HEADTEACHER'S BULLETIN

6th November 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families have enjoyed a relaxing half term break and that our pupils return refreshed and ready for the busy weeks ahead.

This is an important term as we begin the run up to Christmas, but it is particularly significant for our Year 11 pupils. From **9th November**, Year 11 pupils will begin two weeks of mock examinations, providing an important opportunity to prepare for the demands of their GCSEs next summer. We have been extremely pleased with the commitment shown by many pupils through their attendance at **Period 6 revision sessions** since the start of the academic year. We know this will pay off for them in the summer time.

Across the school, staff continue to drive achievement through our focus on always seeking to improve our teaching. In doing so, ensuring pupils receive high-quality learning experiences in every classroom, every day. As part of this work, one of our science teachers recently delivered a staff training session on the effective use of command words and strategies to help pupils improve their responses to longer-answer examination questions. This will benefit pupils across a range of subjects.

As we begin a new half term, we are continuing to place a strong focus on **excellent attendance**. Every day in school matters, helping pupils to make academic progress, build positive relationships and fully engage in school life. We are grateful for the support our families provide in ensuring pupils attend regularly and arrive on time. To recognise this commitment, pupils with **100% attendance** will be rewarded, and we will also be celebrating those who have made significant improvements to their attendance. We know that attendance is a partnership between home and school, and together we can ensure every child has the best opportunity to succeed and reach their full potential.

We are also looking forward to hosting a football event at RVHS on **26th November** in collaboration with **Operation Vulcan**, the multi-agency initiative led by Greater Manchester Police. Taking part will be representatives from **Greater Manchester Police**, **Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service**, **Werneth High School**, **Harrytown High School** and our own school community. The event will provide an excellent opportunity for young people to build positive relationships and work collaboratively with key community partners.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to a productive and successful half term for all our pupils.

Kind regards,
Mr D. Moroney, Headteacher

Department in Focus - PE

The PE department is committed to inspiring pupils to lead healthy, active lifestyles through an inclusive and engaging curriculum that encourages participation, performance and personal excellence.

At Key Stage 3, pupils experience a wide range of sports and activities, developing physical competence, teamwork, resilience and confidence, while also learning about the human body, fitness, health and wellbeing, providing a strong foundation for future study at Key Stage 4 and beyond.

We are particularly proud of the positive outcomes achieved by pupils in GCSE PE, OCR Cambridge National Sport Studies and BTEC Dance, reflecting their hard work and dedication across both practical and academic components.



Year 9 Football Team who have progressed to the next round of the Stockport Cup.



Pupils taking part in football training in Valencia, Spain

Beyond the classroom, the department offers an extensive extracurricular programme, providing opportunities for all pupils to participate in clubs, teams, leadership roles and competitive fixtures. We also have a strong tradition of educational and sporting visits. Our visit to Valencia in summer 2026 was a huge success and we are excited to be looking ahead to our ski trip in 2027 and a sports tour to Girona in 2028.

Through everything we do, we aim to inspire for life, include everyone and strive for excellence.