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Penworthan Priory Post



Meet The Teacher: Mr Cox

Mr Cox used to be a pupil at Priory and he says the school is 'unrecognisable' from his early days after returning as a Science teacher earlier this year.

Mr Cox left in 2003 and since then the school has been transformed with the openplan Science department, the Auditorio, the Technology block, the Hex building, the new gym and more being added since he was a pupil.

"It is unrecognisable, there has been a lot of change and the facilities are superb. There are a couple of teachers here who taught me but the place has changed so much that it's been easy to settle in and not feel too much of my pupil-past!"

Mr Cox said he always loved Science at Priory and went onto Runshaw College where he did A-Levels.

"I studied Sports Science at the University of Sheffield, after a couple of years out of education I went back to university to study Physics and then did my PGCE at the University of Cumbria.

"I have been a teacher for 10 years and when the chance came to come back to Priory, I jumped at it. It's exciting, physics is my speciality, and this is a great school going in the right direction and I wanted to join a forward-thinking Science Department."

Head of Science, Mr Bedford said: "Staffing Science is always difficult – there is a national shortage, so finding good staff is always a challenge. Since I started at Priory in September 2019, I have appointed a number of staff to the department.

"As the reputation of the school and the department has improved, so has the quality of applicant – Mr Cox is a fantastic classroom teacher and a great professional.

"The Science Department staffing is now the strongest it has been during my time at Priory and I am certain that with Mr Cox on board we will be able to continue our upward trajectory in terms of GCSE results, as well as students' enjoyment of the subject."

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Key Dates

Diary Dates

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

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

Thurs, 19 May Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

Fri, 20 May Year 7 Cookery Club (After school - booking essential)

Mon, 30 May -Fri, 3 June Mid term closure

Mon, 13 - Weds, 15 June Year 10 Work Experience placements

15, 16 & 21 June Year 8 Geography Lake District Trip (3 cohorts)

Thurs, 23 June Year 11 last day - final exam followed by celebration assembly. Learning for Life Day 5 School closure at 1.10pm

Fri, 24 June Year 11 Alton Towers trip Year 8 The Big Bang Science Fair Trip



Catering Orders

A reminder that our catering team have no facilities to accept cash payments.



Unfortunately, we have had numerous pupils regularly cash is not wanting to purchase food and drink from the dining rooms using cash.

accepted

Pupils can pay for items using their fingerprint

which then deducts money from their online catering account, VeriCool. VeriCool



should be topped up via SCOPay.

On occasions where pupils do not have any credit or have forgotten their lunch, they should see their Head of Year or go to the School Office or Pastoral Office. Issues regarding missing orders should be directed to the catering team. A limited provision of additional sandwiches is made each day and are offered for these 'emergency' situations, not for open purchase.

Please note, no pupil will be left to go without lunch. Pupils on Free School Meals automatically have their VeriCool accounts credited daily.



Temporary Changes To The School Timetable

DON'T FORGET

Mon, 16 May to Fri, 24 June

For the entire exam season - see dates above we will be changing to an early break and lunch.

This will avoid disruption during afternoon exams which start at 1.00pm and will enable Year 11s to have their lunch beforehand.

As the early lunch creates just an hour between the end of break and the start of lunch, break has been bought forward too. We will therefore be moving the break back an hour for the exam season.

The new timetable for the exam season will be:

Period 1	8.40am - 9.40am
Form	9.40am - 9.50am
Break	9.50am - 10.15am
Period 2	10.15am - 11.15am
Period 3	11.15am - 12.15pm
Lunch	12.15pm - 12.50pm
Period 4	12.50pm - 1.50pm
Period 5	1.50pm - 2.50pm
Period 6	2.50pm - 3.10pm



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Good Luck Year 11!

It is about this time of year when we have our annual photoshoot with a selection of Year 7 pupils.

With the A3 letters, they spell out messages to the Year 6 pupils who will be joining us in September and, at the same time, we have a just as an important one for our Year 11s as they embark on their examinations next week.

As usual, we had lots of fun on the shoot, and the pupils involved - one representing each of our feeder primary schools - were absolute stars.

Well done and thanks to - Aaron W, Chloe R, Caleb H, Maisie C, Bobby B, Kayalnila A, Josh T, Sehr A, Harriet H, Ellis J and Olivia W-L.

