

WHAT A RESULT!

SUMMER TERM NEWSLETTER 2025



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ACADEMY STUDENTS CELEBRATE ANOTHER FANTASTIC RESULTS DAY!

GCSE Results Day filled Manchester Academy with pride as the fantastic Year 11 students celebrate their achievements.

During the exam period, this year group showed an exceptional attitude towards learning and approached every challenge with determination and positivity. After months of hard work and revision, our students opened their results with smiles and excitement!

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We return to the new Academic year after all the excitement and success of the summer results season - a huge congratulations to the class of 2025 who achieved fantastic results!

Much of the summer period is focused on securing success and ensuring that students grab places at the Colleges of their choice. It's a whole school effort to make this work and takes huge support from our families. Manchester Academy's students continue to excel and move onto the most competitive courses after they complete their GCSEs, many of our students are top of the class at elite Universities across the country.

Alongside this success, over the summer term, a range of enrichment activities took place, including our Pastoral Pledge trips where the Academy explored the Northwest, visiting parks and places of natural beauty. Year 10 completed an exciting work experience week, Sports Day involved the whole Academy, and our performance of William Shakespeare's 'Macbeth' was a powerful dramatic conclusion to a busy term.

Our community work continues to flourish, and we are determined to support our families and local community to thrive and be successful.

In addition to the huge range of activity going on in Manchester Academy, the weather made this summer one to remember. As we begin the Autumn term, Manchester Academy once again strives to be better and this summer we have refurbished our Science laboratories to provide world-class facilities for our students.

We also launched our MAGIC values to spell out when lies beneath our expectation that our students 'Make Manchester Magic':



These values underline who we are and what we expect from everyone at The Academy, our MAGIC values make clear our strong moral purpose which ensures that all students can thrive.

James Eldon
Executive Principal



THE MOMENT WE'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR: GCSE RESULTS DAY!



Thanks to the student's determination and the outstanding support of teachers and support staff - over half of this year's cohort achieved a grade 4 or above in English, Maths, and Science.

Congratulations to the following students who worked hard to Make Manchester Magic and achieve top results:

- **Chisom** who achieved 8 grade 9s
- **Hayden** who achieved 5 grade 9s
- **Ayat** who achieved 4 grade 9s
- **Man Hei Nell** who achieved 4 grade 9s

Their journeys reflect the **resilience, ambition, and community** spirit that defines Manchester Academy.

Behind every success story is a team of people who care - **thank you** goes to all the teachers and support staff who have guided, supported, and encouraged our students throughout their journey.



A FOND FAREWELL TO THE MAGIC CLASS OF 2025!

Our brilliant Year 11 students returned to school one last time for their leaver's assembly, following the end of GCSE exam season - the event marked a **proud and emotional** moment for students, teachers, and support staff.

Welcomed by teachers, the students were guided to the main hall, where the atmosphere was filled with smiles and laughter - the assembly began with a welcome from Principal, Mr Eldon, who spoke about how proud everyone was: "The year group's determination and positivity throughout GCSE exam season has been outstanding – they have truly **made magic this year!**"

The celebration continued with a look back through time, as students enjoyed a touching slideshow of photos from their first day at the Academy in 2020 - followed by **heartfelt messages** from teachers and student presidents.





CELEBRATING THE FACES OF OUR VIBRANT MOSS SIDE COMMUNITY

We were excited to launch a brand-new photography project titled the **'Faces of Our Community,'** a heart warming celebration of the incredible people who make up the Academy's vibrant and **diverse community.**

From students and staff, to family and local supporters - the project aims to capture the **spirit of our community.**

The portraits have been taken by our talented **Year 10 photography students,** who have been putting their skills into action in our **professional studio set-up.**

With guidance from staff, the students worked hard to **photograph volunteers** and learn about storytelling through photography - the first **public exhibition** took place in July, where families and neighbours were invited to visit the school and view a full gallery of portraits - celebrating the work of our our brilliant Year 10 students in style.



HEALTHY SCHOOLS AWARD FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT!



We are proud to announce that the Academy has been awarded the **NHS Healthy Schools Award for Community Engagement** – a fantastic achievement that celebrates the strong connection between our school and the vibrant community of **Moss Side**.

This award recognises the hard work of our students, staff, and families in promoting **health, kindness, and care** both inside and outside the classroom. From **litter-picking projects** to serving **Christmas dinner to senior citizens**, our students have shown what it means to make a real difference.

Our partnership with the NHS has been a key part of this success. We've worked closely to help answer questions about the MMR vaccine, making sure families feel **informed and supported**. We also offer free ESOL classes so families can feel more connected to school life.



