

Penwortham Priory Post

A Message From The Headteacher

Dear All

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to be able to write to you at the start of this academic year and welcome you back to school after what I hope has been a safe and relaxing summer break for everyone.

A very warm welcome too, to all our new pupils and parents. We look forward to working alongside you over the coming years as you start out on the next stage of your academic life and embark on an exciting and inspiring learning journey with us.

I also offer my very best wishes and thanks to all those pupils who have now moved on from Priory at the end of the last academic year, secure in the knowledge that, despite everything, they continued to build on the successes of previous years and produced, yet again, some great final examination results. All have now gone on to do what they want to do, and we wish each individual well in whatever that might be.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, as parents and guardians, for your continued support of the school and equally to thank all our current pupils for the contributions they make to Priory in so many different ways. Their attitude and approach to this new academic year has been excellent.

Priory will continue to be about inspiring children to grow into well rounded young people. With each child being unique, our responsibility will be to continue to find how to enable each to make strong academic progress, achieve the highest levels of academic attainment and nurture their all-round personal achievement.

At the start of this new academic year then, you can be assured that we will continue to uphold our Priory standard, ensuring the highest expectations of all, from all, so that all pupils' learn to succeed, and leave Priory, equipped with the right skills and attitudes to help them succeed in life, contribute positively to society, and go on to further education, employment or training.

My very best wishes to everyone for another great academic year.



Mr M Eastham, Headteacher



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

Every Tuesday

Year 11 Maths

Interventions

3.10-4pm

Weds, 15 September

Year 7 Aspire Assembly

Weds, 22 September

Learning for Life Day 1

Early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm

Thurs, 23 September

INSET Day, school closed.

Open Evening 4.30-9pm

Mid Term Closure

Mon 25 October - Fri, 29 October

Mon, 8 November

Learning for Life Day 2

Early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm

Thurs, 11 November

Flu immunisations (all year groups)

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It's Coming Home!

Penwortham Priory Academy are delighted to have secured 70 tickets for the Women's Euro opening ceremony at Old Trafford in July 2022. The evening will kick off the tournament and feature England and a star-studded opening ceremony. Information on how to secure your child's tickets will be given out by the PE department in the Autumn term.

What an amazing opportunity this is for the school!

Football & Netball Practice

Football

Year 7 Boys - Mondays from 3.10pm-4.10pm.

Year 7 & 8 Girls - Tuesdays from 3.10pm-4.10pm.

Year 8 Boys - Tuesdays from 3.10pm-4.10pm.

Netball

Year 7 Girls - Mondays from 3.10pm-4.10pm.



Pupils will need to bring their PE kit and go to the changing rooms after school to get ready.



To mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, the school will take the extra bank holiday on Friday, 22 July.

This means the last day of the academic year will be Thursday, 21 July and school will not be open on the Friday as originally planned.

Download updated term dates sheet at>>

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

Face Masks

A reminder:

Whilst face coverings have been removed as mandatory in school, it is still highly recommended that pupils wear them on public transport and school buses.

Pupils may continue to wear face coverings in school if they wish and in any case, should always carry a face mask in their bag.





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Class of 2019 Success

Congratulations to former Head Boy, Danyal Raza who is going to Oxford University to study Law.

Amazing news also came from Emily Ruscoe who received a Distinction* at Runshaw College and will undertake a degree apprenticeship at Bentley Motors.



We are very proud of all our leavers and wish you all the best in your future careers.



Year 11 Maths Intervention

Tuesdays, 3.10pm - 4pm

Year 11 pupils are invited to attend the Maths GCSE revision sessions which will take place every Tuesday from 3.10pm until 4.00pm until 14 December.

The focus of the sessions will be examination papers; pupils will be with their classmates and teacher in their usual maths room, and will practice exam questions, focus on technique and receive feedback on how to tackle a range of GCSE questions.

All students are encouraged to attend these sessions as they will help prepare for mock exams which usually take place in late November.