To Year 11 pupils -

We wish you all the very best of luck during the next six weeks as you embark on your GCSE exams.



Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, you have risen above them during this most difficult of times. You have proven how determined and hopeful you can be, demonstrating remarkable levels of resilience throughout all doubt and uncertainty.

We are so proud of each and every one of you.

You got this - now go smash 'em!





Year 11 Plans for Last Day

Year 11 pupils will officially leave Priory on Thursday, 23 June.

Once pupils have completed their exam in the morning they will have a brief break, followed by shirt signing and a celebration assembly before being dismissed from school at 12.50pm. As it is also a Learning for Life day and therefore an early closure for all pupils, they may wait for the school buses at 1.10pm. The Alton Towers trip follows the next day, Friday, 24 June.

Please note however for a small number of pupils there is the possibility of an NCFE Graphics exam on Monday, 27 and Tuesday, 28 June, an NCFE Health & Fitness resit exam on Monday, 27 June, an NCFE Engineering resit exam on Tuesday, 28 June and the GCSE contingency day for all pupils is Wednesday, 29 June. We will therefore continue to ask that no holidays are booked before Thursday, 30 June.

Leading up to their leaving date on 23 June pupils will be expected to be in school as normal for the vast majority of the time. They will take part in a mixture of exams, normal lessons and specific revision sessions. They will however finish school early on two occasions and there will be one full day off as advised in the letter circulated to pupils last week.

A copy of the letter can also be downloaded from the school website at>>

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





Year 10 Work Experience Placement Option

At the start of the academic year we took the decision to cancel any external work experience placements based on COVID regulations at the time.

With COVID regulations now fully relaxed we are now in a position to allow those pupils that want to do an external work placement, and can organise their own at relatively short notice, the opportunity to do so.

Pupils who do not want to or are unable to secure an external work placement will still have the opportunity to participate in a virtual one day work experience placement at school.

The placement must take place for all three days on the 13th, 14th and 15th June.

The letter and application pack has been emailed to Year 10 parents/carers this week and a copy can also be downloaded from the school website at

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

Completed forms must be returned by Fri, 27 May.





Year 11 Residential Helmsley Trip

A Year 11 group of 30 pupils travelled by minibus for a superb long weekend to a wonderful youth hostel at Helmsley, North Yorkshire.

We had the whole youth hostel to ourselves which meant lots of space and great room allocations.

On the way out to the North Yorkshire Moors we stopped off at Go Ape near Leeds. The pupils had the place to themselves giving them plenty of extra time to go round the different courses. The pupils had an amazing time led by great staff. Many pupils won awards for trying several of the big drops and superb zip-wires.

On arrival at the hostel, the range of team-building games were fun and educational. The pupils got used to their surroundings and sat down to a lovely range of curries. Many of the pupils were a real help preparing food and even washing up after meals and night-time hot chocolates and muffins.





An early start on the Saturday was rewarded with a cooked American style breakfast and a trip to Saltwick Bay. A walk down to the bay was lovely. The pupils studied and explored the different geology, many pupils finding an array of fossils and differing rock types. Lunch was their own home-made packed lunch.

The group had time in Whitby with the vast majority venturing up the 199 steps up to the impressive ruins of the Abbey. The tradition of fish, chips and mushy peas was provided to all. We went to the blood-curdling exhibition of Bram Stoker's Dracula. Bram Stoker based so much of the novel on his stays in Whitby.

Whitby was a lovely day out and equally popular as Go Ape the previous day. A games evening was fantastic. Competitions and games of skill and luck kept us royally entertained.

The lovely atmosphere throughout the long weekend really deserves a mention. The pupils earned their praise from each of the venues we visited. For the staff to say they had a great time and felt relaxed with 30 Year 11s returning home 'chilled' is a lovely compliment to such a wonderful group.

The last full day was spent at Flamingoland. We almost had the site to ourselves. The zoo was amazing, pupils selecting the hippos as their favourites, with the giraffes a close second. Each pupil enjoyed the rides, going on all of the thrill rides

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several times over. We have to admit, the staff spent a considerable time at the zoo rather than taking on those rides!!

Awards and prizes were part of the last night. Further games included a very popular chocolate egg hunt. A

thorough clean and pack up on the last night meant an early get away and early return to school on the Monday.

