

Newsletter 22nd September 2023

School Headlines

Building update

Thank you for your patience and understanding during an unusual week at Central Lancaster High School. All repair works are now complete and we are open to all year groups on Monday 25th September.

Upcoming Events

Week com. 22nd September NGRT testing Year 8 and 9 (catch up from cancelled tests)

Thursday 28th September

Open Evening 6-8pm. School ends at 3.05pm. Pupils who are helping should be in school for 5.40pm.

Thursday 5th October

6-8pm Year 7 Meet the HouseTutor Event: in school6-7pm Year 10 InformationEvening: in school

Friday 6th October

INSET day school closed to pupil

Thursday 12th October

6-7pm Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Launch

Wednesday 18th October

Year 7 Streetwise performance, 10am

Friday 20th October

Open Mic event lunchtime. School closes at 3.05pm for half term

Year 10 Parent Information Evening

We would like to invite all Parents/Carers to attend our our Information Evening on Thursday 5th October from 18:00 – 19:00. The focus of this evening will be to outline the journey through Key stage 4. A dedicated page to support pupils and parents/carers has been set up on our website and can be accessed <u>here</u>

Year 11 Mock Examinations

Year 11 will be sitting their first set of Mock examinations **Monday 20th November to Friday 1st December**. Please encourage your child to start a regular routine of revision. A full mock examination timetable can be found on our dedicated Year 11 revision page <u>here</u>.

There will be a detailed overview of what pupils need to revise for each subject along with specific tasks and resources on our Year 11 website page.

RAF World Virtual Careers Event

This is to be held on Tuesday 26 September 2023 from 19.30 – 21.30, you can book a place by following the link below.

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/raf-world-tickets-631417565937?aff=A5FlyerEng

This will provide pupils with the opportunity to immerse themselves in the RAF world and have the chance to speak to subject matter experts from across the 60 roles available within the RAF and to speak to recruiters about the next steps in their potential journeys.

House Success

Term 1 - Week 3





Most Achievement Points

Best Attendance



Attendance at Extra-Curricular

Key Stage 4 Notices

Careers: Sixth Form Open Evenings

Autumn Term Dates 2023-24

Friday 20th October School finishes for half term, 3.05pm

Tuesday 31st October School reopens to pupils

Friday 17th November INSET day, school closed to pupils

Friday 22nd December School closes to pupils 1.15pm

Year 10 and 11 pupils and families should consider visiting all open evening events for our local post-16 providers to find out about the opportunities available to them. As we find out about these events we will advertise them here and communicate them with our pupils through our weekly form time presentations.

26th September 5.30-7.00pm	Lancaster Royal Grammar School Sixth form (open to boys and girls)
18th October	Lancaster and Morecambe
4.30-7.00pm	College
9th November TBC	Ripley St. Thomas Sixth Form
28th November	Lancaster and Morecambe
4.30-7.00PM	College

'Risk It' Programme

Changes in teenagers' brains make it hard for them to think about consequences or what might happen in the future. During adolescence the brain enters a period of 'chaos' whilst it grows and reorganises. Young people aged 10 years and upwards are also most likely to be influenced by peers rather than adults around them.

On **Friday 29th September** we have an external organisation 'We Are With You' delivering an assembly to KS4 pupils. Pupils will need to bring their mobile phones on this day to complete an online survey following the assembly.

You can find out more about We Are With You here: <u>https://www.wearewithyou.org.uk/help-and-advice</u>

Key Stage 3 Notices

CAT Tests Year 7

On Friday 29th September pupils will be taking their CAT tests. These are not tests that can be revised for but are important in supporting us to understand more about individual's strengths and areas for development. The tests focus on four key areas known to make a difference to learning and achievement. These are:

- Verbal Reasoning the ability to express ideas and reason through words is essential to subjects with a high language content, and the most obvious skill picked up by traditional assessment.
- Non-verbal Reasoning problem-solving using pictures and diagrams; skills which are important in a wide range of school subjects, including maths and science-based subjects.
- Spatial reasoning the capacity to think and draw conclusions in three dimensions, needed for many STEM subjects, but not easily measured by other datasets.
- Quantitative Reasoning the ability to use numerical skills to solve problems, applicable well beyond mathematics.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Auger via the school office.

