Penwortham Priory Post



Meet Your Head Prefects For 2019-20

Priory's new Head Boy and Girl, along with their deputies, have big plans for their school year ahead.

Year 11s Colin and Sasha, along with deputies Olivia and James, have just started their 'term of office' and they want to implement ideas that will be used by students for years to come.

"We want to put in place building blocks for the future," said Head Boy, Colin.

"One idea is to establish year representatives so we can get their perspective and insights about the whole school. We want to put an infrastructure in place which can be used by future students."

Head Girl, Sasha continued: "The Student Council is currently Year 11s but we want to extend it to make it a big Student Council which includes other year groups. We will be having meetings soon so we can start to implement our plans."

The quartet had to go through a rigorous process to be selected for their roles by Mr Eastham and his Senior Leadership Team.

"I was nervous giving a speech in front of the entire year group," said Olivia. "I was pleased to get through it and now I just want to help to implement our ideas which will benefit the school."

As well as being Deputy Head Boy, James is also Sports Captain. He plays football for AFC Fylde's Academy as well as playing American Football for Chorley Buccaneers, where he is captain of their Under 17 team. "My big passion is sport so I will help in any way I can to promote sport within school and help at school events," said James.

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 & D8 (100%) Rest - D2 & C1 (100%)

Year 7 Extra Curricular Club Fayre Weds, 18 September

Next Wednesday lunchtime, we will be showing off the variety of extra curricular clubs on offer at Priory. From sports, arts and science to chess and sign language; there's something for everyone.

Pupils will receive a copy of the extra-curricular club booklet and can use the club fayre for any questions or to plan their activities.

Staff and older pupils will be on hand with demonstrations and information.

KEY DATES

Class of 1989 30 Year Reunion

Sat, 14 September 2.30-5.00pm

Year 7 Extra Curricular Club Fayre

Weds, 18 September Lunchtime Assembly Hall

The Book Fair

Weds. 18 September -Tues, 24 September In the library

Year 11 Aim & Ambition **Evening**

Weds, 18 September 5:30pm-6:30pm

STEM Careers Fair

Fri, 20 September (in school)

PSHE Day

Weds, 25 September (Early lunch followed by early closure at 1:30pm)

INSET Day

School closed Thurs, 26 September

Open Evening

Thurs, 26 September 4:30pm - 9pm

Open Days

Thurs, 3 & Fri, 4 October 9am-3pm Doors open on the hour, every hour except 1pm.

Year 7 Settle Factor Parents Evening

Weds. 9 October 2019 3.40pm-6pm

Mid-Term Closure

21-25 October 2019





www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/calendar

Did you know term dates for the new academic year, as well the following two

> years, are available to view and download from our website?

> https://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/ parents/termdates (scroll down to the bottom to view future academic vears)

The school calendar is also kept up to date with term closures, PSHE days and events >> https://



The posters are up, the leaflets are out and it can mean only one thina:

The Book Fair is Returning to **Priory!**

It'll be arriving Wednesday, 18th September so make sure you join us for this celebration of reading!

Over the years our annual Book Fair has proven a huge hit with the students of Priory. From pens to posters to books, there really is something for everyone. The Fair will be with us, in the library, until Tuesday, 24 September so please ensure you purchase what you want before the Fair leaves!

Also, for further discounts at the Fair, log onto Scholastic's website at www. bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/giftvouchers and purchase gift vouchers worth 20% off!

The more the students spend, the more books we can earn for our school library so it really is a win, win!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Weds, 18 September 5.30pm-6.30pm

Year 11 Aim & Ambition Evening

Year 11 pupils and their parents are invited to attend the 'Aim and Ambition' night on Weds, 18 September from 5:30pm to 6:30pm where we will share expectations for the year ahead. A copy of the letter can be downloaded at https://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters

Prefects Take Up Their Duties

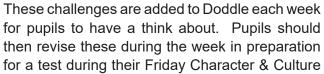
The new academic year brings extra roles for many of Priory's Year 11 pupils. Lunchtime and break duties, attending school functions and generally taking an active role in representing the school are a large part of being a prefect.

