

Penwortham Priory Post



Meet the Teachers - Ms Kinsman & Miss Deeley

The Science Department have welcomed two new members to their team this month.



Ms Kinsman, who is from Blackpool, has joined as a permanent member of staff after changing careers. She has a Biology Degree and a Masters Degree in Business, both from Lancaster University.

"I worked in business for 17 years as a sales representative for a pharmaceutical company and I travelled around the world to places like Thailand and Bermuda for free," she said. "The children ask me why I gave it up but it was more tiring than it sounds!"

"I had been thinking about going into teaching for a while and my last job in pharmaceuticals was working in women's health and it was obviously having an impact on the community, I was making a difference and I liked that. The only thing was I was a step away from people and, as a teacher, I can see the difference, I can see the impact I am making. It's so lovely having the pupils keen to listen to what you have to say. It was definitely the right decision."

Miss Deeley is part of the Teach First programme. She too went to Lancaster University and studied Natural Sciences.

"My parents were both teachers; my mum a primary school teacher and my dad a

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Diary Dates

Key Dates

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

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/termdates

After School Homework Club

Now open 3.10pm-4pm
Mon, Tues, Thurs

Mon, 28 Sept
Year 9 HPV immunisations

28 Sept, 5, 12, 19 Oct
Year 7 Hockey Club
Dates for other year groups to follow.

30 Sept
AR Star window closes

Fri, 2 Oct
Year 8 Bookmark Design
Competition deadline

Fri, 2 Oct
Special visitor - Layton
Williams, star of
Everybody's Talking About
Jamie.

Fri, 9 Oct
Year 7 Design English
Reward Postcard deadline

Half Term
Mon, 26 Oct to Fri, 30 Oct

Learning for Life Day 2
Mon, 9 Nov
Early lunch followed by
school closure at 1.10pm

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science teacher, although he moved into banking,” said Miss Deeley, who is from Buckinghamshire.

Priory pupils certainly won't mess with Miss Deeley as she has worked as a bouncer!

“I had a bouncer's licence and I worked at a nightclub in Lancaster while I studied. I am also a Cub Scout Leader and I play the violin and guitar.

“I always wanted to be a science teacher. The pupils are so friendly and they won't admit it, but they want to learn, they are so enthusiastic.”

What are your plans for the Science Department this year, Mr Bedford?

Head of Science, Mr Bedford, tells us...

Not only have we made some changes to our staffing, we've also made some substantial improvements to the science curriculum this year.

Our aim is to develop academic attitudes and scientific thinkers; students who are knowledgeable about the world around them, and curious to know more and expand that knowledge.

With the right habits and a good background knowledge, our leavers will then be presented with the opportunities they require to fulfil their aims and ambitions.



Mr Bedford, Head of Science

Parking At School: A Polite Notice



Following several complaints from local residents recently, we would like to politely remind parents to park considerately and not to block driveways when dropping pupils off or collecting them at the end of the school day. Pupils should also remain respectful and refrain from walking across gardens.

By parking in a legal and considerate manner, congestion will be reduced and safety increased thereby allowing for the least amount of disruption possible for parents and local residents.

This may mean parking a little further away from the school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

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Here Next Friday!

Next Friday, 2 October we welcome our special visitor, Layton Williams, star of West End show 'Everybody's Talking About Jamie'.

After taking a group of Priory's musical boffins to London last November to see the show, Drama Teacher Miss Howell received an email from Layton last week.

Layton will be delivering workshops to Year 9 and 10 pupils which will be live streamed across the school to other year groups via MS Teams.

We'll be live tweeting on the day - make sure you follow us @Priorystc and of course we'll be reporting here in the newsletter.



Layton Williams @LaytonWill... 24m
Can't wait to see you guys! 🙌👏

Penwortham Priory @PriorySTC
Everybody's talking about this
@PriorySTC

Drama Teacher, Miss Howell, is sooo excited about our special visitor @LaytonWilliams coming to see us next week.

Pupils went to see the show last November and now they will take part in a workshop with its star.



Attention Year 11 Geographers!

