

# Penwortham Priory Post



## For our day, they gave their tomorrow.

Every year, Priory's Head Prefects take part in Penwortham's Remembrance service at St Leonard's church and then lay a wreath at the war memorial on Liverpool Road.

As this couldn't happen this year, along side Headteacher Mr Eastham and gardener Mr Farron, Louis, Tilly, Lillie and Tom placed a wreath in our own memorial garden as they paid their respects to those who gave their lives in order to protect our freedom.

The poppy growing to the left of the wreath was brought back from Belgium by our pupils when they visited in 2018.

*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."*

Lest we forget.



Diary Dates

## Key Dates

Did you know that the term dates for this academic year, as well as the following year, are available to view and download from our website?

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

**Year 9 HPV Vaccinations Catch Up Session**  
Mon, 16 November 2020

**Year 7 Nasal Flu Vaccinations**  
Mon, 16 November 2020

**Year 11 Parents Evening**  
Telephone calls from Mon, 23 Nov to Weds, 25 Nov.

**End of Autumn Term**  
Fri, 18 December 2020  
Early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm.

## DfE Updated Guidance for Parents/Carers

The Department for Education has updated its guidance for parents on what you need to know about schools during the coronavirus outbreak. This includes the national restrictions that came into force on 5 November, the latest advice for clinically extremely vulnerable pupils and advice on face coverings.

This can be accessed at [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](http://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)

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# Parents Evening

## Year 11 Parents Evening

Unfortunately, parents evening cannot run in its normal way this year. As a result, the event will be via a telephone call from your child's teachers over three days:

Mon, 23 November: Maths + Option Group A  
Tues, 24 November: English + Option Group B  
Weds, 25 November: Science + Option Group C

Parents will be given appointment sheets for each of their child's subjects where you must indicate when you are free to receive a call. Once you have completed the forms please ask your child to return them to their subject teachers who will then confirm your time slot later in the week. Appointment times will be limited to 5 minutes but if a longer call is required the teacher will arrange to call you again later in the week. Please note that calls will display as a withheld number.

By running the event over several days we are confident that appointment times will run on time and as scheduled.

Mr Gee  
Assistant Headteacher



**World Kindness Day takes place every year, on 13 November.**

It is a nationally recognised day for the celebration of kindness in society and day to day life.

Individual acts of kindness are encouraged on this day annually.

*"Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around."* Leo Buscaglia, 1924 - 1998

Whether you're doing something for your family or friends, the environment, community or nature - just be kind. Here are some small acts of kindness anyone can easily do every day...

[http://kindnessuk.com/acts\\_of\\_kindness.php](http://kindnessuk.com/acts_of_kindness.php)

Let's celebrate the ways in which we can make the world a better place by being kind.

**7 WAYS TO START MAKING KINDNESS THE NORM IN YOUR DAILY LIFE:**

- 1 Send an uplifting text to a friend or family member.
- 2 Let that guy merge into traffic with a wave and a smile.
- 3 Include intentional moments of kindness, laughter and delight in your daily routine.
- 4 Go *slightly* outside of our comfort zone at least once a day to make someone smile.
- 5 Share a compliment with a co-worker or friend.
- 6 Reach out to a family member you haven't spoken to in awhile.
- 7 Treat someone to a cup of coffee (a friend, stranger, or even yourself).

**make kindness the norm.**

#WorldKindnessDay  
#MakeKindnessTheNorm  
[www.randomactsofkindness.org](http://www.randomactsofkindness.org)

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Following on from the Great Reading Race which took place at the end of the half term, we called in to see Year 9's winning class this morning.

Class 9W2 banked an impressive 353,000 words during w/c 19 October and so, for their reward they got to enjoy milk and cookies during their AR reading session with Mrs Robinson-Ali today.

Head of English, Mrs Gidden, said, "It's wonderful to see the competitiveness between the classes. The 'race' is never dominated by any particular class so it's really pleasing to see that all of them equally have their chance - so keep on reading!"

Well done to them and also to the other three year groups that deserved their treat - 7E3, 8E2 and 10E1.

Pupils will 'race' again at the end of the Autumn term.

*Mrs Robinson-Ali  
Assistant Head of English*



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**This week Priory recognised the pupils who have achieved 100% attendance from September to half term.**

Attendance has been a challenge for everyone this year however it was very pleasing to see approximately half the school achieve full attendance despite the situation we find ourselves in.

All pupils with 100% attendance received a certificate of acknowledgement and their names were put into a draw where two lucky winners from each year group would win a pouch of Celebrations.



