Penwortham Priory Post

Academy

Plan for Reopening in

September 2020

Plans for reopening in September

The Government's published guidance for the full reopening of schools has asked us to prepare to welcome all our pupils back this autumn. This, of course, is good news.

However, with coronavirus (COVID-19) remaining in the community, the quidance states that in doing so, whilst ensuring all pupils receive

high-quality education that enables them to thrive and

progress, we must also put in place proportionate protective measures for children and staff, by minimising the number of contacts that a pupil has during the school day as well as implementing a series of controls in order to reduce the risk of transmission.

As a result, we have thought very carefully about the logistics and practicalities of how we take these government directives and make them work in our school, in Priory, so we can be confident we are managing the risk effectively.

This publication outlines our plans as a school to reopen Priory to all our pupils, in all year groups from 2 September 2020. It is intended to support staff, pupils and parents to prepare for this.

Although further announcements may be made by the Government over the summer break and things could change again, I hope that, by putting these plans in place now and sharing them with you, we can all go into the summer break feeling informed, less anxious and treat the summer break as just that, a break, a time to switch off for a period of time.

Mr Eastham, Headteacher

The document has been emailed to parents and pupils and is also available to download from the school website at >>

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/about-priory/policies



Year 11 Refunds

The Year 11 refunds and/or hoodies are now available for collection from:

> 9:00am-3:00pm Monday, 13 July to Thursday, 16 July and 9:00am-1:00pm Friday, 17 July

(please note school will close on Friday for the summer break)

Please collect these from the main reception.

The person collecting will be asked to sign for them.

Anv queries can forwarded by email to Mrs Cookson, Finance Officer at <u>i.cookson@priory.lancs.</u> sch.uk.

Tempest Photography Weds, 2 Sept

On their first day, the new intake of Year 7 pupils will have their school photos professional taken by school photographers from Tempest.

Unfortunately, siblings will not be included on this however Tempest will be returning early in the New Year to snap the remaining year groups, including sibling groups if guidelines

Do you have any out-grown uniform that still has good wear left in it?



We're supporting Community Gateway Association's uniform bank.

If you have any unwanted school uniform, including PE kit, that still has good wear left in it then, via the Gateway, we can pass it on to families who need that little extra support ahead of the new term in September.

Many struggling parents are anxious about the return to school but most importantly they are expressing the worry of buying school uniforms with limited/reduced finances and fear of making trips to the shops. So the important part right now is bringing in the donations of preowned school uniforms to build up stock.

You can drop pre-loved uniform off at school reception by placing it in the blue bin in the waiting area.

Reception is open from 9am to 3pm Monday - Friday. The last day for drop off is Friday, 17 July at 12 noon.

Please note that this support is not just for Community Gateway tenants but for anyone across Preston with the call out requesting uniform for any primary and high schools across the whole area.

Any enquiries can be directed to Pastoral Manager, Ms Clementson s.clementson@priory.lancs.sch.uk or via Community Gateway at www.communitygateway.co.uk/uniformbank

New Web Page - Online Learning Platforms

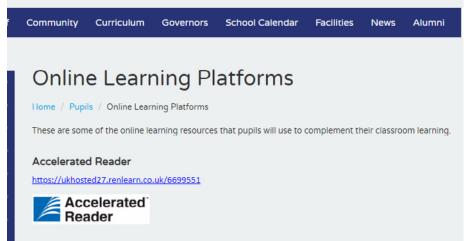
Pupils have often forgotten or missing typed the login for the Accelerated Reader, for example. Now, if they forget it, they can go to our new page on the school website which will also include links to the other learning platforms departments use to

complement classroom teaching.

MathsWatch, Seneca, Bedrock and multiple Modern Foreign Language's platforms; they're all there!

Take a look>>

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/online-learning-platforms









Priory's Geographer of the Year

Thank you for all your entries for Priory's 'Geographer of the Year' award. I really enjoyed seeing your ideas on where Geography can take you.

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I was amazed at the wide range of careers you had researched from Hollywood producers to Geoscientists. Yet the entry that stood out was done by Fatima H in Year 8. Her impressive attention to detail hit all the entry criteria and detailed why Geography is so important. Fatima explain how Geography can take you to great heights from the art of Journalism to the technicalities of a Geoscientist and highlighted why skills learnt in Geography are critical for the wider world.

I would therefore like to congratulate Fatima on becoming Priory's Geographer of the Year for 2020.

So, what is next? Do you want to know more about Geography and the world around you? Well look out for a new club starting in September. Once a week for pupils in 7, 8, and 9, Miss Makinson will host the opportunity for you to explore the world around you through fun and exciting activities.

She has already planned to look at topics such as travel, Geography in

Penwortham, and the natural world.

Humanities Teacher



Have you seen our latest video?

Check out our Facebook page to watch a little message from the staff at Priory. See if you can spot your teacher. Be warned - this was filmed before the hairdressers could reopen!

www.facebook.com/PriorySTC

Another one next week!



Hello from the Science Department



Students have continued working hard in science over the past two weeks, completing both their Seneca tasks and the written work; interacting well with their teachers using Teams and by email; demonstrating a determination to succeed. This is particularly true for those Year 10 students who are now completing a day in school as well as the normal remote work!

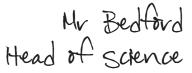
To recognise the hard work of individuals, we are pleased to announce the following as Student of the Week for science:

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Owen B (D6 Yr 7) Paige H (D1 Yr 8) Katie B (D7 Yr 9) Jack D (H3 Yr 10)

w/b 29 June

Olivia H (D1 Yr 7) Jack W (R8 Yr 8) Josh Patrick (D6 Yr 9) Eleanor R (D1 Yr 10)



Pate for your Diary



Going off with a Bang!

