

Penwortham Priory Post



Tres Bien Mon Super College!

Year 8 students combined their French, architectural and creative knowledge to draw and explain 'Mon Super College.'

The competition was put together by Head of MFL, Mrs Scully, who worked alongside local architect George Lea, founder of George Lea Architects, who judged the entries.

It was open to all Year 8 pupils and they had to design an innovative super school and label and explain their school in French.

The winner was a surprised Lily who said: "My school was in the shape of a tree, it was College de la Nature. I enjoy biology and I like animals and included those and the school was surrounded by trees, which is good for the environment.

"I learnt a lot of new French words, I did not know how to identify many school terms and animals in French but I do now!"

Mr Lea said: "Lily's was a very detailed entry, the school even had an emblem. We loved the location: part in the sea, part on the beach and part in the forest. It was a very good plan site and the different spaces connected well to each other.

"The building looks a bit like the Apple headquarters 'Apple Park' in California. The centre of the building could have had a park although the canteen is very important."

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Key Dates

Diary 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

Mon, 31 May -

Fri, 4 June

Half term break

Tues, 8 June

Year 7 Lancashire Police
Social Media Workshop

Tues, 15 June

Science & Tech Activity
Day (Selected Year 10)

Various dates from

8 June - 26 June

Year 9 & 10 Geography
Wycoller Field Trip

Parents Evenings

Year 7 - 16 June

Year 8 - 28 June

Year 10 - 22 June

Weds, 23 June

Year 10 Preston's College
visit.

Thurs, 24 June

Learning for Life Day 5
Early lunch followed by
school closure at 1.10pm.

Mon, 23 - Fri, 27 August

Summer school - new
Year 7 intake

Important Notice

URGENT RECALL: Overdue Library Book Amnesty

Please could pupils return their overdue library books.

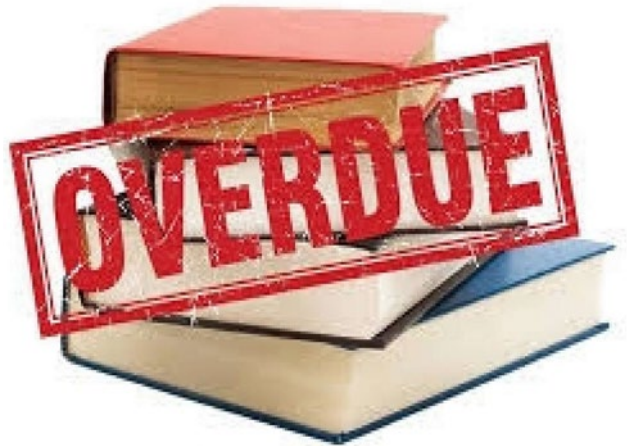
We still have over 300 books due to be returned and we need them back! Thank you to those that have returned theirs this week. Please check all your nooks and crannies as we are missing £100s of pounds worth of stock.

Books can be returned to your English teacher.

No questions asked and no sanctions will be given for books returned during the amnesty period.

Thank you for your support.

The English Department



Do you have any pre-loved books we could have for our library?

Classics | Non Fiction | Fiction | Young Adult |

We're looking to top up our library. Do you have any books that you are wondering what to do with next? Are they suitable for our young adults? Could we have them?



Our library plays a very important role in promoting the habit of reading for pleasure as well as enriching students' intellectual growth.

Mrs Gidden would like to publicly thank the Collison, Miller and Cartwright families for their enormously generous donations of books lately.

We can't wait to get our beloved and ever evolving library back to normal or as close as we can manage.

Pupils can drop books off directly with their English teacher or parents may leave them at Reception.

Enquiries can be emailed to Mrs Elliott, English Teacher and Chief Librarian at j.elliott@priority.lancs.sch.uk



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Tres Bien Mon Super College

Runner-up was Emmie's College des Arbes. Emmie said: "I like nature and the environment so my design was by the sea with lots of woodland and farm areas."

