



Programme

Our commitment to you and
our young people



creating the right culture to learn to succeed



What is The Priory Pledge?

The Priory Pledge is our commitment to you and our young people. Our pledges promise an entitlement to all of our pupils across their five year journey with us.

What is the main aim of The Priory Pledge?

The initiative aims to encourage our pupils to value extra-curricular involvement within and outside of school.

Through inclusion and participation in the five pledged entitlements, pupils will experience both academic and personal development opportunities to build valuable life experiences that will help support their Personal Development and prepare them for life beyond Priory.

How are the Pledges recognised at the end of the five year journey?

On leaving Priory, all pupils will receive a Pledge award to recognise their participation in all of the experiences. This will complement their Personal Development Award and can be kept with their Record of Achievement as they move onto their next step.



What are the 5 Priory Pledges?

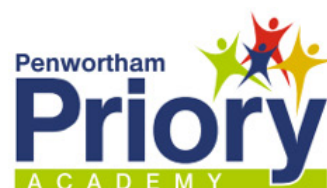
- Pledge 1** All pupils will take part in educational and cultural visits
- Pledge 2** All pupils will take part in a fundraising event to support the school legacy
- Pledge 3** All pupils will visit a national park
- Pledge 4** All pupils will have access to a solid reading initiative programme
- Pledge 5** All pupils will engage in a robust careers and further education programme

The Priory Pledge gives pupils a head start in being successful in the school's Personal Development Award Programme.

In their entitlement of our five pledges, students will be guaranteed to secure at least one activity from each of the five Priory+ strands. This ensures that all students have access to the Priory+ award programme.

Priory+ Award Activities

Awarded for achievements in Personal Development



Culture and Heritage	Future Citizen	Health and Wellbeing	Skills Builder	Bright Futures
<p>Visit to a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Castle ➢ Religious building ➢ Museum ➢ Art gallery ➢ Theatre ➢ Musical event ➢ Dance event ➢ Sporting event ➢ Heritage site or building <p>Participate in or watch:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Competition ➢ Religious event ➢ Cultural event ➢ Creative art event ➢ Join Culture Club ➢ Learn about an aspect of another culture 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Give money to charity ➢ Put items in a charity bag ➢ Donate to a food bank ➢ Donate to the homeless ➢ Help organise a community or school event ➢ Volunteer to help someone ➢ Speak in public about an issue – Inc. assembly <p>Participate in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ an election or vote ➢ a community event or festival 	<p>Participate in an activity that keeps you physically fit and well:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Participate in a sport ➢ Ride your bike ➢ Go for a walk or jog ➢ Create an eating and drinking plan ➢ Sleep the recommended time <p>Participate in an activity that keeps you mentally and emotionally well:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Meditate ➢ Mindful activities ➢ Get organised ➢ Create a positivity book ➢ Plan your future ➢ Manage your money ➢ Pray 	<p>Continue or learn a new:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Skill ➢ Craft ➢ Language <p>Develop employment skills such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Leadership ➢ Organisation ➢ Resilience ➢ Initiative ➢ Communication ➢ Presentation ➢ Teamwork ➢ Problem solving <p>Join a club or an activity in school which develops a skill.</p>	<p>Research:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ KS4 options, further or higher education ➢ Apprenticeships ➢ T Levels ➢ Colleges and universities ➢ Careers and jobs ➢ Visit a careers fair or expo ➢ Practice writing CVs and application forms ➢ Regularly volunteer in and out of school as work experience ➢ Careers interview ➢ Year 10 work experience ➢ Part time job ➢ Working with an adult

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All students will take part in educational and cultural visits

We offer many opportunities each year for students to visit a wide range of places outside the Academy to enhance their learning. These include watching world class sportsmen and women at top venues, attending performances at theatres, trips to national and international cities as well as local castles and museums. These experiences broaden a pupil's horizons and interests.

Pupils who go on to choose a course to study at college and university must show that they have researched and selected the right course for them. Taking part in such visits can help to demonstrate understanding and passion for a particular subject.

What will you be entitled to?

- A visit to a castle
- A visit to a museum
- A visit to a religious building
- A visit to a theatre or production
- A visit to a heritage site





All students will take part in a fundraising activity to help leave a legacy for the school

There are a variety of fundraising events which take place throughout the academic year and pupils who are passionate about a particular charity can apply for permission to run their own fundraising event.

In terms of UCAS, apprenticeships, college and job applications the organisation of a fundraising event has many transferable skills such as organisation, communication, co-operation, creativity and resilience.

Pupils can take part in many fundraising opportunities over the course of their five year journey with us, and tied into the House system, they will take part in a sponsored walk that will ultimately support the school in improving the learning environment for themselves and as a legacy for future generations.

What will you be entitled to?

- The opportunity to help organise a fundraising event in school
- The opportunity to donate to a charity of your choice
- Participation in a sponsored walk to promote health and wellbeing
- The development of your LORIC* skills in being part of the organisation and planning of such events

*LORIC - Leadership, Organisation, Resilience, Initiative and Communication





All pupils will visit a national park

National parks serve a vital role in maintaining ecological biodiversity, supporting our economy and providing cultural preservation and education. In a world where population and financial pressures will directly impact the lives of our young people, learning about the value of national parks helps to support a wider understanding of the world that they live in.

We are lucky to live within an hour's drive of The Lake District National Park which offers recreation, education and the chance to understand the vital role of such parks in the preservation of our physical and cultural heritage.

What will you be entitled to?

- An opportunity to design your own investigation in a national park
- An opportunity to take a boat ride with a commentary on the history of the local area
- The chance to learn about the vital role that national parks play in cultural and economic preservation
- The chance to experience the beauty and awe of a national park landscape





All pupils will have access to a solid Reading Initiative Programme

We believe reading unlocks our curriculum, opens a treasure trove of adventures and information and provides an invaluable life skill. Our Academy library is viewed as a learning resource centre where pupils have access to a wide range of books, both for academic and enjoyment purposes. To supplement this, we offer numerous reading initiatives across the school that all pupils have access to.

What will you be entitled to?

- Subject specific reading lists to support and promote wider reading around all subject areas
- Designated reading libraries around the school, offering a range of literature including fiction and non-fiction themed against the subject area
- Access to a range of learning platforms that are designed to support pupils in developing their reading fluency
- Well-planned reading resources and events integrated into subject discipline curriculums that help to broaden and strengthen pupil understanding
- Events and workshops to encourages pupils to engage in reading for pleasure





All pupils will engage in a robust careers and further education programme

Career learning and advice is increasingly embedded into the taught curriculum here at Priory. Our Academy has strong links with local businesses and colleges and provides personal independent age-appropriate guidance and support for pupils. The careers education and guidance programme at our Academy seeks to positively support our pupils to acquire the educational, social and employability skills necessary for lifelong success in a diverse and changing world of work.

Many of our Bright Futures activities form an integral part of the Personal Development Award Programme and have a specific focus on careers and further education.

What will you be entitled to?

- A work experience placement
- A visit to a careers fair on more than one occasion
- A careers interview
- The opportunity to practice writing CVs and job application forms
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths) events that aim to inspire pupils about the world of work in these sectors