As a school we have attended this event in previous years, however this year it's taking place online.

Watch The Big Bang Digital live from 10am onTuesday, 14 July

Hosted by TV & Radio Science Presenter, Podcaster & YouTuber, Greg Foot, students can take part in:

- Short, inspiring sessions looking at all aspects of STEM in a pandemic
- Live polling, Q&A sessions with real life engineers and scientists
- Big Bang Explore with activities to do during the day and a chance to win prizes

As part of the event you can meet the heroes using STEM to fight Covid19 on the frontline, and ask them all your burning questions. Maybe you're more interested to find out how we can change our habits to protect the planet, especially during a pandemic? Watch the PlasticOceans UK' interactive session outlining how you can make a positive difference right now!

You can also hear about the:

- Healthcare pros racing to find a Covid19 vaccine
- The people who built the NHS Nightingale hospitals
- The teams keeping water in the taps and food in the shops

Watch at www.digitalbigbang.co.uk

Mrs Massey AssistantHead of Science



Each Wednesday, Science Teacher Mrs Eastham will provide an extract relating to a topic and ask pupils to find an interesting fact about this topic or person. The challenge is open to pupils in Years 7-10 and the winner will be announced the following week.

Thank you for all the really interesting facts that you found out over the last week relating to the ocean. Octopuses have three hearts, nine brains, and blue blood. Could you tell us another interesting scientific fact relating to the ocean and what lives in it?

The science department has voted for the most interesting fact and the winning fact was from...

Zack H Year 7 (C7) who told us ...

"We have only mapped 20% of the worlds oceans and only 5% in detail, we have mapped the whole of the moon in higher detail than the oceans and know more about geology of Mars than we do the oceans. This leaves approx. 80% unmapped by modern standards which is equal to about twice the size of Mars."



The previous week, pupils were asked to find out about Climate Change.

Tyler P in Year 8 (H8) who won this one by telling us...

"800 million people, 11% of the world's population, is currently vulnerable to climate change impacts such as droughts, floods, heat waves, extreme weather events and sea level rising."



Also, thank you to our Chair of Governor's, Mr Burke, for his contribution to last week's challenge.

"A few years ago when 30+ temperatures occurred in the Arctic circle, on the Siberian peninsula, it caused some permafrost to thaw, and in this permafrost were the partly decomposed bodies of deer which had been there for a long time. The deer bodies were full of anthrax spores (a seriously infectious disease - much worse than Covid) which were released into the air by the heat and the whole peninsula had to be evacuated. Anthrax deer: an unforeseen consequence of climate change!"

Next week's fact is about 'Water'. Hot and cold water sound different when poured. Water changes viscosity with temperature, the colder the water is the higher the pitch is. Tell us another interesting fact about water.

Email your fact to Mrs Eastham at v.eastham@priory.lancs.sch.uk with 'FACT OF THE WEEK' in the header, followed by your YEAR GROUP. Deadline the next Tues, 14 July. Winner announced on Wednesday.

Good luck!

Mrs Fastham science Teacher & Head of year 10 Learn to succeed

And not forgetting our gardens...

Whilst most of us have been remote teaching and learning, our gardener, Mr Farron, has been adding more features to the school's great outdoors.

In tribute to the NHS, he trimmed down an 'unruly' Baggensen's Gold shrub into a heart for our key workers. He has also transformed another shrub – he hasn't decided yet whether it's going to be a phoenix or a peacock but the students have watched it evolve with interest and keep asking questions about it.

Mr Farron has also grown a Manuka plant, a native of New Zealand and quite rare in the UK. He has grown it from a number of cuttings and, as bee keeping is one of his hobbies, he plans to make Manuka honey out of it from his cutting at home.

In the Guild Garden Mr Farron decided to have a Teddy Bears picnic, using some of his children's one-time cuddly toys.





"I was just trying to add a bit of fun in these weird times. It's always good to raise a smile."

The Herbaceous Garden at Priory is Mr Farron's pride and joy. It is full of perennials and, from each window in the school, you see a different design and garden. It's colourful, full of a variety of plants carefully tended by Mr Farron including the Dazzling Amber rose, Jelly and Ice Cream flower and the 'Joy of Life.'













There's been some stunning GCSE work sent in by our Year 9 & 10 pupils.

Well done Erin W D2, Scarlett W C3 and Caitlin W C3







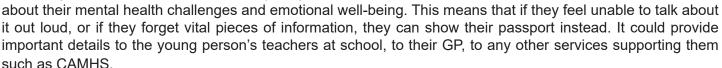
The Well-Being Passport

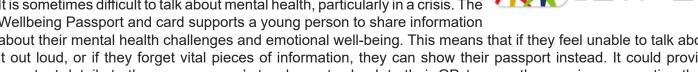
Who is it for?

The Wellbeing Passport and card are for any young person who feels they have mental health challenges.



It is sometimes difficult to talk about mental health, particularly in a crisis. The Wellbeing Passport and card supports a young person to share information





What is it?

The Wellbeing Passport is a small booklet with different pages that hold different pieces of information about the young person. The card is smaller and can hold one or two pieces of important information, that can be shown to someone in an emergency. A young person can fill them with guidance from their supporters if they need it. There is also a downloadable guidance document which provides Mrs Hopes, Head of Learning for Life Lead Teacher of Art examples of the kinds of information that can be added in each section.

For more information and to download your copy go to >> https://wellbeingpassport.org.uk





If you're into your STEM subjects take a look at these issues of Siemens Education Activity Magazine

Each issue examines an exciting STEM topic - Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths.



