

# Penwortham Priory Post



## Priory Pupils Take Second Place at Runshaw College Science Competition

Thursday saw four Priory pupils venture off to Runshaw College for an afternoon of activities in Science subjects and to compete to win the Runshaw Science Cup.

The Krypton Factor competition, aimed at gifted and talented Science students, is designed to enable pupils to participate in activities from Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Geology. The event encouraged students to use their own scientific knowledge to solve problems such as 'The Hunt' and 'CSI Cretaceous'. Students also took part in a forensics investigation using entomology to determine time of death!

Well done to Johnny J, Ben W, Kate H and Olivia T who put in a fabulous effort to take second place on the day. Science teacher, Miss Conyngham, who accompanied the pupils said, "The day consisted of three activities; finding chemistry and physics clues, measuring live maggots to be able to work out how long a body had been dead for, and using geology to find out which dinosaur had killed another. Our team came second and really enjoyed their day."

The day before saw another group of pupils - Colin C, May R, Ryan S and Imogen K - attend the college's Forensic Psychology: Offender Profiling Workshop. This hands-on event demonstrated how psychology is used to help identify the likely perpetrator of a crime. It also gave pupils the opportunity to develop their research skills and powers of analysis and evaluation. A very interesting trip!

## Attendance Winning Forms

Each week the attendance officer calculates the form with the best attendance 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 -  
R1 (99%)**

**Rest - H6 (98.13%)**

Well done to Mr Henshaw's and Mr Eccles' forms.

## Netball World Cup Trip - 15 July

The Netball World Cup will be staged in Liverpool this year and we have been lucky enough to secure a small number of tickets.

The trip is on Mon, 15 July and places are offered on a first-come, first-served basis although discretion will also be given to those pupils who have shown commitment to attending netball practice in school this term.

The cost of the trip is £22 inc ticket and return transport.

Pupils should see Mrs Gutteridge for a letter with full details.

## KEY DATES

### Half Term Closure

18-22 February 2019

### Year 11 Mock Exams

W/c 25 Feb & 5 Mar

### PSHEE Day

1 March 2019

Early lunch followed  
by school closure at  
1:30pm

### Primaries Reading

**Collaborative** (Period 5)

(by invitation / in school)

7 March 2019

### Year 9 Immunisations

(Girls & Boys)

14 March 2019

### Runshaw College

**STEM Day** (by invitation)

15 March

### End of Term Closure

Fri, 5 April - Early lunch  
followed by school  
closure at 1:30pm

### Start of Summer Term

Tuesday 23 April 2019

### Paris Trip

23 -26 April

## A Message From The Head



Thank you to all those parents who have attended the parent's evenings over the last few weeks. We know the most powerful form of parental engagement takes place between you and your children entirely away from school (Sylva, Melhuish, Sammons et al., 2008) but research also indicates that your interest and engagement in their schoolwork raises their achievement.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be 'M. Eastham'.

Mr M Eastham, Headteacher

## English Literature and Language Revision Guides

A reminder to all Year 11 and Year 10 parents and pupils that we have English Language and Literature revision guides for sale at discounted prices.

The 'purple one', as the English Language guide is also known, is a comprehensive guide to BOTH new specification English Language papers and features marked extracts from past papers, step by step 'how to' guides for all five questions on BOTH papers and even has a terminology glossary. All students are studying the same papers and there are no tiers in this subject so one guide covers all.

To support learning in English Literature, which involves the close study of several texts, the guides explain the whole text in a clear and easy to understand way, as well as offering close analysis of certain sections of the text.

Each pupil is studying Macbeth, Poetry and two from the other four choices which will mean that each child will need a maximum of four guides.

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](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters)

Please note there are no cut off dates for orders as we now have these in stock. Orders and remittance can be given direct to Mrs Gidden or the school office.



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# The Duke of Edinburgh Award



**Year 9 Pupils** - Application deadline Thurs, 14 February.

**Year 10 Pupils** - The successful applicants for the Award have now been decided (see below). Mr Watters was very impressed by the high standard of applications. An introductory meeting will be held on Tues, 26 February after school from 3.30pm - 4.20pm in Hu4 for all pupils that have a confirmed place.

**Year 11 Pupils** - Please attend a meeting at 1.15pm on Weds, 27 February in Hu4.

Enquiries about the DofE scheme at Priory should be directed to Mr Watters, Lead Teacher for Geography, via email at [a.watters@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:a.watters@priory.lancs.sch.uk).



