

# Newsletter 20th December 2024

#### **School Headlines**

It has been a truly wonderful week in school once again this week. From carols to ice skating, Christmas dinners to Achievement Assemblies it has been fantastic to see the pupils engaging in all of the activities on offer in and around school this week. Thank you to all families who have contributed to our Food Bank donation.

Thank you to the parents of award winners in Year 7 and 8 who attended school this morning to applaud their children receiving awards, it was wonderful to welcome you into school and enjoy some delicious treats from the canteen staff.

We look forward to welcoming pupils back into school on Tuesday 7th January following week B timetable. Please support your child to be school ready with correct equipment packed in their bag for the day and correct uniform- we don't want to start the term with sanctions. Any pupils who have had false nails, lashes, piercings or hair dyed an unnatural colour for the two week break should ensure that they have these items removed and ready for the school term. Our Uniform and Appearance policy can be found on our website.

We wish the very best to Miss Parsons, Mr Nathan and Miss Price who leave us today for new roles in other schools, we hope that they enjoy their new positions and we are grateful to them for their years of support and expert teaching given to pupils at Central Lancaster High School in their collective years here.

















#### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Tuesday 7 January**

School reopens to all pupils Year 11 Prom assembly

#### **Thursday 23 January**

Year 11 Progress Evening - in school

### **Whole School Notices**

#### Term 1 Grades Cards Year 7-11

Electronic copies of Term 1 Grade Cards were sent out to parents/ carers on Wednesday 18th December. Please take time to review the information from your child's teachers. It is important to celebrate the successes and begin to then talk with your child about how any identified barriers of learning may be overcome when we return in January. Should you have any questions arising from the grade card, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

#### **Year 11 Mock Examinations Series in February**

When we return from the Christmas break, Year 11 pupils have four weeks until the start of their next set of mock examinations. The mock exams run from Monday 3rd February to Friday 14th February. Please see the dedicated Year 11 page on our school website for specific guidance on how to revise for each subject and the exam timetable. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

https://www.lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/students/year-11-revision-and-exams

#### **Year 11 Form Time Intervention Sessions**

Form Time sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays will now be dedicated to targeted support for pupils in English, maths and science. Parents/carers were sent an electronic copy of a letter on Monday 16th December which explains where their child will be going for each session. The sessions have been designed to focus on key aspects that will support pupils to improve their examination outcomes. Prompt attendance at these sessions is vital and is an important part of our provision as we lead up to the summer examinations.

#### **Year 11 Revision Sessions**

Details of the in-school revision programme can be found at the link below. Please encourage your child to attend as many of these sessions as possible.

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#### House Success-Half Term 2







**Best Attendance** 



Extra-Curricular **Attendance** 

#### Central's Care Code





Scan this code to share any bullying or safety concerns that you have.

## **Pupil Success**

#### Year 7 Success

Olivia P for helping her friends on the ice on Thursday!

Joey B & Holly B for showing our community value by always helping Mrs Prestwood with the folders – your help is very much appreciated!

Well done to Bithiah M, Olivia P, Bryan O, Aria W, Bradley H, Mason E, Harry W, Bella H, Chloe B, Dylann F, Harry R, Lucas B, Robin C and Emily M for your work in English. You have all impressed me with how you have discussed *Richard III* this half term. It is a challenging text but you have handled Shakespeare's language so impressively.

A huge well done to the following Year 7 pupils for taking part in a brilliant Christmas concert last week, we can't wait to see you perform on the stage again in the future: Lexi E, Lucia M, Lily T, Lacey G, Hollie W, Isabella S, Grace S, Jessica R, Chloe T, Bella H, Emanuela M, Thea P, Bryan O, Lana F, Gracie D, Isla R, Aria W, Olivia P, Bithiah M,

Well done to all the students in 7X1 and 7X2 who produced some of the best cheek cell slides that I have ever seen! Your use of the microscopes has been amazing and you are making some excellent observations.

Thank you to the Year 7 well-being reps and the members of Mindfulness Club, Community Club, Craft Club, EAL Club and DT Club who all helped to create a wonderful collection of Christmas Tree decorations which enable the school to succeed in the local Tree Festival which took place at Christ Church most recently.

# Year 8 Success

We are very grateful to our Year 8 library supporters who have taken ownership of the new library and worked hard to make it the best space for everyone: Lexi L, Ewan P, Sophie T, Katie B, Evangel S-A and Sam B. We thank them all for their commitment!