PROUDLY CELEBRATING ANOTHER EXCITING SPORTS DAY

Our school field was transformed into a **festival of fun**, with students enjoying team-building activities, giant inflatables, and a thrilling rock-climbing wall.

One of the highlights of the day was the competitions, where students competed in a variety of **sports challenges** - from classic races to team games, the energy was electric as **everyone cheered their peers and classmates**.

Winners were **proudly awarded** special Academy medals, recognising both their **effort and team spirit**. Sports Day was a special reward for our magic students – who have shown **outstanding attitudes towards learning all year**.

Head of PE, Ms Wellfair said: “The **energy and excitement** throughout is unmatched; the day is a great reward for students who have worked hard to **make magic in school all year**.”





ACADEMY WELCOMES YEAR 5 STUDENTS FOR TRANSITION DAY

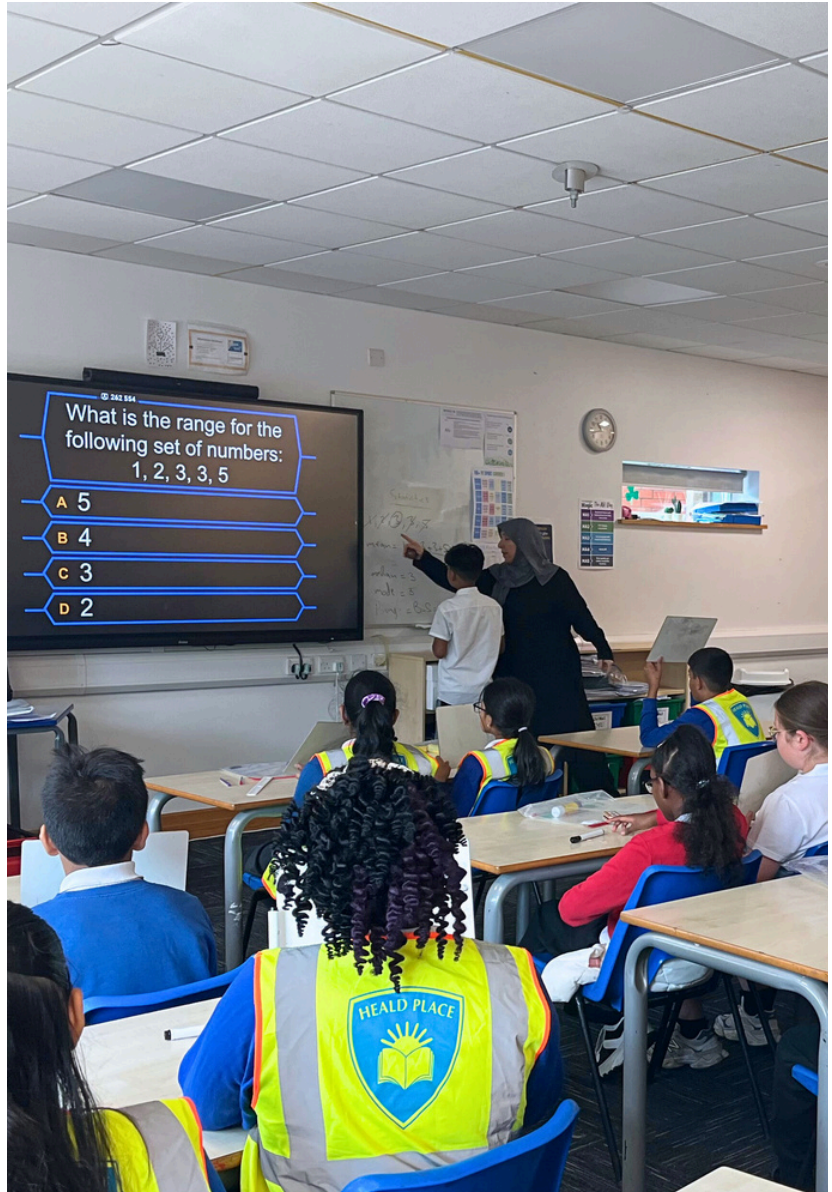
We proudly welcomed Year 5 students from **local primary schools** - Webster, Claremont, Heald Place, Rolls Crescent - for a fun filled **Transition Day**.

The day gave young learners a chance to **explore secondary school life**, meet our teachers, and understand what it means to **Make Manchester Magic**.