## Year 10 Pupils -

**Mr Watters is pleased to announce the successful applicants are:**

C Bevan, R Bouilila, A Pilambato, T Jones, P Mault\*, S Truckle, J Aubrey-Williams\*, J Attwood, M Parry, I Hussain, I Marshall, C Seed, K Hindley, F Tuasikal, C Chan\*, E J Banks\*, A Leaver\*, J Myerscough, B K Reilly, K L Thomson\*, A Herd, R Walmsley\*, H Coyne, R Muir, R Shanks, O Tomlinson\*, R Nayee\*, S Wynter, L Southgate, J Ind, M Davies, I Kendrick, A Howarth, B H-Flynn\*, D Snape\*, G Westwood\*

\*Applications judged as outstanding



## On next week's menu...

### W/C 11 February 2019

#### Available Every Day

Southern fried chicken wrap

Cheese | Cheese & Ham | Cheese & Pepperoni Panini

Jacket potato with tuna, cheese or beans

#### Monday

Jumbo fish fingers served with diced potatoes and beans or peas

Tomato spaghetti served with garlic bread

#### Tuesday

Spaghetti Bolognese served with garlic bread

Cheese pasty served with sautee potatoes and beans or peas

#### Wednesday

Cheese and Tomato | Ham | Pepperoni Ciabatta Pizza served with potato wedges and beans or sweetcorn

Spicy chicken burger served with potato wedges and beans or sweetcorn

#### Thursday

Cottage pie served with bread roll

Tomato pasta served with garlic bread

#### Friday

Battered Fish | Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Steak Pudding

All served with chips and peas or beans

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# Mrs Gidden's Cool Readers Club

Priory's Head of English, Mrs Gidden, has been really impressed with many of our multi-talented pupils lately and wanted to highlight their love of reading while excelling at other pursuits.

**This week we interviewed Year 8 pupil, Ellie.**

Ellie hopes she has the key to success as she is a talented piano player and an enthusiastic reader.

Ellie is currently engrossed in 'We Were Liars' by E. Lockheart.

"It's about a rich family and their daughter falls in love with someone who doesn't have the same amount of money and is not as lucky as her," said Ellie.



"It opens her eyes to the life of ordinary people, the life of people less privileged than herself and she discovers more about herself. It's really interesting so far.

"I also like Jeff Kinney's Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series, he just relates to people really well."

When Ellie isn't reading, she can be found swimming or playing musical instruments.

"I swim at Nuffield Health Club once a week, I don't compete, I just enjoy swimming.

"I play a number of instruments including the piano, the keyboard and I am teaching myself the acoustic guitar. I played the piano right through primary school and I got an acoustic guitar given to me so I am just learning how to play that. I would like to play the electric bass guitar in the future.

"My ambition is to be a lawyer or write books, maybe comedies."

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# Would you like to work at Priory?

## HEAD OF SCIENCE

We are seeking to appoint an exceptional leader who has a proven track record of achieving excellent results and who can motivate students and build a team of committed, creative and inspiring classroom practitioners.  
Closing date: Fri, 1 March.

## TEACHER OF ENGLISH

We are looking for a dynamic Teacher of English with a 'can do' attitude to join this core faculty. Applicants must be proven to consistently deliver excellent lessons and enthuse and engage students to achieve their full potential.  
Closing date: Mon. 4 March.

For further details, please visit the school's website at: <https://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/vacancies> or <https://www.tes.com/jobs/employer/-1041544>

**We're Recruiting!**

Head of science

**Closing date: 1 March 2019**

For further information and to view all teaching vacancies at Penwortham Priory Academy please visit: [www.tes.com/jobs/employer/-1041544](https://www.tes.com/jobs/employer/-1041544)



**We're Recruiting!**

English Teacher

**Closing date: 4 March 2019**

For further information and to view all teaching vacancies at Penwortham Priory Academy please visit: [www.tes.com/jobs/employer/-1041544](https://www.tes.com/jobs/employer/-1041544)





## Dance Opportunity

### Perform with Newman College Dance

Pupils are invited to perform in the Curtain Raiser Dance for the college's annual musical. The show, 'Larks Ascending' celebrates the 40th anniversary of the college.

**There are two rehearsals for the dance - Weds, 13 Feb and Weds, 27 Feb from 4.30pm - 6.15pm at Newman College.**

The performance is on Weds, 6 March at 7pm in the Newman Theatre in the main building, St Wilfrid's. You will perform first and then be able to watch the show with complimentary tickets. You will need to arrive at 5.30pm for last minute rehearsals.

Pupils who would like to take part should reserve their place by emailing Isabel Elder, Head of Dance, at [ielder@cardinalnewman.ac.uk](mailto:ielder@cardinalnewman.ac.uk). Pupils can also see Miss Beesley for further information.



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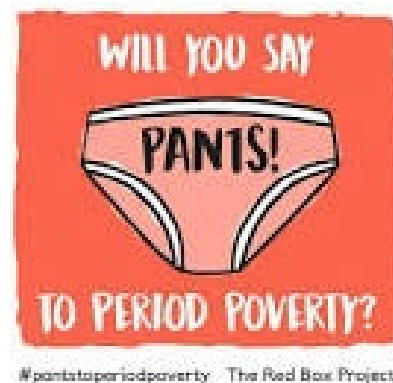
# Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable

The mock exams will take place over two weeks after the half term break in the Assembly Hall. Pupils will requiring special access arrangements will be notified of where they will need to be.

