

# Penwortham Priory Post

## A Message From The Headteacher

Dear All,

Usually at this time of year I would contribute to this edition of our Priory newsletter by welcoming you back following our normal Easter break. Yet these are far from normal times and so I simply hope that, at the start of this new summer term, you are all safe and well.



As we start this summer term, a summer term the likes of which we have never experienced before, I am sure each of you will join me in offering our very best wishes in particular to our Year 11 pupils who, rather than preparing to sit their final GCSE examinations in the next few weeks, are preparing themselves instead, to go on to further education, employment or training. We will continue to support them in whatever way we can over the coming weeks and months to ensure this transition is as good as it can be for them.

I recognise this is an unprecedented situation for everyone and we don't want anybody in our school community to feel unduly stressed, overwhelmed and under pressure on top of everything else we are dealing with. Of course, continue to do all you can at home to support your daughters and sons in their school work and do take an active role in their studies at home, but please plan with them to ensure the balance between their social time and their academic focus is the right one.

Minimising stress is vital in a time like this for the wellbeing of everyone, so please don't add to yours, or your child's stress, with excessive timetables or schedules. This will enable the remote learning to remain as positive a process for as many of our pupils as possible, for as long as it needs to continue.

When school does resume, all our pupils will need time to settle back into our Priory routines, continuing with their learning from where we left off and revisiting the learning that is currently taking place at home via our remote learning platforms. Yet allowing some of this time at home to strengthen family bonds and make sure your child remains safe and happy, will be just as important in ensuring their return to school is calmer for them when it comes.

...continued overleaf

## Communications Updates

Through these uncertain times, please ensure that you check the school's communication channels for school updates on the dynamic situation we find ourselves in.

All whole-school information will be posted to the school website via the News and Letters pages.

[www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/news](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/news)

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

Letters and other updates will also be emailed to parents so please ensure we have your most up to date email address.

Are you following our social media channels?

Twitter @PriorySTC

Facebook /priorystc

## GCSE Results Day



It has been confirmed that Year 11 pupils will receive their GCSE grades on the original date of Thurs, 20 August 2020.

More details will follow closer to the date.

*Continued from front page...*

Despite all this and the unprecedented situation we currently find ourselves in, there still continues to be much to celebrate about Priory. Not least, our OfSTED inspection. I feel we never really got the time to enjoy our outcome together before current circumstances started to dominate all that we do. Let's make sure we don't forget just what a great achievement inspection was for us all when we return!

Equally, our new pupil numbers who we hope will be starting with us this September. I am delighted that, once again, we continue to have a full intake. We continue to be proud to be able to provide the best possible opportunities, facilities and care for those pupils who are fortunate enough to secure a place with us.

All the very best to all for a safe, healthy and positive half term.



**Mr M Eastham**  
**Headteacher**



## How to apply for Free School Meals

Could your child be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM)? Visit the Lancashire County Council website for further information and to apply.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Online claim form: [https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free\\_school\\_meals\\_and\\_pupil\\_premium](https://lancashire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Free_school_meals_and_pupil_premium)

## The ducks are back!

For the fifth year Mother Duck has returned to the school's Mediterranean garden to rear her young.

Mum delivered 8 eggs which hatched over the Easter break.

Here's Mother Duck as she proudly shows off her ducklings. It seems the little ones had already learnt how to swim in the pond although still needed the careful watch of mum.



*Learn to succeed*

# Spring Term Attendance Awards

The Easter egg draw would normally have taken place during whole school celebration assembly at the end of the Spring term. As we had to close earlier than planned, and at very short notice, we were unable to have an assembly.

As the prizes had already been purchased, Mr Eastham agreed with Attendance & Inclusion Manager, Mrs Swire, that the draw should still take place giving well deserved pupils with 95% and above attendance a chance of winning an Easter egg.

Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Crank, was given the job of randomly selecting three pupils' names from each year group. Our very own Easter bunny Mrs Swire then, following government social distancing guidelines, personally delivered the 15 eggs in time for Easter.

The following were the lucky winners;

Year 7 – Martha McA, Lewis B, Jack W | Year 8 - Alfie N, Holly D, Holly E

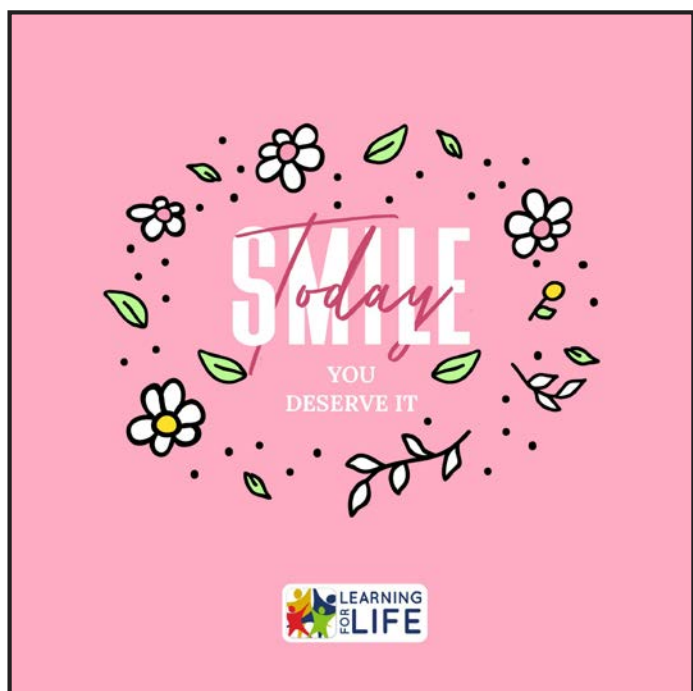
Year 9 – Violet S, Jake B, Charlie E–H | Year 10 - Amy L, Maisie B, Nicole C

Year 11 - Nico P, Jayden A, Sam T

Here's Year 7 pupil, Lewis, with his egg. Mum told us he shared the egg with his twin brother and the surprise delivery made his day!



Technology Teacher, Mr Graham, has put together some little boosts to keep us going and get us thinking. Before the Easter break, we posted one a day on our Facebook and Twitter pages. If you missed them, go check our feeds.



