

# Aim & Ambition Evening

**An Event For Year 11 Pupils And Their Parents  
Weds, 18 September 2019**



*“Ambition is the path to success.  
Persistence is the vehicle you arrive in.”*

Bill Bradley, professional basketball player, US senator, author,  
corporate director of Starbucks.

# Welcome!

Thank you for attending in support of your child's final leg of their learning journey through Penwortham Priory Academy. This booklet accompanies tonight's presentations and contains all the information needed to access the academic support we'll mention.

Here are some key dates for your diary:

<b>Event / Report</b>	<b>Date</b>
Progress report	Weds, 16 October 2019
Pre-public exams	w/c 18 & 25 November 2019
Year 11 Parent's Evening (4-7pm)	Thurs, 12 December 2019
Year 11 Parent's Evening (4-7pm)	Tues, 31 March 2020
Pre-public exams	w/c 2 & 9 March 2020
Main body of public exams	Throughout May-June 2020
GCSE results day	Thurs, 20 August 2020

# Online support

## Pixl Independence



PiXL (Partners in Excellence) is a not-for-profit partnership of thousands of schools. Together we share best practice to raise standards. PiXL Independence is one of their products, a website that holds lots of 'test yourself' revision materials.

Print outs available from the Science department.

<https://students.pixl.org.uk/#/>

School number: 205354

Password: Indep28

## GCSE Pod

Videos and related tests for every exam board and 25 subjects written by professionals. See the accompanying letter for login and password.

<https://members.gcsepod.com/login?redirect-to=https%3A%2F%2Fmembers.gcsepod.com>



## Doddle



Doddle is the online platform through which homework is set. It also contains videos and quizzes that staff can set for pupils to watch and complete. Parents have a personalised

login key. Visit: <https://www.doddlelearn.co.uk/app/parent/login>

Contact [j.yates@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:j.yates@priory.lancs.sch.uk) to be reminded of your parent login details.

# Online support

## Tassomai



Tassomai is an intelligent learning program that helps students achieve outstanding results in Science.

Visit and log in – Science staff will issue pupil passwords

<https://www.tassomai.com/login>

## Maths Watch

A set of mathematics resources (videos and worksheets) that can be viewed on PC or tablet. See the accompanying letter for login and password.

<https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/>



## Pixl Apps

PiXL Apps are being trialled by staff. As they become au fait with them, they will introduce them to pupils and communicate further with you about this.

# Revision and intervention

We'll support revision through targeted intervention nights (see over). Your child may expect to attend a 'lesson 7' in any subject from 3.20pm – 4.20pm to work on subjects they need support in.

Pupils can be withdrawn from specific classes and supported in LEAP if we deem it necessary.

Revision guides will be on sale in all subjects where this is supported by the exam board.

There are trips and visits that support learning. Staff will communicate with you as these arise.

Revision timetables for the public exams will be provided to pupils alongside a final countdown booklet guiding pupils on what to revise and when.

Visit this link in the school website to see information about the summer exam timetables for 2020, revision guidance/strategies and techniques and a host of Maths past papers for pupils to attempt.

<https://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/revision>

# Intervention slots by subject

<b>Monday</b>	<p>iMedia – lunchtime in HX1 &amp; HX2            French – lunchtime and after school in MFL1            Maths clinic – lunchtime in MA2            PE – after school in Learning Centre            Art - after school in Tech 6            Drama – after school in Auditorio</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p>iMedia – lunchtime in HX1 &amp; HX2            Maths clinic – lunchtime in MA2            Maths – after school in MA1-MA6            Technology – after school Tech building            Science - after school Nucleus and labs</p>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p>Maths clinic – lunchtime in MA2            iMedia – lunchtime in HX2</p>
<b>Thursday</b>	<p>iMedia – lunchtime in HX1 &amp; HX2            Maths clinic – lunchtime in MA2            English – after school (rooms advertised weekly)            Computer Science – after school in HX1</p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p>iMedia – lunchtime in HX1 &amp; HX2            Maths clinic – lunchtime in MA2            Drama – lunchtime in Auditorio            Geography – after school in HU2 &amp; HU4            History – after school in HU1</p>
<b>Other</b>	<p>Food Preparation &amp; Nutrition - on a 1:1 basis as required, including after school</p>

**NB** Intervention Lesson 7 will begin Mon, 30 September onwards.

Some subjects will make arrangements for pupils to attend at lunchtimes or on a weekend daytime and at times during half term holidays and the Easter break in particular. Please speak to heads of department.

# Pastoral support

Inevitably, the run up to exams can cause some pupils stress and anxiety and to a degree, this is normal. We will help pupils deal with this through our everyday channels of support such as form tutors, house progress leaders and our pastoral managers.

We provide lots of academic support as you can see from this pamphlet, and endeavour to make logistics of exam preparation as organised and straightforward for pupils as possible. We provide water before each public exam and cereal bars if that exam starts early in the morning.

There is always someone to talk to about the stresses and strains of the exams season so if you are worried about your son or daughter, do get in touch.

# Nutrition, exercise and study

When studying for exams, good nutrition often slides down the priority list.

Here are some tips to staying on top form:

- Don't skip meals, particularly breakfast
- Prepare, prepare, prepare – quick healthy meals and snacks for on the go studying
- Keep hydrated
- Work, rest and play
- Social media OFF when studying
- Sleep

# College open days

## Runshaw College

11am - 3pm  
Sat, 21 September

**RUNSHAW**  
COLLEGE

The logo for Runshaw College features the name in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word 'RUNSHAW' is on the top line and 'COLLEGE' is on the bottom line. A thick red horizontal bar is positioned below the text.

## Cardinal Newman College

10am - 1pm  
Sat, 12 October 2019  
Sat, 16 November 2019  
Sat, 1 February 2020

**CARDINAL**  
**NEWMAN**  
**COLLEGE**

The logo for Cardinal Newman College consists of the name in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. The words are stacked vertically: 'CARDINAL' on top, 'NEWMAN' in the middle, and 'COLLEGE' at the bottom. The background is a solid dark blue square.

## Preston's College

Tues, 1 October - 4pm-7.30pm  
Sat, 2 November - 10am-2pm  
Weds, 11 March - 4pm-7.30pm

**PRESTON'S**  
COLLEGE

The logo for Preston's College features the name in a blue, sans-serif font. 'PRESTON'S' is on the top line and 'COLLEGE' is on the bottom line. To the right of the text is a stylized orange graphic that resembles a lowercase 'c' or a speech bubble.

## Myerscough College

10am - 12.30pm  
Sat, 5 October 2019  
Sat, 9 November 2019  
Sat, 7 December 2019

The crest of Myerscough College is a circular emblem with a green background and a yellow border. It depicts a stylized red rose with a green stem and leaves.  
**Myerscough**  
College

Penwortham  
**Priory**  
ACADEMY

The logo for Penwortham Priory Academy features the name in a blue, sans-serif font. 'Penwortham' is on the top line, 'Priory' is in the middle, and 'ACADEMY' is on the bottom line. To the right of the text is a colorful graphic of three stylized human figures in green, red, and yellow, with their arms raised.