During this time we expect the rest of the school to obey no entry signage around exam rooms and show respect by keeping noise to an absolute minimum.

French mock speaking exams will take place next week. Higher level candidates on Thurs, 14 February and Foundation candidates on Fri, 15 February. Pupils will be notified of their timeslot and are expected to be out of lessons for approximately 30 minutes.

Date	Start Time	Exam Length	Exam
Mon 25 Feb	08:50	1:30	Geography Paper 1
Mon 25 Feb	11:15	1:45	English Literature Unit 1
Mon 25 Feb	14:00	0:35 / 0:45	French Listening Foundation / Higher
Tue 26 Feb	08:50	1:30	Mathematics Calculator Paper 1 Foundation / Higher
Tue 26 Feb	11:15	1:40	Computer Science Paper 1
Wed 27 Feb	08:50	1:15	History (Medicine in Britain)
Wed 27 Feb	11:15	1:45	Biology Foundation / Higher
Wed 27 Feb	11:15	1:15	Trilogy Science Biology Foundation / Higher
Thu 28 Feb	08:50	2:15	English Literature Unit 2
Thu 28 Feb	14:00	0:45 / 1:00	French Reading Foundation / Higher
Mon 04 Mar	08:50	2:00	Computer Science Paper 2
Mon 04 Mar	11:15	1:45	English Language Unit 2
Mon 04 Mar	14:00	1:00 / 1:15	French Writing Foundation / Higher
Tue 05 Mar	08:50	1:30	Mathematics Non Calculator Paper 2 Foundation / Higher
Tue 05 Mar	11:15	1:30	Geography Paper 2
Wed 06 Mar	08:50	1:20	History (Weimar Nazi Germany)
Wed 06 Mar	11:15	1:45	Chemistry Foundation / Higher
Wed 06 Mar	11:15	1:15	Trilogy Science Chemistry Foundation / Higher
Thu 07 Mar	08:50	1:30	Mathematics Calculator Paper 3 Foundation / Higher
Thu 07 Mar	11:15	1:45	Physics Foundation / Higher
Thu 07 Mar	11:15	1:15	Trilogy Science Physics Foundation / Higher
Fri 08 Mar	08:50	2:00	Food Preparation
Fri 08 Mar	08:50	2:00	Design Technology
Fri 08 Mar	08:50	5:00	Art & Design Practical



## Young Ladies Only!

This week we received our red boxes of sanitary wear and underwear. The boxes are kept in the Pastoral Room. Girls wanting support should see Mrs Clementson, Pastoral Manager.

The Red Box Project is a community-based, not-for-profit initiative, which aims to support young people throughout their periods by providing red boxes filled with free period products to local schools.

The Red Box Project was founded in March 2017 by three friends who wanted to give young people in their local area access to sanitary products. After reading about 'Period Poverty' in the news, they were angered at the idea that young women were missing out on their education because they couldn't afford the products they needed during their period.

Recognising that the need was nationwide, they invited individuals from across the country to be a part of this movement and the response was overwhelming. Red Boxes are filled with tampons, pads, tights and underwear which were then delivered in to local schools.

Any girl who needs a sanitary product may ask for supplies at the school office or see Mrs Clementson.

## Voluntary & Community



### Hurst Grange Park - Bulb Planting

The Friends of Hurst Grange Park invite pupils to support them with bulb planting at their work party tomorrow, **Saturday, 9 February**. Weather dependant, they plan to plant out the pots of snowdrops which were potted in November. If weather conditions are unfavourable, they will try again at the following Work Party on **Saturday, 9 March** where they will also be planting 100 primroses.

The group are very keen to encourage young people to do voluntary work and would welcome them to help out, however please note that under the terms of their insurance, children under 18 must be accompanied by, and supervised by, an adult.



**Meet at the Coach House from 10 am until 12 noon.**

This will contribute to the Initiative section of the PiXL Edge Award. Pupils that have taken part should take a photograph of themselves at the event and see Mrs Hopes, Head of Character and Culture, to claim your award contribution.



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## South Ribble Girls Football Competition

On Thursday evening the Under 14 girls football team came third in the South Ribble Girls' Football Competition at Balshaw's High School, Leyland.

On a bitterly cold evening, the girls played five matches against All Hallows, Balshaw's, Brownedge St Mary's, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale.

The girls played some super football, the highlight being a 4-0 win over Brownedge St Mary's, the pick of the goals being a fine effort by Leah H which rounded off a great move involving all the team. In the semi-final, only an exceptional performance by the Lostock Hall goalkeeper prevented the girls progressing to the final. Despite their best efforts, the match finished 0-0 and the goalie's performance continued through to the penalty shoot-out where she made a superb save to deny the girls a place in the final.

