

Dear Parent/Carer

Weekly newsletter: Friday 15 October 2021

INSET day – Friday 22 October

Friday 22 October is an INSET day and school is closed to pupils. Pupils will finish school on Thursday 21 October at 3.05. School reopens on Monday 1 November.

Covid vaccinations – Thursday 21 October

The NHS will be in school on Thursday 21 October to administer vaccines to pupils for whom we have received parental consent. They are responsible for and will facilitate the whole process. Our role is simply to provide a venue.

The NHS **will not** administer vaccines where parental consent has not been given. They **will not** apply Gillick Competency should a pupil wish to have the vaccine even though their parent/carer hasn't given consent – they will not vaccinate the child.

If parental consent has been given and on the day, a child does not want to have the vaccine, they will not administer it.

Should either of these situations arise, the NHS will contact you directly.

Mental Health and wellbeing

Following mental health day on Sunday 10th October, there are more useful resources and information for parents available through this link <https://wp.lancs.ac.uk/lehsc/resources-for-parents/>

SEND

Miss Evans, our SENCo, is running a SEND drop-in clinic for parents/carers, weekly, between 4-6pm on the following days:

Week A - Tuesday

Week B - Thursday

Sessions are limited to 15 mins and can be followed up with a phone call if needed once the allocated time has finished. If you wish to schedule a 15 min slot, please email Miss Evans to book a time: levans@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk or contact school reception on 01524 32636.

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Parent Survey

Many thanks to parents/carers who completed the parental survey for The Bay Learning Trust. We are currently running a school survey with pupils and staff to gather valuable views and opinions which will support our school improvement journey.

Should you wish to provide feedback directly to school, your views and opinions on what you believe we are doing well and areas you think we can improve are most welcome. Please email your thoughts to Mrs Crossman, Assistant Principal, by **Friday 22 October**.
vcrossman@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk

Year 11 Mock Examinations

Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) will begin on Monday 1st November for two weeks. Year 11 pupils have been given the timetable and it can also be found on our website: <https://www.lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/students/exam-information>

This also includes important information regarding what pupils need to bring to exams. All stationary must be in a clear pencil case. If you wish to buy your child their own calculator, can you please purchase a Casio FX83GTX as this is the model class teachers use in lessons.

Open Mic event

There will be an Open Mic event on Thursday 21st October at lunchtime in the school hall. There will be a range of performances from our talented pupils and there will be a 50p charge for pupils to come and watch the performances with the money raised being split between the house charities.

Praise

Congratulation to Lune house for receiving the most praise points in week 5.

1. Lune
2. Storey
3. Clougha
4. Halton

Special congratulations to the following pupils who have received the most praise points in their respective year groups in the 5th week of the academic year.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Quaneisha Y	Maggie A	Leon F	Chris H	Oliver W
Freya P	Demi A	Leighton P	Megan M	Ranea A
Imogen H	Eva B	Jack H	Nancy W	Alfie E
Sophie A	Darniah G	Nico G	Zain E	Jayden K
Mia D	Sally M	Alfie M	Jade W	Matthew L
		Ellie W		Paige R

In addition, well done to the following pupils:

Evalyn G 10H led her dance group really well in a challenging group choreographic task demonstrating leadership, exemplary dance and creative skills.

A special mention to both **Ashley W** and **Freddie G**, in Year 10. Both were excellent in their first practical lesson in Hospitality and Catering. They were organised, focused and didn't allow setbacks to hamper their outcomes - outcomes which were exceptional good. Well done both of you!

Felix Y, **Gracie S** and **Mikey B** in 7B3En were fantastic in English this week - they shared some superb knowledge about World War 2 and Ann Frank with the rest of the class.

In Citizenship, **8C** have been developing their speaking and listening skills; they are growing in confidence and arguing their viewpoints cleverly.

Netball results

This week our year 8 netball team travelled to Our Lady's to take part in a netball tournament against other schools in the borough. The schools included: Our Lady's, Bay Leadership Academy and Carnforth.

The first game was against Our Lady's, although the girls said they felt nervous, they did not show it on the court and with some excellent feeds into the circle from **Lola C**, Aimee M and Sophie E paired with brilliant shooting from Maggie A and Ava W the girls won their first game 7-1.

The girls took their confidence into their second match against BLA. This time defence (Leah B, Demi A, Caitlin S and Abigail W) made some amazing interceptions and didn't concede a goal. CLHS won 9-0.

The third and final game against Carnforth was our most challenging game, and both teams were evenly matched, both going into their final games having not lost a game. At half time it was all square 3-3. Aakifah T made it very difficult for Carnforth to pass the ball in the centre third and managed to get a couple of interceptions. The girls won their final game 5-4.

CLHS won the tournament overall! The girls were ecstatic to have won!

CLHS also hosted a netball fixture on Thursday for year 9 netball. They played against Carnforth and Bay Leadership Academy. It was their first netball fixture since Jan 2019. Unfortunately the girls lost both games but showed great resilience and determination. They are excited to get back on court and apply the feedback in their game, next week, against Morecambe.

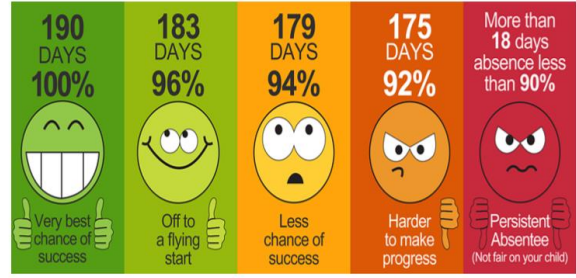
Player of the both matches - **Poppy O** (9H2)

Attendance

In school, we have a target of 97% for all pupils. As previously mentioned, we fully appreciate and acknowledge the challenges we currently face.

Top form attendance during week 5

- Year 7: Storey 2
- Year 8: Lune 1
- Year 9: Lune 2
- Year 10: Lune
- Year 11: Halton



The effect of absence on progress					
A whole year has 365 days; a school year has 190 days. That leaves 175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping and other appointments.					
No Absence	10 days absence	12 days absence	19 days absence	29 days absence	38 days absence
190 days of education	180 days of education	178 days of education	171 days of education	161 days of education	152 days of education
100%	95%	94%	90%	85%	80.00%
Very Good		Worrying		Serious Concern	

Careers Advice

In school we have a trained careers advisor who is available to discuss future career prospects and next steps. All year 11 students will receive a 1:1 appointment with Ms. Cottam over the coming weeks to discuss sixth form, further education, and apprenticeships.

Should your child wish to speak to Ms. Cottam regarding careers advice they should see her in D floor office to make an appointment. You can also keep up-to-date with local apprenticeships and careers events by following the careers section on our website <https://www.lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/students/ceiaq>

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Cowper
Acting Principal