Winners were:

Year 7	Louis D-H, George F
Year 8	Dylan C, Sam D
Year 9	Chloe Q, Noah Y
Year 10	Ellie B-S, Aidan R
Year 11	Caitlin W, Nathan S

Well done to all!

At the end of the Autumn term, as per the standard format, all pupils with 97%+ attendance will qualify for the prize draw.

Mrs Swire  
*Attendance & Inclusion Manager*

## Quick Draw Rewards

Each week, teachers will nominate individuals who have particularly impressed them with their effort, attitude and engagement with their learning - giving a brief reason why. Teachers will let all pupils know if they have a nomination. Heads of Year will then draw a name at random from the list, one per year group. The lucky pupils will then be contacted by Miss Thornton to receive their £5 voucher.



Winning pupils have a choice of a £5 Amazon or Love2Shop voucher, both of which can be spent online, or a £5 Costa Coffee voucher.

**Randomly chosen winners from last week were:**

- Year 7 - Niamh P - Nominated by Mr Taylor for a very pleasing French assessment unit.
- Year 8 - Troy C - Nominated by Mrs Elliott for achieving a great word score in AR so far this term.
- Year 9 - Kelsie K- Nominated by Mrs Isherwood for a great piece of detective fiction in English.
- Year 10 - Bradley M - Nominated by Mrs Massey for consistently completing all work set in Science.
- Year 11 - Evie M - Nominated by Mrs Elliott for great engagement with Blood Brothers.

Miss Thornton  
*English Teacher and Specialist Leader for Education*

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# Myerscough College



**Year 10 pupil Stephen is determined to work with animals when he is older and Priory allows him to spend a day a week striving to achieve his dream.**

Stephen attends Myerscough College every Wednesday to study Agriculture. It's a Level One Certificate & Diploma in Practical Countryside Skills - Agriculture and Countryside.

The course covers large animals, crops, land management and machinery over the two years.

"I really like animals so this is good for me," said Stephen, who also excels at maths at school. "I have four chickens at home and I really want a dog!"

"I like being around animals and going to Myerscough allows me to do this. I work with big farm animals like sheep and cows and it's hard work doing things like checking their feet and cleaning them. They are the same size as me! We work with two farms and so get hands-on experience of life with animals.

"I am not sure I will be a vet when I am older but I watched a programme on RSPCA officers and I may try to go into that."

***At Priory we want everyone to achieve their dreams, whatever they may be, and allowing Stephen to do this one day a week is supporting his aspirations.***



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# Online Catering Pre-Order System Update



You can now view your advanced orders and make cancellations.

VeriCool, the online system which allows parents, pupils and staff to pre-order break and lunchtime food now allows you to view orders after they have been checked out as well as cancel items.

Enabled this week, users can now see everything you have ordered in advance and also remove what you no longer want. Users can cancel orders for after the current day by clicking on the red 'refund' button at the left of each item. Please note that users cannot refund/cancel that day's order so if a child is not in school please email [enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk) before the cut-off time - 9am (break) or 11.10am (lunch) - and we will cancel the order for you.



## In case you weren't already aware...

You'll be pleased to know that **you can now access the online portal from most mobile phones and tablets** as well as any PC / laptop although you must do this via a web browser until the app becomes available.

Go to <https://penworthampreorder.swift-order.co.uk>



This means specifically that students can log in to their account whilst on the move and select food items of their choice. Pupils will still be able to use computers in school at break and lunch to place orders via the system.

A user guide and FAQs, along with a talk-through video on how to set up an account and navigate pre-ordering are available from the school website at >> [www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/online-catering-orders](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/online-catering-orders)

If you have any queries or need a reminder of your set up code or login, please email [enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk)

We would like to thank you all for your continued patience and understanding during VeriCool's teething period. This system is still very new and was developed rapidly in order to support government guidelines during the Covid-19 pandemic.

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## Congratulations to Priory's gardener, Mr Farron, as more awards poured in this week from RHS Britain in Bloom.

When awarding their certificates the Royal Horticultural Society told us, "This year an amazing sense of community spirit has enabled people to face the difficulties of this dreadful pandemic together".

"Through Bloom, It's Your Neighbourhood, and other community gardening activities you have laid the strong foundations that helped make your communities more resilient in these testing times.

"We know that people have felt closer to nature through lockdown and valued access to green space so much more, and we have heard that people are valuing your work more than ever before.

"At the RHS and the Bloom Regions and Nations we have been incredibly moved by your stories of courage, creativity and ingenuity in helping your wider communities through this time. Even those groups who have not been able to carry out activities this year are still an important part of a wider movement to make all our communities stronger, greener and happier."

The three certificates were awarded for 'Recognition', 'Sharing Your Know How' and 'Inspiring Others'.