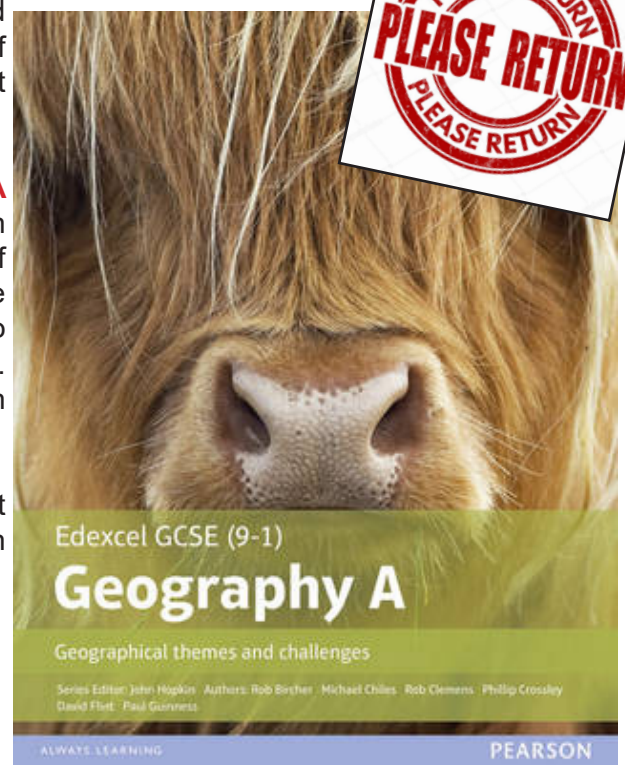
Thank you to all students who engaged with the work set during the period of lockdown absence from school prior to the summer.

Your efforts were much appreciated and we hope you found the use of the Edexcel A text book a great support during this time.

Please could you now ensure that all Geography Edexcel A GCSE text books are returned to school safely so that we can store them away for future use. We have attached an image of the book so that you can easily identify the text book. Please search high and low for the book and when found, return it to either Mr Watters or Mr Metcalfe in your next Geography lesson. All students were issued with a text book before lockdown commenced.

As always, if you have any concerns or you think you have lost the book, then please contact us immediately as we need to sign all books back in. There may be a charge for lost text books.

Mr Metcalfe, Head of Humanities &
Mr Watters, Geography Teacher



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Model Start for Year 7 Science Pupils

Over the summer, Year 7 pupils were tasked with challenges from the English, Maths and Science departments to prepare them for their high school years ahead.

Assistant Head of Science, Mrs Massey, was very impressed with the pupils' science work and wanted to share some of it with the rest of us.

Mrs Massey commented,

"The cell models were some of the best we've seen; I can tell we have some top scientists here already! I was very impressed with their work. The summer booklet covered units that pupils will learn more about in Year 7 so they have put themselves ahead of the game."



TASK:

Get Ready for Biology.

Cells are the building blocks of all living things. Make a model or create a presentation about cells. You can choose any type of animal or plant cell.

Mrs Massey chose five cell models that stood out and were particularly creative with their materials.

Maddison S, Thomas M, Jake L, Daniel McC, Kacpur G (not pictured) were all given Science KS3 study guides and achievement points as a reward for their work.

Well done to all the Year 7 pupils that completed the summer tasks.



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We're Recruiting!

Welfare Assistants

Due to increasing pupil numbers, the school is looking to take on additional Welfare Assistants for lunchtime duties.

To apply please send a letter of application to Mrs Cookson, HR & Finance Officer, by post or email, stating why you think you would be suitable for this role and what qualities you will bring.

Enquiries and applications to j.cookson@priors.lancs.sch.uk

Full details can be found on the school website at >>
www.priors.lancs.sch.uk/vacancies



Welfare Assistants

We are seeking two Welfare Assistants to ensure the safety, well-being and good conduct of pupils at lunchtime.

Days	Monday to Friday term time only
Hours	5 hours per week* 1pm to 2pm (occasional earlier lunches from 12 noon - 1pm)
Pay	Grade 1 pt 1 Gross salary £17,842 per annum Pro-rata £2,703



Experience not essential however candidates must have an understanding of working with children. Candidates must have good use of initiative and work as part of a team.