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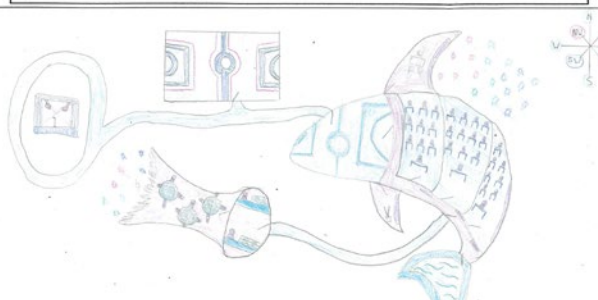
La Collège De La Nature

Légende:

- △ = Arbres
- △ = Photographie
- △ = les serpens
- △ = le email
- △ = Technologie
- △ = dessin
- △ = Géographie
- △ = langues
- △ = Crimen
- △ = Salle de pigo
- △ = les lettres
- △ = chose
- △ = Espace laeste
- △ = Ploue
- △ = terrain
- △ = Plage
- △ = mer
- △ = Herbe
- △ = Confine
- △ = Envy
- △ = Ence
- △ = chemin
- △ = Couloirs

Quelques jours au collège, j'ai imaginé un collège qui est moderne, la nature est l'élé principal, le collège est un parc de cirque, les cours commencent à l'air et le pogo sont gratuits, il y a un piscine et 3 terrains de sport. On étudie la photographie et la biologie marine. Finalement dans mon super collège, il n'y a pas de professeurs.

Académie de l'Océan



A	= Student
B	= Teacher
L	= Locker/Shelves
V	= Door
P	= Pool
J	= Janitor's closet
H	= Head Teacher
S	= Sports Hall
C	= Dinner counter
T	= Dinner table
St	= Stage

Mon collège idéal est sportif, les cours sont en français, les cours commencent à midi. On étudie la géographie, la chimie, on mange du chocolat et des bonbons. Tous les jours, on fait une séance de sport, il y a une salle de sport. Il n'y a pas de professeurs, mais des assistants s'appellent les...

“They had to make sure their description matched their actual design so it helped with their French. It was a great competition as we revisited a topic we had studied over lockdown so it was a good reminder for all the pupils.”

Mrs Scully
Head of NFL

Designs from top to bottom: Lily, Emmie and Ollie

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Astronomy Club (Year 8)

The Science department is recruiting current Year 8s to join their astronomy club with a view to taking a GCSE in the subject.

The club, led by Mr Evans, runs after school every Tuesday during term time until 4.10pm. There may also be one or two occasions in winter when pupils will have the option to stay a bit longer to carry out observations. There may also be optional out of school trips to observatories during notable astronomical events.

Pupils will study a range of topics including:

Cosmology | Stellar evolution | Exploring starlight | Planetary motion and gravity

The current Year 10 astronomers have just finished their course and their grades have been submitted today. Unlike previous years, we are opening this up to all Year 8s so they can begin their studies from September.

Letters will be going out after the half term break however if you have any queries in the meantime, please contact Science Technician, Mr Evans, at j.evans@priory.lancs.sch.uk



Why I Read

I read to learn new things.



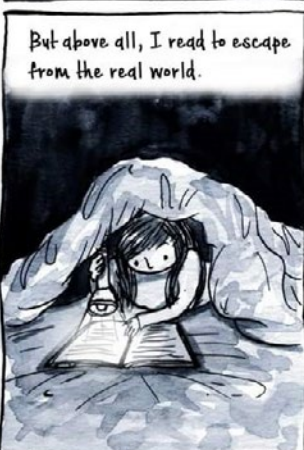
I read for ideas and inspiration.



I read for enjoyment and happiness.



But above all, I read to escape from the real world.



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Sports Facilities at Priory

3G Pitch Available For Hire

**Half Price
Offer**
For junior football
clubs.



**3G Pitch Hire
only
£15 per hour***

June and July 2021
Junior Football Clubs Only

*Half price saving - normal cost £30 for one hour third pitch hire.

Offer valid for third pitch bookings by junior football clubs only during June and July 2021.

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Prospectus Photography

Thank you to all the Year 7, 8 & 9 pupils who were involved in the prospectus photography on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.

