

Dear Parent/Carer

Parent/Carer newsletter: Friday 31 March 2023

Easter holidays

School closes today for the Easter break today at 3.05 for two weeks, reopening for all pupils on **Monday 17 April**.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support this term and we wish you all a restful break.

May bank holidays

Monday 1 May is the traditional Early May Bank Holiday and in addition to this day, **Monday 8 May** is a bank holiday for the Coronation of the King. School will be closed on both days for pupils and staff.

Uniform

As mentioned last week, I appreciate that the holiday period allows for various hair and beauty opportunities and new piercings etc., although we would appreciate your support in ensuring your child's appearance and uniform, when we return from the break, meets the expectations outlined in our uniform policy which can be accessed here: <https://lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/our-school/policies-and-reports>

Can you also take the opportunity to replenish any stationary. Pupils must have a pen, pencil, ruler and their planner as a minimum requirement.

If you require any further information or need support, please contact school.

Theatre Trip - Tuesday 11 July 2023

We are running a trip to see Charlie and the Chocolate factory at the Palace Theatre in Manchester on **Tuesday 11 July**. There are 40 spaces available for this trip and letters are available from Mrs Spence.

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Year 11 revision in the Easter break

We are holding a number of intervention sessions in school during the first week of the Easter break. We encourage all pupils to attend if possible and for pupils who attend ALL the sessions, they are invited to a free lunch in a restaurant in town on the Wednesday afternoon at 1 pm.

The timetable for the sessions is below and all information on the support, including resources, can be accessed via our website here: <https://lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/students/year-11-revision-and-exams>

Day	Session 1: 9 - 10.30	Break: 10.30 - 11	Session 2: 11 - 12.30
Monday 3 April SLT – Miss Newsham	English Language with Miss Hayes in D4	Drinks and refreshments will be available on D floor.	Combined Science – Biology with Miss Parsons in D1 History with Miss Brown in D5
Tuesday 4 April SLT – Mr Cowper	Geography with Mr Moorby in D1		Maths Higher with Miss Price in D1 Maths Foundation with Mr Natha in D4
Wednesday 5 April SLT – Mr Cowper	Combined Science - Chemistry with Miss Towner in D1 Triple Science - Physics with Mrs Middleton in D4 Art and Design with Mrs Stephenson in E5		Triple Science - Chemistry with Dr Birdsall in D1 Combined Science - Physics with Mrs Middleton in D4 Art and Design with Mrs Stephenson in E5

Pupils will access school via the **pupil entrance** and refreshments will be available throughout the morning.

Key policy documents for Year 11 summer examinations

The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) requires all schools to hold and publish a number of policies for pupils and parents/carers to see prior to an examination series taking place.

These policy documents can be found at the bottom of the Exam Information on our website and can be viewed [here](#). We would encourage you to take time to read these policies. We would like to draw particular attention to the following documents:

- Social Media Information (one page)

- Preparing to sit your exams (one page)
- Written exams (five pages)

Should you have any questions about these policies, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school.

Half term 5 Extra-Curricular activities

Please find attached the new timetable for extra-curricular activities next half-term. Now the nights are lighter and the weather is starting to improve, please encourage your child to get involved in at least one club next half term.

We have appointed pupil club leaders this week to enable pupils to develop their leadership skills and support staff and other pupils. We also rewarded the following pupils for their attendance at a wide variety of activities during the half-term: **Caitlin W, Freya P, Maggie A, Kayla DLM, Morgan T and Thinzar K.**

The form group with the best participation in Extra-Curricular Activities was **7 Halton**, who received a box of chocolates to share. Well done everyone!

Year 10 examinations

We will be holding our Year 10 examinations between **Tuesday 2 May** and **Thursday 11 May**.

These examinations will take place in the Sports Hall and be supported by external invigilators. A timetable for these examinations can be viewed on our new Year 10 examinations page on our website which can be viewed here: <https://www.lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/students/year-10-exam-timetable>. Teachers will be working hard with Year 10 pupils to prepare them effectively for these examinations. Please encourage a regular routine of revision at home.

Like pupils in Year 11, pupils in Year 10 have been taught how to create a revision timetable and how to revise effectively. These sessions have been run over the past two weeks so pupils can revise over the Easter holidays in preparation for their mock examinations in May.

Clear directions on revision from all subject teachers has been posted on Class Charts.

Year 10 Work Experience

The deadline for organising work experience placements is **Monday 17 April 2023**.

Please use the Easter holiday to find a suitable placement and submit the details to Unifrog. There is information on our website to support you with this.

<https://www.lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk/parents/year-10-work-experience>

If you have any queries, please contact Miss Lilley – jo.lilley@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk

Achievement assemblies

Pupils enjoyed the Achievement Assemblies in school on Thursday this week.

We were so pleased with the number of pupils who received awards for commendations, extra-curricular involvement, academic achievement, Bedrock Learning and attendance.



We are very grateful to Morecambe Football Club for their kind donation of free tickets to the remainder of their home games this season.

The tickets were awarded to: **Jack L** (Y7), **Max B** (Y8), **Tyler M** (Y9), **Ellie W** (Y10) and **Daniel S** (Y11) for 100% attendance to school during this half term.