Where pupils cannot attend, parents should contact their child's maths teacher:

Mr Kenrick p.kenrick@priory.lancs.sch.uk | Mr Henshaw c.henshaw@priory.lancs.sch.uk | Mr Raynor t.raynor@priory.lancs.sch.uk | Mr Sneddon a.sneddon@priory.lancs.sch.uk | Mr Hunter a.hunter@priory.lancs.sch.uk | Mr Scott i.scott@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Mr Kenrick
Head of Mathematics

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At last the Priory Library is OPEN!

It's been a long wait but there's been plenty of work going on behind the scenes to ensure the library is fully stocked with books that will appeal to our young readers. Whether they want to explore the high seas in **Treasure Island**, laugh out loud with Mr Gum or explore the horror of flesh-eating zombies in a Darren Shan book, there's something for everyone.

Become a librarian

As part of our re-opening, we would like to invite pupils to apply for librarian positions. These are highly coveted positions and demand is normally very high, so this year all those who would like to be a librarian must apply in writing and answer the following questions:



Why would you make a good librarian? What was the last book you read and what was it like?

Applications can be sent to: j.elliott@priory.lancs.sch.uk by Friday, 17 September.



LOST BOOKS: Over the last 18 months we have unfortunately had to mark as LOST over 300 books. Obviously, this is very expensive and not sustainable. Because of this, can I ask parents to emphasise to their child that the books are entirely their responsibility once borrowed. Sadly, any books that are lost going forward will require a £5 payment to go some way to covering the cost of replacement. When pupils return books to the library it is their responsibility to ensure they are handed into the librarian to be checked back in.

I have high hopes that we will not have to issue any fines and that, through our amazing books and our Everybody Reading initiative, we build a love of reading amongst all our pupils.

Mrs. Elliott
English Teacher
and Librarian



Top right: Alfie K, Dylan C, Jack W and Jayden B choosing a new library book for 'Everybody Reads'.

Left: One of our youngest librarians, Year 9 Abigail M, with book returns.

Bottom right: Year 11 Librarian Erin M with Ellen H and Kyle T-S.



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Everybody's reading



What is ER (Everybody Reading)?

What are the school's next steps for whole school reading and literacy?

Twice a week, during Learning for Life, we will be 'Everybody Reading'. Whilst the heartbeat of reading is in the classroom, we want to get everybody reading beyond this too and promote the culture that everybody IS reading and EVERYBODY does read.

We'll either be reading a class novel with a theme or reading an extract of a linked non-fiction. Example themes could be 'others' (focussing on cultures and traditions), 'discrimination' or 'self' (personal identity and growth).

What will my child be reading this term? Is there a film I can enjoy with them?

Year 7 - Once by Maurice Gleitzman: There is no film version that we know of but it's quite like The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas in content. Expect your child to know about the Holocaust and persecution of Jews during the second World War.

Year 8 - Animal Farm by George Orwell: Often regarded as a 'modern classic' this is an anthropomorphic (animals acting like humans) representation of the Russian Revolution. There are several film versions for you to enjoy. Expect your child to be able to compare pigs and cattle to Russian politicians!

Year 9 - Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman:

A book about forbidden love between a Nought (a lower class white boy) and a rich and high-born Cross. There is no film but the BBC did a highly acclaimed series recently, available on iplayer. Expect your child to know about the challenges and bigotry lovers Callum and Sephy face.

Year 10 - The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night by Mark Haddon: It's a book told from the first person by Christopher Boone, a boy with autism who finds his neighbour's dog has been deliberately killed and in the investigation that follows, he uncovers a family secret. There's no film version but a critically acclaimed stage version is touring. Expect your child to know more about Asperger's and Autism as the mystery unfolds.



Let's not let a love of Reading flatline - let's make it the heartbeat of Priory and get Reading literacy to the ER!



Mrs Cowell

Deputy Headteacher

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Catering at Priors

NEW

New for 2021

From Wednesday, 8 September we will have new dining options for pupils and staff.

Pupils will have the choice to pre-order their food to Eat In or Take Away by using the online facility, SwiftOrder/VeriCool.

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

When logged in there will be four menu options with choices for break and lunch.

Break – Eat In

Break – Take
Away

Lunch – Eat In

Lunch – Take
Away

Take Away food will be brought to your year group dining area for you to collect.

