

# Newsletter 12th January 2024

# **School Headlines**

Happy New Year to all of our pupils and their families! It has been a very positive start to term two at Central Lancaster High School this week. Pupils made an excellent and committed start to their learning in lessons and years 7-10 started their term 2 DEAR books.

Year II are using their DEAR periods to take part in targeted revision sessions which we hope pupils engage with thoroughly to support their GCSE exam preparation.

We look forward to lots of learning, enrichment and success in term 2!

#### **February Mock examinations**

The final set of mock examinations will begin on Monday 19th February. A paper copy of the timetable has been handed to all pupils and it can also be accessed on our dedicated Year II website page. In addition to the timetable, the website page directs pupils to specific week by week guidance on what they need to revise for each of the mock examinations. There is clear direction to supporting resources that will be provided by teaching staff, guidance on how to revise and details of when in-school revision sessions will be taking place. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

#### **Year 9 Health Questionnaires**

If you do not wish your child to participate in the Year 9 Health Questionnaire, follow the instructions in the attached document to withdraw your child. You must complete this by **Tuesday 16th January**, when pupils will be completing the questionnaires during form time.

#### **Online Safety**

Please see below help and advice for parents to support children around online safety <a href="https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/parents-and-carers">https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/parents-and-carers</a>

# **Upcoming Events**

#### **Tuesday 16th January**

Year 11 science visit to EDF Power Station

#### **Thursday 18th January**

4.00-7.00pm Year 11 Progress Evening (online via School Cloud)

#### **Thursday 25th January**

4.00-7.00pm Year 10 Progress Evening (online via School Cloud)

#### Week commencing 29th January

Year 9 SEND reviews

#### **Friday 9th February**

School closes for half term break, 3.05pm



#### **SEND Clinic**

Our weekly SEND clinic is open each Wednesday between 2.30 - 4.30pm.

Please email <u>Imaudsley@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk</u> to book a 15-minute appointment.

#### **Year 9 SEND Reviews**

Term 2 SEND reviews for Year 9 will be held w/c: 29th January. A letter will be be sent home with further details. Please email Mrs Ainsworth at <a href="mailto:sainsworth@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk">sainsworth@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk</a> to make an appointment.

#### The Week Ahead

Monday 15th January

Timetable: week A

Assembly theme: World Religions

Day

# **Key Stage 4 Notices**

#### **NHS Observational Work Experience**

Any Year 11 pupils, aged 16, who are interested in working in the Health Sector can apply for observational work experience with the NHS. <u>This is not organised by school, and must take place during a school holiday.</u> Please see the message below from Morecambe Bay Hospital Trust.

This application window is for Work Experience placements during March, April, May and June 2024. Hence, students wishing to access Work Experience during these dates will need to apply before the end of January, which is when the application window closes.

The application form for Work Experience within our three hospital sites (Lancaster, Kendal and Barrow) is now open. This is observational Work Experience for those aged 16+ and is for a maximum of 5-days. Please be aware that the communication is between the applicant and ourselves and the schools do not need to liaise on the students' behalf. To apply, students must register on <a href="https://www.nhscareersnw.co.uk">www.nhscareersnw.co.uk</a> and then access the application form through the 'Placements' section. Please be aware that we have a wide-range of opportunities, both clinical and non-clinical.

#### **Year 11 Progress Evening**

A reminder that Year 11 Progress Evening takes place on Thursday 18th January via School Cloud. Appointments can be made via School Cloud for your child's teachers. You can do this here: <a href="https://clhs.schoolcloud.co.uk">https://clhs.schoolcloud.co.uk</a>

#### **Year 10 Progress Evening**

A reminder that Year 10 Progress Evening takes place on Thursday 25th January. Appointments can be made via School Cloud for your child's teachers. You can do this here: <a href="https://clhs.schoolcloud.co.uk">https://clhs.schoolcloud.co.uk</a>

For more information about any of our Progress Evenings, please see our school website or contact the school office.

