

2 March 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian/Pupil

Welcome to Penwortham Priory Academy!

I am delighted to confirm that you have secured a place with us here at Penwortham Priory Academy from September 2024. Congratulations. We are very much looking forward to working closely with all our new pupils and their families to ensure that the move from primary to secondary education is as smooth as possible, and I therefore take this opportunity to officially welcome you to Priory.

As we continue to be an over-subscribed school, with the upcoming academic year being no exception, you will need to confirm acceptance of your place. You can do this by completing the enclosed data collection booklet, and returning it to school as soon as possible, but certainly before Friday, 22 March 2024.

If you have accepted a place elsewhere or no longer require your place for any reason, please let us know by emailing Mrs L Farley l.farley@priory.lancs.sch.uk so that we can update our records accordingly and make an offer to those on our waiting list. **You will also need to advise Pupil Access at Lancashire County Council.**

From this point forward, we will continue to update you on the transition process by post, but may also send you information via email. We ask that you regularly check the email address you used when applying for your school place, as this is the contact information sent to us from Lancashire County Council. Please also check your junk/clutter folders. Copies of all correspondence and important transition information will be available on our website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/about-priory/transition and we also recommend you follow our school Facebook or Twitter accounts for regular updates.

Key Dates

The transition to secondary school will begin when our Transition Manager, Mrs Farley, visits your primary school to meet each pupil and their class teacher. We may also ask for a sample of work so that it can be given to the teachers here at Priory. It is important to us that we get to know each pupil individually rather than solely rely on the feedback we receive in the summer term from schools.

Following this, there will be a **New Parents and Pupil Evening on Tuesday, 2 July** from 5.50pm-7pm, with registration and refreshments from 5.30pm. This will be an opportunity for us to welcome you to the school, give you information about uniform, buses, lunches etc and for you to ask any questions you may have about the move to Priory. Although this is an evening primarily for the benefit of new pupils and their parents, all family members are welcome to attend. More information will be sent out in due course.

This will then be followed by our **Induction Day on Wednesday, 3 July**. The induction day will be an opportunity for pupils to meet their form, get to know everyone else in their year group and get their bearings around school before starting with us in September.



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We will be running our increasingly popular Summer School again this year, which runs for 3 days over the summer holidays – **Monday, 19 August to Wednesday, 21 August**. This is another brilliant chance for the pupils to get to know their teachers, peers and their surroundings, all whilst undertaking some fun activities. More information about this to follow.

Your first official day with us in school will be **Tuesday, 3 September**. Again, further details will be communicated to you closer to the time.

Additional details about these exciting dates and other important information will follow, so if you change your postal address please advise Mrs Farley at the email address as stated, to ensure we are able to get this to you. You can expect to hear from us with regards to transport, uniform, buying ties etc in the next letter, which will be sent to you around Easter time. If you have any queries in the meantime, please check the website as previously mentioned. For anything further, please contact Mrs Farley via email.

Once again, we very much look forward to welcoming you to Priory; a school that has the highest expectations of everyone from the outset, is caring, progressive with high academic standards, and where individual pupils learn to succeed.

Yours faithfully



Mr M Eastham
Principal

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