Year 8 and 9 NGRT

As a result of the partial closure this week, pupils in years 8 and 9 will be completing their 'National Group Reading Test' next week. This test is not something that pupils can revise for nor they should be concerned about. The test is important to us as it allows us to see what pupils' strengths and areas for development are with their reading. If we feel that pupils need further support with their reading, we will place them on an appropriate programme to support and develop their reading. If your child does need further support with their reading following the NGRT, we will contact you and explain.

Should you have any questions about the NGRT then please contact Mrs Worsley via the school office.

Whole School Reminders

Daily Equipment

<u>All</u> pupils need to bring a bag into school every day to carry their essential equipment, timetables and books. Key Stage 3 pupils must bring in their reading for pleasure reading book for their form time reading activity.

During the wet and cooler weather please ensure your child has a suitable coat. Pupils are arriving to school with soaking wet uniform which doesn't keep them warm or comfortable for a day of learning.

Fire and Lockdown Drills

To ensure the safety of our whole school community we regularly practise fire and lockdown drills. Pupils responded appropriately to our lockdown drill this week. We will be running a fire drill within the next two weeks so that, in the unlikely event of a fire, pupils know how to keep themselves safe at school. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.



Pupil Success Term 1 Week 3

Year 7 Success	Well done to Sophie L for making a fantastic start to her keyboard lessons. She has been focused, enthusiastic and practices diligently between lessons – very well done!
	Joshua H and Henry R for their perseverance and settling into the CLHS community so well.
	Abisan O for his commitment in his lessons this week.
	Michael S for his kind attitude towards others in our CLHS community.
Year 8 Success	Ella L, Jack L, Charlotte H & Ezekiel M for a great start to maths this year – well done!
	Michael N & Coner O'D for excellent work in their maths lessons with Mr Moore – well done!
	Well done to Brooke G, Jess W and Eliza T for your excellent commitment at netball this week.
Year 9 Success	Thank you to Liam A for helping a new starter settle into our school community
	Well done to Rufaro H, Quaneisha Y, Lilly B, Evie D, Alix S, Kaycee B, Gabrielle F and Mia D for your excellent commitment at netball training this week.
	Well done to Yasaman G, Quaneisha Y, Charlie L, Megan M and Reuben T for your continued hard work and progress made with Bedrock Learning.
	Harry W and Dan G for great work on standard form this week!
Year 10 Success	Jas W, Ollie W and Cash D for great contributions in their Life lesson last week – well done!
	Well done to Leah B, Ava W and Darniah G for your excellent commitment at netball training this week.
	Ella R for persevering with percentages – you have mastered it! Well done!
Year 11 Success	11X2 for a great Life lesson discussing social media and body image, in particular - Muhammed E, Zack C, Will R and Jack P for some excellent and mature contributions to discussion this week. Thank you.

Due to the issues faced in school this week we have rescheduled our Open Evening to Thursday 28th September 6pm – 8pm.

We are looking forward to meeting year 5 and 6 children and their families.



Open Evening Thursday 28th September 6-8pm JOIN US!





Don't Forget!

The Week Ahead

Monday 25th September

Timetable: week B

Assembly theme: European Languages Day Risk taking - Key Stage 4

Open Evening Thursday 28th September 6-8pm Our weekly SEND clinic is open **every Thursday between 2.30** -**4.30pm**. Please email Imaudsley@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.ukto book a 15-minute appointment if you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's education or if you have any queries or concerns.

School is open daily from 08.10am for pupils to have a free breakfast. An important start for a day of learning!

Please encourage your child to attend school every day, pupils who are in school regularly achieve success. In the event of your child being unwell you can log your child's attendance here:

https://www.lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/absence-reporting

Attend today, achieve tomorrow!



Contact Us

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