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Attendance Winning Forms

Each week the attendance officer calculates the winning form for 'Year 11s' and 'The 'Rest' of the school. As the Year 11 form groups are smaller than the others, they are more likely to achieve full attendance. Therefore to ensure fairness, results have been separated out.

This week's winners are:

Year 11 - D3, D8, R1, R3 (100%) Rest - C3 (99.13%)

Pupils in these forms will receive passport reward points.

Priory's Maths department has certainly got its sums right after adding two members of staff to its team.

Mr Henshaw is a former Priory pupil and has gone full circle to return to the school he left in 2009. "I was always good at Maths," said Mr Henshaw. "In Year 10 I went to St Stephens, my former primary school, on work experience and I have always wanted to be a teacher since then.

"I went to Cardinal Newman and studied Maths when I left Priory. "I then went to the University of Northumbria and did my PGCE at Newcastle University. "I got a job at St Thomas More in Newcastle but decided to return to Preston.

"I wasn't sure about returning to Priory at first as I wasn't the best behaved at school! "But when I went for my interview, I immediately wanted the job, with a young and vibrant Maths department who are passionate about their work. There were a few familiar faces in the staff room who couldn't believe I had become a teacher, as many remembered me but I love it here."

Mr Henshaw admitted it is a bit deep but said: "Maths is the language of the universe. The more you learn, the better you understand things that you thought you already knew!"

Mr Baker also joined in September after completing his PGCE at Edge Hill University. "My favourite subject at school was Maths and I studied Maths, Further Maths, Physics and PE A-Levels in Southport. I then went to Durham University where my degree was in Natural Science, Maths and Physics.

"My love of teaching came from attending a summer camp in America where I found I loved working with children. I completed my PGCE and this is my first job. It's obviously a different challenge but it's enjoyable.

"Priory has a strong Maths department and there are a few Year 10s who are really bright. Some ask me questions that are for degree level not GCSE!"

Head of Maths Mr Kenrick said: "We have been pro-active in recruiting the best staff we can. We have been giving presentations at Edge Hill about Priory and our ethos. We have built a strong team which is passionate and committed to move the department forward and keen for every child to fulfil their potential in Maths."

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KEY DATES

Getting Into top

Universities Conference

(by invitation)

19 November (Leeds)

PSHEE Day

Mon, 12 November 2018 (Early lunch followed by early closure at 1:30pm)

Year 11 Parents Evening Weds, 28 November 2018 4pm-7pm

Longton Residential Accommodation Christmas Concert (during school time / by invitation) Weds, 12 December

Christmas Lunch

Weds, 19 December 2018 (Please order before 30 November)

End of Term Closure

Fri, 21 December 2018 (Early lunch followed by early closure at 1:30pm)

Year 11 Parents Evening

Weds, 28 November 2018

We encourage parents of Year 11 pupils to attend this event to discuss your child's progress.

Please return all acknowledgement slips sent with the letter of invitation to your child's progress teacher as soon as possible.

It is very important that parents attend this evening to discuss your child's recent pre-public examinations (mocks), attitude and behaviour for learning. Subject teachers will be in attendance to provide advice regarding how best to support your child as they enter their final months with us and as they approach their final exams. It is imperative that your Year 11 child attends with you, in full school uniform.

Pupils have been given an appointment sheet to book discussion time with all of their teachers.

We look forward to seeing you and appreciate your continued support in ensuring your child maximises their potential.

A copy of the letter can also be downloaded from the school's website at: www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters

English Literature and

Language Revision Guides

A reminder to all Year 11 and Year 10 parents and pupils that we still have a number of Literature revision guides for sale at discounted rates. We now also have replenished stock of the Poetry and Blood Brothers booklets which had run out.

Please note: Macbeth and Lord of the Flies are almost sold out so students studying these texts must act fast.

For the first time we now have Language revision guides, the 'purple one', available although stock for these is limited at the moment. These are £4.50 each.

Letters/order forms can be collected from Mrs Gidden or can be downloaded from the school's website at: www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters

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community and Voluntary PLEdge **Hurst Grange Park**

Following a plea by the 'Friends' of Hurst Grange Park to help plant bulbs given to them by Penwortham Town Council, two green-fingered Priory pupils stepped in to help.

Last Saturday morning Year 7 pupils Leo S and Alfie B, accompanied by their mums, joined the working party and together planted over 120 bulbs.

Mrs Toft from The Hurst Grange community group said: "The boys got really stuck into the task and were a great help. We are really grateful to Leo and Alfie and we hope to see them again. In the spring these bulbs will brighten up this area of the park near the play area."

Priory's Head of Character & Culture, Mrs Hopes, continued: "We are so pleased to hear that the boys gave up their time to assist the team. The boys were thanked on Monday in school and will receive a PiXL Edge Award certificate for completing an activity that demonstrates initiative. The boys have contributed to Priory's culture theme for the term: Kindness, which was also acknowledge."