Year 7 - The Hex | Year 8 - The Auditorio | Year 9 Humanities | Year 10 & 11 - Key Stage 4 Dining Room

For Break, choices range from sausage or bacon barmes to toast, cereal bars, sandwiches and salad pots, as well as fruit and drinks. **Lunch includes** paninis, burgers, jacket potatoes and various wraps, baguettes, sandwiches and salads.

Eat In food will be served fresh from the Key Stage 3 Dining Room for pupils in Years 7, 8 & 9, and from the Key Stage 4 Dining Room for pupils in Year 10 & 11.

As well as selected items from the Take Away menus,

there is an additional choice of plated hot food at lunch such as pasta, curry, roast dinner, fish and chips, pizza and regular 'specials'.

There's a great choice with weekly menu updates so please log in for a full list and order to either Eat In or Take Away. Vegetarian and gluten-free options also available.

Orders must be placed online before the cut-off time, which is 11.59pm the night before. From Friday evening, if you prefer, you can order in advance for the week ahead.

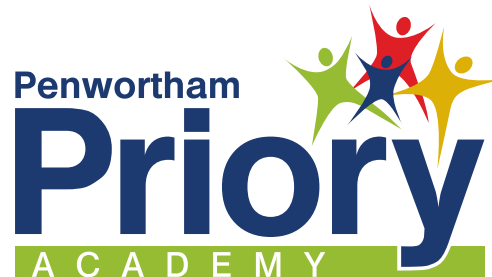


Pupils who haven't pre-ordered will be able to purchase a sandwich from the main dining rooms as well as pick up drinks, cakes and snacks. No cash is required as fingerprint identification will be used to deduct payment from your account*.

Vending machines are also back in service offering a wide selection of drinks and snacks, including fruit. These can be found in the Auditorio and a fingerprint identification is used to charge your account*.

Pupils who wish to bring in their own food may eat in the main dining rooms or their year group areas. We also have numerous picnic benches scattered around the site.

*Accounts should be topped up via SCOPay. For further information go to www.priors.lancs.sch.uk/parents/internet-payments



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**DID YOU
KNOW?**

Breaks & Lunch Time Catering

Did you know...

- That if you have brought a packed lunch or have Take Away food, you can still eat in the dining rooms with your friends that have ordered an Eat In meal. Unfortunately, if you have Eat In food, you must eat your plated meals in the dining rooms.
- You should not order menu items on the days that they are not available. If you do this then we will provide you with an alternative. Unfortunately the system does not currently allow us to close off items for specific days.



Brunch - MONDAY only

Spaghetti Bolognese served with garlic bread - TUESDAY only

Gluten Free Pasta Bolognese - TUESDAY only

Finally, it's all new at the Key Stage 4 dining room so we need to tell you:

- If you have ordered Eat In then please queue on the right side of the barrier towards the till. Go to the till first to collect your order slip, drink and any snack ordered then move to the serving counter to collect your plated food.
- Pupils with Take Away orders should queue on the left side of the barrier to collect your grab bag.
- If you want to buy a drink or snack that is not pre-ordered please queue on the right of the barrier with the Eat In queue and go to the till.

**Be the
one that
stands
out
from the
crowd!**

Thank you to our gardener, Mr Farron, for this stunning display in our gardens.



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Open Evening Will Go Ahead

The event will take place on Thurs, 23 September with Covid measures in place. No prior booking is required.

The Headteacher's speech will be recorded to listen to in your own time and the link/QR code for this will be available on the night.

In the meantime, we invite you to take a virtual tour or view our prospectus at your leisure...

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

Children With Additional Needs

We know that parents of children with additional needs may have more specific questions to ask. We therefore invite you to contact Priory's SENCo, Mrs Holland, by email at a.holland@priory.lancs.sch.uk in the first instance. Mrs Holland can also arrange a telephone call to discuss your child's needs and invite you to see what we can offer your child at Priory.



**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
SECONDARY**
SOUTH

Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2022 and living in Lancashire?

APPLY NOW!