We definitely have some models, actors and comedians of the future amongst the group of you - you were amazing! We now have over 500 images to whittle down to slot into our 2021-22 prospectus - an enormous task! Until then, here's just a taster...

London Paris Trip Update

Following on from our communication last September, unfortunately, due to on-going changes to Covid guidance, we have been advised to revise the dates of the trip for a second time.

The date confirmed with the travel company is now Weds, 27 April to Sun, 1 May 2022. Currently we expect the itinerary to be the same as originally published. We will issue a fully detailed itinerary to pupils and parents before the end of the summer term.

We hope that these new dates are suitable for all those involved, however please contact Mr Watters via email if you have any questions; a.watters@priory.lancs.sch.uk



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From 7 June 2021

Online during the half term break to view
and place advance orders

Lunch - Daily Specials

Monday -

Chicken burger
Tomato pasta*

Tuesday -

Cheese panini or cheese and pepperoni panini
New Italian meatballs and rice



Wednesday -

Fish finger butty
Tomato pasta*

Thursday -

Cheese panini or cheese and pepperoni panini
New Italian meatballs and rice

Friday -

Chicken tikka pasty
Tomato pasta*

Available Every Day

New peri peri chicken pasta (cold)

Tuna mayo pasta*

Southern fried chicken wrap

Jacket potatoes*

Selection of sandwiches* and salads*

*Gluten-free option available

Sandwiches at lunch available on gluten-free bread via request - email

enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Image: Italian meatballs in a red pepper tomato sauce served with rice.

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. Heads of Year will then draw



a name at random from the list, one per year group. Parents of the lucky pupils will then be contacted by Miss Thornton and pupils will receive a £5 gift voucher.

Randomly chosen winners from w/e 14 & 21 May were:

Year 7

Sophia T - Nominated by M Raynor for working well in Maths

Tyler F - Nominated by Mr Taylor for excellent jazz improvisation in Music

Year 8

Junior D - Nominated by Mrs Webster for excellent effort with Bedrock

Samuel D - Nominated by Mr Sneddon for excellent work and found a formula to find Pythagorean triples

Year 9

Josh F - Nominated by Mr Bedford for consistently excellent attitude to learning in Science

Fatima H - Nominated by Mr Raynor for working well in Maths

Year 10

Ruth H - Nominated by Miss Thornton for consistently working hard in English

Jordan L - Nominated by Mrs Massey for consistently working hard in Biology

Year 11

Ellie-Mae B - Nominated by Mrs Massey for consistently working hard in Biology

Nathan S - Nominated by Miss Thornton for consistently working hard in English

Miss Thornton
English Teacher and
Specialist Leader for Education

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Priory's History & English Curriculum synchronise with great success!



English

Priory's History and English departments are working together – and it's proving beneficial for the pupils.

Head of English, Mrs Gidden, and Lead Teacher for History, Mr Eccles, got together around 18 months ago to talk about their curriculums and how they could collaborate.

Year 8s are currently covering World War 1 in History and in English they are writing about the conflict.

The Tier 3 words and facts about the conflict pupils are learning in History are being used in Mrs Gidden's creative language lessons about the period and it's producing work in both subjects of a high standard.

Mr Eccles said: ***"When I first joined Priory, Mrs Gidden talked to me about History and English collaborating as a lot of English texts have an historical context."***

"We looked for an opportunity where we could ensure our curriculums worked together and World War 1 was perfect for this.

