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Dear Parent/Carer

# Weekly newsletter: Friday 5 November 2021

## Return to school

It has been wonderful to see our pupils return after the break. Thank you for your ongoing support to ensure your child is wearing their uniform with pride and are punctual to school. With regards uniform, we have seen an increase in socks with 'frills' and 'bows' on. Socks must be plain black. From Monday 15 November, if socks are not plain black, a P3 lunchtime detention will be issued for 'incorrect uniform'. We have a small stock of appropriate socks in school should you need assistance replacing existing pairs that have 'frills' and 'bows' on.

## Chewing gum

We have seen an increase in the number of pupils' chewing gum. Unfortunately, as a result, we are experiencing carpets and furniture being damaged by gum that is not being disposed of in a bin. There have also been a number of issues with pupil's uniform being damaged too with misplaced gum. Chewing gum is not allowed in school. From Monday 15 November, anyone seen chewing gum will receive a P3 lunchtime detention.

For both socks and chewing gum, we have given pupils next week to adjust to the changes. Staff will speak with pupils who have incorrect socks on or who are chewing gum to remind them throughout the week before sanctions start being issued from the week after. We thank you in advance for your support.

### **Open Mic**

After the success of last term's open mic event, the next event will take place on Friday 19th **November** at lunchtime. This will be dedicated to Keith Ashcroft as 20th November will mark a year since we lost him. Money raised will go to the charity supported by his family which is More Music in Morecambe.

### **Covid vaccinations**

If your child was absent when the NHS were in school before the break and you wish for them to receive the vaccination, we have been informed, by the NHS, that they are opening two evenings a week at St James church in Heysham for children to attend. The opening times are 4:30-7 Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. You can book on the national booking system or simply walk in.

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### Mental Health and wellbeing

Children's mental health - Every Mind Matters - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

This website provides you, as a parent/carer, with advice and guidance on ways to support young people, to give them the best chance to stay mentally healthy and looking at ways to move forward after the disruption of the last eighteen months.

## 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: <u>levans@lancasterhigh.lancs.sch.uk</u> or contact school reception on 01524 32636.

*Homework Club* will run every Wednesday from 3.05-4pm in S5 starting Wednesday 10th November. Learning Support staff are there to help with homework. ICT facilities are also available.

### Year 11 Mock Examinations

Year 11 Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) have come to the end of the first week. Pupils in Year 11 have responded in a really positive manner which is incredibly encouraging. The exams run throughout next week too. Please can pupils remember to bring all the necessary equipment for their exams including a calculator for all science, geography and maths calculator papers

### Praise

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

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

Special congratulations to the following pupils who have received the most praise points in their respective year groups in the 7<sup>th</sup> week of the academic year.

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Lexi-Leigh S	Eva B	Jack H	Misti L	Mollie M
Imogen H	Leon B	Ayra M	Millie J	Sam S
Anna P	Connor K	Jethro K	Connor L	Ranea A
Freya P	Hadyn P-E	Gabriel R-S	Lewis P-P	Alfie A
Sam W	Michal A	Leon F	Harry W	Millie A

In addition, well done to the following pupils:

- **Paige D** Y10 performed well in her dance assessment today and worked hard to quickly catch up after a period of illness, well done.
- Lacey S Y10 showed commitment to her learning working hard on a challenging step which she mastered and performed with success in her dance assessment today.
- Lilly B and Alfie F Y9 confidently explored ideas for their drama practical performance.
- A fantastic effort from **Lacey T** Y9 demonstrating both creativity and commitment. Lacey wins the award for the scariest cake pops in food technology. Terrifying delicious!
- Also, a great contribution from **Dillon W** Y7 who not only did well in the practical lesson but demonstrated his sense of community in supporting his peers when it came to cleaning up. Great effort and much appreciated.



- **Harrison B** Y7 has had an excellent attitude to learning in geography and this week was particularly determined to push himself on with his understanding.
- Malaki T, Ajay B and Rhyley B in Y8 for their outstanding commitment to singing in music!
- In Year 7 English, Oliver G and Aiden L have both demonstrated great oracy skills and excellent cross-curricular knowledge. They are making connections between their History lessons and work being studied in English.
- In Year 9 English, **Jack S, Zack C** and **Jack C** have made some superb contributions to class discussions and came out with astonishing vocabulary. Mrs Sharples and Miss Timperley were both very impressed with these students

### FA English Schools competition - AKS Lytham v Central Lancaster

The year 10 football team travelled to Lytham for the first round of the FA English Schools competition. The game started evenly with Central creating a number of chances. A lapse in concentration led to Lytham getting the first goal of the game from a long throw in. Central didn't let their heads drop and equalised within 2 minutes through **Oli R. Leon L** scored a second goal shortly after. In the 2nd half Central completely dominated with **Clayton B** scoring a great header and **Leon L** getting a second. A great all-round performance, well done to the whole squad.

Thank you to Mr Kay and Mr Roodenburg for taking the team.

### Attendance

Top form attendance during week 7

Year 7:	Storey 2
Year 8:	Lune 2
Year 9:	Clougha
Year 10:	Lune
Year 11:	Lune

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Cowper Acting Principal