Criteria for the selection of prefects is published at the end of Year 10 and after a rigorous application process where pupils must demonstrate why they would be suitable for the role, House Progress Leaders/Heads of Year collate the entries and make their choices.

Hustings and elections that follow culminate in the appointment of Head Girl, Head Boy and their Deputies, House and Sports Captains.

Prefects are an important aspect of Priory's reward system. Year 11s are given this responsibility to show they can represent the school in a positive and mature manner. Congratulations to all our prefects (too many of you to list individually here) that have proven they can do this.

The Weekly Challenge (Week 1)



session. The content of these quizes will enhance learning in all subjects and widen Tier 2 vocabulary.

Here is today's challenge. Parents - How would you get on?

- 1. Who painted the Sistine Chapel?
- 2. Draw a diagram showing the organisation of particles in a solid, a liquid and a gas
- 3. How do you find the median?
- 4. Sir Steve Redgrave won gold medals in which sport?
- 5. Our Queen, Elizabeth II, came to the throne on what date?
- 6. Who invented the World Wide Web and when was that?
- 7. How do you write 'please' in French?
- 8. What does 'al dente' mean?
- Choose and rewrite the correct spelling of the word that means 'without doubt'. Defiantly, Definitely, Definateley.
- 10. What is an algorithm in computing?

Answers at the bottom of page 9

CALDER

House Captains:

Owen C

Sam T

Holly W

Aimee H

Sports Captains:

Robyn W

Nathan S

HODDER

House Captains:

Harriette E

Ria N

Connor S

Dedunu M

Sports Captains:

Abi H

Andrew G

DOUGLAS

House Captains:

Holly T

Kate H

Ryan S

Sports Captains:

Libby T

Ben W

RIBBLE

House Captains:

Isaac M

Melissa P

Sports Captains:

Antonia L

James A-W



Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Cowell, got to mingle with hardworking celebrities on Tuesday night.

Mrs Cowell, alongside other volunteers from Community Spirit, went along to the DIY SOS Big Build project currently being filmed in Blackburn.

Community Spirit is a charity that helps the homeless and people suffering crisis in the district. After their street cafe had fed those in need, they decided to donate the surplus (unusual for them!) sandwiches, snacks and cakes to the Big Build volunteers who were working late into the night to get the project finished.

The group commented, "We were met by Billy who despite working flat out all day and still going strong managed to come out and have a chat and actually thanked us for what we do."

Renovations on the old St Silas church hall on Preston New Road, Blackburn is a Children in Need project due to be aired in November.







At Penwortham Priory Academy the Character & Culture curriculum is designed to support the promotion of excellence for pupils and do all it can to improve their life chances.

The aims of the **Character** programme are to equip students with the skills, knowledge and competencies, distinct from their academic work that will help them succeed in the future.

Culture work focuses around the importance of community and how we can live together more harmoniously. This is split into three distinct areas - Kindness, Respect, Living Without Harm.

Pupils have three 20 minute Character & Culture lessons each week.

Next week pupils will also take part in the Youth Parliament ballot which will be conducted realistically with a polling station and ballot box. Pupils will be able to vote on national issues which they will have discussed beforehand.



On the curriculum w/c 16 September:

| Year 7 | Autumn Term - Theme: 'Starting as we mean to go on' Organised leadership |
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| Year 8 | Autumn Term - Theme: 'Celebrating our difference' Putting together a team |
| Year 9 | Autumn Term - Theme: 'Finding my voice' Body language |
| Year 10 | Autumn Term - Theme: 'Owning my journey' Mind training (part 1) |
| Year 11 | Autumn Term - Theme: 'Breaking down the journey' Supporting resilience |

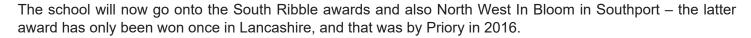
Priory's Award Winning Gardens Means Mr Farron is Snapped up as Judge!