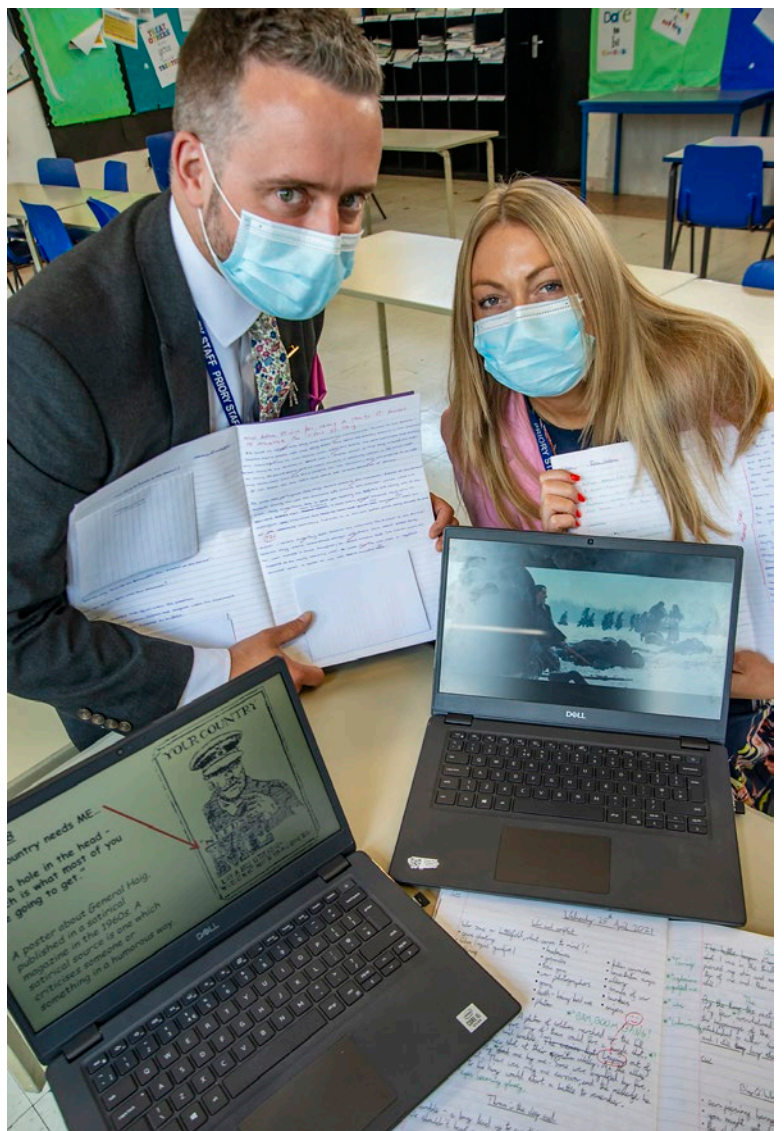
"Year 8s are covering the Great War in both History and English in different ways. In History, they get the facts and the context and then in English, they have the opportunity to express it in writing and be more emotive about it."

"We are hoping to do it with other units in the future which naturally overlap as well as with other subjects."

Mrs Gidden said: "Pupils are excited about the lessons overlapping. We have an English unit called 'So Quick And So Deadly,' which is short, controlled, creative writing and the theme is conflict.

"Most Year 8 pupils are using war and they are using vocabulary they have learnt in History such as trenchfoot, bayonets, gas attacks, artillery – Tier 2 and 3 words they wouldn't have normally used without learning about it in History.

"It's astonishing, it makes their work such a high standard and every pupil has responded to it. It's beneficial to the Year 8 pupils and we hope to collaborate more."



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So after five years we said goodbye to our Year 11s

There was plenty of emotion on Thursday as our Year 11s enjoyed their last day in school.

After a short virtual assembly with Mr Eastham and a farewell presentation, pupils gathered outside to sign shirts and reflect on their high school years together.

The year group assembled again today for their finale trip to Alton Towers and we hope to see them back at school for their GCSE results on 12 August.

May we take this opportunity to wish all our Year 11 pupils the very best of luck in their future careers and thank our parents/guardians for all the help and support you have given to them and the school, throughout their years with us.

After a year of uncertainty this year group has shown such strength. Now they've grown their wings to fly away and follow their dreams. Enjoy the summer!



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More photos can be found on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/PriorySTC and, for Year 11 families that would like to see the farewell presentation, you can access this from the Year 11 Teams page - go to the Files tab and it's pinned to the top (sound on!).

