

5 September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

Astronomy Club

Your child has expressed an interest in joining the Astronomy Club, with a view to taking a GCSE in the subject. The club runs after school every Thursday during term time until 4.10pm. There may also be one or two occasions in winter when your child will have the option to stay a bit longer to carry out observations. For the GCSE they will also have to complete two pieces of coursework which they will complete at home.

Pupils will study a range of topics including:

Cosmology	Stellar evolution
Exploring starlight	Planetary motion and gravity

For those who wish to study for the GCSE, the exams are 2 x 1 hour 45 minute papers, which will be taken at the end of Year 10. The examinations contain a variety of different question types, covering 16 different topics.

There is only a limited number of places so if you would like your child to take part please email me at j.evans@priory.lancs.sch.uk to express interest, and to indicate that you would be happy for your child to stay after school on Thursdays, and that they would have safe passage home after each session.

I will confirm via email if your child has been successful in securing a place in either case. I intend on starting the club on Thursday, 14 September and it will run every week during school time up until the end of Year 10.

Yours faithfully

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