The first issue explores digitalisation and how it's changing the world, from stopping sneaky cybercriminals to keeping roller coasters whizzing around and around. Issue 2 is about exploration - did you know that exploring is good for you? It can improve your mood

and help to keep you healthy. Issue 3 is about sustainability and includes puzzles to test your knowledge. And finally, in Issue 4 you'll learn about smarter living, how the way smart technologies are changing homes and cities, creating environments that care for the people in them.

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More information at>>

https://new.siemens.com/uk/en/company/education/students/activity-magazine.html

Technology teacher









Attention Year 9 Pupils: Peer Mentor Applications Now Open

It is that time of year when we look to recruit our next cohort of Peer Mentors. This is a well-respected role of responsibility here at Priory which has benefited both mentors and pupils alike. The role is open to pupils who will commence Year 10 from September and allows them to demonstrate and develop their communication and

mentoring skills which will prepare them for life beyond Priory.

It is a great opportunity to guide and support younger students. Your time as a Peer Mentor can be counted towards other roles such as applications for Prefects in Year 11, Duke of Edinburgh Award or applications to college or for future career paths.

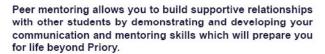
A copy of the job description has been emailed to Year 9 pupils and parents and they should refer to this before completing their application.

Any queries should be forwarded to Mrs Holland,

Peer Mentor Co-Ordinator, a.holland@priory.lancs.sch.uk.

Peer Hentor Applications Now Open

Open to current Year 9 pupils only | Closes Fri, 17 July







Please use the link below to complete the online application. The deadline for applications is Friday, 17 July.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=id9BE8UjUUqLD9VLKlqMFpUUSDtY_vhHh07C-zaqYYpUQVBITDM3OUEwNFhIMDlQVkxCOFIYS1ZCTy4u



Penwortham Boxing Club is a community-based club that welcomes all ages and abilities and runs several classes throughout the week*. Sessions are led by a fully qualified / insured / health & safety trained / DBS-checked boxing coach.

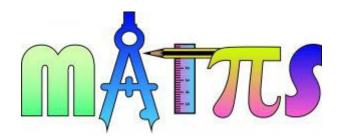
Due to popular demand, the club is putting on an outdoor social distancing circuit training session on Tuesdays at 6pm. £3 per person

Saturday classes for 12-17 year olds are at 10-11am*. Sessions are free and include refreshments

If you'd like to get involved and support the project please contact Paul Morris at <u>pjdmorrisboxer@googlemail.</u> com or call 07854 928298.

Sessions at Vernon's Sports Club, Factory Lane, Preston, PR1 9SN | www.facebook.com/penworthamboxingclub

*Preparations are being made for reopening. Please check with the club for dates.





#WEEK7 The Maths Department goes online with their weekly challenge...

Every Tuesday afternoon the Maths department will be publishing a video challenge. Pupils will have until the following Monday afternoon to submit their answers. All year groups can take part however higher mathematical standards will be expected from the older pupils.

The challenge will be issued to pupils via email and will include supporting information where necessary. Points will be awarded for taking part, creativity and accuracy. When submitting their answer, pupils must show their working out so should send a photograph of their solutions as well as their final answer.

Assistant Head of Maths, Mr Henshaw said: "We are also keeping a running scoreboard. Prizes will be given out next week and you have to be in it to win it, so get involved!

All the Maths staff have featured in the videos over the series. Last week Mr Henshaw had a clear out and found his old money box in the form of Little Miss Sunshine!! Take a look...

Challenge #8 - Money Box

"How many 50ps can Mr Henshaw fit in the photo frame?"

https://youtu.be/8ldEFc_fivo

Supporting information was emailed to all pupils by Mr Henshaw on Tues, 30 June. How did you get on? Find the answer at >> https://youtu.be/uTX6dzPVwak

This week Mr Hunter is having a great deal of fun with a pack of cards he has found. Take a look...

Challenge #9 - Deck of Cards

"How many cards are there in Mr Hunter's incomplete deck of cards?"

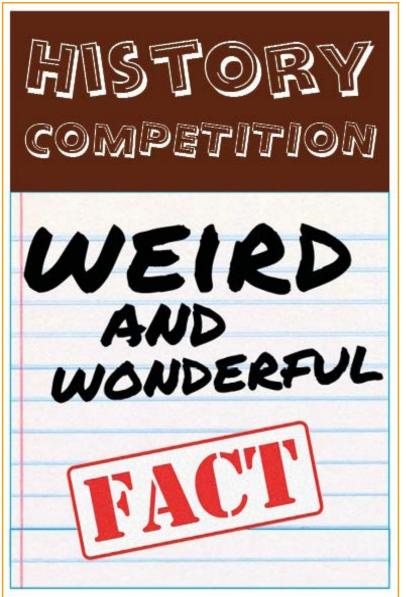
https://youtu.be/1tEJrpceHv4

State any assumptions you have made in your solutions. There is no supporting information for this one everything you need to know to work out the challenge is in the video.

Answers should be submitted to: mathematics@priory.lancs.sch.uk | Deadline - Mon, 13 July (4pm)

Answer to #WEEK7 challenge published in 12 June newsletter >> https://youtu.be/34i4nNweGEI





Do you know an historical fact that will make us go 'eww', 'ohh' or 'really!'?

Humanities teacher, Miss Ackers, is challenging pupils to come up with a fact that is funny, bizarre or unbelievable.

Each week the best one will be published here in the Priory Post with a prize awarded for the best over the term.

You can ask your family and friends, search the internet, read or watch Horrible Histories, or divulge something that's just stuck in your memory!

