

# Penwortham Priory Post

## Key Dates

Diary Dates



Did you know that the term dates for this academic year, as well as the following year, are available to view and download from our website?

[www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/termdates](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/termdates)

## Mary Poppins - And that's a wrap!

### A MESSAGE FROM MISS HOWELL, LEAD TEACHER OF DRAMA

I want to say a massive thank you to everyone that came to see 'Mary Poppins'. The hard work and dedication from everyone has paid off and once again you all shone brightly. I want to thank all the parents and guardians for supporting us in this production, without this support these productions wouldn't be possible.

At Priory we really value the Arts and the difference these can make to our pupils' lives. These productions are an integral part of our pupils' development both academically and personally too. A student once said to me "*No one understands that this is the only place I feel I belong*". So many young people struggle to find where they fit into but these productions bring everyone together regardless. It is a place they feel safe.

For some of our pupils it will be their last production and as much as this is sad, they have gained so many precious memories from this that will last them a lifetime.

Thank you to all our stagehands, designers and our technical team. They have a vital role to play to create such visuals and again are such talented pupils of ours. I am so proud of everyone who was involved and the talent of our pupils amazes me every year.

Once again thank you to all involved, thank you to all the staff who helped - we couldn't have done this without you!

Watch this space for our next 'Theatre In Education' play!

**Tues, 3 January**  
Start of Spring term

**Thurs, 12 January**  
Mary Poppins' Wrap Meal  
Salvatores (cast and crew, after school)

**Mon, 16 January**  
Rewards Trip - Trafford Centre

**Weds, 1 February**  
Year 9 Options & Parents Evening (4pm-8pm)

**"What an amazing show!", "Loved every minute of it!" and "Such talented young people!"** were just some of the words used by those who came to watch the school's production last week.

After months of rehearsals, Mary Poppins finally made it to the stage last Tuesday and Wednesday as our doors opened to pupils, parents, extended family, staff and members of the public. A matinee performance was also specially arranged as a treat for some of our feeder primary school pupils, with great feedback.

The school production is an annual tradition at Priory and a lot of hard work and dedication goes into making them a success. Thirty-five pupils took part – either on stage or backstage – with Drama teacher, Miss Howell, leading the talented bunch.

Lines, dance routines and songs had to be learned, props made and lighting perfected - all of which delivered a superb performance - but it was difficult to say who stole the show as there were so many stars!

Well done to everyone involved for providing us with the most perfect evening entertainment; from cast and crew to the teachers - Mr Taylor and Miss Howell, for taking charge.

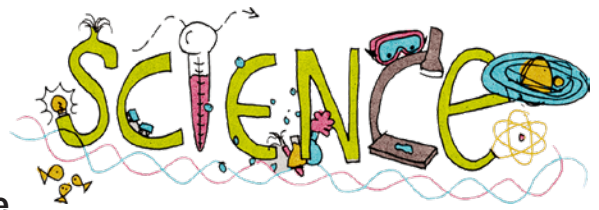
The ensemble will meet at Salvatores next month for their end of show 'wrap' meal on 12 January.

Miss Howell  
Lead Teacher of  
Drama



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# When The Universe Came To Priory



It is thanks to one of our Year 10 astronomy pupils that we discovered the universe could come to Priory.

After sending Astronomy Club teacher and Science Technician, Mr Evans, details about the touring planetarium, Lancaster University's inflatable dome was booked to come to Priory. In addition, the Science department leaders also decided to extend the visit and open it up to keen Year 7 and 8 pupils who put their name forward to experience the concept.

The LUniverse mobile planetarium, is an exciting educational resource that uses state-of-the-art equipment to present an immersive journey through astrophysics and space. Pupils are taken on a tour of the night sky, view other planets and galaxies up close, visit astronomical telescopes around the globe, land on the surface of other worlds, or view a solar eclipse.

Mr Evans said, "I originally booked them for just my after school Year 10 astronomy group but Mr Bedford and Miss Nouraghaei thought it would be a good opportunity to inspire more students."

Explaining what it is all about, Mr Evans went on to say, "It's an inflatable planetarium that you can stand inside and images are projected onto its ceiling. Staff and students from the university also do a 30-minute talk about the celestial objects that are shown in the planetarium."

"I really enjoyed learning about different planets, and that they also included Pluto and the dwarf planets" said Sam D, Year 8.

"It was a good experience and I liked the feeling of travelling around space" said Cameron B, Year 8.