During the summer term, whilst most of us were remote teaching and learning, Priory's gardener, Mr Farron, was 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. The Herbaceous Garden, his pride and joy, is full of perennials and, from each window in the school, you see a different design and garden.

Full story>> [www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/news/2020-07-10-and-not-forgetting-our-gardens](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/news/2020-07-10-and-not-forgetting-our-gardens)



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## Jordan North Class of 2006

**Whilst many of you will be tuning in to watch I'm a Celebrity on Sunday night, please look out for one of its stars in particular - former Priory pupil, Jordan North.**

The BBC Radio 1 DJ left Priory in 2006 although he didn't forget his roots and returned in 2018 to present at the Year 11 leaver's celebration assembly. Jordan was happy to see one of his favourite teachers, Assistant Head, Mrs Crank (pictured third down).

The pandemic means the show won't be in the Australian jungle as usual - this year's series has been relocated to the ruined Gwrych Castle in Abergele. The campmates will be a far cry from the heat too, swapping beachwear for thermals before they take on trials in chilly, wet North Wales.

Jordan, known for his Northern charm, hosts Radio 1's lunchtime show from Fridays to Sundays. His obsession with radio began from an early age and drew him towards community radio station Preston FM before heading on to Rock FM and Capital FM. In 2018, Hello magazine cited Jordan as 'one to watch'.

If there was ever a good reason to do the programme this year, Jordan says, "It'll be nice just to get out't house for a couple of weeks!"

Whether he wins or not, Jordan's already our king of the castle!

Related story > [www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/news/2018-11-08-class-of-2018-celebration-evening](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/news/2018-11-08-class-of-2018-celebration-evening)





# John Kirkpatrick

## Class of 1961

John was one of the first Head Boys at what was then Penwortham Secondary School. Sadly, he passed away in Royal Preston Hospital last month following a short illness.

On leaving school John joined Lancashire constabulary as a police cadet and became a police constable in 1963. In an illustrious career lasting more than 32 years, he retired in 1994 as Chief Superintendent and Divisional Commander of Central Division comprising Preston and South Ribble.

John's grandson, Patrick, attended Priory from 2017-2019 before moving to Scotland. John was very proud that Patrick attended our school and has kept in touch with his Penwortham classmates.

We have found John's name in Priory's first admissions register (see below), starting 1953, and a photo from 1958, when John was on roll at the school.

It's very fulfilling for us to hear of how Priory pupils go on to contribute so much value to the community. We'd like to thank a friend of John's, Mr Jameson, for getting in touch and we pass on our condolences.



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1088	27	8	56	KIRKPATRICK	JOHN A.	M	19	12	44	13	Birchwood Road	Hutton, Longton County	19	7	57	leaving age
1089	27	8	56	LANCASTER	SUSAN J.	F	5	2	45	66	Priory Lane	Penwortham, Penwortham County G.S.	15	7	61	leaving age



As non-essential retailer, Justs uniform suppliers is unable to open in its usual capacity during the current national lockdown. However, it is still able to provide a collection/delivery service to Priory customers.

Please see message opposite for full details>>



## WE ARE OPEN!

Due to the current government restrictions we regret to say we cannot open in the usual way.

Instead, we will offer a collection only or delivery service for all your uniform requirements. We will be taking telephone orders on 01772 743807 and open for covid-secure, safe collection during the following hours:

Mondays and Tuesdays: 1.30pm – 4.30pm

Wednesdays: Closed

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Saturdays: 11am – 2pm

Sundays: Closed

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If you have any queries or you are struggling to get to us, please contact us and we will do whatever we can to accommodate you.

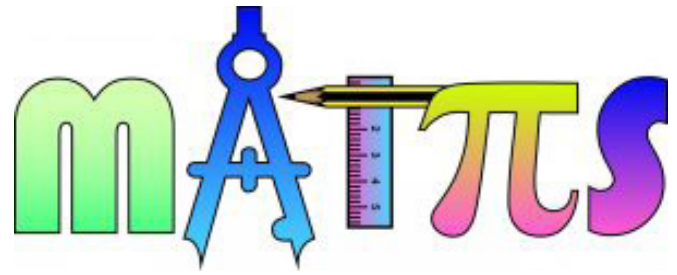
Thank you for your continued support, we appreciate your understanding.

Stay safe everyone.

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## Year 11 Maths Interventions - Tuesdays

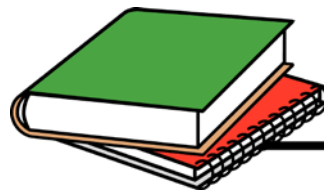
These additional classes are held on Tuesdays after school until 4pm.