Email your facts to b.ackers@priory.lancs.sch.uk before Thursday, 12 noon each week.

All entries must be factually accurate.

This week's winner is: Cyrus B (Yr7 C3). Cyrus' fact can be seen below.

Last week's winning fact was sent in by Alfie H (Yr7 H3). Alfie's fact can be seen overleaf.

"In 1820 a town held a trial against tomatoes!"

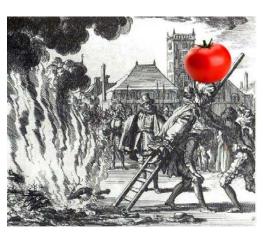
Tomatoes were long considered to be a poisonous fruit - after all, red in nature usually means danger. Also thought to be a "sinful" food due to its mild aphrodisiac properties, the tomato didn't get much love between the 1500s-1800s.

Whilst tomatoes do contain very low levels of toxins, we today know they are far from harmful.

So knowing how much the people of Salem (remember the witch trails?) love a crazy trial, it should come as no surprise that tomatoes were put on trial in the town's courthouse in 1820, to answer for their toxicity.

Against all scientific and religious belief, one man stood firm and ate a basket full of the red fruit. For those who came to see blood, there was a lot of disappointment. Read it for yourself >> www.thefactsite.com/salem-tomato-trials/







Thank you, Alfie H (H3), for this bizarre fact:

"Using forks used to be seen as sacrilegious"

When the first forks appeared they caused a sensation. Not only were forks very expensive, but they were also disapproved by the Church and, people did not know how to use them.

The Church argued God had created humans with fingers so they could touch and eat God's food. The Church's disapproval did not stop people from producing gold and silver forks that wealthy families wanted to have at the dining table.

The fork was a shocking sensation for at least a hundred years.



Full story:

www.ancientpages.com/2018/06/19/troublesome-ancient-history-of-forks-,started-in-tuscany-italy-in-11th-century/

Quick Draw Rewards

To reward our pupils who are working hard at home we are posting a £5 voucher as a 'well done' to one lucky pupil per year group, each week. Staff will nominate individuals who are working hard and showing a fantastic attitude to their studies. Winners will then be anonymously drawn out of the lists per year group and contacted by Miss Thornton to see which voucher they would prefer and where to send the reward to.



The replies Miss Thornton receives from proud parents have been great and show just how much these nominations are valued.

The pupils will have a choice of a £5 Amazon or Love2Shop voucher. Both can be spent online so you don't even need to leave your sofa to enjoy your reward. Good luck and keep up the hard work; it could be you!

Teachers will let all pupils know if they have a nomination.

Randomly chosen winners from the list of nominees from w/e 3 July:

- Year 7: Jessica M, nominated by Mrs Webster for excellent effort in English.
- Year 8: Leo S, nominated by Mr Faulkner for amazing work ethic in English.
- Year 9: Violet S, nominated by Mr Watters for great development of work through live lessons.
- Year 10: Daniel S, nominated by Miss Thornton for work ethic in English.

Winners from w/e 26 June:

- Year 7: Zack H, nominated by Miss Nouraghaeii for excellent efforts in Science.
- Year 8: Amba C, nominated by Mrs Bullock for engagement across all subjects.
- Year 9: Jacob H, nominated by Mrs Isherwood for enthusiasm and initiative in English.
- Year 10: Tom P, nominated by Miss Smith for excellent group work.





Popcorn Children's Film Festival is a private Facebook group that holds acting challenges for ages 5-16 years old. It would be lovely to see many of our talented students be part of this.

www.facebook.com/groups/PopcornFestival/

So keep your eyes peeled as Drama teacher, Miss Howell, updates us on July's challenges.



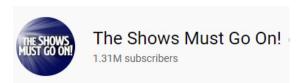
Hamilton The Musical

For those of you lucky enough to have the Disney+ channel - did you catch Hamilton

The Musical?

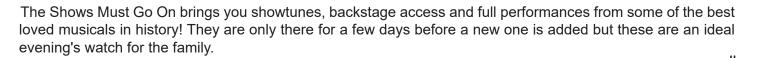
One of the most popular musicals of today is now available for streaming a year early!

Full story>> www.whatsonstage.com/london-theatre/news/hamilton-ondisney-plus-watch-stream-buy 51872.html



The Shows Must Go On!

For anyone missing the theatre please take a look at this Youtube channel.



www.youtube.com/channel/UCdmPjhKMaXNNeCr1FjuMvag



Popcorn Film and Theatre Workshop





Miss Howell Lead Teacher for Drama



HAMILTON WORKSHOP WITH TRAVIS KERRY

Drama teacher, Miss Howell, won't be missing this one!

Go to www.facebook.com/rsmstageacademy to find out more>>



RSM Stage Academy is 😂 feeling excited.

July 7 at 7:51 PM · 🔇

HAMILTON WORKSHOP WITH TRAVIS KERRY

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to work with West End Performer Travis Kerry. He is currently appearing in the smash hit American Musical HAMILTON, In the heart of London's West End. His other credits include - Aladdin The Musical (West End), EVITA -Regents Park, Mamma Mia 2 Here We Go Again!

Date: Sunday 19th July 2020 Time: 2.00pm - 3.30pm

Where: Zoom

Price: £10.00 per person

We can't wait to be working with Travis, BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW! Open to all ages from 11+. Message us on Facebook to book. Limited

spaces available! 😝



The One Show's **Playwrighting Competition:** As You Write It - Your Play on Stage

At a time when we are all missing out on the magic of going to the theatre, The One Show, along with The Shakespeare North Playhouse has launched an exciting new playwriting competition, giving children and young people across the UK the opportunity to see their ideas come to life on stage. The show hopes this will help inspire the next generation of playwrights as well as encouraging a love of theatre and the arts in children and young people.