*Mr Evans  
Science Technician and  
Astronomy Teacher*



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## Seneca Update

As we reach the end of our first full term of the 22/23 year, here's a short update on Seneca.

Seneca is an online learning platform used for homework by many subjects, including Science and English. This term, 623 homework assignments have been set on Seneca, covering over 50,000 topics and several thousand hours of learning beyond our classrooms. The vast majority of our students continue to complete these tasks week to week, meaning we repeatedly end up in the top three local schools for Seneca usage, finishing first place on several occasions.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that students complete the homework set, giving them every opportunity to consolidate and extend their learning.

A quick reminder that the login details are the pupil's school email address and their chosen password. You should also have had an email inviting you to sign up for the parent link, allowing you to monitor your child's performance. If you have not received this, but would like to sign up, please let me know by emailing [d.bedford@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:d.bedford@priory.lancs.sch.uk)

Mr Bedford  
Head of Science



## Exploring Your Options After Year 11

### What To Do When You Finish School

Lancashire County Council have produced a comprehensive booklet to explain pupils' options at Key Stage 5, when they leave Priory.

The booklet should be read by all pupils and their parents as it provides a local guide to what is available post 16.

There are many post 16 education and training options to choose from across Lancashire, such as school sixth forms, further education colleges and apprenticeships, and this booklet is designed to provide pupils and parents/carers with information about each of these. By showing what each institution can offer, this should help to support the decisions pupils are making about their future.

Although younger pupils can use this to inspire their options paths, they should bear in mind that some choices detailed in it may change and other opportunities become available.

Mrs Hopes  
Lead Practitioner for Personal  
Development



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# Year 9 Pupils Put Languages To Work



On Friday, 2 December we hosted a careers event for Year 9 pupils to 'Make Languages Work'.

Head of Languages, Mrs Scully, explained "*The objective of the event was to expose pupils to the range of different careers for which a language would be useful.*"



Pupils took part in three very diverse taster sessions using different languages: Chinese with the Confucius Institute at UCLan, a 'hands on' session with British Sign Language, and a presentation from Médecins Sans Frontières.

In addition to the presentations, pupils took part in career speed-dating. The hall was filled with tables and the Year 9 pupils moved around to engage with each of the visiting organisations. We were also fortunate to have Daniela Flint, a senior lecturer in German from UCLan, launch the sessions with a talk about the different language pathways available at the university.

Sarah from **Sarah Cutts Translation**, who specialises in Spanish and French to English translation of legal, academic and commercial documents, replied by saying:



*"It was a privilege to be invited to Penwortham Priory Academy to take part in a "Making Languages Work" day with the Year 9 students exploring the different careers available with languages.*



*"Hopefully they were inspired and thank you very much for having me!"*



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CAREER  
CHECK

## Year 9 Pupils Put Languages To Work

There were many careers and languages represented at the well-received event.

- TESOL from UCLAN (teaching English as a second language)
- Sarah Cutts, legal translator
- Arabic with Nadja L'Bakkari
- World Wise Languages, Sofia Anysiadou, UCLAN
- NHS translator, Lucy Booth
- Memoirs of a year Spain, Sarah Eastham
- The food and wine from France - Mr and Mrs Taylor
- Life as a lead languages teacher in a primary school - Rebecca Benson, Broad Oak Primary School
- Video producer and director, Lee Deaville
- Restaurateur, Irène Monteleone, from Pane e Vino

A huge thank you to all our guests who made this a very successful event for our pupils.



### The Worldwise Centre said:

*"We had an amazing day attending the 'Languages at Work' event. Our amazing UCLan TESOL and Modern Languages students shared their experience and career plans with 180 Year 9 students. What a day! Thank you for the invitation!"*



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Thank you to keen photographer Ameer A-H, Year 11, who kindly stepped in to take these images.

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# Priory In The Community

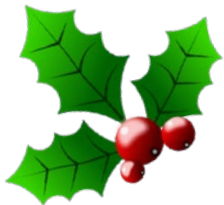
## Penwortham Christmas Markets



It was fantastic to be out in the community at Wednesday night's Penwortham Christmas Markets. It was a chilly evening for Mrs Cowell, Mrs Massey and Mrs Bullock who braved the sub-zero temperatures under Priory's new gazebo. A massive thank you to the Technology Department's staff and pupils who produced some amazing hand-crafted decorations which sold like hot cakes.