Culture of

Cleaners Wanted

Our cleaning contractors, Bulloughs Cleaning Services, are seeking reliable cleaners for duties at Penwortham Priory Academy.

For further information or to apply, please contact Jason Waddington, Bulloughs' Cleaning Manager on 07960 407961.

Application will involve an informal chat prior to arranging an on site meeting.

For more information please visit their website at:

www.bullough.co.uk/why-work-for-us/

Please note that Penwortham Priory Academy is not able to respond to any enquiries directly.



Remembrance at Priory Sunday, 11 November 2018



Every Friday, the Head of English, Mrs Gidden, circulates a personally chosen poem for staff to enjoy. This one we thought should be shared with everyone:

The Soldier By Rupert Brooke

If I should die, think only this of me: That there's some corner of a foreign field That is for ever England. There shall be In that rich earth a richer dust concealed; A dust whom England bore, shaped, made aware Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam, A body of England's, breathing English air, Washed by the rivers, blest by suns of home. And think, this heart, all evil shed away, A pulse in the eternal mind, no less Gives somewhere back the thoughts by England given; Her sights and sounds; dreams happy as her day; And laughter, learnt of friends; and gentleness, In hearts at peace, under an English heaven.

Last Sunday pupils and staff laid wreaths and paid their respects at both Penwortham and Preston remembrance services.



Deputy Head, Mrs Cowell, attended St Leonard's Church and then took a short walk to Penwortham War Memorial with Head Boy, Danyal, and Head Girl, Georgia, to take part in their two minutes silence. (pictured left)

Mr Eccles, Mr Watters and Mr Caddle attended Preston's cenotaph accompanied by Sasha, Aimee, Evie, Byron, Cerys, Aarti and Chloe. Mr Watters and Byron had the honour of laying a wreath and were also featured in Blog Preston's image gallery from the day. (pictured below)

Priory was the only school represented at the Preston cenotaph.

What a credit to the school and community they were!



Lest we forget.



Year 7 Football

On Wednesday evening, the Year 7 football team held victory in the South Ribble Schools League.

The team continued their impressive start to the season with their fourth consecutive victory, beating Balshaw's High School 3-2. Goals from Alex E, Tavien R, Lewis C

A delighted team coach, Mr Gee said "It's been an excellent start to the season and the boys have shown superb team ethic."

Well done: Alex E, Charlie C, Matthew S, King F, Ally R, Lewis C, Jimmy S, Jack T, Tavien R, Josh E, Oliver S, Connor.



The Year 9 football team also won their match on Tuesday evening beating Leyland St Mary's 13-1 in the South Ribble league.



THE PE DEPARTMENT IS NOW ON INSTAGRAM

This is a private account so parents and pupils will need to request to join.

Team photos and match reports will be posted amongst other updates.

Follow them on:

PrioryPEDepartment

Priory pupils will be helping primary school pupils become shooting star netball players.

Priory has taken over the netball for the Penwortham area in conjunction with South Ribble Sports Development.

A select group of Year 8 and 10 girls have had three sessions of training with primary school pupils before they qualify as netball leaders. The girls will next take charge of umpiring sessions for the 12 primary schools in the

area ahead of the Hi 5 Netball Leagues, which start in the new year.

"It's a great chance for our students to learn new skills," said PE teacher, Mrs Gutteridge.

"The girls will learn drills that they will actively participate in and then lead and umpire primary pupils.

"It will build their own confidence while also helping others."

Pictured: Zaynah A, Kayci-Lee T, Antonia L, Scarlett S, Ellena B, May C.







Girls Football



On Thursday, the Year 7 & 8 girls football team took part in the U13s Girls 6-A-Side Football Cup at Play Football in Tulketh organised by Preston North End. The girls played against teams from Southlands, Corpus Christi, Ashton and St Cecilia's.

After playing the league stages they found themselves in the

play-offs, however with a strong midfield play from Jazmin A and goals from Shanae H and Paige H the girls sailed through the rounds with successive wins to make it to the final, but were unfortunately beat by Ashton in a 3-1 to become runners up.

Well done girls: Jazmin A, Libby W, Sydney J, Paige H, Shanae H, Bryony A-W, Amelia S, Scarlett S.



Newman College Dance Workshop

Dance coaches from Newman College led a dance workshop after school on Tuesday. Boys and girls from all year groups attended.

Isabel Elder teaches both Btec and A Level dance and came in to Priory to teach 'The Greatest Showman' as the theme,

with the song 'This is me'.

PE teacher, Miss Beesley, said, "All pupils who attended really enjoyed the session and relished the opportunity to showcase their talents".

All Priory pupils have been invited to attend Newman's 'Dance Elements' showcase on the 6th December which includes a free pre-show dance workshop followed by a performance by academy. (see poster opposite)

Pupils should see Miss Beesley if they have further questions.