Learn to succeed

**Mrs Robinson-Ali is back from maternity leave with a new exciting role as Assistant Curriculum Leader for English.**

Mrs Robinson-Ali has been at Priory for two years before she went on maternity leave a year ago. She now has a daughter Hannah and said: "The last 12 months have been the most remarkable of my life so far. Becoming a mum has been the most joyous, wonderful and tiring experience. I wouldn't change a second of it."

She is now back on duty at Priory and ready to start her new position within school.

"I'm delighted to be returning to a new role, I love the English department at Priory and I'm so thrilled that I will be working alongside Mrs Gidden to continue to make English at Priory the most captivating and inspiring it can possibly be. I have really missed the pupils and can't wait to see them all.

"When I started at Priory, the English department was already an amazing place to be for both staff and pupils because every teacher in the department has a passion for their subject. It's now evolved to have even more of a buzz about it.

***"We have invested in Accelerated Reader and Bedrock Vocabulary, so we are enhancing our methods of teaching and we are harnessing a real love of language with the pupils because of that."***

"We have changed our GCSE exam board to AQA with huge success based on the results last summer and most of us teachers are now examiners, so we know it all inside out.

"If you visit the English department at break or lunchtime you'll find it full of pupils either in the library or at film club - it's the place to be."

Head of English Mrs Gidden said: "Mrs Robinson-Ali and I have worked together for a little shy of three years. I could tell she was ambitious when we met and when Mr Eastham announced they'd be appointing Assistant Curriculum Leaders for the larger, core faculties, Mrs Robinson-Ali's application was first in even though she was on maternity leave, much to my delight.

"Since the start, we've always been on the same page in terms of our vision for the department and we're a great team leading a great team so it really feels like the only way is up for the department with Mrs Robinson-Ali by my side. We're both examiners and we get a lot of our know how from the work we do with the board and what's key is that Mrs Robinson-Ali has hugely high aspirations for every child.

***"We're so lucky to have her in a leadership role; I couldn't wish for a better second-in-command. She'll be taking over the role of Lead for Key Stage 3 English and she's already hit the ground running despite the school being closed. There's lots of exciting schemes in the pipeline."***

**Mrs Robinson-Ali has inherited:**

- |                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <b>7E2 &amp; 7W2</b>  | <b>From Mrs Isherwood who's staying at Priory but has reduced her hours.</b>        |
| <b>8W2 &amp; 9EW6</b> | <b>From Mr Caddle who has left Priory for pastures new.</b>                         |
| <b>10EW6</b>          | <b>From Mrs Gidden who was overseeing the group in her absence as a GCSE class.</b> |

Students in any of these classes should direct their work/questions and queries to Mrs Robinson-Ali's email for the duration of the school closure. [e.robinson@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:e.robinson@priory.lancs.sch.uk)



# 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, Emmie**

Emmie likes adventure books with twists and turns.

The Year 7 pupil is currently reading 'The London Eye Mystery' by Siobhan Dowd.

"It's about a boy who goes on the London Eye and doesn't come off when it comes back down. His two cousins are left to figure out what has happened to him. It is funny at some points and it's a mystery."

Emmie says her favourite book is 'Heart of Thorns' by Bree Barton. "It's set in ancient times and it's a battle against demons. It's adventurous and there are a lot of twists which I enjoy."



"I like lots of different authors and I do read a lot, I think I have read five or six books since September."



## The English Department's Watch of the Week

### [Noughts & Crosses \(ages 14+\)](#)

The BBC's adaptation of Malorie Blackman's novels follows two young people Sephy and Callum, who are divided by their colour but united by love.

### [His Dark Materials](#)

Secrets and dangers lie ahead for young Lyra Belacqua in an epic tale of stolen children and the mysterious substance of Dust. Adaptation of Philip Pullman's best-selling trilogy.

[Both series are available on BBC iPlayer.](#)

BBC

iPlayer

Learn to succeed

# Photo Competition Continues...

Over the past 3 weeks we have been running our Priory Photo Competition and Mr Metcalfe and Mr Eccles have been blown away by the quality of your entries. After our third week, we have counted over 150 entries from all our students from every year group since the competition started – even from Year 11. Thank you! You have been making it very difficult for us to choose a winner as there is some real talent out there. We love receiving your photos and hearing the individual stories behind them.

The theme this week was **'Light'** and the winning entries are, in no particular order:

Abi J (C4 Yr 10) – Lightbulb Moment

Louis F (D4 Yr 10) – A Sparkling 'O'

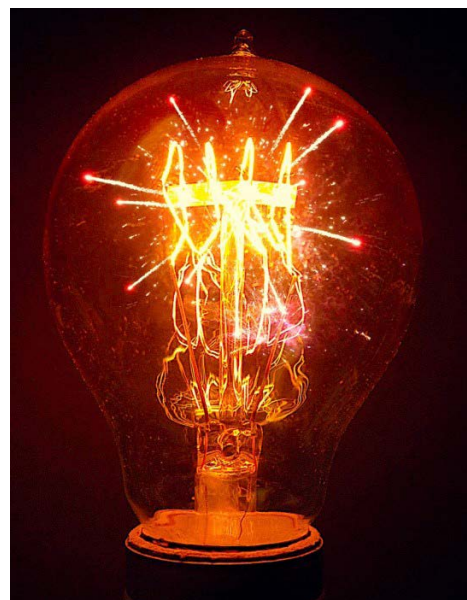
Sarah S (D7 Yr 7) – Chill Morning

Winning entries over Easter, with a theme of **'Red'** were:

India P (H7 Yr 7) – Royal Read Post Box

Will J (C1 Yr 9) – Red Road/The New Bypass

Louis C (D6 Yr 8) – Hanging Guitar



Well done to all our students involved.

**Next week it's 'Water'.**

**To enter:** Email your photos from your school email address to Mr Metcalfe at [p.metcalfe@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:p.metcalfe@priory.lancs.sch.uk). Entry closes each week at 12 noon on Thursday with the winner announced on Friday.

See poster below for full details >>



Penwortham  
**Priory**  
SCHOOL

**Priory  
Photo  
Competition**

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.



The theme this week is  
**water**

Email your photos to  
[p.metcalfe@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:p.metcalfe@priory.lancs.sch.uk)

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.

Entries in by 12noon every Thursday and winners announced on Friday.