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

CLOSING DATE: 31 OCTOBER 2021

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

Open Evening

Thursday, 23 September 2021

4.30pm-9pm

Our Open Evening will go ahead with Covid measures put in place to keep everyone as safe as possible. Amongst these, the Headteacher's speech will be recorded to watch in your own time and we will be monitoring capacity across classrooms. Visitors will be asked to wear face coverings where possible, keep a respectable distance from others and use the hand sanitisers provided. Before then though, 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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In their first Year 7 Food Technology lesson, pupils demonstrated their cutting skills to make crudités. They were then sent home with a pot of hummus and vegetables to dip.

Off to a healthy and nutritious start!



Food Tech Practical Lessons Update (Ingredients)

During Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils will complete a unit of learning in 'Food Preparation and Nutrition'. In the past we have asked pupils to bring in their own ingredients for the practical cookery lessons but from September, we would like to change to a system where school organises all the provisions and pupils bring their finished item home.

The reasons we'd like to do this are:

- It reduces overall expense of the activities for families
- It reduces the amount of waste
- Lesson starts can be quicker and smoother if staff are not dealing with pupils who have not brought ingredients or not weighed them out in advance, etc.
- It provides a level of quality control over ingredients
- It provides better consistency of outcome
- It avoids any last-minute stress for families who are asked to provide things at short notice by their child



To enable this to happen, we ask parents/carers to make this payment online via the SCOPAY system to pay for ingredients for the practical lessons.

We anticipate making 5-6 items throughout each carousel including taste testing in school, etc. For this we will charge the following:

Year 7 - £6	Year 8 - £7.50	Year 9 - £8.50
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We will alert you when it is time to pay as pupils are on a carousel and may not have their food lessons until later in the school year. If your child is on benefits-related free school meals, you can contact Mrs Cowell, Food Technology teacher, via email at l.cowell@priory.lancs.sch.uk if contributing could pose a problem.

If your child has any dietary requirements or food allergies, these will be catered for. Please make sure we have the most up to date information about this in your child's school records.

Mrs Cowell

Food Technology & Deputy Headteacher

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Checking For Head Lice

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

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



Parking - A Polite Notice

Penwortham Leisure Centre

Following a complaint, we have been asked to remind parents that the car park next to the MUGA is for the use of leisure centre patrons.

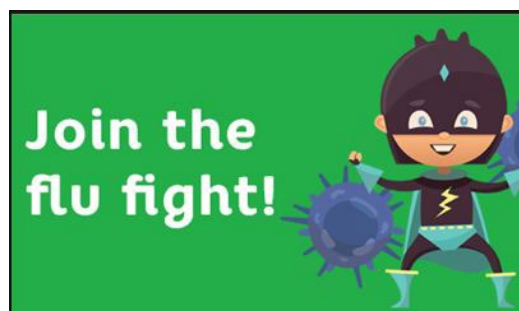
Parents who are waiting to collect their children from school are politely discouraged from parking at this facility.

Flu Nasal Immunisations

We will shortly be receiving details from the school nursing team offering the flu immunisation to all pupils. As with other vaccinations, parental consent will be via an NHS link which we will send to you via email.

The immunisation will be a spray and not an injection for all pupils.

The nursing team will be with us on Thurs, 11 November when they plan will see all year groups that day and will offer a catch up session at a later date for those not in school.





Summer School

How did Summer School go then?

We hope that all Year 7 children who could join us for Summer School had fun whilst getting to know their new school, meet the teachers and make new friends.



The week-long event was led by Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Cowell, to benefit our new intake's transition to high school. With a Parisian holiday theme, pupils took part in many fun activities to develop their team building skills, co-ordination and communication. Pupils were shown how to access the ICT systems and set up their accounts to gain their boarding passes, create an alternative Mona Lisa in an Art lesson, make their own baguettes for lunch, learn how to navigate the school through treasure hunts with clues written in French, and our 'piste de resistance' - the inflatables!

Before the pupils headed home on the last day, parents were invited to see their children collect certificates, watch a video montage of the week and hear pupils courageously speak

on stage about their hopes for the future at Priory. What a week!



Many thanks to the staff who supported the event and special mention to two of our Year 11 pupils, Head Girl Darcy C, and Emily B who freely volunteered their time.

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Our pupils achieved a great set of results again this year and continued to secure our positive direction of travel in terms of academic outcomes as a school.