“Our lessons come from the journey, not the destination”



The Final Lesson

Today's the day you leave us
But it seemed so far away,
When we'd have to say goodbye to you,
And wish you on your way.
You are all such special people,
To know you it's been a pleasure,
You'll never know how proud we are,
Your memory we'll treasure.
Five years you've been with us
Every lesson, every task,
And now our part's all over,
We have one thing to ask:

Promise here today just one last thing,
Leave your word here with me,
That you'll dream big and never quit
When you're gone from Priory...

Take life by the horns, stretch yourself,
Never shy away from toil,
Be confident in your own self,
Don't let your ambition spoil.

Read lots of books and make new friends,
Travel, laugh, dream too
Be weird, be kind, be eloquent,
Be fabulous, be you.

Be inquisitive, be humble, knock on every door,
Use courage, semicolons,
And the correct you're versus your.

Five years have been a great success,
We're so proud that you did it,
Now your whole life is in front of you,
Take it, love it, live it.

So a job well done you lovely lot,
The best Year 11 ever,
You really are quite extraordinary,
We'll remember each of you forever.
You're unique, clever and talented,
But please don't cry and whine
You could always come to visit,
If you ever have the time.

*Written by
Mrs Gidden and the English Department*

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Darcy's Story...

Recently, two of our pupils have approached us wanting to raise awareness of a medical condition that affects their every day lives.



This week we met with Year 10 pupil, Darcy, to talk about diabetes.

Darcy, produced a PowerPoint presentation to raise awareness of Type 1 diabetes and revealed she has to inject herself five times a day – around 16,000 injections in her lifetime so far. She was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes at a young age as she started with the symptoms – tired and no energy, drinking a lot of water, needing the toilet more, weight loss and blurred vision.

She wanted to let fellow pupils know the difference between Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes and she was supported by Head of Learning for Life, Mrs Hopes, who also knows all about living with the disease as her daughter Emily was diagnosed when she was six.

Darcy said: “I was diagnosed at four-years-old and I do not remember eating anything without having an injection first! It’s not so easy for me just to nip into McDonald’s or anywhere like that, I have to know the carbohydrates in everything, to make sure I give myself the correct dose of insulin.

“I want people to know that it can affect anyone at any age, it’s not a lifestyle choice, it’s not because of a bad diet. It’s something that just happens and, once you are diagnosed, it’s with you for life, there is no cure. There is no time off from it and it’s something I have to live with every day.

“I inject myself five times a day in my legs to keep my blood sugars at a safe level and have had around 16,000 injections altogether already. It’s important to recognise the symptoms early and manage them the best you can.”

Type 1 diabetes is an auto-immune disease which is caused when the pancreas stops producing insulin. This means that glucose builds up in the bloodstream and this can be dangerous if left undiagnosed. Six pupils at Priory have been diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes.

Mrs Hopes said: “My daughter Emily was diagnosed at the age of six as she was tired for no reason, drinking a lot of fluid and we do have a history of Type 1 diabetes in our family so we did know what to look out for. It has a big impact as you have to learn to live with it for life, there is no cure.

“As part of our Learning for Life lessons in school, there is a culture strand and it’s about respecting each other and understanding different medical conditions and things which affect our lives. Darcy wanted to talk about living with Type 1 diabetes, how it’s perceived and to try and help people understand it.

“She wanted to make people aware of the symptoms and how having it affects her life. If it’s not diagnosed early, it can be life-threatening, and so it’s important for people to be aware.”



A Breath of Fresh Hair for Summer!

Year 11 Summer has made use of lockdown by growing her hair for charity.

Summer was unable to get to the hairdressers when they were all shut due to Covid-19 and so grew her hair to her waist. She then had it all chopped off for The Little Princess Trust and cut to the style she always wanted.

"I had my hair cut around two years ago and it was at my shoulders then," said Summer. "I couldn't have my hair cut during lockdown so I just decided to grow it as long as I could."



"I started doing some research about what I could do with my long hair and found The Little Princess Trust which make wigs for children who lose their hair."

"My hair was brown and I put it into two plaits and had it cut off. I had always wanted a short style and I love it. It feels so different."



"People are sometimes afraid to have long hair cut but I say go for it as it does make you feel better and it helped that I donated mine to a good cause."