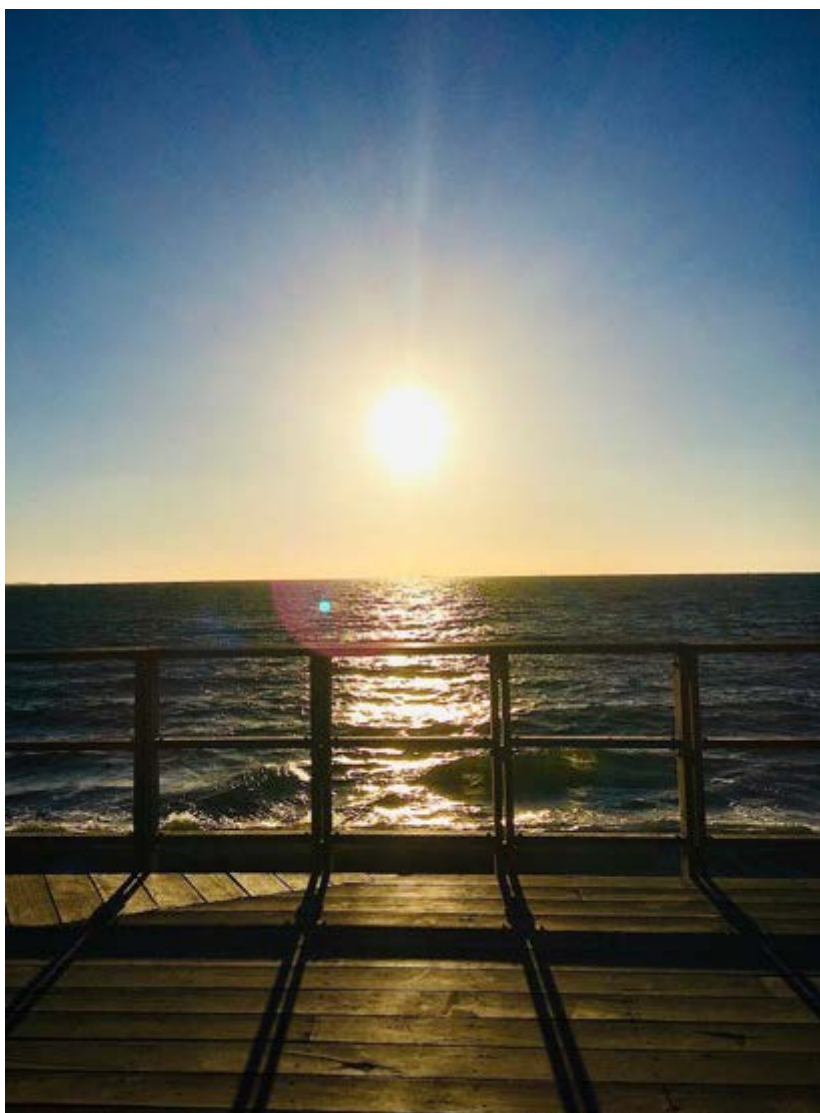
Learn to succeed

Our winners over the Easter break: Theme - **Red**



Other great entries were submitted by

Lucy S (D8 Yr 11) - Storm, Emily B (H7 Yr 9) - Sea view and Jack J (C4 Yr 7) - Livingroom light



Learn to succeed

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.

# HISTORY COMPETITION


## WEIRD AND WONDERFUL FACT

Humanities teacher, Miss Ackers, has launched a weekly History competition and wants you to come up with some weird and wonderful historical facts!

Miss Ackers is challenging you to find a fact that is funny, strange or unbelievable. 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! Each week the best fact will be published in the newsletter. This is a fun way to research history.

Email your facts to [b.ackers@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:b.ackers@priory.lancs.sch.uk) before Thursday, 12 noon each week. All entries must be factually accurate.

Here's one to get you started...



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Before there were alarm clocks, there were 'knockers-up' who were hired to shoot dried peas from a blow gun at people's windows in order to wake them up in the morning.

The very first 'knocker upper' came from Oswaldtwistle, near Blackburn!

Penwortham  
**Priory**  
ACADEMY

## 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.



Paige H Yr8 D1; Connor F Yr10 H2; Josh G Yr9 H2; Abi J Yr10 C4 ; Charlie E-H Yr9 D2; Toni Lea S-D Yr7 H2; Caitlin W Yr10 C3; Corey M Yr8 R2; Connor M Yr8 C4; Katie B Yr9 D7; Rueben J Yr8 D2; Lucy McK Yr8 R7; Lee T Yr8 C1; Zach D Yr9 H5; Freddie S Yr10 H3; Lydia B Yr10 H3; Jasmine R Yr10 R4; Theo C Yr7 D5; Tilly McN Yr10 H6; Lochlan S Yr7 R7, Violet S Yr9 C5; Josh P Yr9 D6 and finally Alfie P Yr9 H6 and Tom C Yr9 D6 for their work on Bedrock.

Learn to succeed

# The Great Reading Race

The winners of the class in each year group who read the most words since school closure are:

Year 7 7E3 Miss Smith's class with 747, 0000 words banked.  
Year 8 8E1 Mr Faulkner's class with 428,000 words banked.  
Year 9 9EW1 Mrs Gidden's class with 1.1m words banked.  
Year 10 10EW1 Miss Smith's class with 122,000 words banked.

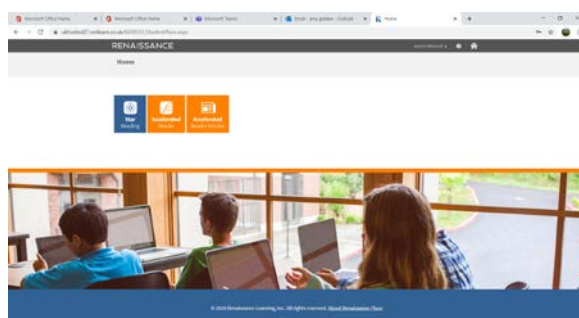


**We don't usually announce individual winners however, with the reading hour not being timetabled due to closure these individuals have, in some cases won it for their class:**

Year 7 Emmie P H2 with 494k and Sarah S D7 with 532k  
Year 8 Emmi H C1 with 338k and Daniel R D6 with 133k  
Year 9 Emily B H7 with 508k and Daisy D C2 with 316k  
Year 10 Katie M H5 with 87k and Louis F D4 with 22k

Well done everyone - excellent reading BUT - did you know, you can still read and quiz using the AR system exactly as you would have at school? follow the link [ukhosted27.renlearn.co.uk/6699551](https://ukhosted27.renlearn.co.uk/6699551) to quiz and bank your words. (It's the orange button for quizzing)

Reading is one of the best possible ways you can stay up to date with English. STAR testing (which measures your progress) opens today (the BLUE button). Watch out via email and Doodle for instructions from your class teacher.