Open Mic

Thank you to all the performers who took part in the open mic this week. Many of the pupils were performing in front of an audience for the very first time and they were absolutely brilliant! Thank you to all the pupils who came to support the performers and thank you to the staff for supporting during the performances.

SEND

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

Please email lisa.maudsley@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk to 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.

Our school library is open every day from 8.15am, during break and lunchtime, and after school and is staffed with Higher Level teaching Assistants (HLTAs) so please encourage your child to attend if they require additional support with their classwork or homework.

Mental health and wellbeing

Active April 2023



Reading corner

Bedrock Vocabulary

Congratulations to the following pupils who have made the most progress with their Bedrock Vocabulary. The following pupils all received a certificate and book voucher in assembly. Well done and keep up the hard work!

Year 7 - **Jessica H-C** and **Alex S**

Year 8 - **Alfie K** and **Lily B**

Year 9 - **Louie A** and **Brooke R**

Key reminders

Pupil absence

If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please call the school in the first instance on 01524 32636 and Select Option 1 to report a pupil absent. You can also text to our **Absence Alert Text Number 07943107504** - This is a virtual mobile number from which absence is monitored during the school day.

Key dates for the Summer term:

17 April 2023	School opens for all pupils
1 May 2023	May Day Bank Holiday - School Closed
2 May 2023	Year 10 Mock Exams
8 May 2023	Bank Holiday for King's Coronation – School Closed
15 May 2023	Year 10 Work Experience
15 May 2023	GCSE Examinations start
26 May 2023	School closes 3.05pm for half term
5 June 2023	School Opens for all pupils
22 June 2023	Transition Evening for year 6 parents/carers
23 June 2023	Year 11 Prom
27 June 2023	Year 6 Transition Day
29 June 2023	Year 6 Transition Day
5 July 2023	District Sports Day
11 July 2023	School Sports Day
18 July 2023	School Sports Day (reserve)
19 July 2023	Reports issued to year 7-10
20 July 2023	Reward trips
21 July 2023	Achievement Assembly
21 July 2023	School closes for summer at 1.15 pm

Pupil praise

Congratulations to **Clougha House** for receiving the most praise points last week.

House points:

1. Clougha	2172 (13.8 per pupil)
2. Lune	1555 (11.8 per pupil)
3. Halton	1779 (11.4 per pupil)
4. Storey	1542 (10.3 per pupil)

A special mention to the following pupils who had the most praise points last week:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Caitlin W	Gabrielle F	Caitlin S	Ayra M	Daniel S
Emmanual J	Ethan C	Maggie A	Gabriel RS	Dya O
Alice G	Yasaman G	Riley S	Toby HI	Isabel W
Alexa B	Leonardo CD	Kaan G	Bailee-Mae M	Bobby D
Penny R	Chelsea LR	Eva B	Mia M	Jaden O

Attendance

Well done to the following forms for having the highest attendance last week:

Year 7: Clougha 1

Year 8: Lune

Year 9: Halton

Year 10: Clougha

Year 11: Lune

Attend today, achieve tomorrow!

Special praise goes to the following pupils:

Year 7

Well done to **Gideon L** for his excellent work in his violin lessons this week.

Josh B, Abbie E and Ollie D for their hard work and motivation in maths lessons.

Alfie H for his excellent work on echoes in science.

L-Jay H for representing the Year 8 football team this week. Despite playing out of position he did the school and himself 'proud'. L-Jay did look comfortable on the ball and was very unlucky to score.

Year 8

Well done to **Gabrielle F, Grace B, Rufaro H, Jayden P** and **Josh W** for their consistent hard work and effort in science.

Oliver G for his most recent KPOW investigating how seed size affects seed dispersal. - great work!

Thank you to **Dillan W** for your support and you demonstrating all of our 3C's yesterday at the football fixtures. Your attitude and conduct was fantastic.

Well done to **Callum P** and **Oscar C** for their excellent work in their piano lessons this week.

Year 9

David A for representing school for the Year 10 football team – well done David!

Kayden W for demonstrating one of the 3C's and helping Miss Brown set up for the rewards assemblies this week.

Harvey KT for his hard work and reading during a maths lesson.

Year 10

Well done to **Roland G** for representing the school football team this term. Constantly working hard for his school team and showing fantastic commitment in all games.

Well done to **Riley A** for scoring from the halfway line in this football fixture against Carnforth. This is great demonstration of creativity. Well done.

Well done to **Leon W** for demonstration great community spirit and commitment by playing for the school team through injury. **Leon** was kept busy throughout the game but continued to be supportive and encouraged his defence.

Year 11

Well done to **Skye L** who has been accepted at Myerscough College to do Photography.

Also, a well done to **Charlie K** who has been accepted on a motorbike engineering course at Lancaster and Morecambe college.

Congratulations to **Riley W** for taking home the match ball during this weeks football fixture. Riley nearly scored a 'perfect' hat trick, but scoring a hat trick is an achievement in its own right. Well done and hopefully we will see you score many more!

Congratulations to **Charlotte K** for getting accepted onto her Animal care course at Kendal College.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.



Mr J Cowper
Principal