

ASA Newsletter



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October 2023 Edition

Featured Story - Lions Tour!

Archbishop Sentamu Academy features heavily in the historic Lions Tour with Mr Grayburn (Head Coach, England Lionesses) and two former ASA students, who play for Hull Kingston Rovers, all featuring as part of the squad.

This Autumn, the England Community Lionesses make history with a first ever tour away from the United Kingdom. A squad of twenty one players will board the plane to Belgrade, on 7th October and return on the 15th October, after playing two tests against the Serbia Women's National side on the 8th and 14th.

The squad sees a real mix of players from across the Women's Community game, including Women's Super League South champions London Broncos, Women's Championship champions Hull Kingston Rovers, Sheffield Eagles, Bedford Tigers, Swinton Lions and many more!

Community Opportunity

'Volunteer it Yourself' is looking for young females to take part in a project with the nursery at Purple House on Preston Road. They are assisting with redeveloping the garden area of the nursery and they would like to enlist local people to come and make a difference whilst also achieving qualifications. It is obviously female led due to the

nature of Purple House and would be a fantastic opportunity to get some qualifications in Health and Safety, brickwork, painting and decorating along with making a difference and a sense of achievement.

If you or anyone is interested, please see the link below for more information and contact Danny at 'Purple House' on Preston Road:

<https://volunteerityourself.org/>

Parent Council Update

On Thursday 5th October, ASA hosted its first Parent Council meeting of this academic year. Once again, it was a very productive meeting with members of the council contributing their positive views and suggestions on various aspects of the whole school on behalf of the parent body. Mr Clark was in attendance at the meeting and answered any questions, as well as listening carefully to the valuable parental feedback, which will be shared with the other members of the Senior Leadership Team.

We still have some places on the Parent Council so if you are interested then please see [this link](#) for more information - we would love for you to join us!

Upcoming Events

Year 8 Parents' Evening - 7th December 2023.



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After the huge success of the Community Summer Fair, the Parent Council and the Academy are organising another community event. This time it will be a Community Christmas Market! This will be on Thursday 14th December from 5:30-7:30pm at Archbishop Sentamu Academy. Please keep a lookout in future newsletters and on Social Media for more updates.

ASA Enrichment Offer

Please click on [this link](#) to access our website page that explains our ASA Enrichment Offer. A key part of our enrichment offer is our extra-curricular clubs and activities timetable, which can be viewed [here](#). Please encourage your children to attend as many of these clubs as they wish!

How to Get in Touch

Telephone: 01482 781912

Email: hello@asa.hslt.academy

Safeguarding Focus

We have had concerns at the start of term about the extent to which our young people are keeping themselves safe as they make their way to and from school. In particular, we would appreciate parents/carers taking the time to speak to their children about riding a bike safely, using the bicycle lanes only, and always riding their bikes in the same direction as the traffic is flowing. This is particularly a problem on Preston Road at the end of the school day. In addition, some students have

been choosing to give handlebar rides to their friends, which is clearly highly dangerous. We would appreciate it if you could speak to your child to caution them against doing this.

Medical Appointments

To support the school in keeping our children safe, can we kindly request the following whenever your child has an appointment which requires them to leave school early:

1. Please let attendance know in advance if your child has an appointment and provide evidence such as medical letters or appointment cards. We know this is not always possible, but if you could try to do this it will help us ensure we are fully aware of the details of the appointment, including what time your child needs to leave school to attend the appointment
2. Please try to collect your child for appointments and show proof of ID so we can ensure it is parent/carer before we call the child down. Please don't be offended if you are challenged to provide this proof of your identity, even if the child appears to acknowledge that you are who you say you are.
3. If you call the school receptionists with regards to an upcoming appointment, requesting that your child be allowed to leave school to attend, we will also check your identity and make sure it tallies with our records. We will ask you questions to help us confirm you are who you claim to



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be. We do this to make sure we are releasing your child safely into your care.

Reporting a Concern

If you have a concern about a student or anyone else in our school community please report it. Mr Hill is the Designated Safeguarding Lead and Mrs Drinkall is the Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead.

These colleagues are available by contacting the main school telephone number on [01482 781912](tel:01482781912) or via their emails:

Mr Hill: l.hill1@asa.hslt.academy

Mrs Drinkall: a.drinkall@asa.hslt.academy

Useful Websites for Online Harms

We would like to share with you a website to support parents in keeping their children safe from online harms, particularly sexual abuse and exploitation: <https://www.parentsprotect.co.uk/>

A further website, aimed at young people, is <https://shorespace.org.uk/>, which is a safe space for children and young people to report others or self-report for potentially harmful sexual behaviour. This site has an anonymous reporting tool, and there is information for parents and carers on there too.

Whisper

If you'd like to report an anonymous safeguarding issue or you have concerns related to mental health, you can do so by visiting the following web link: <https://swgfl.org.uk/whisper/asa1/>
Alternatively, you can text [07860021323](tel:07860021323) and start the message with 'ASA1' to send anonymously.

Helpful Links

- [ASA Enrichment Offer](#)
- [ASA Extra-Curricular Timetable](#)
- [ASA Food Menus](#)



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