



SALE HIGH SCHOOL

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach Christmas, I hope you are feeling suitably festive. The last few weeks of term have been filled with celebrations, including our Christmas show, Christmas jumper day, Christmas dinner, and the ever-popular Christmas Fair.

Our students have truly embraced the spirit of giving, taking Christmas cheer out into the community. Year 9 leaders supported St Paul's Community Christmas Tree Festival by decorating themed trees for St Paul's Parish Church. Meanwhile, our Year 7 Choir visited local care homes, offering music, conversation, and companionship at what can be a lonely time for some.

It has been a busy and rewarding Autumn Term. Our School Council attended the Trafford Youth Council meeting, contributing to workshops on youth-led strategies for improving the local area. A special mention goes to Mackenzie in Year 10, who represented Trafford with a rousing speech at the Houses of Parliament! We've also been strengthening links with local primary schools, welcoming pupils for taster sessions and sending our students back to their former schools to share experiences and support Year 6 transition.

Sporting achievements have been another highlight. Year 9 Sports Leaders hosted the Indoor Primary Athletics competition, 19 students competed in the Trafford Schools Cross-Country Championships, and 18 of our female athletes are taking part in the Trafford Schools Swimming Championships.

Beyond sport, our extra-curricular offer continues to thrive. Over 40 students attend weekly LAMDA music, dance and drama workshops, and our Japanese Club is bursting with enthusiasm, attracting around 45 members. Students from Years 8, 9, and 10 also showcased their creativity at a young poetry event at Altrincham Grammar School, submitting original work and engaging with peers from across the area.

This term marked an exciting milestone as we officially joined United Learning Trust. This partnership opens up a wealth of support and opportunities for our school. Visitors from the trust have consistently praised the dedication of staff and students and the excellent behaviour across the school. With their backing, we are confident the school can continue to go from strength to strength.

Finally, our school rebuild programme is gathering pace. We look forward to sharing more details with you soon about this exciting and transformative project.

I wish all families a joyful Christmas and a happy New Year. We look forward to welcoming students back on January 6th, 2026.

Mr Rogers



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WELL DONE!



REWARDS AND BEHAVIOUR UPDATE

Our Christmas award assemblies took place during the final week of term, with over 500 certificates presented to students nominated for representing the Sale High School values of Achievement, Aspiration, Resilience, Respect, Diversity and Community.

In addition, 60 students were awarded the Sale Award for their participation in challenges completed both inside and outside of school. More information about these challenges can be found on our Sale Awards webpage.



REWARDS TRIP - CINEMA

During the last week of term we took over 600 students out to the Northern Lights Cinema in Sale for a special rewards treat to watch a variety of Christmas films! Everyone had a wonderful time - despite walking in the wet weather!



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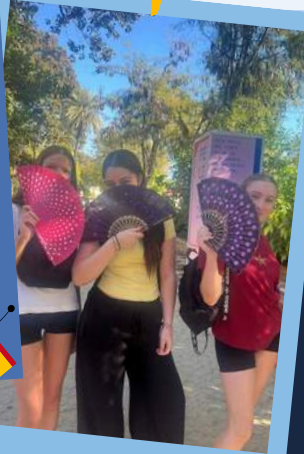
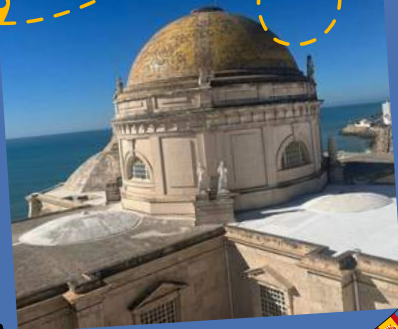
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YEAR 11 TRIP TO SEVILLE!

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In October our Year 11 Spanish students went on a field trip to Seville! Everyone enjoyed visiting many places, including the Cathedral, the Alcazar Palace, the Barrio Santa Cruz and Calle Sierpes and of course sampling lots of yummy tapas and churros along the way! Well done to everyone for representing Sale High so brilliantly and for your wonderful Spanish speaking!



YEAR 7 RESIDENTIAL!

In early November, our year 7s enjoyed their residential trip away to Great Tower in the Lake District! Everyone enjoyed having a go at a variety of target sports, high ropes, outdoor skills and team building challenges! Well done to Year 7 for their wonderful behaviour!