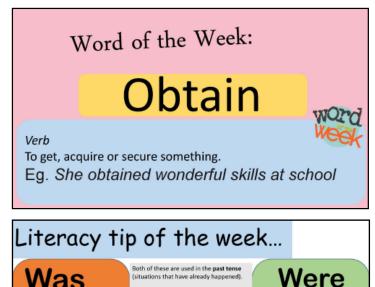
DANCE ELEMENTS A Level, BTEC and Dance Academy Showcase Thursday 6th December 2018 7pm Tickets £3 Newman Theatre, Cardinal Newman College, Preston, PR1 4HD.

FREE Pre-Show Dance Workshop 5.30pm—6.30pm for Year 9+ Contact Isabel Elder to reserve your place, tickets included



Contact us on 01772 460181 Ext. 2018 or email ielder@cardinalnewman.ac.uk Find us on Facebook: Performing Arts, Dance & Musical Theatre at Cardinal Newman College





I see lots of pupils us

shop

Try these: 1. I/They was going to the cinem

2. We/I were going swimming

3. She/you were going to the p

5. They/I were hoping for the

He/ you was going to the swee

Word Re Week

Each week Progress Leaders will be introducing a new word to pupils in their AM or PM Prep time. You will notice that the literacy tip is repeated from last half term; this will be the case every week in order to embed these skills and encourage pupils to use them in lessons.

We see many pupils muddle up 'was' and 'were'. Pupils must remember to check through their work to ensure they use them correctly.

'Obtain' is taken from the Academic Word List and is an example of the level of vocabulary embedded into lessons.

If pupils fancy a challenge and the chance to win a treat, they should write a sentence which includes the Word of the Week on a slip of paper and hand it to Mrs Robinson-Ali in Room En2.



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as going to the shop e was at the park was walking the dog

> st tense gular (about one perso -third/ first person

Summer Reading Challenge The Final Challenge

r/ plural

Last week a team of Year 8 and 9 pupils were invited to take part in the Summer Reading Quiz Final. The competition was the culmination of the reading challenge that pupils were encouraged to take up through the summer break

alongside other South Ribble high schools.

Back in July pupils were given a list of books on which the questions would be based and they could get ahead of the game by reading as many as they could to give them a good chance of knowing the answers.

Mrs Robinson, who led the school through the initiative, commented that "It was very tough but there were only a few points between us, Brownedge St Mary's and Hutton Grammar.

"The pupils studied hard and tried their best and, whilst we didn't win, they conducted themselves beautifully and did Priory proud."

Pupils were quizzed on seven books including Wonder by P J Palacio, War Horse by Michael Murpurgo, Stormbreaker by Alex Ryder and A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness.

Priory came third in the competition overall, behind winners, Hutton Grammar and Brownedge St Mary's in second place.

Well done to pupils: E Bonney, Lottie Mc, Liam F, Cerys S, Rhianne L, Erin M.







EVENT:

NEXT STEPS CAREERS

Thurs, 13 December, 9:30am - 2pm

Held in school for all pupils from Years 7-11

Pupils will have the opportunity to meet employers, professionals, colleges, training organisations, third sector voluntary groups and local universities.

The aim of the event is to raise awareness of the post-16 options and the different jobs and careers available. It is for the whole school and a programme of the day will be sent out.

The event's format is on a carousel basis and at certain times throughout the session, pupils will be escorted to the main hall. Careers Adviser, Mr Ficorilli, will be issuing timetables and will provide all pupils with a list of age-appropriate questions that they can use to ask about life at college or working with an employer of the future.



If Priory pupils can't wait until the Next Steps careers event which will be held in school on Thurs, 13 December, then they are welcome to visit this one at Penwortham Girls High School next Mon, 19 November. It would be a good opportunity for some of our Priory pupils to attend and experience this.



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The Head of Character & Culture, Mrs Hopes, is available to support any pupil with their Pixl Edge awards.

Mrs Hopes is based in the Learning Centre (IELC) during PM Preps.

This is the rota for next week:

Douglas
Ribble
Hodder
Calder
General drop-in

Pupils can now start any activities they have chosen. If they are doing an activity every week they need an evidence sheet for sign-off.

Certificates will be on their way to those pupils who have contributed to acts of kindness both in and out of school.

The next term's Culture focus is 'Respect'. If you are interested in becoming a Respect ambassador, please see Mrs Hopes. This is a great role for aspiring head prefects.

Feeling creative?

The Harris Open (see poster opposite) is one of their most popular art exhibitions for Preston artists of all ages, backgrounds and levels of experience to show their work.

Hand in dates:

Wednesday 28th November 5pm-7.30pm Friday 30th November 12noon–4pm Saturday 1st December 10am-4pm.

Under 18s free.

Find out more here: https://buff.ly/2TgIARR

The Harris Museum and Art Gallery Market Square, Preston, PR1 2PP www.harrismuseum.org.uk



In The Spotlight

Would you like to tell us about your child's achievements whether it's in sport, charity events, public speaking, drama, environmental issues, maths challenges or more? Maybe even someone who has overcome adversity and doesn't mind talking about it? (we like those stories!)

If this is your child please get in touch with Mrs Yates, Communications Supervisor via email at:

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