Mr Farron is celebrating another blooming success for Penwortham Priory Academy – but next year he will be judging rather than showing!

Gardener, Mr Farron, has transformed abandoned parts of Priory into educational and colourful areas and has won a number of awards.

He has been entering the school for Penwortham in Bloom every year since 2015 – except one year when building work meant it wasn't possible - and has been rewarded with school and community titles.





"It's always an honour to win awards," said Mr Farron, who started working at Priory as a volunteer around five years ago when he retired.

"I am proud and it's a privilege to work at Priory. It's taken two years to do what I wanted to do in the Quad and I am currently on phase two. There are four phases and we have some ambitious ideas. I am lucky as I get total freedom from headteacher Mr Eastham.

"I am pleased to get such praise off my peers but it's really for the staff and the students. The big thing for me is seeing the students' interest in the gardens, asking about colours, flowers, species and genuinely being interested in what is going on.

"I was almost apologetic when they said Priory had won again and they asked if next year I would step up onto the judging panel for Penwortham in Bloom.

"It means Priory can't enter the competition but work will be ongoing and I will have the chance to see other gardens in Penwortham and perhaps get ideas off them!

"The gardens are important at Priory, we will be bringing the community in to see them and holding coffee mornings so everyone can appreciate them."

Headteacher Mr Eastham said: "Chris has transformed the gardens, it's completely different to how it was and both students and staff comment on it. I think visitors are gobsmacked when they come in and see the work which has gone on and we want the community to appreciate it as well."

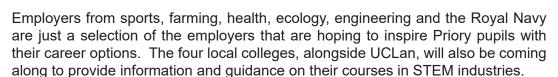




Science Careers Day

Our Science department will be holding a careers fair in school for all Priory pupils on Friday, 20 September.

Organised by Assistant Head of Science, Mrs Massey, the event focusses on careers in the world of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM).



The event will take place across the morning with pupils visiting the event during lesson time. Pupils who want to discuss options in more detail will be able to return during their lunch break to speak with any of the visitors.

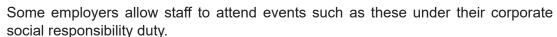




We are still looking for more organisations to support this event.

Do you work in the Science, Technology or Engineering industries and would be willing to speak to our pupils about your career?

This is a wonderful opportunity for parents, alumni or other members of the community to come into Priory to talk about their careers and meet with our pupils. Pupils will have the opportunity to ask you questions about your work and hopefully you will inspire them to pursue your career path in the future.



If you would like to know more about the event, please contact Mrs Massey c.massey@priory.lancs.sch.uk





Year 10 & 11 Science Revision Guides



Revision



revision guides. The books are offered to schools at a discount compared with their retail prices as we are able to purchase bulk orders. The books are compatible with the AQA GCSE specifications that the school follows.

If you would like to purchase any of these Science revision materials for your child, please complete the order form on the letter that has been given out to Year 10 & 11 pupils this week. Orders must be returned to the school office by 27 September with the correct remittance.

Copies of the letter and order form can also be downloaded from the school's website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters.



Year 11 Football Team Kick off the Season with a 7-0 Win!

Match Report by Mr Bullock

Priory's Year 11 team commenced the South Ribble season with a comfortable win away to Brownedge St Mary's.

Dominant in possession during the first half, the team initially struggled to beat the keeper who was in inspired form. Smith grabbed the break-through goal, picking up a loose ball before driving it low into the corner. A towering header from Aubrey-Williams saw them into the half time break two goals up.

A demand for quick passing and playing the simple ball saw Priory quickly convert their dominance in possession into goals after the whistle. Fisher pounced in the box onto a Wong rebound off the keeper to open his account for the season. Dowd got involved in the goals as he beat his defender before striking the ball cleanly past the keeper.

Smith's continued endeavour, chasing down every ball, saw him close the goalkeeper down and pick up his brace as it ricocheted off him into the goal. Freeman's half scoop turn saw him beat his marker before despatching a bullet shot through the keepers legs. Myerscough capped the performance with a cultured left foot, top corner, strike to end a confident performance.