The results this year are testimony to the hard work and dedication of both our staff and pupils and demonstrate that we continue to move in the right direction, building on our previous successes and going from strength to strength.

To all our pupils who have now received their GCSE results, we say, congratulations! It's been another difficult year with many disruptions and their grades reflect all the hard work they have put in.

Headteacher, Mr Eastham said, *"We are immensely proud of all the work and achievements of all our pupils, especially after such a difficult and disrupted year and my thanks go to the staff, who have worked tirelessly to ensure all our pupils are now able to leave Priory, equipped with the right skills and attitudes to help them succeed in life, contribute positively to society, and go on to further education, employment or training. We look forward to seeing what they will achieve in the future."*

"All our 2021 leavers should feel proud of what they have individually achieved and on behalf of us all here at Priory, I would like to thank all of them and their families for their continued support of us as a school and to thank each of them for the contribution they have made to Priory in so many different ways, whether that be in the classroom, on the sport's pitch, on stage, fundraising or in extra-curricular activities."

We offer our best wishes and thanks to all our pupils who now move on from Priory, secure in the knowledge that they continued to build on the successes of previous years by producing not only some great examination results, but perhaps more importantly, some notable individual accomplishments over their time with us.



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GCSE Results Day

The Girls' Stories



Head Girl, Tilly hopes to be designing the fashions of the future!

Tilly celebrated a Grade 9 in English along with two Grade 8s, 7/7 in Science and two Grade 7s. "I want to go to Runshaw College to study textiles, media studies and photography," said Tilly. "I want to be a fashion designer. ***I have loved my time at Priory, I have learnt a lot in art and I have always been encouraged to do what I want and the teachers have helped me find my own way.***"



Erin knows exactly what she wants to be – a vet!

Erin has eight animals at home, including a dog, cat, guinea pigs and rats. "I love animals, I am working at a dog groomers already to get some experience," said Erin. She will study chemistry, biology and maths at Newman College after achieving all Grade 8s and 7s.

Maisie says she has a lot to thank the English department at Priory for.

Maisie achieved three Grade 9s, three Grade 8s and two Grade 7s in her GCSEs. She will go to Runshaw College to study English Combined, photography, media studies and psychology.

"The staff in English have always encouraged me, especially my English teacher Miss Smith. I have always been good at English but she made me fall back in love with it and want to use it in my future career. I would like to be a journalist and I thought photography would be useful in this."



Caitlin is keeping her options open about her future career.

Caitlin celebrated an amazing 9/9 in science, as well as a Grade 9 in maths, three Grade 8s, two Grade 7s and a Level 2 Distinction in engineering. "My dad likes fixing cars and I do too so that's why I took engineering and I enjoyed it. I want to go to Runshaw College to study maths, further maths, chemistry and biology and then pick a subject I enjoy to study further. ***I have loved my time at Priory, the teachers have always made sure I was ok and are very supportive.***"



Rebecca loves gaming and wants to take it into a career as a games designer.

Rebecca celebrated a 9/8 in Combined Science, three Grade 9s, one Grade 8, two Grade 7s and a distinction star in engineering. "I want to go to Newman College and study maths, further maths, computing and graphics. I want to be a games designer and I do love playing games! ***I enjoyed doing engineering at Priory as it was something different and the best thing about it is the friends I have made.***"

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Cerys admitted she was 'definitely shocked' when she saw she had achieved a 9/9 in Combined Science.

As well, Cerys celebrated three Grade 9s and three Grade 8s in her GCSEs. "I want to go to Runshaw College and study Classics, as I like Greek mythology, English Language, English Literature and early modern history, the Tudors and so on. ***"I have absolutely loved history at Priory, the way it's taught really brings it to life and it's easy to soak all the information up."***

Robyn wants to be a midwife.

"I like to help people and I just love babies!" she said. Robyn celebrated an 8/7 in science, two Grade 8s, three Grade 7s and a Grade 6 in her GCSEs. "I have done much better than expected as I was worried. I want to go to Hutton Grammar School and study art, geography and biology. I don't need specific A-Levels to be a midwife so I just picked my favourite subjects!"