Vice Principal, Mrs Cowell said, "The markets were heaving and our home-made Christmas decorations were a hit. It was lovely to see lots of ex-staff stop and chat, and also lots of pupils and parents having a lovely time."



## Dinner is served!

Christmas dinner was served on Wednesday and, as tradition dictates at Priory, the senior leaders donned their aprons to serve the roast turkey dinner with all trimmings to a stream of hungry pupils.

Coinciding with our Christmas Jumper Day, the festive atmosphere in the dining room was heightened along with the free Christmas crackers handed out by the catering staff.

Thank you to the catering team for putting on such a delicious feast.



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# Priory In The Community

## Priory's Singers Bring Festive Cheer to Penwortham



Tuesday this week saw Priory singers spread some Christmas cheer to residents at Longton Rest Home and Booth's Supermarket in Penwortham.

It is important to recognise that at this time of year, there are a number of people who may not be able to enjoy Christmas as others can. A group 30-strong dressed in Christmas outfits and journeyed to perform for members of the community who may not otherwise be able to access Creative Arts events by coming into Priory.

The pupils were a credit to the school and received a number of positive comments from both the residents and the passing shoppers.



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# A Christmas Designed for Priory

Dozens of the school's contacts have received a Priory Christmas card, superbly designed by Year 8 pupil Jessica.

Every year Lead Teacher of Art Mrs Hopes asks pupils in all year groups to design a Christmas card which has a Priory 'twist' contained in the design.

The judging panel is Mr Eastham, Mrs Hopes, Mrs Yates and this year last year's winner Year 9 pupil Agnes was invited to be one of the panel.

Jessica came third last year but this year her Christmas tree design was chosen as the winner and the one which will be sent out.

Mrs Hopes said: "Jessica's design appealed because of the skills level which she used, it was creative, clear and it contained the Priory element."

"It was a tough decision but Jessica just edged it. Agnes is a very talented artist so we let her judge this year and she enjoyed giving feedback."

Jessica, who won a £15 Amazon voucher, said: "It's good to see it in print. It took me around a day to design it."

Year 9 Jane came second, winning a £10 Amazon voucher, with her snow globe design and this is on the back of the card.

Jane said: "I wanted to enter and had some ideas and eventually went for the snow globe. It's exciting to see it on the back of the card."

Year 9 Tilly was third, with Mrs Hopes praising her multi-cultural design, and she won a £5 Amazon voucher while

Year 8 Harriet's design was commended and she will collect a selection box in the end of year assembly.

All competition entrants received achievement points.





# Christmas in Other Cultures

**We have approximately 15 – 20 different ethnicities at Priory. Mrs Qadri asked some of them how they celebrate Christmas.**

*"This year for Christmas I am going to Bulgaria to celebrate with my extended family. We have a family tradition where all the cousins, aunties, uncles, grandparents and everyone we are related to all get together in my grandparent's big mansion."*

*"To get to Bulgaria we are going to drive there as I want to be able to take my dog too. We are going to drive through nine different countries and seeing the sites along the way."*

*"We will be eating Salata de Boeuf. It is a traditional salad made for Easter, Christmas and New Year's Eve. It can be served as a side dish, or a meal on its own. You can make it with beef, turkey or chicken, potatoes, peas and lots of mayo. It's like a potato salad gone wild!"*

*"Instead of having a big turkey we have Surmale which is like lettuce leaves rolled up with meat inside. We usually eat it with lots of yoghurt."*

*"Every Christmas my whole family give presents to everyone, even if the present is small we appreciate it."*

*"My family has a tradition on Christmas to visit my grandma's house on Boxing Day and meet up with everyone on my mum's side of the family. We all bring a present and then pick a card to decide who gets what present. We then have a chance to steal/ take each other's present if we like it better than the one we got."*



*We all bring some food from each of our houses to share with each other."*



*"On Christmas I see my nan for about two hours and then we go and see my other nan. I then go to the stables and make sure the horses are fed and then we go home and have our Christmas dinner which is turkey. In the afternoon we have a big Christmas dinner with all the family. We then have a buffet in the evening whilst we are watching Christmas movies."*

*"We also video call my family who live in another country so that we can still celebrate Christmas with them."*

*"I don't really celebrate Christmas as it isn't part of my religion but as everyone is on holiday we all get together on or around Christmas Day and have a big family meal."*

*"We don't really eat turkey but we make a big roast leg of lamb with lots of vegetables and other side dishes. We all like to have a get together and play lots of party games."*

**During Break on Thursday, Mrs Qadri organised a food stall where food from other cultures was available for pupils to buy and try including Samosas, Onion Bhajis, Cupcakes, Swedish Coffee Cake, Biscuits.**



# Food Technology At Christmas

## Year 9 Creative Cookery

Whilst it was icy outside, these Year 9 pupils made it a little icy inside too - with royal icing that is!