## You Can Still Do Accelerated Reader



**Did you know... Accelerated Reader is accessible from home to do your quizzes and your book doesn't have to come from the school library?**

Mrs Gidden has now written a comprehensive guide in the form of Frequently Asked Questions which should answer everything, as a parent or pupil, you may want to know about Accelerated Reader (AR). This can be downloaded from the school website at >>

[www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/english](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/curriculum/english) (scroll down page)

### We've mentioned it lots of times but what actually is it all about?

At a glance, AR is a computer-based program that schools use to monitor reading practice and progress. It helps teachers guide pupils to books that are on their individual reading levels. After reading a book, pupils take short quizzes to check that they have understood it.

When pupils start on AR they take a STAR test, this determines the types of books that each individual should be reading. Pupils are allocated a colour accordingly to their level and should choose books with a matching coloured label on its spine.

It is recommended that pupils spend between 15-20 minutes per day reading. Doing so can improve creativity, reading age, reading speed, spelling, punctuation, grammar and vocabulary.

*Learn to succeed*

## Year 10 Pupils: The Globe is streaming a Shakespeare play for free every fortnight

The latest London theatre to step up to the plate with free high-quality content is Shakespeare's Globe. The iconic Elizabethan-style playhouse already had its own public streaming platform in the form of Globe Player, but watching it has always come at a fairly steep rate, with productions rented or purchased at individual prices that usually exceed a month's full access to many TV streaming platforms. Now that has changed...

Shakespeare's Globe also plans to make available all 34 productions from its 2012 Globe to Globe series. That's a Korean 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', a Macedonian 'Henry VI Part 3', a Polish 'Macbeth', a Hebrew 'The Merchant of Venice' and so on and so forth. You can find the full list at <https://globeplayer.tv/globe-to-globe>

### Here's the full list of free-to-stream English-language plays:

'Romeo and Juliet' (2009), April 20-May 3

[www.timeout.com/london/news/shakespeares-globe-is-streaming-romeo-and-juliet-for-free-for-the-next-fortnight-042120](http://www.timeout.com/london/news/shakespeares-globe-is-streaming-romeo-and-juliet-for-free-for-the-next-fortnight-042120)

'The Two Noble Kinsmen' (2018), May 4-17

'The Winter's Tale' (2018), May 18-31

'The Merry Wives of Windsor' (2019), June 1-14

'A Midsummer Night's Dream' (2013), June 15-28

You can sign up for all this on the Globe Player website at <https://globeplayer.tv/>



## Free Audio Books from Audible

Audible, the paid-for audiobook subscription service owned by Amazon, has made more than 200 titles for children and young adults free to listen to without the need to sign up.

**audible**  
an amazon company

### Stories help.

**They entertain. They teach. They keep young minds active, alert, and engaged.**

For as long as schools are closed, we're open. Starting today, kids everywhere can instantly stream an incredible collection of stories, including titles across six different languages, that will help them continue dreaming, learning, and just being kids.

All stories are free to stream on your desktop, laptop, phone or tablet.

Explore the collection, select a title and start listening.

It's that easy.

[Start Listening](#)

[Learn How to Use Stories.](#)

Among the free stories for younger children are Timeless Tales of Beatrix Potter, a range of Winnie-The-Pooh stories and The Owl and the Pussy-Cat. It also announced that Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone (read by Stephen Fry in English and Bernard Giraudeau in French) was being added to the free library for older children.

All stories are free to stream on your desktop, laptop, phone or tablet.

The Audible library is open whilst schools are closed >>

<https://stories.audible.com/start-listen>

Learn to succeed

# Mental Health

With 'wellbeing' being a concern for everyone during these anxious times, Lancashire Mind has informed of us the following webinars which may be useful for our families.



Sam Tyrer, the founder of Change Talks, a Children and Young People's organisation, and his colleague, Dave, are hosting live webinars called 'Mental Health Family Hour' every Tuesday at 10am.

A pre-recorded session on YouTube - <https://youtu.be/wZKO4sb9BAk> has been tested and received a great response.

Each of the live sessions will also be uploaded to YouTube. They can be watched at any time and they will be useful for everybody at this time. These sessions will especially create a great opportunity for families to discuss their mental well-being and hopefully lead to some positive discussions.

All you have to do is click the link [www.twitch.tv/mindsetbydave](http://www.twitch.tv/mindsetbydave) every Tuesday morning at 10am and you will immediately tune in to the live streaming. They have opted for this platform as it enables them to run their PowerPoint alongside their discussion. There will also be an opportunity at the end of each session to ask questions.

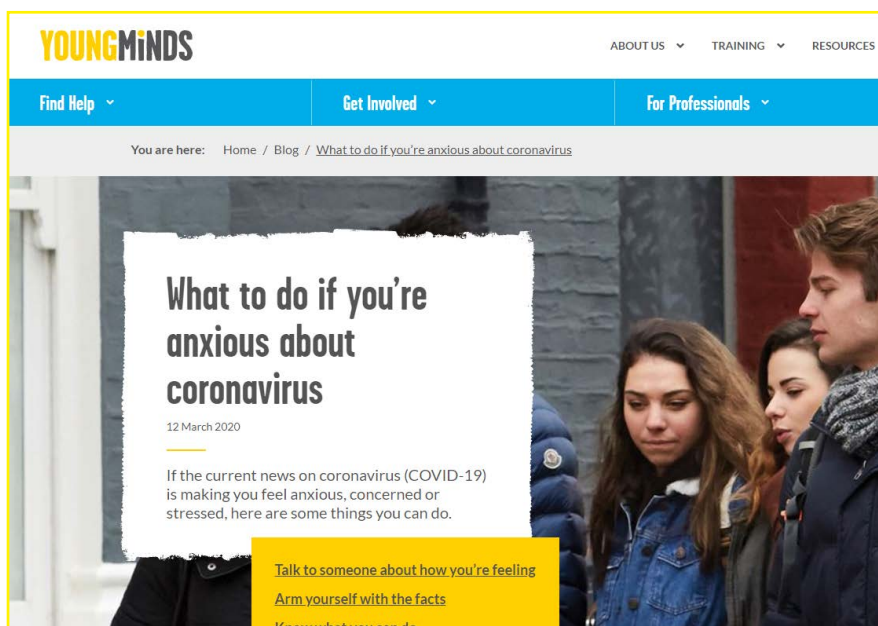


If the current news on Coronavirus is making you feel anxious, concerned or stressed, the Pastoral team at Priory recommend taking a look at the Young Minds website >>