The successful candidates may be offered additional hours to support with delivery of hospitality at school events.

Please contact Mrs Cookson, Finance & HR Officer for enquiries or call in to Reception during school hours.

To apply please send a letter of application to Mrs Cookson, by email or post, stating why you think you would be suitable for this role and what qualities you will bring.

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or visit our website at www.priors.lancs.sch.uk/job-vacancies

*plus additional hours for staff meetings, skills training and participate in personal development as required.

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 the list of nominees last week were:

Year 7 - Niamh P. Nominated by Mrs Webster for excellent contributions in English.

Year 8 - Alex E. Nominated by Mrs Webster for excellent contributions in English.

Year 9 - Lucas T. Nominated by Mrs Isherwood for assisting the class by writing information on the board.

Year 10 - Erin W. Nominated by Mr Eccles for excellent effort in History.

Year 11 - Robbie M. Nominated by Mr Eccles for excellent effort in History.

Miss Thornton
English Teacher and Specialist Leader for Education

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SPORTS REPORT

After-School Hockey at Priory for Year 7

Starts Mon, 28 September for 4 weeks (5, 12, 19 October). Free!

There is a sign-up sheet next to the entrance door on the Music corridor or pupils should let Mrs Bullock or their PE teacher know they would like to join in.

Bring your PE kit. Matches on the Astro pitch from 3.15pm-4.15pm. Pupils will be coached by a professional from Preston Hockey Club.

Blocks for Year 8 and 9 to follow. This is open to boys and girls.

Parents can email r.bullock@priory.lancs.sch.uk





WANT TO PLAY HOCKEY?

FIND YOUR LOCAL, FRIENDLY CLUB TO GIVE HOCKEY A GO!

WHEN SATURDAY 9-11AM

WHERE PRESTON HOCKEY CLUB, PR18JP

CONTACT SHARON.PHCJUNIORS@GMAIL.COM




ENGLAND HOCKEY



Year 7 Physical Education Department Extra-Curricular Timetable (28th September - 23rd October 2020)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break – 10.50-11.15	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)
Lunch – 13.15 – 13.50	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)	Netball/ Football (MUGA)
After-School 15.00 – 16.15	Mixed Hockey (3G)	Mixed Football (3G) Mixed Dance (Gym)- starts 6 th October	Staff Meeting	Girls Netball (MUGA)	

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EXTRA! EXTRA!

Priory usually has an abundance of varied extra curricular clubs which run over break, lunch and after school. Unfortunately, restrictions due to Covid mean that many of these cannot run at the moment.

Details of active clubs are listed on our website here>> www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/what-s-on and pupils will be informed of them in school. Clubs will also be advertised here, in our weekly newsletter.

HOMEWORK CLUB

The Learning Support Team can offer help with homework/ revision and provide computer access in the rooms after school 3.10pm - 4pm

Homework Club



After School Homework Club

Year 7 - Hex 1 on Monday

Year 8 - IELC on Tuesday

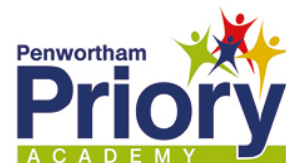
Year 9 - SC6 on Thursday

Year 10 - LEAP 2 on Thursday

All pupils welcome - just turn up!

**From 3.10pm
until 4pm**

Starts w/c 21 September



MARTIAL ARTS

Every Monday at Priory Academy

**BOOK NOW
£5 per class**

Juniors, 6-7pm (5-12yrs)

Seniors, 7.15-8.15pm (12yrs+)

We teach traditional **Japanese Ju Jitsu**, which is the martial art of self defence. Ju Jitsu classes instil teamwork, promote self confidence, encourage discipline and are most of all, fun!

Contact us for more information or to book
0800 688 9963 or nicky@ensomartialarts.co.uk



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Year 7 Question Time With The Head

Last week, Year 7 pupils had the chance to put their burning questions to the Headteacher.

Broadcast via Microsoft Teams from the Head's office, Mr Eastham answered some well-considered and interesting questions from each classroom.

