

Newsletter 23 May 2025

A Half Term to Be Proud Of

What an incredibly busy and successful half term it's been at Central Lancaster High School! Despite being shorter than usual, we've packed in so much - from Year 11 examinations and Year 10 mock exams to exciting work experience placements, engaging Science roadshows, and a wonderful trip to see Mary Poppins.

Through it all, your children have shown remarkable dedication to their daily studies and have been outstanding ambassadors for our school community beyond the classroom. We couldn't be prouder of their hard work and commitment this half term. We're particularly impressed with how our Year 11 students have approached their examinations – their focus, preparation, and mature attitude have been exemplary. This same level of maturity and dedication was equally evident in our Year 10 cohort during their recent mock examinations.

Your children continue to make us proud every day, and we're grateful for the support you provide at home that makes their success possible.

Double Victory for Year 7 & 8 Rounders Teams!

We are thrilled to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our Year 7 and Year 8 rounders teams, who have recently secured two fantastic victories, showing not only their sporting talent but also their teamwork, pride, and sportsmanship.

🏆 Tuesday 20th May – vs Carnforth High School

Year 7 clinched a brilliant 21.5 – 15 win 🛧 Player of the Match: Georgia W.

Year 8 dominated with an impressive 31 – 7 victory. ★ Player of the Match: Ella B.

🏆 Thursday 15th May – vs Bay Leadership Academy

Another fantastic performance from both teams, who played with determination and pride.

We're incredibly proud of how all the girls represented the school — both on and off the field. Keep up the amazing work! We've certainly had the weather for fantastic fixtures!

Upcoming Events

Monday 2 June

School re-opens to all pupils, week A timetable Key stage three examinations

Friday 6 June 09:30-11:00 coffee morning in school

Thursday 12 June Y7 Progress Evening in school

Wednesday 18 June Transition evening in school, 18:00

Monday 23 June Year 11 leavers morning, 09:30

Tuesday 24 June Cultural Capital Day Y7-10

Our school events calendar can be found on our family calendar on the school website.



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To all Key Stage 3 pupils for their end of year examinations from 9th June.

Key Stage 4 Notices

Year 10 mock results breakfast

It was very encouraging to see how well pupils in Year 10 engaged with the mock examination results breakfast during form time on Wednesday 21 May. It was an excellent opportunity for pupils to experience opening an envelope with their first set of results in. It is important that pupils reflect on their areas of strength and weakness as well as how effective their revision has been. A copy of the results certificate has been sent home to parents/ carers.

Year 10 GCSE Speaking and Listening exams commence after half term. Your child has received their exam date and time. They must arrive to their exam time promptly in full uniform with their flashcards.

Half-Term revision sessions for Year 11 pupils

The following revision sessions will be taking place in school over the May Half-Term holiday, please encourage your child to attend as many as possible. Those attending should arrive a maximum of 15 minutes prior to the start of the session. A drink and light snack will be provided for pupils.

	09:00 - 10:30	10:45 - 12:15	12:30 - 14:00
Tuesday 27 th May		English: Transactional Writing, Miss Hayes (M3)	
Wednesday 28 th May			
Thursday 29 th May	Maths: Higher, Miss Holmes (M2) Maths: Foundation Mrs Prestwood (M3)		
Friday 30 th May	Biology: Combined, Mrs Barlow Houghton (M2) Physics: Triple, Mrs Middleton (M3)	Biology: Triple, Mrs Barlow Houghton (M2) Physics: Combined, Mrs Middleton (M3)	History: Anglo-Saxons and Normans, Mr Auger (M3)

Year 11 Exams and Provision after Half-Term

After half-term, pupils in Year 11 will see a change to their provision. Instead of following their normal timetable, pupils will be in either exams, revision sessions or revising at home. Pupils have been given details of how days will run in an assembly on Friday 23 May which were also sent to parents/ carers on this date. In addition, there are details on the Year 11 page of our school website.

Our key messages to pupils are;

- Full school uniform is required
- When arriving for morning exams pupils should arrive at school via the pupil entrance and go straight to line up where they will be registered
- When arriving for revision sessions and afternoon exams, pupils should arrive via the main entrance where they will sign in a maximum of 15 minutes before the start of a session.
- For revision sessions pupils will be collected from reception by staff running them, taken to reception and then returned to reception to sign out at the end of the session.