[www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)

There are lots of blogs on there written by young people themselves relating to the Coronavirus. It covers topics such as: what to do if you're feeling anxious, coping with OCD during the pandemic, how to look after your mental health while isolating.

For parents, there's also a section about talking to your children about Coronavirus.



Learn to succeed

IF YOU'RE **11-19** YEARS OLD **TEXT YOUR SCHOOL NURSE**  
**07507330510**

**WE HELP STUDENTS WITH ALL KINDS OF THINGS LIKE...**

**EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELLBEING** **BULLYING**  
**SELF ALCOHOL HARM** **SMOKING**  
**DRUGS** **HEALTHY EATING** **SEXUAL**  
**CONTRACEPTION** **HEALTH**

*Text us for confidential advice & support*

We do not usually inform your parents, teachers or anyone else if you contact the school nurse. We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other healthcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate bounce-back to confirm we received your text. Texts will not be seen outside of normal working hours. If you need help before you hear back from us, contact a member of school staff or your doctor. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). Prevent the school nurse from sending messages to you by texting STOP to our number. Please respect your schools mobile phone policy. Messages are charged at your usual rate.



# Après l'orage arrive l'arc-en-ciel

*After the storm arrives the rainbow*

Head of Modern Foreign Languages, Mrs Scully, has focussed on the uplifting spirit of the rainbow in her lessons this week. The poem, 'les sept couloirs magiques' is based on a rainbow and is used quite widely in schools to teach French colours.

## Que faites-vous pendant les cours de français?

*What do you do during French lessons?*

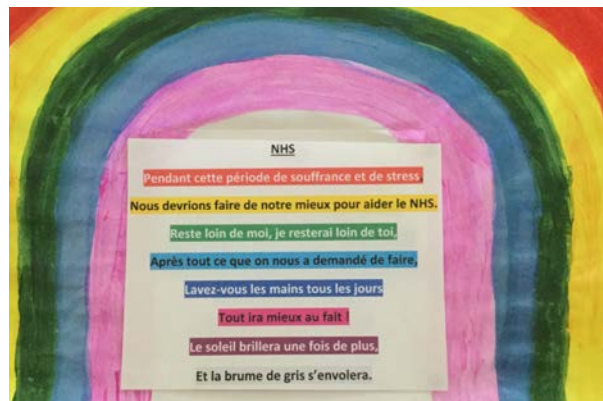
This week pupils have been creating French rainbows based on the poem and putting them in their windows.



Here's two pupils' efforts:

Year 7 Maya P D4 (top) and Year 8 Sara T C4 (bottom), who had so much fun writing her poem and painting the rainbow that she produced one in French and English!

Très bon!



'L'hymn de la vie' by Kids United Nouvelle Génération

This is a song on [Lyricstraining.com](https://www.lyricstraining.com). To access it on the site, change the set language French and then search for Kids United Nouvelle Génération. You don't need to set up an account to access this but if you want to then registration is free.

See screen shot opposite.

lyricstraining Genres Search Learning French Log In Sign Up

Ad closed by Google

Kids United Nouvelle Génération's Lyrics

Video Title	Artist	Duration	Views
Si J'étais Président	Kids United Nouvelle Génération	03:46	14 hours   44 plays
L'hymne De La Vie	Kids United Nouvelle Génération	03:18	6 months   9047 plays
Pour Louper L'école	Aldebert, Kids United Nouvelle Gén...	03:14	1 year   2786 plays
La Tendresse	Kids United Nouvelle Génération	02:45	1 year   2887 plays

Learn to succeed



## Wondered how the French are reporting on a topic that is currently affecting us all?

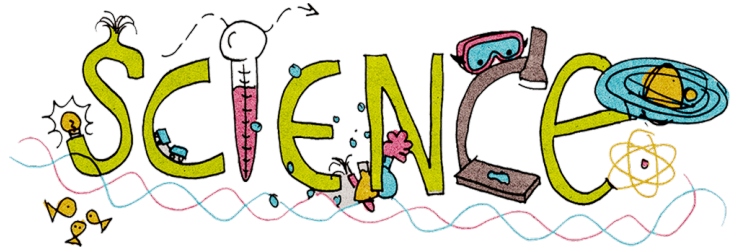
The child friendly mini newspaper, 'un jour, un actu', publishes snippets of news in French and has a feature called '1jour,1question'. Their one question per day article has a little cartoon graphic, a video and a short text so is easy for learners to engage with.

Take a look at their article on the Coronavirus pandemic:

[www.1jour1actu.com/info-animee/comment-les-francais-s%c2%b9entraident-face-au-covid-19](http://www.1jour1actu.com/info-animee/comment-les-francais-s%c2%b9entraident-face-au-covid-19)



Hello from the  
Science Department



We are all enjoying hearing from you and seeing the great work you are doing. Please continue to share your work with us.

For Year 7 and 8 pupils who have not yet signed up to **Seneca** please remember to do so. Check your email or Microsoft Teams for details or contact your science teacher.

The Science department were contacted by an ex-pupil and local GP Olivia Maynard who asked for help with PPE equipment. We were happy to do what we could! Your science goggles are going to good use and will be protecting health care professionals in the community.