The competition is open to those aged between 7 and 16 years old.

as **YO** write Your Play on Stage.

The deadline for entering the competition is Mon, 31 August 2020.

All you need to enter is an idea for a play, a short description of up to four of the main characters and the first few opening lines. You'll also need to say what having the opportunity to write your play and have it performed on stage would mean to you.

For infornation on what you need to do, how to apply and, most importantly, what the prizes are, go to>> www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/1SCKS8VmFFGvyggKbgGGyds/as-you-write-it-your-play-on-stage



Miss Howell's Star Performers

It has been a very strange time for all and everyone has done their best. But some students have really surpassed themselves and have been constantly engaged and created outstanding work (some of which is shown below). Congratulations for effort and progress you have made:

Year 7: Joe T 7E1, Lucy B 7W1, Lewis T 7W1

Year 8: Leo S 8E1, Maya P 8W1

Year 9: Darcy C, Keira M

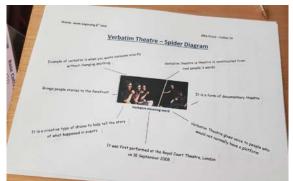
Year 10: Kiera H 10B, Tom P 10B

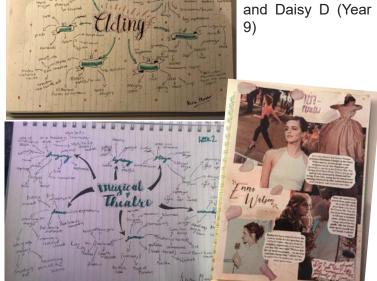




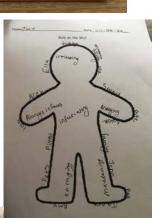
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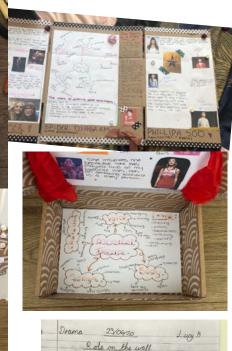
Alfie P (Year 8)



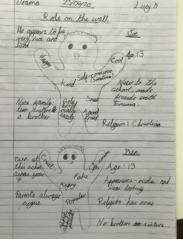








PERFORMERS





Social Media for Parents/Carers Do's and Don'ts to keep your child or young person safe

More than ever children and young people are increasing their use of social media for school work, social life, fun and entertainment. It is important parents and carers ensure children and young people are using social media safely and not putting themselves at risk of inappropriate actions, online abuse, bullying or exploitation.

This 30 minute YouTube film, put together by Karen Livesey, aims to help parents and carers during Coronavirus lock down when social media is a significant part of the lives of children and young people.

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You Tube

https://youtu.be/-EhDHVuLRtg

Karen is a qualified teacher, youth worker and experienced trainer having worked as a senior youth worker and Advanced Practitioner

for Lancashire Youth Service before becoming an independent trainer for CAT (child sexual exploitation awareness training). She is also an associate trainer for national organisation Talking Life and Barnardo's.

Year 10 Quiz Slam Winner

Well done to Erin C (R5) who was our Quiz Slam leading reader and wins the coveted £40 prize.

As their licence with Accelerated Reader was coming to an end, the English Department challenged our Year 10 pupils to squeeze that little bit extra out of it. Pupils had to read as much as they could, and take the quizzes, before the deadline.



HOMEWORK



Well done to all pupils that took part, especially Louis F (D4) and Aaron B (H3) who were closely pipped by Erin.

Year 10 will now find that their AR login no longer works as their license will be given to the new intake of Year 7 pupils. Many thanks for your participation in AR over the last two years - reading independently is still the best thing anyone can do to ensure all round success in English and a host of other subjects.

Since you've been using the system some of your reading ages have improved up to 7 years. Whether you realise it or not, your continued exposure to more books will have improved your spelling, sentencing, vocabulary and comprehension, amongst other things.

So keep calm and carry on reading!

Head of English

Mrs Gidden's Cool Readers Club

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

Before the school closure we interviewed Year 7 pupil, Alex.

Alex admits his favourite book requires a lot of concentration – 'The Hobbit' by JRR Tolkien.

"It is a challenging book to read but it's a good story," said Alex, who has read more than 20 books since September.

The Year 7 is currently reading 'Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets' by JK Rowling.

"I have read all the others but never read the second one and I found it in the library the other day," said Alex.

"I have seen some of the films but I prefer the books. I do like books that are in-depth and fantasies are my favourite."

Alex likes drama and French at school.

"I enjoy the challenge of learning a new language in French and I have taken to drama, I have found I enjoy it."





The English Department's Watch of the Week

Much Ado About Nothing - Available on BBC iPlayer

This adaptation of Shakespeare's comedy by the RSC, which was shown on BB4 last Sunday, is set in the aftermath of World War 1. It's Autumn 1918 and a group of soldiers return. Benedick and Claudio find themselves reacquainted with Beatrice and Hero. As memories of conflict give way to a life of parties and masked balls, Claudio and Hero fall in love while Benedick and Beatrice resume their spikey friendship. Why not trick them into love?

Matilda - Available on Netflix

This film adaptation of a Roald Dahl classic tells the story of Matilda Wormwood, a gifted girl forced to put up with a crude, distant father and mother. Worse, Agatha Trunchbull, the evil principal at Matilda's school, is a terrifyingly strict bully. However, when Matilda realises she has the power of telekinesis, she begins to defend her friends from Trunchbull's wrath and fight back against her unkind parents.