Decorating some festive gingerbread biscuits was the order of the day in the latest after school food workshop. Christmas tunes were played to bring some cheer during the bake and decorate event.

Everyone went home happy with a plate of treats to share.

Mrs Cowell  
Food Technology Teacher  
Vice Principal



It's not just our pupils who get to have expert tuition in the Food Technology room with Mrs Cowell. Humanities teachers, Mrs Ham and Miss Ackers both stayed on after school last week to learn how to make a gingerbread house.

Mrs Cowell said, "The ladies cracked out their creativity as they made and decorated gingerbread houses over two nights after school. We played Christmas tunes whilst we worked. Fabulous fun!"

Their finished creations look far too good to eat!

Well done, ladies.



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# Priory's ambassador to the Anne Frank Trust continues her impressive work at launch event

Year 10 Jessica was invited to be the guest speaker at the Anne Frank Trust's Cumbrian launch event last Thursday, 8 December.

Alongside a local rabbi and Holocaust survivor Dr Martin Stern, Jessica stood in front of a over a hundred invited guests to speak about the importance of the Trust's work. Jessica went on to talk about how she has ambitions to work with local primary school children in the Penwortham area about the dangers of racism and anti-Semitism.

History teachers, Mr Eccles and Miss Makinson, attended the event in Millom to support Jessica and were so proud of, not just her speech, but her continued efforts.

Well done Jessica.

*Mr Eccles  
Lead Teacher of History*



## Year 7, 8 & 9

### Creative Arts Rotations

There will be the usual rotation of Creative Arts classes - Art, Drama and Music - for Key Stage 3 pupils as we start the new term, from w/c 2 January 2023.

Pupils in Years 7-9 will therefore have lessons and receive homework from their new subject from that date.

The staffing / subjects will be...

**Mr Taylor**  
E1 / W1 - Music

**Mrs Hopes**  
E2 / W2 - Art

**Miss Howell**  
E3 / W3 - Drama

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## Mrs Elliott's Recommended Read

**This one's for parents: 'Bounce' *The of Myth of Talent and the Power of Practice* by Matthew Syed**

Not normally one for non-fiction, this month's recommendation from Mrs Elliott is for parents

- 'Bounce' by Matthew Syed.

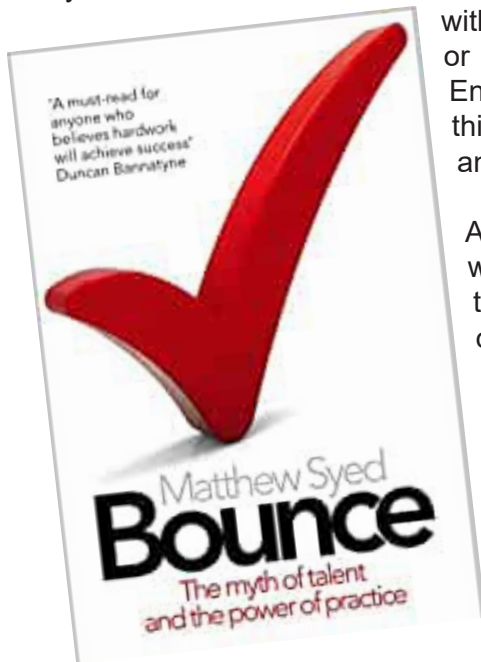
If you're of a mind

that some people are just 'gifted' or 'born with innate talent', or if you hear yourself or others saying "I just can't do maths (or English or science...you get the idea) then this book will help you debunk your views and revisit the idea of potential!



An Olympic level table tennis player (and writer), Syed approaches most of the ideas around the theme of sport but his thinking applies to all aspects of our lives. He forces us to reconsider some deeply ingrained beliefs and addresses some important questions: 'Can we really ALL be the best? Is the idea of innate ability holding us back? Could the ability to fail - and then get over it - be fundamental to success?'