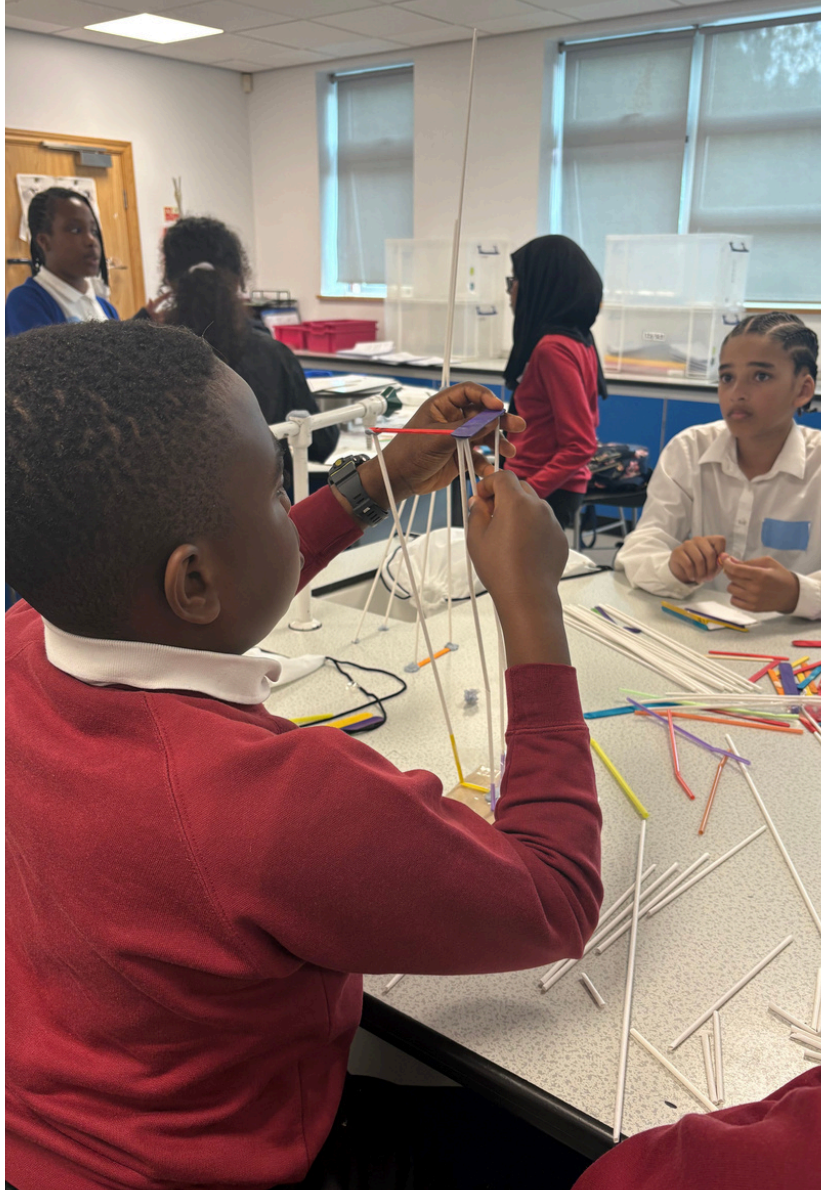
The event started with a warm greeting, followed by a special talk from school Principal, Mr Eldon, who introduced the school and **friendly Academy team**.

Students took part in team-building activities designed to spark creativity and **encourage friendships**. From art projects to maths games, there was something for **everyone to enjoy**.

Transition Day helps new students have a **happy and confident** start to secondary school. We can't wait to see you all again!



ACADEMY WELCOMES YEAR 6 STUDENTS FOR INDUCTION DAY



We were buzzing with excitement as **Year 6 students** arrived for an exciting Induction Day that prepared them for their **journey into Year 7**.

The day started with a warm welcome from the school Principal, Head of Year 7, Transition Lead, and future form tutors. Our wonderful Year 7 Leaders guided the students to the hall where they were introduced to the Academy and sorted into their **new form groups**.

Students got to experience what a school day at Manchester Academy feels like. They moved between lessons just like our current students, enjoying a range of **exciting team-building activities**.

The Academy welcomed **Kimberly Whittam**, author of the popular book *Quiet Storm*. Students listened, asked questions about becoming an author, and took part in a **poem-writing activity**.



CELEBRATING A WEEK OF TEAMWORK, LEARNING, AND FUN

We were proud to host our magic **Summer School Graduation Ceremony**, celebrating the fantastic achievements of new Year 6 students as they prepare to start their **journey into Secondary School**.