The English Department's Stars of the Week

These pupils have been going above and beyond. They've submitted lots of work and have been fully engaged with their projects and teachers online.



Vidhi C (Yr9 D4), Dhilan C (Yr10 D7), Keira M (Yr9

H6); Rhianne L (Yr9 D4); Josh P (Yr9 D6); Emily B (Yr9 H7) Logan McC (Yr9 C7); Oskar C (Yr9

R5); Dominic C (Yr9 R5);

Special mention to a Year 6 pupil:

Jake L for getting the highest score from an 11 year old Mrs Gidden has ever seen on Accelerated reader!

Great to see some of our siblings working very hard together too!

This Girl Can...

Alicia's Campaign for Motor Neurone's Disease Needs Your Support

The Year 10 pupil is fundraising for the Motor Neurones Disease Association after a family member was diagnosed with the condition.



Alicia plans to join the Army when she leaves school so in lockdown, with the support of her family, she has been fitness training and setting herself challenges.

Alicia said, "I wanted to set a challenge for myself and fitness for July so I thought why not run for charity!"

In June Alicia completed 50km with This Girl Runs (https://thisgirlruns.club) and this month she's set herself the personal challenge of walking/running 100km!

Unfortunately a very close family member has been diagnosed with MND so Alicia has taken the opportunity to use her personal challenge as a way to help families who are faced with this horrid disease. Her original target was £100 but 10 days in she has raised £390, her next target is £500.

Mrs Rutter told us, "The support she is receiving is willing her to carry on, she has a reoccurring knee injury from a car accident and her dedication and hard work is an inspiration to watch. I'm incredibly proud of her and her transformation in lockdown has been lovely to watch".

If you'd like to support Alicia you can donate via Just Giving at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/alicia-rutter

The Online Payments System at Priory

For parents not yet using SCOPAY, did you know you can pay online for -

- Dinner money
- Trips and events
- Books and equipment
- Ties
- Lockers

Using SCOPAY allows you to top up your child's account or pay for items anywhere, anytime using a credit or debit card.

The SCOPAY website is easy to use and there is also an option to download a mobile app.

All parents can have access to SCOPAY and, due to the current circumstances, we are no longer accepting cash or cheques*. Therefore we are strongly encouraging all parents to register for the online payments system.

Parents who have not yet registered for SCOPAY will receive a letter inviting you set up an account. This letter will include your unique access code.

To find out more or to login to your account go to www.scopay.com/priory

For enquiries, please contact:

Mrs J Cookson. Finance Officer

SCOPAY, A MORE CONVENIENT WAY TO PAY SCOPAY allows parents, guardians, or carers to make payments by credit or debit card for all school purchases (including school meals, trips, and school clubs) If you have not yet registered let the office know and an access code will be issued to you. Then visit SCOPAY.com or download the SCOPAY app and pay anytime, anywhere. Pay for their lunch, on your lunch! Available on the App Store Google play

j.cookson@priory.lancs.sch.uk | www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/internet-payments

*New intake should follow payment instructions in correspondence until receipt of SCOPay registration letter



Voluntary and Community

Dangers of the Rail Tracks - Safety Video To Watch





Everyone loses when you step on the track

Due to the very high level of trespassing on the tracks by young people recently, Network Rail, in partnership with Learn Live, are working to help raise awareness to students across the UK by educating them about the dangers of the train tracks.

The railway is full of hidden dangers. If you're not hit by an unexpected train you'll be hit by the lethal current in rails and power lines.

You will be killed or left with catastrophic, lifechanging injuries. And your friends and family will be left with the brutal consequences.

Following the 1,024 incidents since lockdown began, Network rail has asked the school to share a safety video with pupils and parents.

This video is available to watch here>> **

https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-secondary-school-safety-talk/

**There is no need to enter your email address: use the pre-registered email address railsafety@ learnliveuk.com to access the videos.

The footage is less than 15 minutes and explains why it is important to stay safe near the tracks.

Over 1 million students, parents and teachers from across the UK have significantly decreased the number of trespasses in their area through watching the safety clip.





Who are Our Lancashire?

Our Lancashire is the Lancashire wide initiative to bring groups and communities together to make Lancashire a greater place to live work and play

Are you involved with a local group that offers social activities, support or friendship to the people of Chorley & South Ribble? Or are you looking for new things to do in your local area?

Please visit our website **OurLancashire.org.uk** where you can sign up and promote your group or you can search to see what groups and activities are available in the area.

If you would like more information please contact your local Engagement Officer Lyanne Craft on 07779 971 978 or via Email Lyanne.Craft@lancashire.police.uk

LET'S JOIN TOGETHER



Photo Competition Winners

"Driven to success!"

Week 12 – our penultimate photography week! I can't believe that next week is our final week of entries. It's been an absolute pleasure to see all your entries over the recent months and it has been uplifting to hear all the stories that come with the pictures. Not only that, but it has been lovely to engage in email conversations with so many of you whilst we have been working remotely. I think we all miss face-to-face contact with each other and we will look forward to this as we return in September.

The transport theme this week definitely resonated with many of you, and some fabulous entries were submitted. Thank you. With almost 40 entries, the judge has assigned the following winners:

Jack J (C4 Year 7) – Big Bus Abi J (C4 Year 10) – Sail Away With Me Louis F (D4 Year 10) – Retro Red BMW

Last week our students wouldn't "Techno" for an answer however the winners on the Technology theme were:

Lewis T (Year 7 H7) – Gaming Wands
Will J (Year 9 C1) – Marvel Mirror
Caitlin W (Year 10 C3) – Luminous Letters (Keyboard)

Well done to all our students involved.