### **House Success**

Term 2 - Week 1



Most Achievement
Points



Best Attendance



Attendance at Extra-Curricular

## Spring Term Dates 2023-24

Friday 9th February School closes for half term, 3.15pm

Monday 19th Febraury School reopens to pupils

Thursday 28th March School closes for Easter break, 3.15pm

#### Life lessons

Year 11 will be studying the topic of human rights and responsibilities and physical health. This includes lessons on the human rights, their history and how they are protected within the law. Physical health includes lessons on healthy lifestyles, harmful behaviours and how to manage health including how to conduct checks for testicular and breast cancer.

Year 10 will continue with their topics of financial management and child exploitation.

Year 9 will be studying the topic of risk management. This includes discussion of risk taking, staying safe, the risks associated with alcohol, drugs and smoking/vaping. It also includes the pressure from the media such as internet challenges and gambling.

Year 8 will be studying the topic of healthy relationships. This includes exploring the importance of relationships, methods of communication, looking at signs of healthy and unhealthy relationships as well as how to stay safe in online communication.

Year 7 will be studying the topic of 'You and Your Body'. This includes lessons on puberty, personal hygiene and dental health.

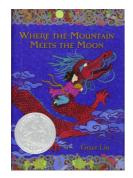
For further information about our Personal Development curriculum, please visit the school website.

#### **Term Dates 2024-25**

Our 2024-25 term dates are available on our website.

Family holidays should not be taken during term time. If leave is required during term time, a 'Leave of Absence Request Form' should be completed (available from our website or school office) and submitted to our Attendance Officer. Parents do not have a legal right to take children out of school on holiday. Our school has a policy of not authorising leave unless there are exceptional circumstances. Where authorisation is not obtained prior to taking time off, parents need to be aware that formal proceedings may be taken in the form of Fixed Penalty Notices and/or prosecution through the Local Authority.

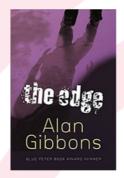
#### **Term 2 DEAR Books**



Year 7 are reading 'Where the Mountain Meets the Moon' by Grace Lin.



Year 8 are reading 'The Skin I'm In' by Sharon G. Flake.



Year 9 are reading
'The Edge' by Alan
Gibbons.



Year 10 are reading 'The Black Flamingo' by Dean Atta.







# **Pupil Success Term 2 Week 1**

#### Year 7 Success

Amelia-Lily F, Alfie H, Owais M, Adon J, Lily K and Nieve D for great answers in maths this week when solving equations.

Ved N for being so positive towards everyone on a daily basis. His community spirit is inspirational.

Haitham A, Michael S and Evangel S all contributed wonderfully in their first lesson on Christianity in RE this week, thank you for the commitment you show to your studies.

Lily G and Rwa A have demonstrated their community spirit this week by always being willing to help out in form time as well as in their lessons. Thank you.

Jacob C and Sophie T have demonstrated commitment to learning in History this week, recalling knowledge about Alfred the Great.

#### Year 8 Success

Lily B, Ocean Y, Brooke-Louise R, George L and Max M for excellent work on their cubism piece of work, well done!

Lily D, Ezekiel M and Ella L all made great contributions in RE this week during our first lesson on evil and suffering. Thank you.

Haresh P, Junior C and Jack L for a great Futsal session on Wednesday.

#### Year 9 Success

Chae J, Callum P, Aiden L and Ashton R all excelled in their contributions in RE this week when looking at ethical theories. They articulated their responses to ethical dilemmas very well and provided thought provoking comments.

#### Year 10 Success

Harry W for excellent effort with their factorising in maths this week.

Kyle S for great contribution to discussion in maths.

Jas W contributed well to class discussion this week when learning about the role of the church in the local community. Well done.

Ollie W, Jacob B, Stanley W, Cameron B, Matilda L, Maggie A and Charlie C have all started the set work in music with great committement. Keep up the fantastic work.

#### Year 11 Success

Thank you to Josh J and Luis M who showed the true value of community this week by helping a member of staff with a heavy load of books. Thank you.

Year 11 music pupils have returned with a fantastic attitude and great enthusiasm for the upcoming music coursework. Mrs Spence is looking forward to hearing what ideas they have for the new component.

Rena A and Anais T take great pride with their work in Life lessons and have been working hard. Thank you for the continued commitment you demonstrate.











#### **Contact Us**