An overview of the planned revision sessions and exams for the week starting Monday 2nd June is below. Full details of the programme for the next three weeks can be found via the link below. https://lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/students/year-11-revision-and-exams

Day and Date	Period 1 09:20 - 10:20	Period 2 10:20 - 11:20	Period 3 11:35 – 12:35	Period 4 13:20 – 14:20	Period 5 14:20 – 15:20
Monday 2 June	English Language Revision	English Language Revision		Geography Revision	Geography Revision
Tuesday 3 June	Maths Revision	Maths Revision			
Wednesday 4 June				History Revision	History Revision
	Maths Exam Paper 2 (Calculator)			French Revision	French Revision
Thursday 5 June	History Exam Paper 2: Anglo- Saxons and Normans / Cold War			French Writing Exam	
Friday 6 June	English Language Exam: 19 th and 20 th Century nonfiction reading and transactional writing			Geography Exam Paper 2: Human Geography	

Our third pastoral coffee morning will take place on Friday 6 June. We welcome all parents and carers to pop in between 9.30am and 11am. We will have representation from CLHS colleagues, ADHD North West, Barnardo's, Child and Family Wellbeing Service, our School Nurse Team and Safenet. Even if you do not feel that you need any agency support, you are more than welcome to drop in for a coffee and chat.



From CLHS you can also meet our Assistant SENCo, Safeguarding Lead and school counsellor

Early Recognition of Type 1 Diabetes

50 children a year present to our hospitals critically unwell with signs of Type 1 diabetes. It can't be cured, but early diagnosis can save lives.

If you notice your child is drinking more, passing urine more often, losing weight, or is tired then please see your GP ASAP

Type I diabetes is an autoimmune condition in which the body's own immune system attacks the cells in the pancreas which produce insulin. We do not know what causes type I diabetes although it is not linked to lifestyle factors. Whilst the diabetes cannot be cured, early diagnosis can save lives. Sadly each year in Lancashire and South Cumbria nearly 50 children present to hospital critically unwell due to lack of awareness of the signs of TI diabetes. If you notice that your child is drinking more ,passing urine more often , losing weight or is more tired then please see your GP as soon as possible

Be a Hero! Know the Signs of Type 1 Diabetes



Drawn by Otis aged 5 and living with Type 1 Diabetes

and you could help save a life!

Type 1 Diabetes is an auto-immune condition in which the body's own immune system attacks the cells in the pancreas which produce insulin. We do not know what causes Type 1 Diabetes, although it is not linked to lifestyle factors. There is currently no cure and it cannot be prevented. There are currently around 413,000 people living with Type 1 Diabetes in the UK and approximately 33,000 of them are children.





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We have been asked by the Local Authority School's Transport Team to share the following information with parents:

Home-School Transport Season Ticket Renewals and New Applicants Academic Year 2025-26

For children who are not eligible for Home-to-School transport assistance, it is a parent/carer's responsibility to get their child to school. However, where there is spare capacity on the school buses, Lancashire County Council offer the facility for parents/carers to purchase a discounted annual season ticket. Spaces are limited and allocated on a first come, first served basis. The county council will not provide extra services for non-statutory pupils.

Season ticket renewals

The county council has just begun the renewal process for next academic year (25/26). This means that those who currently hold season tickets have been invited to renew their tickets for next year. We advise renewals to be returned by 1 June. The process of re-applying is done using the paper application form sent to the current user in the post. Parents should be reminded that if they haven't received their child's renewal form to email the School Transport Team: schooltransport@lancashire.gov.uk

New applicants

From 1st June, parents/carers can make an online application for a season ticket pack for 25/26 via the following link: School bus season tickets - Lancashire County Council. The packs are dispatched from July onwards. Please be advised it can take 15 working days from requesting the season ticket application pack. Once application packs are received by parent/carers, they must be completed and returned to the county council as directed.

Please note that the terms and conditions of using the school bus service state that when a student boards the bus, they must either present the driver with a valid pass/season ticket or pay the bus fare. Some of the county council's school bus services operate a 'pass only' policy, therefore any late applications for season tickets may not receive their pass for the start of the 25/26 academic year and will not be able to board the bus until they can show a valid pass/season ticket.