Dowson looked assured in the goal and was not troubled regularly, doing what was required and with some great distributions. The engines in midfield, Lee and Ascroft, purred through the gears as they provided over half the assists between them. Withers and Attwood were disciplined at the back, providing support to the wingers as they forayed forward with each attack.

A fantastic start to their final season at Priory, well done!!

Team:

Back Row (L-R) Withers, Freeman, Aubrey-Williams, Dowson, Smith, Wong, Dowd. Front row (L-R) Ascroft, Myerscough, Fisher, Lee, Attwood.



SPORTS NOTICES

Inter House Cross Country Year 7, 8 & 9

Mon, 23 September Year 8 - Period 1 Year 7 - Period 4

Tues, 24 September Year 9- Period 3

Pupils must have their full PE kit however old trainers or football boots are recommended. This will go ahead in the case of inclement weather.

The top ten finishers of each year group will be invited to represent the school at the South Ribble Championships at Hutton Grammar on Sat, 5 October.

Netball

Year 11 Tournament Mon, 23 September at Lostock Hall Academy

Year 10 Tournament Mon, 7 October at Lostock Hall Academy

Matches start at 4pm.

Parents can watch the match and collect pupils from the venue. Alternatively, pupils can be collected on return to Priory approx 6pm.

Football

Tues, 17 September

Year 10 South Ribble league match at home against Brownedge St Mary's.

Matches start at 4pm.



Offered To All Cyclists Bikeability Level 3 Tuesday, 24 September

We advise that all pupils who cycle to school complete their Level 3 Bikeability course. This course is offered free through

school. Pupils should register their interest with Mr Bullock, Head of PE & Sport, by next Wednesday, 18 September (parents can email m.bullock@priory.lancs.sch.uk)

Level 3 teaches pupils how to cycle on multilane roads and use complex junctions. For further information go to www.bikeablity.org.uk

A reminder that all pupils must wear a helmet. Lights will also be needed for safe travel home on darker nights.

SPORTS NOTICES

Athletics

Mon, 16 September - 4pm-6pm Under 16s (Year 10 &11) at Preston Sports Arena, Cottam.

Teams have been selected.

Central Venue Football

Every season, Priory pupils are invited to officiate these primary school matches.

Pupils in Years 8, 9 & 10 who wish to undertake the referee course in order to support Year 5 & 6 matches should see Mr Bullock (open to girls and boys).

The course takes place on Tues, 17 September in school from 9.30am-12.30pm.

Upcoming matches -Thursdays - 3, 10 & 17 October 4pm - 5.30pm at Priory.

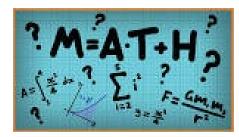
Physical Education Department

Extra-Curricular Timetable (September - October 2019)

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|--|---|-------------------------|---|------------|
| Break – Sports Hall 10.50 - 11.15 | Basketball | Basketball | Basketball | Primary | Basketball |
| Lunch – Sports Hall 13.15 – 13.55 | Basketball | Badminton | Girls Aerobics (Gym) | Cricket | Basketball |
| After School 15.20 – 16.30 | Football Practices Netball Matches (not every week) | Hockey Badminton Table Tennis Netball Practice | Staff Meetings | Dance – Assembly Hall Girls Football Primary Football Netball Practice (team only) | |

NB In addition, school teams will have fixtures through the half-term. These may result in some clubs being moved locations.





The Maths Department

Like a challenge?

The Head of Maths, Mr Kenrick, will be testing our brain power each week with one of his puzzles.

Here you will find a puzzle or a problem solving task - these can help to build students' perseverance, mathematical reasoning, ability to apply knowledge creatively in unfamiliar contexts, and confidence in tackling new challenges.

Why not have a try yourself!