So, if you love football, cricket, singing, music etc but just don't believe you have the true talent to achieve, read the book and think again. But be ready to put in some really hard graft if you really want to achieve your dream.



Mrs Elliott  
English Teacher

## Winter Water Safety

**Stay safe in winter – the dangers of frozen waters**

Areas with frozen lakes, ponds, canals and reservoirs can be beautiful places to visit during the winter months but all too often many people risk their lives by venturing onto frozen water.

Children and pets are particularly at risk when tempted to play on the ice formed on open water, and adults can find themselves at risk in attempting to save them.

Following the tragic news of the children losing their lives after falling through ice on a lake, we are sharing a link for a winter safety information and activity booklet. Please use it to help start conversations with children about water safety in winter.



[www.rlss.org.uk/winter-water-safety](http://www.rlss.org.uk/winter-water-safety)

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# Eco Committee Poetry Competition

Each half term the Eco Committee organise an activity to raise the profile of all things environmental.

Earlier this half term the club introduced a poetry competition being run by Greenpeace and they are now pleased to announce Jane W (Year 9) as their winner. Below is her entry. Jane has won a prize and her poem has been entered to the Greenpeace UK - Poems for the Planet national competition. Well done Jane!

[www.greenpeace.org.uk/resources/poems-planet-competition](http://www.greenpeace.org.uk/resources/poems-planet-competition)

## The Violent Beauty of Nature

The howling winds rage,  
Demolishing the sturdiest of structures,  
While the whistling gales go on a rampage,  
Storming into the darkness of the night.

The tremendous trees stand strong, fighting,  
Blowing restlessly,  
And stretching taller than the tallest giraffe.

The ice-cold sea, numbing and biting,  
Letting the endless ocean,  
Scavenge all in its path.

The deadly waves,  
Lashing fiercely upon the bruised sand,  
Crashing and bashing,  
Never ending.

And finally, the brutal lightning,  
Crackling like a burning fire,  
Uncovering all the dark shadows.

No one can stop it,  
Or prevent it,  
Just watching, suffering...,  
To the violent beauty of nature.

Mrs Massey  
Science Teacher

**POEMS FOR THE PLANET COMPETITION**

Greenpeace is holding a nature/environmental poetry competition to celebrate the beauty of nature and National Poetry Day on the 6th of December.

**HOW DO I ENTER?**

- 1 Write a poem of no more than 400 words.
- 2 Your poem must follow the theme.
- 3 Hand in your submission to Mrs Massey by 28/11/22

More information at [www.greenpeace.org.uk/resources/poems-planet-competition/](http://www.greenpeace.org.uk/resources/poems-planet-competition/)

Lancashire County Council

Children and Family Wellbeing Service

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# Winter WonderZone

Drop in for lots of winter fun!

- Food & Drinks
- Arts & crafts
- Games
- & More!

West Paddock Neighbourhood Centre, Leyland, PR25 1HR

29 DECEMBER 10AM-1PM

30 DECEMBER 10AM-3PM

For more information call us on 01772 532930 or message us on our socials!

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# Compost Corner

## Winter Update

Priory's gardens are our pride and joy and award-winning gardener Mr Farron wants to let parents and pupils know what to expect each month as the landscape changes.



**“Adeste fidelis laeti triumphantes”**

### Season's Greetings Fellow Composters

The grounds around Priory continue to look tremendous thanks to our gardener Mr Farron and his helpful assistant Nathaniel.

Mr Farron was given a few hundred trees from the Woodland Trust, the second time the school has had a donation.



He has been extremely busy designing and planting tree saplings of various types kindly donated by the Trust – just over 100 trees including Silver Birch, Crab Apple, Rowen, Wild Cherry, Elder and Hazel, all mixed into two new small, wooded areas, east and west within the school grounds

“We want to create small woodlands,” said Mr Farron. “We have started on the east side and planted 100 trees and then will plant the same on the west side. They are saplings and it will probably be around two years before we see a difference.

“The interesting thing is that in the areas we have been digging there is natural clay but there is also clay which was dumped from Preston Docks which is around 200 years old!”

Year 8 Nathaniel said: “We have been planting trees in the morning, around 8am, just before school. I enjoy helping Mr Farron and I have learnt a lot.”

Mr Farron continued, “This most definitely will encourage wildlife, not forgetting staff and students as well. Here’s looking forward to Spring!”