Pupils enjoyed an action-packed week of fun, games and sports challenges, designed to **build confidence, teamwork, and friendship**. Each day was filled with energy and smiles, as students embraced **new opportunities** and made friends.

We welcomed parents and carers into school for an exciting graduation ceremony, where students took to the stage with confidence to perform a **dance routine** that they had been learning.

The celebration also included individual awards, that recognised the unique talents and personalities of each student - every child's achievement was celebrated with **cheers and claps from their peers**.



CYBER SAFETY CLUB TAKES ON A REAL-WORLD CHALLENGE



Our brilliant **Cyber Safety Club** was buzzing with students eager to explore the world of **cybersecurity, and online safety**. Led by IT Manager, Mr. Atcha, the lunch club encourages students to learn about **online threats** and **develop problem-solving skills**.

We took things to the next level with a thrilling trip to a **Cyber Escape Room**, where students worked together to stop a **cyber-attack on a fictional company**. The room was filled with digital challenges, just like a **real-life hacking scenario!**

Mr. Atcha said: "I'm always looking for ways to make **learning exciting** for the students in my club. I wanted to give them an experience that challenged their skills in a **real-world scenario.**"

The escape room helped the students become more **confident** and discover new strengths, with shy members of the group taking on **leadership roles**.



CONTACT INFORMATION

We're highly ambitious for our students and seek to give them an outstanding education that fully prepares them for adult life. Our unique location in the centre of our city means we connect our students to universities, employers and a host of fantastic opportunities.

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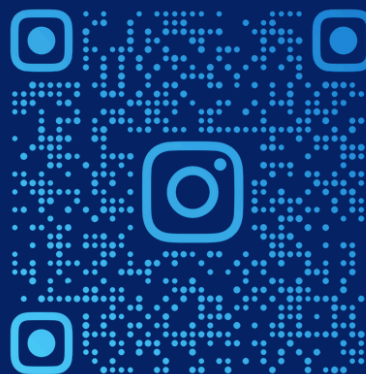
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Make Manchester Magic

AUTUMN TERM		
Monday 1st September 2025	INSET DAY 1	Only Staff in School
Tuesday 2nd September 2025	First Day of Term (Year 7 Only)	YEAR 7 ONLY IN SCHOOL
Wednesday 3rd September 2025	Back to School (All Other Year Groups)	ALL YEAR GROUPS IN SCHOOL
Friday 24th October	Last Day of Term	All Students in School
Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025		Half-Term
Monday 3rd November 2025	School Re-Opens	All Students Back in School
Thursday 27th November 2025	INSET DAY 2	Only Staff in School
Friday 28th November 2025	PLANNING DAY 1	Only Staff in School
Friday 19th December 2025	Last Day of Term	All Students in School
Monday 22nd December - Friday 2nd January 2026		Christmas Holidays

SPRING TERM		
Monday 5th January 2026	First Day of Term	All Students in School
Friday 6th February 2026	PLANNING DAY 2	Only Staff in School
Friday 13th February 2026	Last Day of Term	All Students in School
Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026		Half-Term
Monday 23rd February 2026	School Re-Opens	All Students in School
Monday 30th March 2026	PLANNING DAY 3	Only Staff in School
Tuesday 31st March 2026	INSET DAY 3	Only Staff in School
Thursday 2nd April 2026	Last Day of Term	All Students in School
Monday 6th April - Friday 17th April 2026		Easter Holidays

SUMMER TERM		
Monday 20th April 2026	School Re-Opens	All Students in School
Monday 4th May 2026	Bank Holiday	School Closed
Friday 22nd May 2026	Last Day of Term	All Students in School
Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026		Half-Term
Monday 1st June 2026	School Re-Opens	All Students in School
Friday 17th July 2026	Last Day of Term	All Students in School
Monday 20th July 2026	INSET DAY 4	Disaggregated to Twilight
Tuesday 21st July 2026	INSET DAY 5	Disaggregated to Twilight

BANK HOLIDAY 2025		BANK HOLIDAY 2026	
25th August - Summer Bank Holiday	1st January - New Year's Day	4th May - Early May Bank Holiday	25th December - Christmas Day
25th December - Christmas Day	3rd April - Good Friday	25th May - Spring Bank Holiday	26th December - Boxing Day
26th December Boxing Day	6th April - Easter Monday	31st August - Summer Bank Holiday	...



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Join us for our first ever COMMUNITY OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 8th October 4.30pm - 7pm

Tours of our award-winning school
Competitions
Activities for children of all ages
Old school video games
Inflatables
Live Music
Magic Treasure Hunt

**FREE
MEALS FOR
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