Kayden S for always offering answers including explanations to questions in maths, you show great understanding with your contributions and others can learn from you – keep it up Kayden!

Congratulations to the following pupils for their fantastic performances at the Christmas concert last week: Mikey S, Boris W, Jacob C, Alice T, Safiye S, Ewan P, Beatie B, Oscar P.

#### Year 9 Success

Brooke G for taking great pride in her math work – Mr Clark gave a glowing report about your record of learning. Well done.

Ezekiel M for always making the time to say hello and ask how Mrs Prestwood is doing- it starts my day of in such a lovely way – thank you Ezekiel!

Alexa B for supporting Mrs Prestwood this week and your support of others in the community.

We are very grateful to our Year 9 library supporters who have taken ownership of the new library and worked hard to make it the best space for everyone: Aimee O, Carys P, Caitlin W, Mairead S, Charlotte H and Daniel S. We thank them all for their commitment!

Thank you to Ezekiel Moss for his dedication and enthusiasm in learning the craft of lighting and sound technology this year. Your contributions have been invaluable, especially in elevating the open mic event and the Christmas concert with your technical expertise and creative input. Your hard work behind the scenes has made a huge impact, ensuring everything runs smoothly and enhancing the experience for everyone. Thank you for your commitment and I look forward to seeing you continue to shine in this role! – Mr Rubery.

Well done to the following pupils for their brilliant performances in the Christmas concert last week: Aimee O, Gideon L, Penny R, Charlotte H, Ezekiel M.

Well done to Coner O for his fantastic story board in science showing how selective breeding can be used to produce dogs with a particular coat colour.

#### Year 10 Success

Well done to the following pupils who have completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award this term and received their badge and certificates in the Achievement Assemblies: Reuben T, Edan M, Lexie H, Quaneisha Y and Rufaro H.

Charlie L for a great start to solving equations and inequalities this week! You have asked some great questions and tackled the challenge tasks well.

Lilly B for persevering and believing she can do it in maths - well done Lilly.

We are very grateful to our Year 10 library supporters who have taken ownership of the new library and worked hard to make it the best space for everyone: Lexie H, Jakob L and Amy A-Y. We thank them all for their commitment!

I have been impressed with the nonfiction writing skills of: Michael A, Diana M, Lauren S, Niomi T, Louie M, Isaac P, Freya P, Ben K and Ronan H in English Language this half term. This is not an easy unit and you're already showing creative skills which help you to aim for the higher grades at GCSE. Well done!

In English Literature, the following pupils have shown great commitment to analysing characters in *A Christmas Carol* this half term: Jakob L, Lexie H, Aston J, Mia D, Yasaman G, Leonardo CD, Zach J, Caitlin H, Grace B, Gaby F, Quaneisha Y, Ayushmaan S. That is your first set text for Literature completed!

Thank you to the following pupils for their brilliant performances in last week's Christmas concert: Megan M, Oscar C, Lexi-Leigh S, Quaneisha Y, Symone W, Caitlin H, Chae J S, Freya P.

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Connor D, Scarlett Y and Mimi B for fantastic factorising quadratics with Miss Holmes this week – well done.

We are very grateful to our Year 11 library supporters who have taken ownership of the new library and worked hard to make it the best space for everyone: Eden O and Caitlin S. We thank them all for their commitment!

In English Literature, the following pupils have shown great commitment in revising A Christmas Carol and developing analytical skills for the exam: Jess H, Daniel A, Leon B, Elijah M, Brooke R, Tyler-James S, Jasmin T, Scarlett Y, Flora Y, Matilda L, Mimi BH, Mia S, Daisy B, Maggie A, Eden O, Harry W, Jas W, Ava W, Issy B, Zahrah M, Stanley W. I look forward to seeing your efforts pay off in the next mock exam.

In computing, the following pupils have shown excellent creativity, problem-solving and commitment to their game design coursework: Alan S, Maggie A, Jacob B, Tolulope O, Edan O, Leon P, James R, Onali Y, Ben W, Yana M and Jas W. I'm looking forward to play testing the games after the Christmas break!

# MERRY Christmas

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

To all of our pupils and their families, we wish you all a wonderful break and , if you celebrate Christmas, a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for a healthy and happy New Year.