### Advice for the Season

From a creative point of view, when winter-walking through established woodland, there will always be fallen branches that can be recovered and used as winter decorations once brushed down, dried and sprayed with silver or gold, then decorated. Try it, it's good fun!

Now is the time to tidy and prune, especially roses, making sure all leaves are collected and burned as blackspot has spoiled the appearance. Also spray with fungicide, based on Benomy-Buprimate / triforine, and then again in Spring.

There is still time to plant bulbs, preferably in pots, so go for a mixed selection and remember spring is the next one up.

Father Christmas knows well what to place within my stocking. I look forward each year to a fresh supply of exotic seeds and gardening books. These keep me busy in mid-winter with the colourful results to come.

So I would like to wish you all a happy nativitus. Keep blooming and smiling.

*Mr C Farron, Gardener*

*Honorary Member of the RHS*

*Winner of North West Britain in Bloom, South Ribble in Bloom and Penwortham in Bloom*

*Judge for South Ribble and Penwortham in Bloom competitions*

PS Oh, here's a tip for a delightful present, try a Christmas Cacti, also known as schlumbergera mix, they are truly wonderful in various colours and can be re-potted into a colourful pot - and they are perennials too.



# Eco Fashion Club To Continue After Christmas

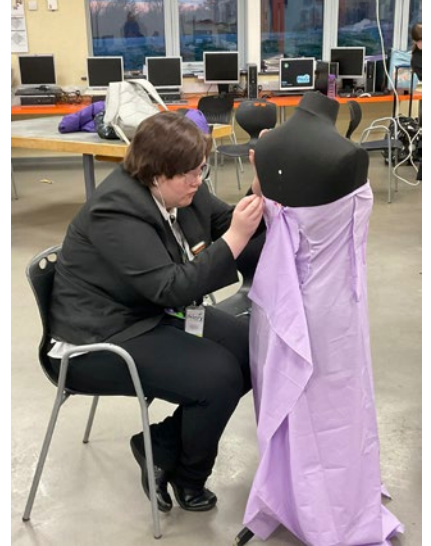


Monday after school was meant to be the last session of Eco Fashion Club as Technology teacher, Mrs Lockwood, now moves on to her next placement, however it's been such a success that it will continue in the new year!

Pupils have made scrunchies, bags, hats and more. Thank you to Trutex and parents who have donated fabric.

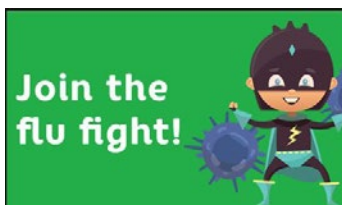
Thank you to an amazing grandparent, Mrs Lazonby, who has agreed to support the club after Christmas. Look out for details.

*Mrs Lockwood  
Technology Teacher*



## Nasal Flu Vaccinations (Year 7-9) Consent

The IntraHealth school immunisation team will be coming to Priory on Thurs, 19 January to administer the nasal flu vaccinations to pupils in Year 7, 8 & 9.



If you would like your child to receive the vaccine in school please click on the link below (or in the text message that has been sent to parents this week) to complete an online consent form. The link also contains additional information such as FAQs regarding the vaccine. The link will close on Tuesday, 10 January.

[www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?Id=138948&Type=FLU](http://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?Id=138948&Type=FLU)



If you do not wish your child to have the vaccine or they have had the vaccine elsewhere since September 2022 please still click on the link to indicate that you do not give consent. If you have any problems accessing the link please contact IntraHealth direct on 0333 358 3397, option 3, option 1.

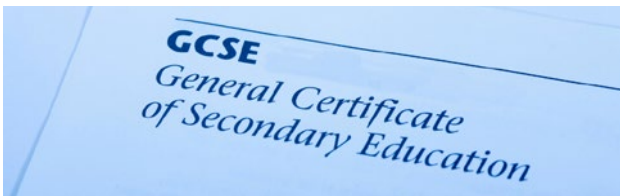
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# English Department

## This term's Bedrock winners are:



### Year 8 - Engagement

Ellis T  
Yaseen W  
Sehr A

### Year 8 - Time Spent

Dev G  
Ellis T  
Sehr A

### Year 8 - Points

Ellis T  
Yaseen W  
Sehr A

### Year 9 - Engagement

Daniel McC  
Emily P  
Alexander P

### Year 9 Time Spent

Emma H  
Daniel McC  
Anthony T

### Year 9 points

Daniel McC  
Alexander P  
Emily P

## The most engaged class in December was:

8E2 and 9E2

Miss Sneathurst  
English Teacher

## Year 11 GCSE Exams

This week, Year 11 pupils have been given bookmarks as a useful reminder detailing dates and content for all four of the English exams they will sit next summer.