### Fancy a challenge!

You may have been paying attention to the sky over the past few evenings you may have been lucky enough to catch sight of the Lyrids in Lyra (meteorite shower). Next week Venus is still looking good in the West. **Hint:** Planets do not twinkle (think twinkle...star). Look out on the 6th-7th May to see Eta Aquarid meteors in Aquarius (left over from Halley's comet) but the moon will be full (7th) so it won't be easy to see.



Thank you to our astronomy experts Mr Evans and Mrs Young!

Mrs Massey  
Assistant Head of Science

Learn to succeed

and the  
**WINNER**  
is...

## Are you a Random Reader?

After some hilarious and very well thought out pictures, the English Department agreed that their most random readers were:

**India P and Katie H - both Year 7 pupils from Mr Watters' form, H7.**

Well done girls - fabulous photos! Achievement points and prizes will be awarded when school reopens. Don't forget to see Mrs Gidden!

**The competition will run again during the final week of the Summer half term.**

Are you a  
Random Reader?

### COMPETITION TIME

This half term, due to school closure, it's impossible to run Get Caught Reading so...in its place there's 'RANDOM READER'.

The winners (one per year group) will be the person who sends Mrs Gidden and Mrs Robinson the most RANDOM of reading pictures. As long as a) you're actually reading the book and b) it's creatively random, you could be in with a shot of winning. It's a perfect excuse to read and be a little bit silly!

Entries must be in by Friday morning, 3 April, via email and must be captioned 'Here's me (name) reading (book title) in (random place or random situation). The winners will be announced on Mon, 19 April with achievement points and prizes awarded when school reopens.

Thank you to Year 10 pupil, Dlogo, for this competition idea. We hope you have a bit of fun with it and, more importantly, share your love of books and reading.

Email your photos to a.gidden@corroy.lancs.sch.uk AND e.robinson@corroy.lancs.sch.uk



## The film club competition winner for the best film review goes to:

Year 8 pupil, Jack W (R8)

Pupils were asked to write a review of their choice, in 100 words or less, on a movie from Film Club or any film they had seen. Jack's was a review of 'The Eagle' which is an adaptation of the novel 'The Eagle of the Ninth' by Rosemary Sutcliff.



The competition was led by English teacher, Mrs Elliott, and linked to Into Film's social media review writing competition to help young people flex and develop their literacy and analytical skills while schools are closed.

Any pupil can still submit their reviews direct to Into Film at: <http://us15.forward-to-friend.com/forward/show?u=a0c887b17aabd8cd6f8023a7b&id=cede5adb6c>. Every two weeks, Into Film will select a winner who will receive a £20 Amazon voucher.

Learn to succeed

Just for a bit of fun...

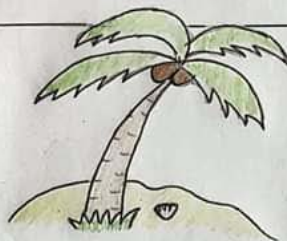
Answers on page 22.



?

# NAME THAT BOOK

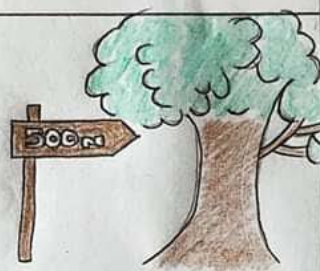
1



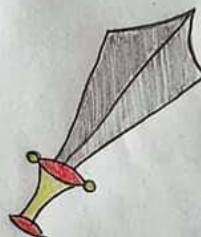
2



3



4



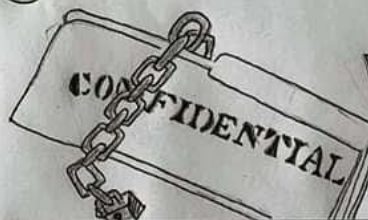
+



5



6



VII

7



8



9



10



Learn to succeed

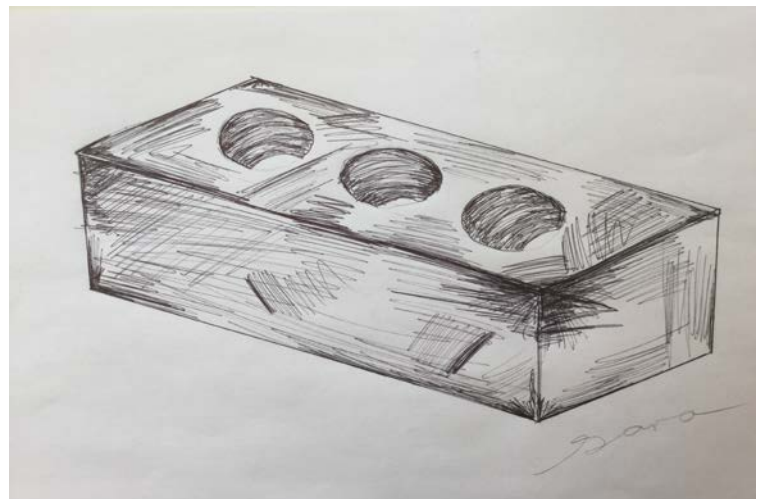
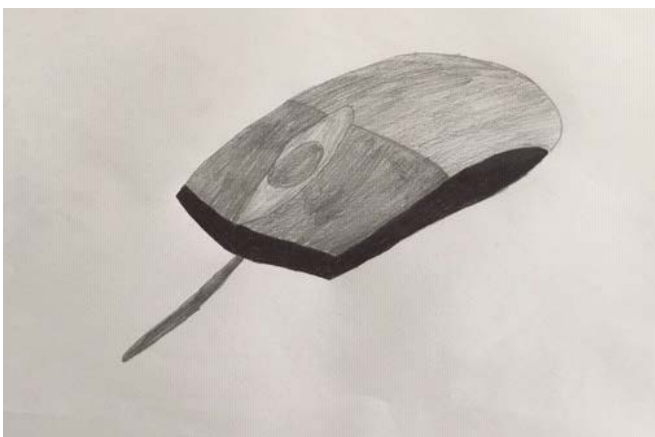
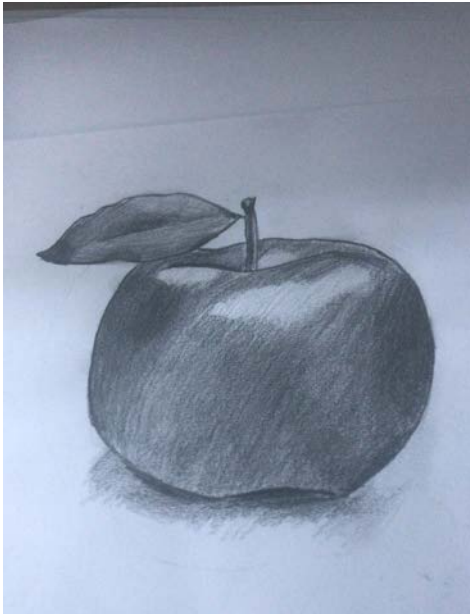


# Art

Continuing from last term, pupils have been asked to draw their

given theme demonstrating use of pencil by presenting tonal drawings, line drawings and cross hatching pieces. They also have the option of using other materials they have at home too.