'Meet The Head' is part of the school's transition programme and would normally take place during the induction day in July. As this couldn't happen this year, pupils had the opportunity to discuss as a class the questions they wanted answers to.

Mr Eastham happily went through their enquiries which ranged from *'How many people are in this school? to What is your favourite football team?'* (Preston North End, in case you're wondering!)

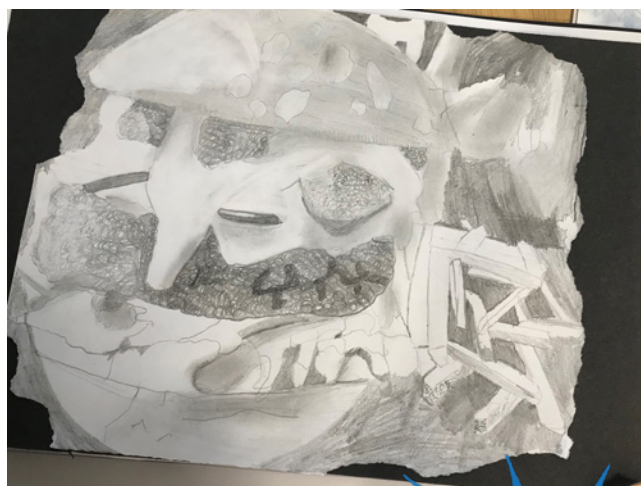
Other questions posed were:

- How different will Priory be when Covid is over?
- Why did you pick this school to teach at?
- What do you do at the end of every year, trips etc?
- How do you become a prefect in Year 11?
- What inspired you to build the Hex?
- Would you change the school uniform?
- What inspired you to make the Priory logo?
- What's your favourite subject?
- How smart are you?
- How long have you been working here?
- What religion do you practice?
- Have you met anyone famous?
- Has Priory had any famous people come here?
- Where do you like to go on holiday?
- Is your wife Mrs Eastham (which one)?
- What plans do you have for the school next? (to make it even better)
- If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?
- What is your opinion on pineapple on a pizza?



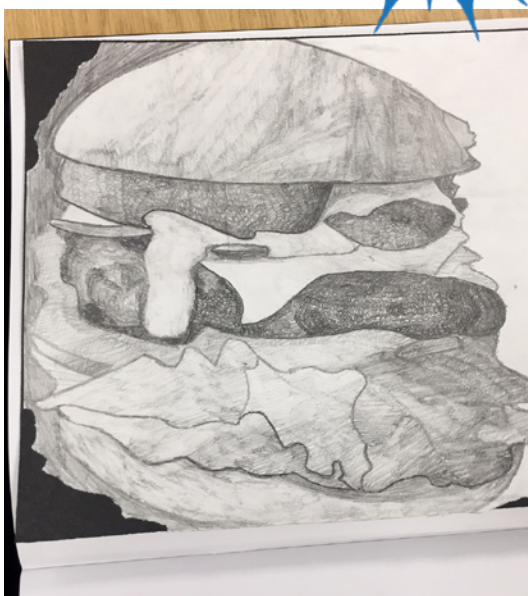
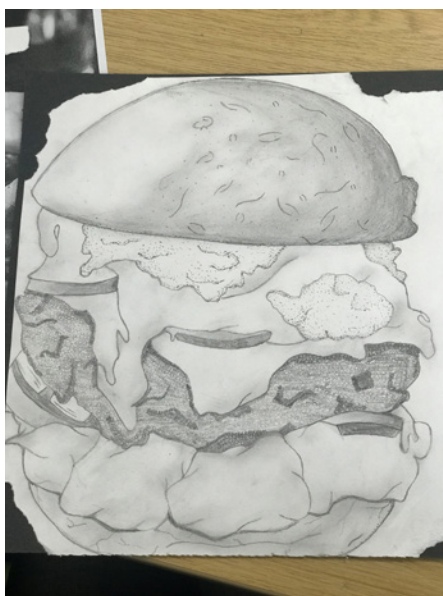
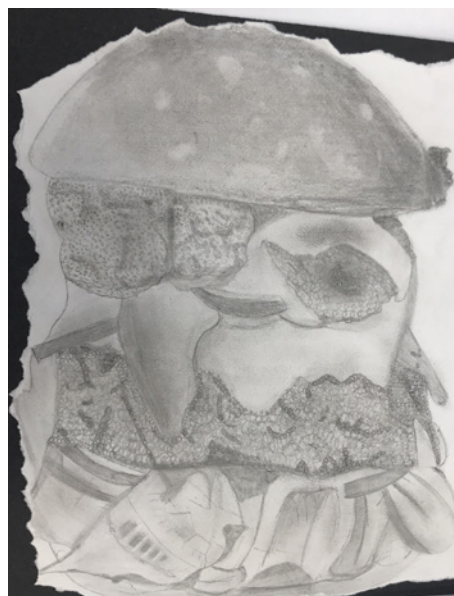