The Boys' Stories

Head boy, Louis admitted he was shocked when he opened his results, achieving five Grade 9s, two Grade 8s and a Grade 7.

"I did not let myself dream of getting 9s, I thought about 7s as then I wouldn't be let down but it's amazing to get so many Grade 9s! My biggest surprise was achieving a Grade 9 in English Language." Louis has taken part in school productions and has secured a place at Runshaw College on their Professional Performance Programme. "The course is all about singing, musicals, acting and dancing. Hopefully it will lead me to an audition for a performance college."



Ben has his sights set on becoming a graphic designer.

Ben achieved amazing results with a Grade 9, two Grade 8s, a 7/7 in Science and another 7, alongside a distinction in graphics and a distinction star in engineering. He will go onto Runshaw College to study A-Levels in Graphic Design, 3D Design and Maths. ***"I obviously love graphic design!" said Ben. "It was great to have the chance to study graphics and engineering in school as not many schools give you this opportunity.*** They are new courses and I really enjoyed them. My dream job is to have my own graphic design firm."

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Dan admitted he was surprised to see the Grade 9 next to French!



"I do enjoy French but I never expected a 9," said Dan. He also achieved two Grade 8s, a 7/7 in science, one 6, two Grade 5s and a distinction in engineering. "I want to go to Runshaw College to study French, Engineering and Computer Science but I am not sure what I want to do in the future. ***"It's been great having the chance to study engineering at Priory."***

Ishaq celebrated a 9/8 in science, a Grade 8 in maths with a Grade 7 in further maths, as well as a number of other Grade 7s and two 6s.

"I want to go to Newman College and study maths, chemistry and geography. ***Being at Priory, it helped me enjoy science a lot more.***"



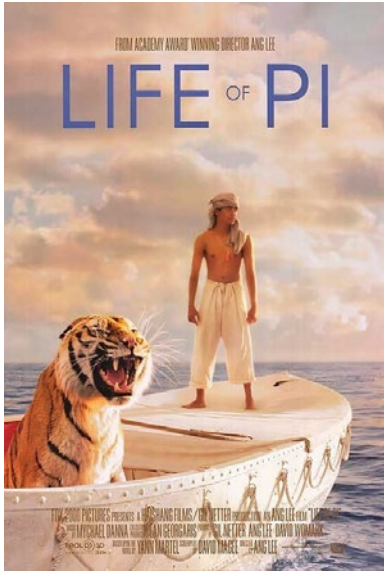
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Film Club

Our first screening will run from Monday, 27 Sept to Thurs, 30 Sept: Life of Pi!

Pupils must collect a ticket from Miss Smith and have a parent/guardian sign it ready to show on Monday, 27 September at lunch time to gain entry to the film. There are only 30 tickets available so come quickly!



SEPTEMBER SCREENING

27th – 30th September Lunchtimes
Collect your ticket from Ms Smith in EN1.

Limited availability!

Life of Pi (2012): After deciding to sell their zoo in India and move to Canada, Santosh and Gita Patel board a freighter with their sons and a few remaining animals. Tragedy strikes when a terrible storm sinks the ship, leaving the Patels' teenage son, Pi (Suraj Sharma), as the only human survivor. However, Pi is not alone; a fearsome Bengal tiger has also found refuge aboard the lifeboat. As days turn into weeks and weeks drag into months, Pi and the tiger must learn to trust each other if both are to survive.

Miss Smith
English
Teacher

Debate Club

Every Wednesday lunchtime in HU6

Be willing to debate and argue!

We'll do the classic debates such as abortion, euthanasia, voting at 16 etc and also look at current affairs in the news. Sometimes there will be research to do in preparation for our topic.

All years welcome, the more the merrier. Just turn up! Eat lunch at the club. Starts 15 September.