Year 7 are focusing on Personal Objects | Year 8 Preston Architecture | Year 9 Food & Drink | Year 10 are investigating their own themes. Pupils have been sent links to YouTube videos demonstrating techniques, to improve their outcomes.



Learn to succeed

## It's lovely to see pupils engaging in their Food Technology work - from a distance!

Year 8 pupil Ben M and his younger sister made a victoria sponge cake, two loaves of bread and a tray bake.

Year 7 pupil, Harry R made lemon drizzle cake and mum told us it was amazing and that she has had three pieces already!!

Meanwhile, Year 7 pupil, Troy C was enjoying his work so much that he completed an optional extra - some "quite crunchy and very crumbly" flapjacks from the recipe list available on Doodle.



Well done everyone. We're also admiring your ability to find flour during the current panic buying crisis!



Learn to succeed



## Calling all students ... and parents and guardians!

You can't get outside – but you can outside, inside! With lots of online resources, games and educational videos there's plenty to keep you learning as well as entertained with the Ordnance Survey Get Outside Inside website.

<https://getoutside.ordnancesurvey.co.uk/guides/getoutside-inside/>

I have been busy making sure that there's something for each and every one of you to extend and challenge your learning - not only in Geography – but with cross-curricular themes. Log onto the Ordnance Survey website using the link and find yourself immersed in a range of geographical puzzles, mathematical challenges and literature tasks.

Over 50 national organisations in the outdoor recreation industry have come together to help keep us connected with the outdoors and engaged with our natural environments whilst we all continue to self-isolate to help protect our friends, family and local communities. I hope that these resources will help to educate, entertain, and inspire you to help keep yourselves both mentally and physically positive.

Whilst I hope you can continue to enjoy the outdoors locally once a day, I urge you to stick to your garden or personal outdoor space where possible and follow government guidance at all times.

I have included a couple of sample resources attached to this article which I particularly like – not just for students – but some trickier questions for the adults at home too! Why not have a go?

Mr Metcalfe  
Head of Humanities



## Guess the Book Character...

Can you guess the character from popular books?

1. I'm a strong, fair leader. I was shipwrecked. I think shells are important.
2. I go to Westmore School. My best friend is Rowley, I write down my thoughts

Answer on page 22.

Learn to succeed

## QUESTIONS

### Easy

- How many aeroplane symbols appear on the map?
- In how many different colours are numbers printed on the map?

### Medium

- How many times does 'port' appear on the map, including within other words?
- Which place name on the map contains within its centre a nine-letter brand of car, but with the brand's central letter missing?

### Tricky

- The name of which capital city other than Cardiff appears within the name of a location on the map? And which US state capital?
- What do the words 'quay', 'castle', 'port' and 'town' have in common, and which is the odd one out?

### Challenging

- What's the height difference between the highest and lowest peaks marked on the map? How far apart are they as the crow flies, to the nearest ten kilometres?
- Which places on the map could solve the following cryptic crossword clues?
  - Prelate's fort constructed from chess pieces
  - Cease to cover short secreting structure in country
  - Pod members heard land



## QUESTIONS

### Easy

1. Which road shares its name with a famous London recording studio?
2. Which park neighbours an area with multiple streets named after ducks?

### Medium

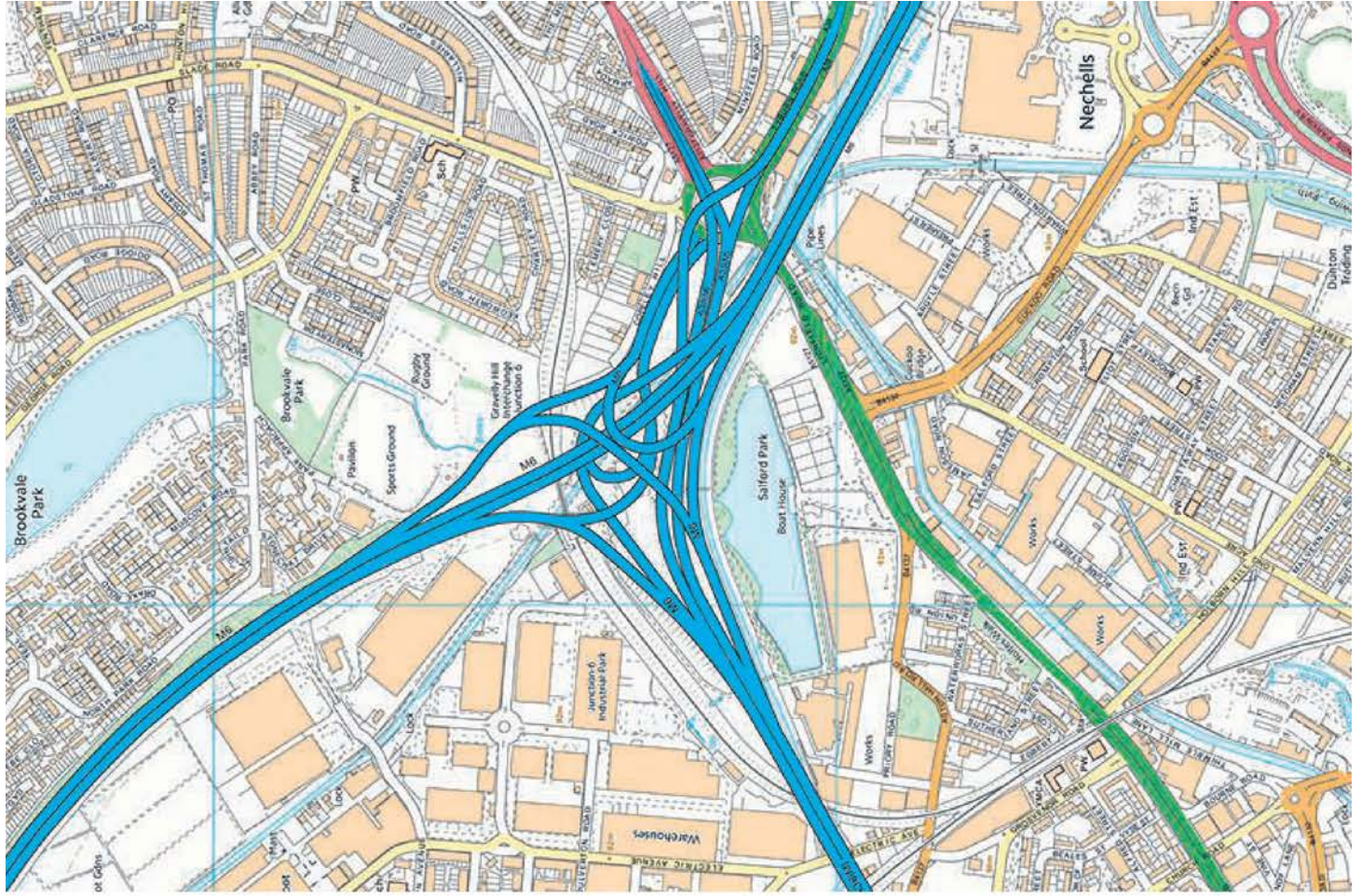
3. How many times does the number '6' appear on the map as an individual digit (i.e. not as part of a larger number)?
4. Which word completes all three of these street names: Place, Road and Approach?