Year 9 have spent the last few art lessons looking at how to closely observe and replicate shape. They have then investigated the use of texture and tone to create different effects.



Some great pencil drawings here from Ben M, Maya P, Sara T and Jack G.

Ben tells us, "It is a black and white burger with beef, chicken, cheese, tomato and lettuce with fries in the front and a glass in the background."



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

On the curriculum w/c 28 September

Year 7	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Starting as we mean to go on' The benefits of being involved
Year 8	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Celebrating our difference' Positive reinforcement: The feel good factor
Year 9	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Finding my voice' How to deliver feedback sensitively
Year 10	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Owning my journey' Balancing importance and urgency
Year 11	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Breaking down the journey' Organising with clear communication

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.

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<p><i>We're very proud of you!</i></p> <p>Just a quick note to say that we have been really impressed with:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>I am pleased to tell you _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Signed by _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Head of Year</p> <p>Keep up the good work!</p> <p><small>Crow Hills Road, Penwortham, PR1 0JE tel 01772 320250 www.priory.lancs.sch.uk enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk</small></p>	<p>To _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Postcode _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Learn to succeed</i></p>
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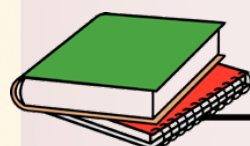
Achievement Recognition

Year 7: Would you like the chance to have your design put in print as the new English reward postcard?

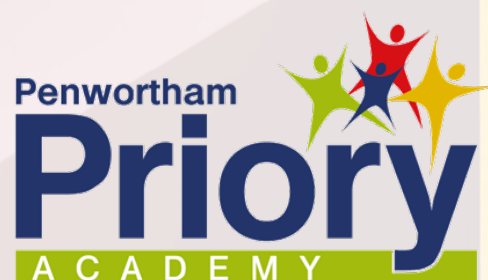
Year 7 are being set the creative challenge of designing a reward postcard for the English department. The winning design will be printed in order to recognise our English superstars.

Here's what you need to know:

- Pupils should create an original English-related design.
- Artwork can be submitted in any 'A' format ie, A3, A4, A5 or A6 but must be a landscape design.
- Text should be clear to read, preferably in black ink.
- Entries should be returned to their English teacher by Fri, 9 October.
- Make sure your name and English class are written on the back.



English



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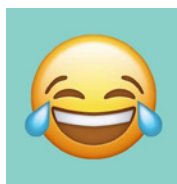
Year 8 Bookmark Competition

See last week's newsletter or your English teacher for a template.

Theme: Reading puns!

Yesterday a book fell on my head...

Well, I only have my shelf to blame!



Word of the Week

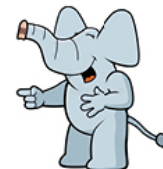
Every week teachers will introduce a new word to pupils in their Learning For Life 'Challenge Day' lesson.

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.

"Why does an elephant use his trunk as a bookmark?"

So he always nose where he stopped reading!"



Are You Feeling Creative, Year 8?

Assistant leader of English, Mrs Robinson-Ali, has set all Year 8 pupils a creative challenge which will also prove useful for pupils' Accelerated Reading (AR) sessions.