"I dyed my hair pink for my birthday recently. I love the new look!"

Mrs Holland added, *"Summer has done a fantastic, generous and a very thoughtful thing so that another young person will benefit. This is a true representation of the Priory Standard and a positive way to end her time with us. I wish Summer well in her future path and hope that her acts of kindness continue."*

www.littleprincesses.org.uk/donate-hair

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Coming Soon!

A L A

Well, here it is another letter. There has been lots of guesses and just to let you know, I couldn't possibly tell you if you are right or wrong! 😊

I love how this has created such a buzz around school and we have had so much interest in the production. Priory's Productions will be coming back with a bang, and we are all so excited.

Keep those guesses coming.

HERE IS YOUR THIRD LETTER>>

Miss Howell
Lead Teacher for Drama

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The Friday Challenge

These short general knowledge quizzes are set fortnightly as part of Friday's Learning for Life lesson.

Pupils in Year 7-10 are given this as a homework assignment, via MS Teams, to revise for the test at the end of the week. The assignment is also visible on Synergy for parents. The content of these quizzes will enhance learning across all subjects and widen Tier 2 vocabulary.



Here's this week's challenge. Parents - How would you get on?

1. When did Preston become a city?
2. What year did Royal Preston Hospital open?
3. Define demonym.
4. Famous Prestonian, Leo Baxendale, created what??
5. Preston born Ranvir Singh is famous for what?
6. Tupele Dorgu, born in Preston, played who in Coronation Street?
7. What meat is used in a Lancashire hotpot?
8. How did the sirloin steak get its name?
9. When is Lancashire Day?
10. What colour is the Lancashire Rose?

See page 16 for answers.

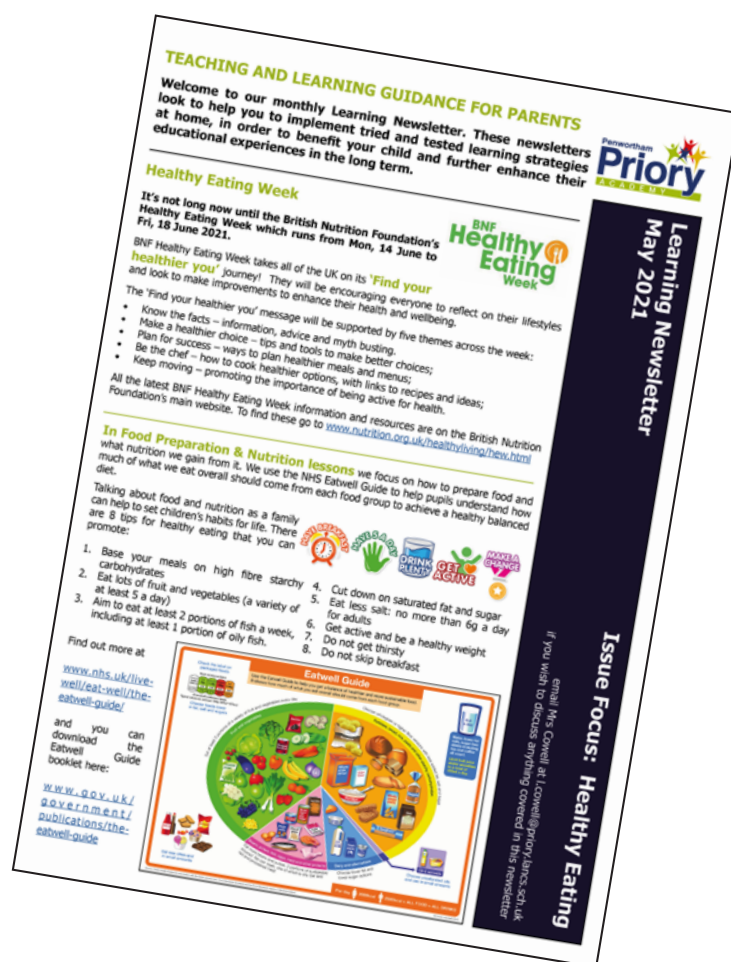
Learning Newsletters

Every month, Deputy Head Mrs Cowell, puts together a newsletter for parents which looks to help you to implement tried and tested learning strategies at home, in order to benefit your child and further enhance their educational experiences in the long term.