Selected pupils are to attend this intervention to work on specific weaknesses from practice paper assessments with their maths teacher. Students are rotated as per need.

Mr Raynor also runs GCSE Further Maths classes at this time. This is an extra qualification for higher tier students interested in studying Mathematics at college or wanting to improve their GCSE Maths target grade.

Mr Kenrick  
Head of Maths

## Year 11 English Interventions - Thursdays



# English

These additional classes are held on Thursdays after school until approx 4pm.

Pupils should see their English teacher first although may simply turn up for the session if they wish. For some pupils these interventions will be compulsory if their teacher feels they are struggling with that area of study.

Maximum number of pupils is 25 per class.

Mrs Gidden  
Head of English

Week	Teacher / Room	Poem
19 November	Miss Thornton TBC	Bayonet Charge
	Mrs Elliott	Exposure
26 November	Mrs Gidden EN3	Exposure
	Mrs Webster EN1	Charge of the Light Brigade
	Mr Faulkner TBC	Charge of the Light Brigade

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# Word of the Week

Every week teachers will introduce a new word to pupils in their Learning For Life 'Challenge Day' lesson.

Teachers will clearly explain the literacy tip of the week and will reference the Word of the Week in their lessons. Pupils will be challenged about them in curriculum time. Achievement points are awarded for correct use of Word of the Week.

**Pupils:** Make sure you have checked through your work to ensure you have applied the literacy tip correctly.

## Word of the Week:

### Disposal

Noun

1. the act of getting rid of something e.g. *the rubbish was for disposal*

*Etymology:*

Old French *disposer*, from Latin *disponere* 'arrange', influenced by *dispositus* 'arranged' and Old French *poser* 'to place'.



## Literacy tip of the week...

### Abstract nouns

Things you can't touch, see or hear...

Love  
Joy  
Sadness  
Peace  
Evil

Write a list of 5 abstract nouns!

Try to use abstract nouns in your own work!

## Synonym of the week...

### 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 word:

**Funny**

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



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

Pupils have two 20 minute Learning for Life lessons each week where they will participate in the curriculum shown opposite.

Where you will learn things you will need and will use, now and in the future.

## On the curriculum w/c 16 November

Year 7	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Starting as we mean to go on' A world without harm.
Year 8	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Celebrating our difference' Social Media part 2
Year 9	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Finding my voice' Is my language respectful?
Year 10	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Owning my journey' Career development.
Year 11	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Breaking down the journey' Disagreeing with people.

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**Chorley and South Ribble Hospital Emergency Department is open 8am–5pm 7 days a week**

The Emergency Department is open to adults only, anybody under 18 years of age needing emergency care will go to Royal Preston Hospital.

The Urgent Care Centre at Chorley Hospital remains open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and continues to treat adults and children for a range of conditions and ailments that are not life threatening emergencies.

More details about the care available at the Emergency Departments and the Urgent Care Centres can be found on the Lancashire Teaching Hospitals website.

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Please scan here for more details



Priory's Careers Adviser, Mrs Khan, continues to be in school every Friday for careers appointments and drop-in sessions. Mrs Khan is based EN8 for Year 11 pupils.

Pupils wishing to meet with Mrs Khan can see their head of year to make an appointment or parents/pupils can email [s.khan@priory.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:s.khan@priory.lancs.sch.uk)

Pupils may wish to discuss various post 16 career pathways via college or apprenticeships, training programmes, college applications, work experience, CV and personal statements.

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Dates of Event	Time of Event
• 16th Nov 2020 • 8th Dec 2020 • 27th Jan 2021 • 18th Feb 2021 Level 3 Business Administrator & Level 3 Supply Chain Practitioner	18.30 - 19.30
• 17th Nov 2020 • 9th Dec 2020 • 28th Jan 2021 • 15th Feb 2021 L3/L4 Technician & L3 Craft/ Level 3 Aircraft Maintenance	18.30 - 19.30
• 18th Nov 2020 • 10th Dec 2020 • 25th Jan 2021 • 16th Feb 2021 Project Management Degree & Project Control Degree & Finance & CMI & Human Resources Higher Apprenticeship	18.30 - 19.30
• 19th Nov 2020 • 7th Dec 2020 • 26th Jan 2021 • 17th Feb 2021 EDAS Software & EDAS Aerospace	18.30 - 19.30

Please note, you must register a place in order to attend the Career Open Events. Our apprentice application window opens on the 1st November 2020 until the 28th February 2021. You can pre-register your interest and apply online at: [www.baesystems.com/apprenticeships](http://www.baesystems.com/apprenticeships)

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to answer all of your questions!

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