Using the template provided*, pupils should design their own bookmark within the area specified (the top bit!) The winning design will be printed onto card and distributed to all readers who will then be able to add their name, reading ZPD and their colour code. It also has the web address for the AR site on it!

The theme is **READING PUNS**. Go create!

Year 8 pupils should return entries to their English teacher by **Friday, 2 October**. Please ensure your name and English class are written on the back of the entry. Entries can also be submitted on Microsoft Teams.

*Templates can be collected from your English teacher or can be found on the last page of the weekly newsletter, ready for printing.

Word of the Week: Implications



Noun

1. a possible future effect or result Consider - the **implications** of your actions

Etymology:

from Latin *implicatio*(n-), from the verb *implicare*

Literacy tip of the week...

USE FULL STOPS AND COMMAS!

Full stops are to be used at the end of a sentence. There are no rules as to how long a sentence should be, but if we let sentences run on too long they can become confusing and hard to follow.

Commas indicate a pause, generally, in a sentence. They can also be used to mark off a section of a sentence, like the one I used above.

Punctuate this sentence:

Last night I went to my grandma's for dinner and it was great and we had fish and chips for our dinner and then we watched TV before I went home to bed I have school in the morning.

Use full stops and commas appropriately 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:

Smiled

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



Here at Penwortham Priory we continue to embrace technology and ensure that our students can effectively use and benefit from a blended approach to learning. Recent events have highlighted the need for an evolution in our teaching practice and I am pleased to be able to inform you that we will be continuing to explore the benefits of digital learning.

Over the coming weeks and months, students and staff at Priory will be exposed to a period of Digital Transformation, in which there will be a shift in the use of technology to enable a new and more effective style of learning. We must ensure our students are equipped with 21st Century skills to leave us with the currency that allows them access to great things.

Students have been issued with their email address and should now ensure that a successful log in to their Office365 account has taken place. They should also download the Microsoft Teams app on their phones or access this on a tablet or other device. A successful log in to both Office365 and Teams should take place before 25 September.

For guidance or to access Office365 for students, please follow the link here www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/office-365

To access Microsoft Teams for students, please click here www.microsoft.com/en-GB/microsoft-365/microsoft-teams/group-chat-software

If any student is having difficulty, please contact a member of staff immediately.

Alternatively, please email p.metcalf@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Parents can also refer to the letter emailed recently which is also available to download from the school website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters

Mr Metcalfe
Head of Humanities

Students are allocated their email addresses based on their name and year they joined the school.



For example, a student named Andrew Smith who joined the school in 2019, would have an email address as follows: 19asmith@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Year group and email prefix:

Year 7 - 20 | Year 8 - 19 | Year 9 - 18 | Year 10 - 17 | Year 11 - 16

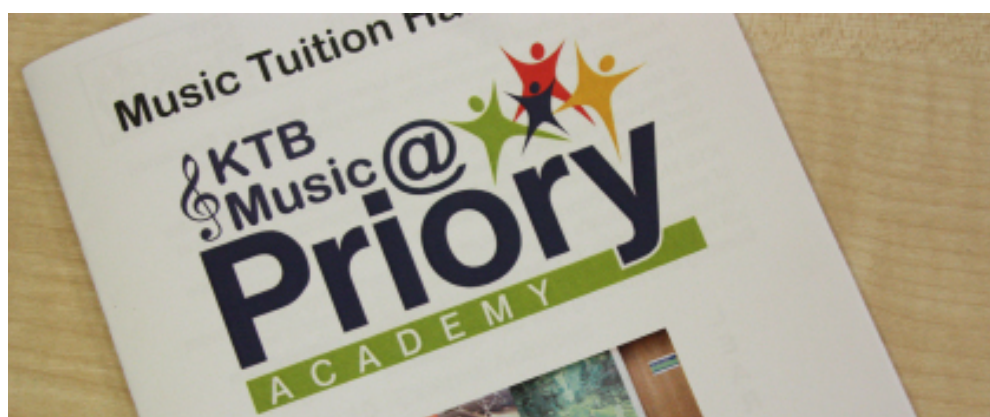
KTB Music are Priory's peripatetic music tutors and, whilst they can't come into school at the moment, they are delivering one-to-one lessons remotely using Zoom. Lessons are held in the evenings or weekend.