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SALE SCHOLARS TRIP TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

Our Year 8 Scholars recently enjoyed an inspiring visit to The University of Manchester, attending a fascinating talk by historian David Olusoga titled "History Reimagined for a Changing World".

The discussion explored how AI is transforming historical research, why history remains vital in shaping our understanding of society, and the challenges of confronting controversial legacies and inaccurate narratives. Students engaged in thoughtful debate about the future of history in an age of technology and encouraged to think critically about the past, present, and future.



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YOUNG POETRY WORKSHOP

Our Sale High Trafford Young Readers group were very lucky to be invited by Trafford Libraries along to a Poetry and Performance workshop hosted by Nasima Bee from Young Identity and held at Altrincham Grammar School for Boys (AGSB). Joined by students from both AGBS and Sale Grammar School, the group were encouraged to talk about resilience and change – each student had the opportunity to write and perform a tanka.

It was great to see the students collaborating in their discussions on the themes of 'The First Year' novel by Matt Goodfellow, which is the first book that they've been tasked to read as part of the Trafford Young Readers Award! Everyone had a wonderful time and had the opportunity to make new friends from other schools. A big thank you to AGBS for hosting the workshop and Trafford Libraries for inviting us. We can't wait for the next meeting!





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SHS FABULOUS FOOTBALL KIT ALERT!

One of our Year 11 footballing superstars, Francesca, loves being on our Sale High football team - especially with the rest of our brilliant boys in her year at school. They've been such a fab team over the years, and the only thing missing was a kit as amazing as they are!

Francesca's mum, Rachel, who runs 'It's Your Designer Ltd', decided to kindly sponsor the team and help provide them with brand new kits for their final year at school.

Francesca and her teammates wanted their kits to do more than just look good - they chose to proudly feature two charities close to our school's heart, CRY and Papyrus. Both causes raise awareness and pay tribute to students who are sadly no longer with us.

We couldn't be prouder of our team playing with heart on and off the pitch and they all look wonderful in their new kits! A huge thank you to Rachel for sponsoring us.



Thank
you

SUPER
STAR



WAY TO GO



CROSS COUNTRY SUPERSTARS!

Congratulations to our KS3 and KS4 Cross Country Team who were amazing in the Trafford Schools Cross Country event at Sale Harriers.

Our Year 9 Girls' team have qualified to represent Trafford in the Greater Manchester Schools Cross Country Championships in January.

We're very proud of you all.



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STAFF WELLBEING WEEK

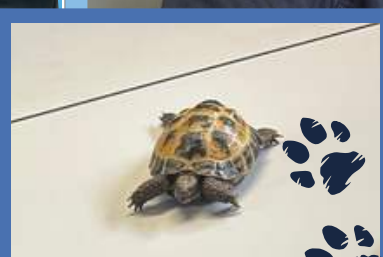
We recently celebrated our Staff Wellbeing Week in school! We were lucky to be visited by the fabulous Buzzi Bee Coffee van and had the chance to take part in activities such as festive candle making and Christmas themed chocolate pastry twists. Staff were also treated to breakfast and were all surprised to be gifted a small care package given out by our fabulous Student Mental Health Ambassadors!



VISIT FROM NOAH'S ART

We were very lucky to be able to welcome some special visitors into school in October! Noah's ART came along with their wonderful animals for our staff and students to meet! The charity run animal care courses for people who are interested in doing animal care/vet work.

Sessions are also designed to help reduce anxiety, build confidence, and promote positive behaviour in a calm and engaging way. Everyone had a wonderful time!





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YEAR 6 TASTER SESSIONS

We were thrilled to invite some Year 6 students from Worthington Primary School over to our Science department earlier this week! Students took part in a Science taster session learning how to use microscopes and completing both a chromatography and filtration practical in our science labs!

We look forward to welcoming some of you again when you join us at Sale High in September 2026!



SCIENCE



SHS HOSTS TRAFFORD SCHOOLS ATHLETIC HEATS

We were thrilled to host the Trafford School Sports Partnership's athletics heat in our sports hall earlier in December. Our fantastic Sports Leaders helped to support the delivery of the events on the track and in the field!

We were very impressed by all our local Primary Schools that took part and congratulations to Forest Park Prep School for winning the event!