Details are also below and have been emailed to parents for reference.

### Language Paper 1:

Reading and Writing and Responding to Fiction

**FINAL EXAM:**  
MONDAY 5TH JUNE

**What is 'Lang 1'?**  
**What should I revise?**

Reading one piece of fiction, answering questions about language and structure and evaluating the text.

Producing a piece of creative writing based on a stimulus.  
(80 marks) 16 for SPAG

### Language Paper 2:

Responding to writers' viewpoints in non fiction.

**FINAL EXAM**  
MONDAY 12TH JUNE

**What is 'Lang 2'?**  
**What should I revise?**

Four questions about two non fiction extracts from the 'real world' linked by theme.

One non fiction opinion writing piece.  
(80 marks)  
16 for SPAG



### Literature Paper 1:

Shakespeare and 19th Century Literature.

**FINAL EXAM:**  
WEDNESDAY 17TH MAY

**What is 'Lit 1'?**  
**What should I revise?**

An extract of Macbeth featuring wider plot discussion and analysis.

An extract of A Christmas Carol featuring wider plot discussion and analysis.  
(64 marks)

### Literature Paper 2:

Modern Texts and Poetry.

**FINAL EXAM**  
WEDNESDAY 24TH MAY

**What is 'Lit 2'?**  
**What should I revise?**

A choice of two whole text questions on Blood Brothers.

A poetry essay on two anthology poems linked by theme.

Two shorter 'unseen' poetry essays.  
(96 marks)



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## Year 7 Football

After school on Fri, 2 December our Year 7 footballers had another fantastic result as the team beat Leyland St Mary's 2-1.

After going a goal down in the first half, the team showed great resilience to keep playing positive football and were rewarded with two goals in the second half. Captain Josh M unselfishly squared a ball for Finn T to sweep in the equaliser, before an unstoppable strike after a mazy run through the middle of the pitch.

The lads were a credit to Priory with their style and manner of play. Well done!

Team: Adam B, Theo H, Ossian H, Alex H, Excellence I, Josh M, Daniel McC, Harry M, Isaac S, Connor S, Finn T, Will D

*Mr Bullock*  
Head of PE & Sport



## Year 7 & 8 Indoor Athletics Competition

Last Tues, 6 December our Year 7 and 8 indoor athletics teams travelled to All Hallows' to represent Priory in the annual South Ribble tournament.

Both year groups took part in the field events consisting of long, triple and vertical jumps, speed bounce and shot-put. This was followed by the running events with a mixture of long and short distance, finishing off with a team relay.

Both year groups demonstrated brilliant levels of effort and sportsmanship throughout the night, resulting in a respectable 6th place for both year groups.

Thank you for taking part girls - well done!

Year 7: Alexis G, Phoebe G, Wren T, Eliza G, Izzy T, Mille D

Year 8: Alexa G, Alexis C, Lexi S, Maisie C, Ella-Mae B, Emily A



It's been a busy half term for the ICT & Computer Science department with three exciting enrichment events for our pupils. From a **CyberFirst Empower** event promoting STEM Careers for Year 8 girls to **STEM career talks** for Year 9s. This week we highlight a **3D Design workshop** for our Year 10s at Runshaw College.



At the start of November, Head of Department Mrs Qadri, invited her Year 10 Computer Science pupils to attend a 3D Design: 'Design to Make' workshop at Runshaw College.

This event meant that pupils could put into practice the skills they have learnt in their GCSE Computer Science lessons and take them to a higher level.

Using creative inspirational concepts and source, pupils were guided through a mini design cycle, using drawing, analysis and material exploration to create their very own designs for what will end as a final finished outcome.



Mrs Qadri added, *"The pupils had a great time at Runshaw College and the event helped them to think about the different courses that they could pick when applying for college. They had a chance to look around the workshops and see examples of work students at the college had created. We even met a few of our ex-pupils whist we were there!"*



Learn to succeed



**School is now closed for the Christmas break.**

*Wishing you a season of delight,  
a season of cheer, and to top  
it all off - a wonderful year!*

**Spring term begins on  
Tues, 3 January 2023.**