Next week it's 'ANTYHING YOU LIKE!' IT'S THE FINAL WEEK – ALL ENTRIES CONSIDERED!!

TO ENTER: Email your photos from your school email address to Mr Metcalfe at <u>p.metcalfe@priory.lancs.sch.uk</u>.

Entry closes each week at 12 noon on Thursday with the winner announced on Friday. See poster above for full details.

Mr Hetcalfe Head of Humanities



Why not join our weekly photo challenge? Whether you use your smartphone or you are a budding photographer – send us your photo of the week.

Each week, Mr Metcalfe and Mr Eccles will choose

their top 3 photos that will

be published in the school newsletter and on our

social media platforms.

The theme this week is

Anything!

Email your photos to

p.metcalfe@priory.lancs.sch.uk











Jack J - Big Bus | Abi J - Sail Away With Me | Louis F - Retro Red BMW | Lewis T - Gaming Wands | Will J - Marvel Mirror







Information and Support for Parents from the Department for Education

This morning, 43,000 people joined the Prime Minister's live address to all school leavers congratulating them on reaching the end of their final year at school.

This was broadcast live on Facebook and YouTube.

A recording of the address is available to view on both platforms at

www.facebook.com/borisjohnson

www.youtube.com/user/Number10gov

Year 11 pupils are encouraged to watch it.

New

The advice to parents and carers on keeping children safe from abuse and harm can be found here:

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<u>www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm</u>

New

Plans for all children and young people to return to full-time education at the start of the autumn term

The Secretary of State for Education, Gavin Williamson, announced our plans for all children and young people to return to full-time education at the start of the autumn term in

The guidance for what parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges in the autumn term can be found here:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/whatparents-and-carers-need-to-know-aboutearly-years-providers-schools-and-collegesduring-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak

Prime Minister Boris Johnson to address all school leavers

On Friday 10thJuly at 10am, the Prime Minister will be giving an address to all school leavers which will be broadcast on Facebook and YouTube.

Please tune in if you are in year 11 or year 13
A recording of the address will be available to view on both platforms.



New

Updated guidance on what parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

We have updated the guidance on what parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. We have added content on summer provision, school uniform and a package of support worth £1 billion to support pupils to catch up. We have updated content on school meals and the Covid Summer Food Fund.

The guidance can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak





Year 10

Preston's College's online taster days are now live and will provide Year 10 with the experience of life at the college. You can take part in a range of virtual 'have-ago' taster activity sessions to find out more about their courses and future careers you are interested in. Their short videos filmed around the college will also give a good insight into their facilities.

All students who have registered were emailed the link to access the site which went live on Monday. You can also access the platform at >>

https://prestoncollege.instructure.com/courses/5047

(Chrome or Firefox are the preferred browsers)

Year 10 and 11

As well as the Year 10 taster day site, Preston's College has also invested in a new Careers Coach platform that is now fully operational for Years 10 and 11 students to access information on Courses, Careers and CV building.

To access Career Coach please visit https://preston.emsicc.com

You can also view their prospectus and full range of courses at www.preston.ac.uk/14-19-school-leavers



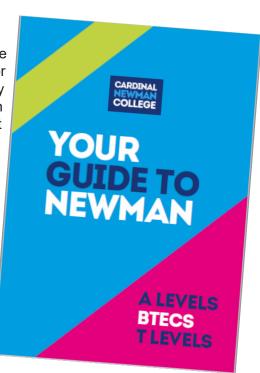
Year 10

Unfortunately the college wasn't able to welcome Year 10 to the campus for their taster day this year, however they have put together this guide to Newman College to support pupils with their next steps.

The guide is available from the dedicated Year 10 page on the school website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/year-10-latest-updates or you can also access it here >> www.cardinalnewman.ac.uk/your-guide-to-newman

Year 11

The college is currently working through creating enrolment appointments for everyone who has applied to Newman and they successfully trialled their online enrolment last week. Further details on this will be sent to pupils shortly.



Year 11 Pupils: Careers

Mrs Khan, the Careers Adviser at Priory, has now published July's careers bulletin for Year 11 pupils.

The Year 11 bulletin is packed with lots of useful information about career planning, skills assessment, local colleges, traineeships, apprenticeships and, at the forefront of your minds, GCSE results day!



Copies of the bulletins have been emailed to parents and pupils and can also be downloaded from: www.priory.
www.priory.
lancs.sch.uk/pupils/year-11-latest-updates

Mrs Khan's last contracted day at Priory this term was today and therefore any Year 11s requiring careers support during the last week of term should initially contact Mr Faulkner, Head of Year, by email p.faulkner@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Mrs Khan will be available for all pupils and parents from 8.45am to 2.45pm every Friday from the start of the Autumn term. s.khan@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Pupils should also refer to their dedicated page on the school website for any updates >>

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/year-11-latest-updates





North Lancs Training Group (NLTG)

NLTG have released their local apprenticeship vacancies. The companies are keen to recruit and are still actively looking for a new apprentice to join their team.

The list has been emailed to Year 11 parents and pupils and is available on our website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/year-11-latest-updates. For further details on the vacancies please search the highlighted reference numbers via their site.

If you are interested in any of the vacancies, please go to the website www.nltg.co.uk to complete the online application form.

Any difficulties or questions please contact them at:

01254 395355 | www.nltg.co.uk | Dean.duffy@nltg.co.uk







KNOW

During lockdown, some children and young people may be being abused and exploited at home. They can be made to believe that they should never tell anyone and that the abuse is their fault. Shut in with their abusers, they have little chance to escape or to tell anyone.

These children need your help! As a neighbour or key worker visiting homes for any reason, you may be the only person able to spot abuse and report it.