Answer page 10

| You must find the rule that links the people and their holiday destinations below. | Then fill in the |
|--|------------------|
| blanks for the 2 other people (there are numerous correct answers!) | |

Ben is going to Nigeria for 2 days

Christopher is going to Russia for 3 days

David is going to Denmark for 4 days

Shaun is going to Nepal for 19 days

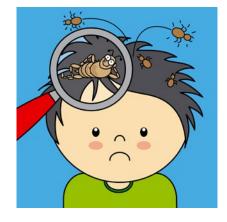
Rule for the country:

Rule for the time spent there:

Mark is going to for days

Francis is going to _____ for ____ days

Checking For Head Lice



Please could parents be reminded to check your children's hair thoroughly and regularly and treat if you find lice. We have had several reports from parents recently who have asked if we can remind other parents so that repeated instances are not occurring. Pupils with short hair are just as likely to pick up these critters as those with long hair.

Getting into the habit of regular checking is advised. It is also emphasised that treatment needs repeating a couple of days later to catch any eggs that might have hatched since the initial treatment. Everyone in the household should also check and treat where necessary. Thank you for your co-operation.

ANSWERS TO THE WEEKLY CHALLENGE

- 1. Michelangelo
- 2. https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/guides/z2wmxnb/revision/4
- 3. Place the numbers you are given in value order and find the middle number
- 4. Rowing.
- 5. 6th February 1952

- 6. Sir Tim Berners-Lee invented it in the 1980s
- 7. S'il vous plaÎt?
- 8. Food that is cooked until it is 'firm to the bite'
- 9. Definitely.
- 10. A set of instructions or rules given to a computer to make it calculate an answer to a problem.

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 end of the summer term we interviewed Katie, now in Year 8.

Katie has her sights set high – she wants to work for NASA.

Katie is an avid reader at Priory and is currently hooked on The Spooks Apprentice by Joseph Delaney.

"It's about Thomas who goes for a job as a spooks apprentice and he is facing a witch who is trying to kill him.

"One of my mum's friends recommended it to me and as soon as I read the first page, I was hooked. I have the

next three in the series to

read

"I read a lot and have read all Derek Landy's Skullduggery series, where there are 12 books.

I enjoyed them, there is a range of characters and adventures and it's about magic."

Katie attends Priory's STEM Club and Science Club and will be joining the Air Cadets in the Autumn.

"I want to go to America and work for NASA. I love astronomy, physics and palaeontology, my favourite subject is science.



"Even though I deal with facts in science, I like the fantasy books."

Francis is going to Senegal for 6 days (lots of other possibilities for the country!) Mark is going to Korea for 13 days

Rule for the time spent there: Position in alphabet of the first letter of the name Last letter of the name Rule for the country:

Answer to Maths Challenge:

DODDLE

Doddle Parent is an online platform where parents can easily view homework tasks your child has been set across their subjects, as well as view up-to-date assessment information.

With Doddle Parent, you can:

- View all homework tasks your child has been set, including when homework is due;
- Access any resources your child has to complete for homework;
- See all homework that has been handed in, including scores received for Doddle quizzes;
- Encourage independent learning so you know exactly what your child needs to work on;
- Have meaningful conversations about what your child has been learning at school.

To get the most out of using Doddle Parent, you can read Doddle Parent Guides (see opposite), or watch Doddle Parent videos, all of which can be found on www.doddlelearn.co.uk/support/parent. These summarise the key features of Doddle Parent, and include the details below about creating your account and linking to your child.

How to get started:

Doddle Parent is accessible from any computer, laptop, smartphone or tablet.

You will need to create a parent account on Doddle to access your child's information. To do this, please use the following link https://www.doddlelearn. co.uk/app/parent/enrol and use your email address to create and register your account. You will be prompted to link to your child using a 16 digit key provided by school. Year 7 pupils have been given letters containing their parent key today (Friday). Any parent/pupil who has not received this can contact the school office.

Pupils have already been given their username and password. Their username will be in the format of Firstname/Lastname/Year of starting secondary school ie JoeBloggs19. If pupils have forgotten their password, this can be reset by their teacher.