Miss Achers & Mrs Hane

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Year 11 Careers Bulletin

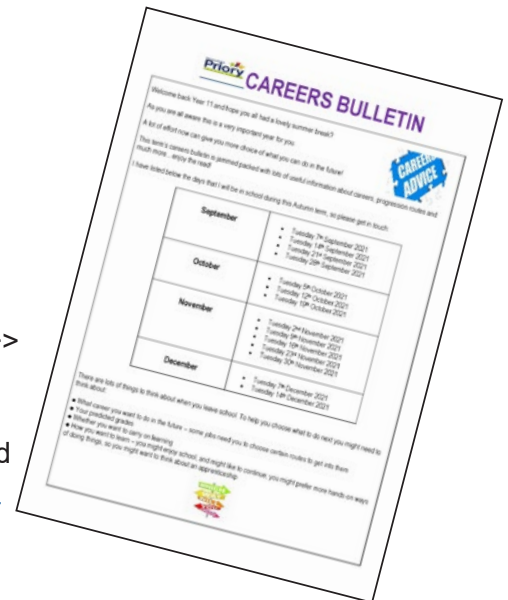
The autumn term's careers bulletin has been sent out this week to all Year 11 pupils and their parents.

Put together by Priory's independent Careers Adviser, Mrs Khan, the bulletin is full of useful guidance for Key Stage 4 pupils as they start to think about their next steps after high school:

- How to make a career plan
- Career planning tools and websites
- College and Sixth Form details
- Apprenticeship
- Work experience opportunities
- What to include in a CV

This document can also be downloaded from the school website at >> www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/CEIAG

The dates that Mrs Khan is in school (mainly Tuesdays) are also noted in the bulletin. Mrs Khan is contactable via email at s.khan@priory.lancs.sch.uk or pupils can also request an appointment via their Head of Year.



Homework

CLUB

BEFORE SCHOOL

Come and join us:
Every Morning in LEAP 2
Time: 8.00am- 8.35am

AFTER SCHOOL

Come and join us:
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday
in LEAP 2
Time: 3.10pm-4.15pm



Just turn up!

All year groups welcome
Use of the computers
Support available

Also open every
break and lunch



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Careers Advice at Priory



Hi Everyone,

I am the Careers Adviser for the school one day a week, predominantly on Tuesdays. A full list of dates that I am in school this term is included below.

I will be available for:

- 1:1 Careers guidance interviews throughout the day on an appointment system.
- Drop In sessions in the morning first thing from 8.00am to 8.40am and lunch between 1.15pm and 1.50pm.

I am a qualified careers practitioner for over 25 years working with young people and adults offering impartial careers, education, information and advice and guidance on careers that suit their likes and abilities.

I love careers and very passionate in being able to help individuals achieve their ultimate aspiration by advising them on their options and routes to take.

Pupils may wish to discuss the various post 16 career pathways on offer at colleges, with employers through apprenticeship or training programmes, life at university and degree courses, or signposting for potential work experience.

I can be found in the Careers Office opposite the Pastoral Office and will hold meetings with pupils in the Pastoral meeting room next door.

Parents and pupils can email me at : s.khan@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Mrs Khan
Careers Adviser



Independent Careers Adviser

Mrs Khan

Available for 1:1 Careers Appointments & Drop In Sessions
The Careers Room
(Situated opposite the Pastoral Office)

Drop In Sessions Times:

Morning : 8.00am to 8.50am
Lunchtime : 1.15pm to 1.50pm

Independent Careers Adviser Dates:

September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 7th September 2021 • Tuesday 14th September 2021 • Tuesday 21st September 2021 • Tuesday 28th September 2021
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 5th October 2021 • Tuesday 12th October 2021 • Tuesday 19th October 2021
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Laptops: What do you recommend?

It's a question we get asked a lot so we have put together a guide for parents with three levels of specification according to your budget.

Having a laptop to use in school would be useful because Priory pupils and staff will have access to the latest technologies and resources to support teaching and learning, both in and beyond the classroom. The aim is to work with all stakeholders to allow students to achieve their best academically, but also to help to prepare them for a life beyond Priory, giving the currency of 21st century skills for the future. It also allows our teachers to have access to tools and training to develop their pedagogy, integrating technology within lessons to enhance learning.

Any further questions can be directed to the Senior IT Technician, Mr Eccles via email at f.eccles@priory.lancs.sch.uk. You can also download a copy of the leaflet below from the school website at: www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/devices-priory

I NEED A LAPTOP

The information overload when purchasing a new laptop can be very daunting - with tech speak, functionality and cost also being factors that need to be considered.