If pupils would like to take up an instrument, learn to sing or carry on from primary school, parents can email KTBMusicatpriory@outlook.com to request further details. Pupils can see Mr Taylor, Lead Teacher for Music at Priory, for a chat and information booklet.



When KTB Music are able to return to offering private music tuition in school, pupils will come out of a timetabled class lesson on a rota basis.

Find out more about who they are here: www.ktbmusic.com/online-lessons



Take Your Musical Journey Online With KTB Music!

KTB's skilled tutors are primed and ready to teach you, online, in the privacy of your own home using the Zoom app.

1-to-1 tuition is only £6 per lesson for 15 minutes.

How does it work?

- Step 1:** Choose your instrument! Learn singing, drums, saxophone, piano or keyboard with any of our four tutors.
- Step 2:** Email ktbmusicatpriory@outlook.com for a registration form and our online safeguarding agreement. We will be in touch as quick as we can with details of your first lesson. These will be in the evening or weekend.
- Step 3:** We will match you with your tutor and email you with details of the lesson and how to access it online.

Lessons are a continuation of in-school learning, and will be private between you and the tutor. Parents/carers will be asked to sign a safeguarding agreement as part of the registration process.

For information please email KTBMusicatpriory@outlook.com or pupils can speak to Mr Taylor, Lead Teacher of Music, at Penwortham Priory Academy | www.ktbmusic.co.uk



Alongside learning a new skill there are many benefits to learning a musical instrument:

- Proving memory skills
- Improving co-ordination skills
- Improving maths skills
- Improving reading and comprehension skills
- Developing responsibility
- Knowledge of culture and history
- Enhancing a sense of creativity
- Learning how to express yourself and your emotions
- Developing your academic profile
- As a way of relaxing
- Developing self-discipline
- Developing self-confidence
- Risk-taking
- Teamwork



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Virtual Open Event

The Headteacher's Speech

Last night would have been our Open Evening, when we welcome prospective families and invite them to experience Penwortham Priory Academy for themselves. The Headteacher's Speech is an integral part of the evening.

This year we have produced a virtual tour and, if you have a spare 10 minutes, you might like to listen to Mr Eastham as he explains why Priory should be the first choice school for your son/daughter.



To view Priory's virtual tour or Headteacher's Speech at your leisure go to >> www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/about-priory/virtual-tour. You can also view the Headteacher's Speech here >> <https://youtu.be/BayV6PGrdtk>

We invite prospective families to contact us with your questions either by telephone or by emailing us at enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk.

Parents of children with additional needs can email SENCo, Mrs Holland, to arrange a 15 minute Zoom meeting to discuss your child's needs and what we can offer for them at Priory. a.holland@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Virtual Open Evening

Start your journey at Priory with our online tour

Sadly, we know that Open Evenings are very unlikely to go ahead this year. So instead, please join Headteacher Mr Eastham as he takes you on a virtual tour of Penwortham Priory Academy.

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/about-priory/virtual-tour



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School Admissions

September 2021

If your child is in Year 6 you can now apply for their secondary school place.

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 2020



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
SECONDARY**
SOUTH

Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2021 and living in Lancashire?

APPLY NOW!

WWW.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/SCHOOLS
or give us a call on 01772 532109

CLOSING DATE: 31 OCTOBER 2020

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

HAVE YOUR SAY
Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk and search 'School Admission Policies'.

Lancashire
County Council 

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

**SCHOOL LEAVER
OPEN EVENTS**
Wednesday 7th October 2020 (Virtual)
4.00pm - 7.00pm
Thursday 8th October 2020 (Virtual)
4.00pm - 7.00pm
**REGISTER FOR OUR VIRTUAL
OPEN EVENTS NOW**
preston.ac.uk/virtual-open-event
Saturday 7th November 2020
10.00am - 2.00pm
Thursday 28th January 2021
4.00pm - 7.00pm
Wednesday 24th March 2021
4.00 - 7.00pm



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