Mrs Nayler, who accompanied the girls, commented, "The girls picked themselves up to beat Walton-le-Dale in the 3rd/4th place playoff with another outstanding performance by the team. A special mention for Jazmin A who covered every blade of grass whilst showing not only undoubted skill but versatility, playing in a variety of positions."

**A fantastic effort! Well done girls: Jazmin A, Shanae H, Amelia S, Sydney J, Leah H, Libby W, Paige H.**



## Jazmin makes the Nationals Semi-Final!

Tomorrow Year 8 pupil, Jazmin, joins the Under 14s Lancashire Schools FA squad in the National Cup semi finals.

Jazmin is part of the Girls County squad representing Lancashire Schools FA in the Northern Counties and English Schools FA competitions.

The game is at Pool Foot Farm in Fleetwood (12.30pm kick off) for those that wish to go and cheer her on to reach the final.

## Lancashire Schools Cross Country Championship

Well done to Year 7 pupil, Paige H who flew the flag for Priory and South Ribble Schools and helped the girl's team to finish 4th overall for their age group.

Paige took part in the championship at Witton Park, Blackburn last Saturday running a 2k course.





## College Open Days Coming Up

### Runshaw College

Weds, 27 February 4pm-8pm

### Blackburn College

Weds, 13 February 4.30pm-8pm

### Southport College

Weds, 6 March 4pm-7pm



## Careers Advice at Priory

Mr Ficorilli, Priory's independent careers guidance adviser is available in school every Monday to offer independent careers advice and guidance as well as arrange individual career appointments with any Years 9-11 pupils.

Pupils may wish to discuss the various post 16 career pathways on offer at colleges, with employers through apprenticeship or training programmes, life at university and degree courses or signposting for potential work experience.

### Year 10

## Work Experience

**24-28 June 2019**

Year 10 pupils will attend an assembly next week to find out about this year's work experience programme.

Pupils will undertake a week's self placement and attend an interview beforehand.

All relevant documents and forms will be given to pupils after the assembly.

Copies of the letter and forms can be downloaded from the school website at [www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters)

# NHS CAREERS EVENT - 7 MAY

There will be a wide range of NHS departments showcasing job roles and opportunities within their area.

The event will also host an apprenticeship stand with information regarding the Bolton Nursing Programme which runs at the Trust.

Departments confirmed are:

- Theatres
- Finance
- North West Ambulance Service
- Apprenticeship
- Physiotherapy
- Paediatrics
- Nursing
- Pathology
- ...and more.

All students are welcome to attend,

they do not need to book or register their interest, simply turn up on the date.

Queries can be directed to: Brittany Mollart, Chorley & South Ribble District Hospital 01257 247529 or email [Brittany.Mollart@lthtr.nhs.uk](mailto:Brittany.Mollart@lthtr.nhs.uk).

<https://healthacademy.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/widening-participation>

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# Word of the Week

Each week Progress Leaders will be introducing a new word to pupils in their AM or PM Prep time.

'Assist' is a word taken from the Academic Word List, therefore making it applicable to all subjects. Teachers will use this word when explaining tasks involving paired work to re-phrase 'help your partner...' to 'assist your partner...'.

The tip is to raise awareness of discourse markers for comparison. In English pupils will need to compare two sources and devise multiple arguments when writing non-fiction. Discourse markers are also helpful for comparing religions in RE and, in History lessons when comparing historical events and sources. Pupils should familiarise themselves with them for use in their work.

Word of the Week:

## assist

verb

To help (someone), typically by doing a share of the work.

e.g. assist your partner in writing their response

Etymology:

from Latin *assistere* "stand by, take a stand near, attend"



## Literacy tip of the week...

### Discourse markers

Discourse markers can help when comparing. They are great to use in written responses in which you are asked to compare two sources or situations.

There are a few examples below. Can you think of any more?

Tip: Try to use these in your written work in order to make it clear that you are comparing!

Similarly	Likewise	As with	Like	Equally
Alternatively	Whereas	Unlike	Instead of	In contrast

## Pupils:

## Do you need to change your Accelerated Reader books?

Remember, the only times you should be changing them are:

Before school | AM Prep | Break | Lunch | PM Prep | After school

Make sure you are organised and have changed them before your English lesson.

**Remember:** All pupils should carry their reading books; they should not be left in classrooms. You **MUST** be able to produce your AR book if you are asked to by a member of staff – it's part of your uniform!

Progress leaders will routinely carry out equipment checks during Prep times and those that fail to show their reading books will receive a sanction which could lead to a detention. Pupils that have lost their book will receive a 'lost book letter' to take home.

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