



Dear Parents / Carers

End of Year Message from the Principal

As we come to the end of another academic year, we are proud to reflect on what has been a truly successful and inspiring journey for our school community. This year has been marked by outstanding achievements, not only in academic progress, but also in the way our students and staff have embodied our core values of compassion, ambition and respect. These values have been the foundation of our vibrant school culture, fostering a nurturing and aspirational environment for all. We are also delighted to share that our recent Ofsted inspection recognised the exceptional quality of education we provide, resulting in a highly successful report that celebrates the dedication and excellence of our entire school community. Please access the report [here](#).

On Tuesday 8 July, The Primary Phase SATs results were published. The Year 6 pupils received a phenomenal set of results, of which they should all be incredibly proud.

| | WHGS Results 2025 | National Results | Manchester Results |
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| Reading | 92 | 75 | 69 |
| Writing | 73 | 72 | 62 |
| Mathematics | 85 | 74 | 70 |
| Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling | 85 | 73 | - |
| Combined (Reading, Writing and Maths) | 72 | 62 | 54 |

A strong sense of belonging lies at the heart of our school community - it is what unites us, strengthens us, and allows every individual to thrive. When students, staff, and families feel truly connected and valued, we become more than just a school; we become a supportive and inclusive family. Each person plays a vital role in shaping our shared identity, contributing to something greater than themselves. This collective spirit reminds us that we are all one part of a bigger picture, and it is through this unity that we find the strength to grow, support one another and achieve our shared goals.

One of the ways this has been achieved this year has been through several community-focused initiatives that have supported both our students and their families. The continuation of our free school pantry provides vital food items and household essentials to families in need - no questions asked. Our uniform swap shop has also remained a valuable resource, enabling families to donate outgrown uniform items in exchange for ones that fit, reducing financial pressure while promoting sustainability. Additionally, our free "grab and go" breakfast provision - offering bagels, fruit bags, and breakfast bars - has ensured students start the day ready to learn.

Respect - Ambition - Compassion

This academic year, following feedback from our parental survey, we proudly raised thousands of pounds for three incredible charities: Families Against Violence, Human Appeal, and Kids of Colour Manchester. Our termly Culture Days have played a key role in raising these funds while celebrating the rich diversity within our school community.

On Thursday 10 July 2025, we held our in-house *Best in Everyone* awards evening, a genuinely special event held to honour and celebrate our students for their exceptional achievements, personal growth, and contributions over the course of the academic year. The event recognised 90 outstanding students from across the school. From the buzz of excitement as guests arrived, to the moving tributes and applause for our students, the atmosphere was one of pride, joy and inspiration. At WHGS, recognising and celebrating our students is not just tradition – it's a fundamental part of who we are.

Our End of Term video (<https://youtu.be/dxBKlSeRapY>) shows a snapshot of some further events from our Summer Term. This will be available on our website next week.

Message from Miss Dalton, Head of School (Primary Phase)

As we come to the end of another academic year, I want to thank you for your continued support. It has been a year full of memorable moments, learning, and growth across our school community. National Sports Week was a great success. We introduced Boogie Bounce sessions for Years 3 to 6, which added a high-energy twist to the week. Our annual Sports Day was a highlight, showcasing the children's athleticism, teamwork, and school spirit. We welcomed a wide range of visitors to our Careers Marketplace, who shared inspiring stories about their professions and career journeys. Our brass and saxophone celebration gave families a chance to see the musical progress their children have made. In Early Years, Nursery children released their butterflies, marking a beautiful end to their learning about life cycles. A highlight of the term was the Year 6 production of *Oliver*, which showcased the children's talent and dedication. We also celebrated our Year 6 leavers and their achievements as they prepare for the next stage of their education.

Message from Mr Copestake, Head of School (Secondary Phase)

This academic year has brought much to be proud of in the Secondary and Sixth Form Phases. Our students demonstrated their very best when we were visited by the CEO of United Learning, Sir Jon Coles. I was especially proud to celebrate with students and their families at our recent Best in Everyone Awards; this was a wonderful way to acknowledge the talents and achievements of so many of our students across all phases. I recently attended a collaborative performance of 'The Magic Flute' at The Bridgewater Hall; a joint project between The Royal Opera House and our United Learning schools; it was an absolute joy to see so many William Hulme's students singing, performing and enjoying the spectacular production. The end of term highlights – the picnic, sports days and trips – have given our students so many opportunities to extend their learning beyond the classroom, and we continue to be proud of the way our students participate. Thank you for all you continue to do to support the William Hulme's community.

Finally . . .

Students who have a school-supplied Chromebook to use at home will not be able to use this equipment during the summer break as our IT team will be disabling access.

As we look forward to a new school year of fresh challenges and successes, we say 'Goodbye' to the following members of staff who are leaving at the end of this academic year. We thank them all for their contribution to WHGS, for some of them over many years, and wish them all well in their future ventures.

Primary Phase

Mrs Dewar, Miss Ayman, Mr Hancock, Miss Hawkes and Miss Thomas.

Secondary Phase

Miss Clover, Miss Falade, Mr Howells, Mrs Isa, Mrs Laws, Miss Loughlan, Mr Nero, Mr Oliver, Mr Pickup, Mr Rosillo, Mr Rothwell, Mr Simmons, Mrs Smith, Miss Sneddon, Mr Steinman, Mr Wilkinson and Mr Yasin.

Lastly, as the summer break approaches, many of us are thinking about having an opportunity to rest and relax with our families and friends. I know I certainly am. Please enjoy the summer together and be safe and I look forward to the opportunities that a new academic year will bring.

School re-opens for pupils on Wednesday 3 September 2025.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K M Heaton', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

K M Heaton
Principal