To plan your child's journey please visit: Plan Your Journey | Traveline or for other useful information please visit the county councils website: Schools - Lancashire County Council.



Pupil Success

Year 7	Well done to Maisie-Ella U, Mason E and Aria W for achieving the highest XP on Sparx this week.
Success	Well done Bithiah M for her commitment to her instrumental lessons and her dedication to rehearsing.
	Well done to Lily Rose R, Chloe B, George R-B, Ollie B, Mariana A and Emily M for taking great care and presentation in their sketchbook when designing work. Well done!
Year 8 Success	Well done to all of the Year 8 pupils who attended Lancaster University last week. Behaviour was impeccable and all pupils represented CLHS positively within our wider community. Well done to Tristan B, Maddie H, Kayden S who all really immersed themselves in the experience.
	Well done to Sajidah H, Imogen C-R and Jessica H for achieving the highest XP on Sparx this week.
	Well done to Beatie B, Addison J and Alice T for creating some excellent personal responses to the landscape artists they have been studying in class.
Year 9 Success	Well done to the seven Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award students who undertook their practice expedition last Friday and Saturday. All students worked so well together and have been praised by staff from the Girls Grammar School who saw them along the way, stating 'they were polite, friendly and knew where they were going.' The teamwork shown throughout the two days was fantastic, with students sharing bags when needed and even one student carrying another bag for someone else who was struggling. Well done everybody.
	Well done to Penny R, Yulu Q and Aimee O for achieving the highest XP on Sparx this week.
	Well done to Callum R for showing great focus and commitment in lesson this week, keep up the good work.
KS4 Success	Well done to all Year 10 pupils who went out on Work Experience Placements last week. We are already receiving excellent feedback from employers and will be publishing a Work Experience Round –Up after half-term to celebrate their many successes.
	Ashton R is showing great commitment to his guitar lessons with extra practicing at lunchtimes – keep up the excellent effort.
	Freya P and Symone W are fantastic ambassadors for the Music department. Their effort and dedication is really appreciated – thank you both!
	Well done to the following pupils, who all achieved grade 5 or above in their English Language mocks: Sophie A, Michael A, Archie B, Ethan C, Aqsa G, Rowan G, Chae JS, Zack J, Edan M, Niya P, Freya P, Callum P, Ayushmaan S, Jack S, Nicky WB and Quaneisha Y. It is not easy to do so well the first time you complete this paper!
	The following pupils achieved grade 6 or above in their English Literature mock: Liam A, Michael A, Aqsa G, Zach J, Ben K, Daniel K, Jakob L, Edan M and Callum P. Well done!
	Well done to Zikora N, Max B and Joshua C for achieving the highest XP on Sparx this week.
	Well done to Jayden P, Rufaro H, Ella B, Ella-Mae B, Grace B, Caitlin H for their commitment staying after school prepping, cooking and learning complex skills
	Well done to Year 10 Art pupils for all their hard work and focus shown during their Art mock exam. Super
	proud of your commitment!
	Well done to Charlie C, Jacob B and Stanley W for their effort in the Music revision lessons this week.

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Notices



Pupils who are riding their bikes to and from school should be wearing a helmet daily and must arrive and depart from the main car park with caution.



Thank you to the PE team for running Year 11's farewell football game after school! Year 11 return for examinations and revision only after half term and we look forward to their Leavers Breakfast celebration on 23 June and the prom on 27 June.



Today we said goodbye to Mr Moorby, our Head of Geography. My Moorby has taught at Central Lancaster High School for almost ten years. Mr Moorby has led the geography department with success during his time with us and leaves us to start a new exciting post in industry. We wish him every success and we thank him for his service and commitment to the school and for enabling our pupils to experience so much with their field work experiences as far afield as Iceland.

Mrs Pearson commences her maternity leave after half term, we look forward to news of the safe arrival of her baby.

Best wishes to all of our pupils, staff and families over the half term. We look forward to seeing Years 7 -10 back in school on Monday 2 June in full school uniform, fully prepared for thier final half term of the academic year!

House Success- Week 3 & 4 Summer Term



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Best Attendance



Extra-Curricular Attendance Central's Care Code





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