These newsletters were paused during lock-down however they have now resumed with this second issue looking at healthy eating and 'find your healthier you' in conjunction with Healthy Eating Week.

May's issue has been emailed to parents this week however all our issues can be downloaded from the school website at >> www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/newsletters (below our weekly newsletter - please scroll down)

Mrs Cowell
Deputy Headteacher



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LEADERBOARD



This week's Bedrock leaders are:

Time Spent

Olivia H	8W2	2.9 hours
Abigail M	8E3	2.7 hours
Sam G	8W1	1.9 hours

Points

Chloe B	8E2	1759
Lily McM	8E2	1386
Abigail M	8E3	943

Well done to Abigail who has appeared on both leaderboards for Bedrock this week.

Extra achievement points will be issued to all these pupils. Postcards, quickdraw entries and certificates will be awarded to those students who are doing well.



Accelerated Reader is a computer-based program that schools may use to monitor reading practice and progress. It helps teachers guide pupils to books that are on their individual reading levels. Pupils take short quizzes after reading a book to check if they've understood it. Further information at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/online-learning-platforms

This week's AR leaders are:

Year 7

Emily P	7E2	213,516
Harry S	7W1	190,858
Jayden H (S)	7W1	178,365

Year 8

Megan H	8E3	127,859
Emmie P	8E1	118,587
Troy C	8W1	86,871

Year 9

Ally R	9W1	560,047
Courtney M	9W2	116,088
Francesca L	9W2	114,023

The final leaderboard of the half term! Well done Ally who has a huge word count banked this week.



Mrs Webster
Acting Assistant Head of English

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Year 11 Guided Tours At Runshaw College

Slots are now available for their 1:1 Year 11 Guided Tours over the May Half Term and throughout June.

Click here to book:

www.runshaw.ac.uk/guidedtours



The UK University & Apprenticeship Search Virtual Fair on Weds, 16th June

is a free event featuring a multitude of universities, colleges, and apprenticeship providers from around the UK, along with 10 interactive webinars and virtual campus tours.

It is aimed at Years 13, 12, 11, and 10 as well as parents and provides all the information you need to make informed decisions about post-18 options.


More information and registration at:
<https://ukunisearchnorth.vfairs.com/>

Ten interactive webinars will run throughout the day on a variety of university and apprenticeship topics, such as UCAS Personal Statements, Careers & Employability, Clearing, Student Finance, and Apprenticeships. You can view the webinar timetable and presenters list using this link: <https://ukunisearchnorth.vfairs.com/en/webinar-timetable>

After 23 June all webinars will be available to stream on StudentStream along with lots of other videos from universities:

<http://studentstream.co.uk>


- FREE EVENT -




university & apprenticeship search virtual fairs

Wednesday 16th June
12pm - 6pm

NORTH




Universities
Colleges and
Apprenticeships



10
Live Webinars

Register here



<https://ukunisearchnorth.vfairs.com>

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The Friday Challenge

1. 2002
2. 1870
3. A noun used to indicate inhabitants of a particular country, state, city, etc. For example, people from Preston are Prestonians, from Newcastle are Geordies.
4. He was the cartoonist who created Minnie the Minx and The Bash Street Kids
5. She is a journalist and television presenter on Good Morning Britain
6. She played Kelly Crabtree from 2004 to 2010
7. Lamb or mutton
8. Hoghton Tower is the location of the sirloin steak getting its name. It is said that King James I knighted a particularly tasty piece of beef saying 'arise Sir Loin'.
9. November 27th - find out more here: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lancashire_Day
10. Red



Gregson Lane Junior FC Looking for New Players

**Team
Mates
Wanted!**



The current u13 (Year 8) team moving to u14 next season are looking for new players to join the them.

Training is on Tuesdays 6.30pm-8pm at Walton Le Dale High School.

If interested contact Damien Savage on 07551388475.

We close today for half term | School reopens on Mon, 7 June



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