This leaflet will provide information that will help you make an informed decision.

Here are three specifications we have put together for your careful thought. The specification is not extensive or conclusive but these we feel are the minimum specs.

WHICH LAPTOP SHOULD I GET FOR MY CHILD?

At Penwortham Priory Academy we have been using Microsoft products for many years and have seen countless changes in that time. From Windows NT4 to Windows 10 used on our curriculum network today.

ENTRY LEVEL

Specification

Intel i3

Windows 10 (11 due shortly)

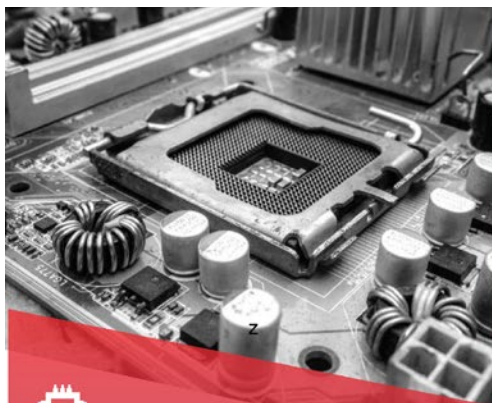
4 GB RAM

256 SSD (storage)

14" display

Wireless 802.11ac

USB 2.0, USB 3.2



"In the climate we are emerging from, one of the things we have moved forward with as a school has been our adoption of Microsoft Teams"

WHAT DO WE RECOMMEND?

These three laptop specifications will work well with Microsoft 365. Pupils of Penwortham Priory Academy can also download and install the Office packages at no expense to you on a laptop or desktop PC you own.

Penwortham Priory Academy subscribes to Microsoft Education Campus license. This allows pupils to download and use Office 365 and Teams with the ability to store up to 1TB in the cloud using Microsoft OneDrive.



MID RANGE

Specification

Intel i5

Windows 10 (11 due shortly)

8GB RAM

256GB M.2 PCIe NVMe Solid State Drive

USB 2.0, USB 3.2, RJ45 (NETWORK PORT)

USB 3.1 Gen 2 Type-C

15.6" display

Wireless 802.11ac



HIGH RANGE

Specification

11th Generation Intel® Core™ i7

Windows 10 (11 due shortly)

16GB RAM

1TB M.2 PCIe NVMe Solid State Drive

16.0-in. display

USB 3.2 Gen 1 Type-A

HDMI 2.0

USB 3.1 Gen 2 Type-C

RJ45 (NETWORK PORT)

Wi-Fi 6 2x2 (Gig+) and Bluetooth



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The New School Day From September

Arrival window (Getting Ready to Succeed)	8.20	-	8.40
Lesson 1 (Academic) (Upholding our 'Attitude to Learning in Lessons Charter')	8.40	-	9.40
Lesson 2 (Academic) (Upholding our 'Attitude to Learning in Lessons Charter')	9.40	-	10.40
Pastoral Vertical House Form Group (Pastoral) (Upholding our 'Attitude to Learning in Lessons Charter')	10.40	-	10.50
Wellbeing Break	10.50	-	11.15
Lesson 3 (Academic) (Upholding our 'Attitude to Learning in Lessons Charter')	11.15	-	12.15
Lesson 4 (Academic) (Upholding our 'Attitude to Learning in Lessons Charter')	12.15	-	1.15
Wellbeing Lunch Break	1.15	-	1.50
Lesson 5 (Academic) (Upholding our 'Attitude to Learning in Lessons Charter')	1.50	-	2.50
Lesson 6 Learning for Life lesson (or Year Group Assembly) (Character (Skills) & Culture (Attitudes) to Succeed)	2.50	KS3 KS4	3.05 3.10

We have an 'arrival window' between 8.20am and 8.40am, allowing pupils to come into school and get ready to succeed. During this arrival window, pupils can come into school, visit their lockers, and get ready for the day ahead. By 8.40am, pupils must be in their classroom ready for the start of lesson 1 to begin.

In addition, throughout each half term, pupils will be involved in full school, house and year group assemblies.

The school day comes to an end at 3.05pm for Years 7, 8 and 9 and 3.10pm for Years 10 and 11.

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