### Tricky

5. Which road shares its name with a Monopoly board property?
6. Which locations on the map sound like the following?
  - a. Domesticated waterway
  - b. Path over a noisy bird

### Challenging

7. Which location on the map shares its name with a 1978 UK number one single?
8. Which roads on the map share their names with:
  - a. A four-term UK prime minister?
  - b. A well-known movie spy?





From Monday, Preston's College will be offering a drop-in service where parents, guardians and students can telephone between 3-5pm with any concerns about college courses, careers or just general questions about college life. They are there to help and want students to feel they have the best possible service even in these unprecedented times. The number is 01772 225774 and this will be emailed and text to all applicants.

- Their Level 6 Careers Guidance Advisers will also be available for any applicant unsure of their next steps. An appointment can be booked by emailing [guidance@preston.ac.uk](mailto:guidance@preston.ac.uk)
- The college is working hard with their curriculum tutors to put things in place for prospective students where they can access work and materials to prepare for college life. These will be uploaded to their College Canvas platform and all students again will be emailed with how to access this.
- The college's Careers Coach website is now fully operational for Year 11 students to access information on Courses, Careers and CV building. To access Career Coach please visit <https://preston.emsicc.com/>.
- All Year 11 Preston's College applicants yet to be interviewed will be contacted via telephone for their interview. They are conducting these daily and working through these to still offer an exceptional service. At the request of parents these can also be done via Skype or Microsoft teams.



## OS Get Outside Inside 1:

1. Abbey Road 2. Brookvale Park 3. Eight 4. 'Park' (as in Park Place, Park Road and Park Approach) 5. Waterworks Street shares its name with 'Water Works' on a Monopoly board 6. a. River Tame; b. Cuckoo Bridge 7. YMCA 8. a. Gladstone Road; b. Bourne Road

## OS Get Outside Inside 2:

1. Three 2. Seven: white (e.g. MS3), yellow (e.g. ASS), pink (e.g. A489), brown (e.g. 108Sm), green (e.g. A483), blue {M49} and black (motorway junctions, and in the scale) 3. Eleven: Ellesmere Port, Porthmadog, Portishead, Burry Port, Port-Eynon, Porthcawl, Aberporth, Port Talbot, Neath Port Talbot and Newport x2 4. Llandovery (contains 'Land Rover' without the central 'r') 5. Amman (in Ammanford/Brynamman, capital of Jordan) and Montgomery (capital of Alabama) 6. All of the words come after 'New' in a location on the map, but 'quay' is the only one that's a separate word {New Quay, Newcastle Emlyn, Newport and Newtown} 7. 199m height difference and 140km apart (the peaks are Snowdon and Pen y Fan). 8. a. Bishops Castle - 'Prelate's fort'= straight definition of 'bishop's castle'; 'constructed from chess pieces'= bishops+ castle, i.e. the word is made up of chess pieces b. England - 'Cease'= 'end'; 'to cover short secreting structure'= written across ('to cover') 'gland' (a 'secreting structure'), shortened ('short') by one letter; 'in country' meaning that the answer can be found in a word defined by 'country' c. Wales - 'Pod members' is 'whales', and 'heard' means that it sounds like that, i.e. 'Wales'; 'land'= straight definition for 'Wales'

**Name that book:** 1. Treasure Island 2. The Cat in the Hat 3. The Magic Far-away Tree 4. The Sword and the Stone 5. The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe 6. The Secret 7. The Northern Lights 8. Watership Down 9. A Monster Calls 10. A Little Princess

**Book character quiz:** A: Ralph Lord of the Flies A: Greg from Diary of a Wimpy Kid.



Myerscough  
College

# Online Course Advice Morning

10.00am-12.30pm



The North West centre for land-based & sports education

[www.myerscough.ac.uk](http://www.myerscough.ac.uk)



@myerscoughcoll



MyerscoughColl



## New Apprenticeship Vacancies

### Apprenticeship Infrastructure Technician

### Apprenticeship Business Analyst

DXC Technology is the worlds leading independent digital service for businesses on a global scale. **They are looking for the next generation of talented apprentices to join their organisation** and have chosen Runshaw College as their training provider.

DXC Technology are offering **12** fantastic apprenticeship opportunities:

5 x Infrastructure Technicians

7 x Business Administrators

If you have a 'can do' attitude, excellent communication skills and an aptitude for problem solving please visit our website for more details.

<https://www.runshaw.ac.uk/apprenticeships-vacancies/>



Learn to succeed