If after reading the troubleshooting guides, you are still having difficulties using Doddle Parent, please contact l.cowell@priory.lancs.sch.uk

DODLE Guide for Parents: Homework

Doddle Parent: Homework

Doddle Parent has been created for the people who care most about their children's education: you!

Doddle Parent lets you see the homework your child has been set in different subjects. You can see the homework that is due now, and any overdue homework. You can also see all the homework your child has submitted on Doddle throughout the year, and the marks they have achieved for the quizzes they have taken.



You'll have the full picture of what your child needs to do at home, and you can access this on the go, as Doddle Parent is available on your mobile or tablet through an app.

How can I use Doddle Parent to support my child?

- See all the homeworks your child has, now and in the coming weeks, to help them manage their time and meet deadlines.
- Look at the homework tasks and resources so you can talk with your child
- about what they have to do and any support they need.

 Get a better understanding of how they are doing with homework by looking at submitted work and quiz scores.

How do I log in?

It's easy! Your school will provide you with a 16-digit number - your parent 'key' - and you'll need access to your email account to register your account. Watch our 2 minute video on how to do this at www.doddlelearn.co.uk/support/parent



To log in to Doddle Parent, visit www.doddlelearn.co.uk, click on Log in, and select the orange Parent tab.

You can also download our app, available on both the play store and the app store

Having trouble?

If you need a reminder of your parent key, or you have questions about your child's curriculum or progress, please contact your school.

Help! I'm having trouble using DODDLE

Check these common questions below:

O. Will the resources work on my mobile or tablet?

A. Yes, all quizzes and revision content will work on these devices. However, please note that interactive activities won't run.

Q. What browsers do you support?

A. On Windows: Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, Internet Explorer 10 and above. On Mac: Safari and Google Chrome. On mobiles and tablets: iOS 9 and above, Android 4.4.4 and above.

Q. Will Doddle work on my Mac?

A. Yes, as long as you have a supported browser and the latest Flash player to view interactives.

O. How do I find resources that haven't been set for homework? A. Students can find resources by clicking on the Browse tab at the top of the

Q. Are there any other supporting materials available? A. Go to www.doddlelearn.co.uk/support to find more resources, including useful videos.

Still not working? Try changing your setup:



Try a different browser



Try a different device



Try a different connection

Still stuck? Get in touch!

Click the 'Feedback' button on the right of the Doddle webpage. Fill in the description of the problem you are having, as well as your name, school name and email address, choose the categories 'I have a problem' and 'I need a response', and we will get back to you.



NHS Careers Event

Chorley & South Ribble Hospital, Education Centre 3, Preston Road, Chorley, PR7 1PP

3pm-6pm

Have you considered a career in the NHS?

Come along to find out information on apprenticeships, NHS careers, University paths and much more.

We will have interactive stands from a wide range of our departments for you to explore.





You do not need to register for this event For more information please contact Brittany.Mollart@lthtr.nhs.uk







W/C 16 September 2019

Monday

Gammon served with new potatoes and beans or peas

Tagliatelle with a creamy tomato sauce served

with garlic bread

Tuesday

Spaghetti Bolognese served with garlic bread Cheese pasty served with diced potatoes and beans or peas

Wednesday

Cheese and Tomato | Ham | Pepperoni ciabatta pizza served with potato wedges and beans or peas 1/4lb fish burger served with potato wedges and beans or peas

Thursday

Roast dinner

Tomato pasta served with garlic bread

Friday

Battered Fish | Cheese & Tomato Pizza |

Beefburger

All served with chips and peas or beans

Available Every Day

Southern fried chicken wrap

Cheese | Cheese & Ham | Cheese & Pepperoni Panini

Jacket potato with tuna, cheese or beans



OPEN

EVENING

School Admissions September 2020

If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

It's quick and easy to do and you will receive an email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in the school of your choice. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

Please note that parents who apply after the deadline are often subject to the appeals process.

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Closing date 23.59pm on 31 October 2019



Thurs, 26 Sept from 4:30pm

Headteacher's speech at 5:30pm and 7:30pm