LOOK

- Guarded behaviour of a child around particular individuals
- Sudden changes in behaviour
- Children with bruises, burns, bite marks or fractures
- Children appearing withdrawn, anxious or frightened
- Hearing or seeing shouting and violence towards a child
- Children seen carrying or using drugs
- Children being late or arriving home late in different cars
- Unaccompanied children visiting a house where only adults live

ACT

- Stay curious and look beyond the obvious
- If something doesn't feel right, it might not be
- Even if you're unsure, it's better to report your concerns
- Do not attempt to intervene yourself
- If you have a safeguarding manager / lead within your organisation, notify them immediately
- Call the police on 101 or 999 in an emergency
- Call the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000





Preparing Your Child For the First Day Back in School

As schools begin to open to more children, parents and children may well be feeling anxious. Here's some ideas of how best to prepare.

Be Calm.

Your child will take their lead from you and be reassured if you are steady and matter of fact.



Be Positive.

Remind them of all the ways they have learnt to keep themselves safe: washing their hands regularly, sneezing and coughing into their elbow, not hugging others and staying in their own space.



Be Supportive

Younger children particularly may struggle with separation anxiety and may become tearful, clingy or act out. Reassure them that you will miss them too and think of them through out the day. It might be helpful to draw a little heart on their wrist and one on yours too. You can call it the hug button and when they find they are missing you they can press the heart and know that you will be doing the same at home. Sometimes having a little object to remind them of you through the day helps but please check this out with your school first.

Be Curious.

These are strange times and their imagination may run away with them. Listen, and try not to dismiss or minimise their fears but validate how they are feeling — "it's completely fine to feel like that at the moment" or "I can really understand why you would feel like that"



Be Thankful.

Help your child think of things they are looking forward to: being with their friends, seeing their teacher, favourite activities but be mindful some of these may not be available for them.



Be Prepared.

Support your child to be aware of changes that may have happened to their classroom environment since they were there last and rehearse any new routines that school may have shared. Rehearse and practice your 'goodbye' routine and create a 'hello' greeting for the end of the day for them to look forward to.



Year 6 Pupils - Get Ready for Reading!

In the English department, we've been busy setting you all up on the Accelerated Reader (AR) programme. You each now have your profile so you can log in and get started with your reading journey.

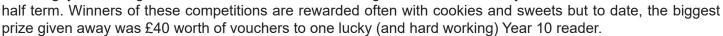


For most English units, you'll be given a recommended reading list so that you can read

widely and enhance your understanding of lots of topics. You'll have a reading lesson once a week, where you'll have the chance to read with your AR teacher and swap books in our ever-growing library.

The best part of AR though is that when you finish your book, you can log onto AR using your teacher-issued account and take a quiz all about the book you've finished. If you 'pass' the quiz by getting 70% or more, every word in the book will go towards your total 'words read' and helps your teacher see if you understood and enjoyed the book. If you don't pass, don't worry, your teacher will ask you to pick a book in a different range and so easier for you.

Another exciting thing that comes with using AR, are the competitions attached to the scheme. The English staff are always giving you chances to win; from 'catching' you reading outside class; to the Great Reading Race that runs every



Before we reward you, we need to make sure we know what type of reader you are straight away so we need you to take an online test called a STAR test. This will tell us your reading age and help us make sure you read books appropriate for you.

Some of our readers at Priory have improved their reading age 7 years in just their first 2 years on the programme so it doesn't matter where you start as long as you're taking part.

To take the STAR test, follow this link https://ukhosted27.renlearn.co.uk/6699551 and log in using your private username and password (this has been emailed to you). Press the BLUE button.

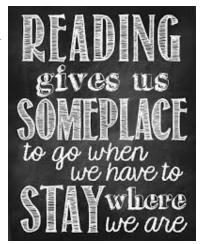
Take the test calmly and patiently and do your best. If you find a question too hard - let the system run out of time and generate a new question - you mustn't guess. The system will adapt the guestion to you to give you your results.

In your first week at school you'll find out your Reading Code. Each code corresponds with a colour and each colour has approximately 100 books in that colour range for you to choose from. The more you read, the better you'll get and your 'colour' will change throughout the course depending on how much progress you make.

The important thing now is that you get your username and password from the email, log onto the site and take the test.

Please read over the summer - you'll probably find most of your favourite titles are on the system ready to be 'quizzed' on, on your arrival at Priory. Mirs Gidden Head of English

I can't wait to meet you and read with you.





We have relaunched the classic, 'Word of the Week' and 'Literacy Tip'. This will be added to Doddle by Mrs Robinson-Ali for all pupils to familiarise themselves with.

Teachers will reference these when giving feedback to pupils and will aim to include them when teaching live lessons.

What is a synonym? A synonym is a word that has a very similar or the same meaning as another word. So synonyms for 'tired' include 'depleted' and 'weary'.

TASK: Find synonyms for the words, 'Bad' and 'Walked'.

Your vocabulary is so important. Make sure you have one!

Word of the Week: Word Incorporate

Verb

Coming from the Latin word 'corporare' meaning 'form into a body'.

To take in or contain (something) as part of a whole; include. 'We have had to incorporate social distancing into our way of life.'

Literacy tip of the week...

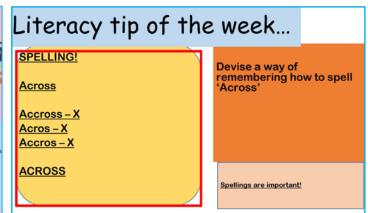


Create your own method of remembering these homophones!

Be careful when applying homophones they sound the same but they mean different things!

There were your 'Words' for this week and last week:







Out Fri, 17 July