 9 is George P. with 52! Amazing effort! Can the rest catch up with him?

Next week we have the Blue Skies day out with some of our students doing some fun activities, how exciting!

Year 10

Great job this week everyone but a big well done for Lydia W. with 43 house points all ready. We had a visitor from the Youth Advisory Board this week in assembly this week and I would encourage anyone to join for great opportunities and a chance to make a difference!

Year 11

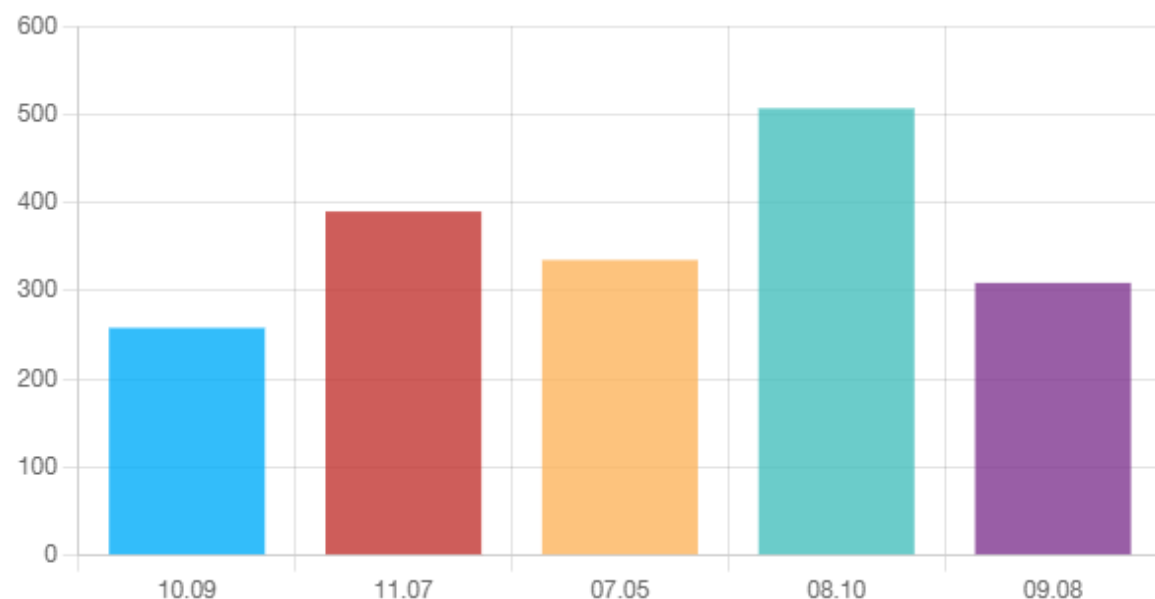
Well done everyone ,what an excellent week with so many students attending period 7. The Revision Cafe was also a great success with over 50 people completing some extra English literature revision. Next week it's the turn of Maths with Mr Martin.

Achievement

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Well done to our current year group PD leaders on achieving their house points! Keep trying to gain those achievement points. Remember, points mean prizes!!!



Top 5 Pupils

1. George P – 52
2. Saffron C-B – 51
3. Poppy S- 50
4. Archie W – 49
5. Ethan J- 48



A big well done to the big 5 on achieving so many points, embodying great pride, passion, perseverance and progress.

Prime Catch!

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Congratulations to Oliver Lucraft from Year 8. Oliver has featured in the Kingfisher Club Magazine Wall of Fame after catching



a rather hefty looking pike!!

Just needing some chips to go with it Oliver!!



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MARS

Thursday 26th September – National Manufacturing Day

Athena students visited Mars Food and Nutrition and Palm Paper in King's Lynn as part of National Manufacturing Day.

Students were taken on a tour of both sites and saw for themselves what it takes to run a factory site and how food and paper are produced. They also attended career presentations, learning about the different careers within the manufacturing industry and the routes to those careers and the opportunities available. It was a fantastic opportunity to visit two Global Manufacturing companies in our local area.