LIME TREE PRIMARY CHRISTMAS FAIR

We were delighted to be asked to help our friends at Lime Tree Primary School set up for their recent Christmas Fair. Our students enjoyed helping to set up the stalls and crafting items ready to be sold on the night!



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VISIT TO SPRINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

We recently took some of our KS3 students that used to attend Springfield Primary School to present to the current Springfield Year 6 cohort about the importance of working hard in their final year and how it will benefit them hugely in their transition to high school.

Our students spoke with confidence and were a credit to us. We have already been asked to go back next year and our students all enjoyed their return visit to their Primary School! Thank you for having us Springfield Primary School!



CHILDREN IN NEED RAFFLE WINNER

Well done to Evan M in Year 8 who was selected as winner of our Children in Need raffle! Patrick in Year 8 had previously designed Pudsey Bear and Miss Chung Anderson brought his design to life to raise funds for Children in Need and to highlight the importance of many children that are living with invisible needs, such as mental health challenges. A huge thank you to everyone that entered the prize draw to win our Sale High Pudsey Bear!



RAFFLE



MACKENZIE S REPRESENTS TRAFFORD YOUTH CABINET

Two of our Year 10 students, Mackenzie S and Safaa M are both very proactive members of the Trafford Youth Cabinet and were recently selected to attend the UK Youth Parliament 2025 in the House of Commons! Mackenzie was also selected to represent the North West and delivered a speech he had written about Remembrance Day and his Great, Great, Great Grandfather!

We were all blown away by his confidence and courage! Well done to Mackenzie and Safaa for representing the North West and of course Sale High School so brilliantly!





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SCIENCE CLUB BAUBLES!

Our Science Club were truly getting into the Christmas spirit in December. Everyone enjoyed making fabulous, festive baubles in petri dishes using PVA and food colouring and also some chromatography snowflakes. They all look fantastic!



ART

SALE HIGH CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Well done to all of our Year 7 students that took part in our Sale High Christmas card competition this year, we had lots of superb entries. Congratulations to our winner, Alice S, for her wonderful design of our very festive looking school logo! Also congratulations to Ella S and Evelyn R for coming 2nd and 3rd place winners!





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YEAR 7 CHOIR IN THE COMMUNITY

We're beyond proud of our Year 7 Choir for bringing some wonderful festive cheer to two of our local Care Homes last week! We were invited to sing some Christmas classics to residents at both Ferrol Lodge in Sale and Uplands Manor Care Home in Northern Moor.

We had a fantastic time chatting to residents and sharing some mince pies and chocolates with them. We're looking forward to returning in 2026.



Y7 CHOIR AT UPLANDS MANOR CARE HOME IN NORTHERN MOOR



STUDENTS AT FERROL LODGE



SHOWTIME



CHRISTMAS SHOW 2025

We were thrilled to host our annual School Christmas Show to parents and carers of those that took part in showcasing their musical talents, singing, acting and dancing skills! We were blown away by all of our acts. We hope everyone enjoyed the show as much as we did! All proceeds raised will go back into our Drama department for future performances.





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TREES ALL DECORATED FOR ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH



STUDENTS ENJOYING CHRISTMAS DINNER



FESTIVE CHEER AT SALE HIGH!

We've truly been getting into the festive spirit this December! Our students have taken part in a wonderful mix of Christmas activities both in school and out in our community. From our Spectacular Christmas Show, choir visits to our local Care Homes, Tree decorating at St Paul's Parish Church, School Christmas lunch and jumper day and our fabulous School Christmas Fair, we've all had a brilliant time!

CHRISTMAS FAIR - STUDENT REVIEW

'The students running the stalls were extremely welcoming and genuinely happy, which created a warm and enjoyable environment for all students attending. Overall, I would give this year's Christmas fair a rating of 10/10, and I'm seriously not exaggerating I mean it. What could be better than having a Christmas fair in the library? Which was beautifully well decorated! With stalls selling yummy sweets, doughnuts, chocolate... stalls with face painting, customising your own wooden bauble, and especially the welcoming atmosphere of both staff and students! Merry Christmas everyone!'

Written by, Alisha M - SHS Journalism Club



CHRISTMAS FESTIVE PHOTOS AND ACTIVITIES