We all really enjoyed the trip and hope to run the same for the next group of Year 10s and

11s over the coming years.

Thank you to the staff - Mrs Holland, Miss Ackers and Miss Makinson for their fantastic work over the weekend, and Mr Eccles for encouraging so many at Go Ape to take that extra leap of faith.

Mr Watters Lead Teacher of Geography





18 May is National Numeracy Day and we'll be celebrating this during Wednesday's Maths and Learning for Life lessons.

The Maths department has organised lots of fun numeracy activities for their lessons that day. In addition, Head of Maths, Mr Kenrick will be working with the Head of Learning for Life, Mrs Hopes, to put together a range of interactive numeracy activities for pupils to get involved with in the day's Learning for Life class.

National Numeracy is an independent charity established in 2012 to help raise low levels of numeracy among both adults and children and to promote the importance of everyday maths skills. They aim to enable everyone across the UK to be confident and competent in using numbers and data, to be able to make good decisions in their daily life and at work.

www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/numeracyday

Mr Kenvich Head of Maths

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We've Launched A School Lottery!

We are excited to tell you that Penwortham Priory Academy has launched a school lottery.

The school's 'Your School Lottery' is part of the Gatherwell Ltd lottery group which was established with a core value of being an ethical lottery provider to help schools facing growing financial pressure.

By taking part, the pupils here at Priory will benefit directly regardless of who wins as every penny raised goes straight back to our school. There is a guaranteed cash winner for the school each week and the chance to win the £25,000 jackpot!

You can choose to set up a direct debit, a recurring card payment or a one-off payment by card (the minimum term for this is 5 weeks at £5). If you're able to take part, please visit our 'Your School Lottery' page to purchase your first tickets >>

www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/penwortham-priory-academy

For further details and FAQs please see below or visit our website at

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/fundraising-priory/school-lottery





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May Update

Priory's gardens are our pride and joy and awardwinning gardener Mr Farron wants to let parents and pupils know what to expect each month as the landscape changes.

It's not just about Priory looking (and smelling!) fantastic but also, education. Mr Farron wants the pupils to be interested in what he is doing and also enjoy learning about what's growing. The Priory Gardens are in Stage 2 of their development under Mr Farron with big plans for later this year – watch this space!

Mr Farron said: "I have recently introduced a map indicator so pupils can see and identify the different types of plants. I use their Latin names sometimes as well so pupils can also learn a bit of Latin! I have different pupils who help me but anybody who wants to speak to me about plants and the gardens are more than welcome to join in."

Spring in the Garden

This is an exciting time for the plants as they await the warmer weather to come and they watch as they trade for the various propagators to perform as nature intended.

The jasmine arches are ready to bloom giving a tremendous perfume as we enter the garden. The allium is also waiting to dance and show their globes of white and blue in the spring and summer light. Climbing roses of School Girl, Leaping Salmon and Dublin Bay are in bud and itching to compete with the delphiniums and other varieties within the perennial display.

Also, the Laurus Nobilis, which was cultivated in Flanders, is in bloom and can share with this 'peace' of ambience as we walk by.

Mr C Farron

Honorary Member of the RHS Winner of North West Britain in Bloom, South Ribble in Bloom, Penwortham in Bloom Judge for South Ribble and Penwortham in Bloom competitions

Jobs for May



- Earth up potatoes
- Feed and cut lawn but not too short
- Keep on top of weeding
- Select and plant bedding plants
- Before cutting hedges, check for wildlife

Tip for Pupils: Now is the time to plant your sunflower seeds. Pupils who would like some seeds can see Mr Farron. There are many varieties and you should see some growth within two weeks.

Mr Farron said: "I have just planted some sunflower seeds in the Priory Garden – they are the tallest you can

buy – and come August there should be a tiny forest of sunflowers."

Did you know: A rabbit and a squirrel live together in Tom Thumb's Bush, in the Priory Garden.

Enjoy your gardening and 'bee' safe!







Hats off to BTEC **Performing Arts Pupils**

Students have been completing Component 3 in BTEC Performing Arts and a number of students have been taking up the opportunity to become designers.

Year 10 students, Sarah C and Nicole K, have

designed costumes and hair and makeup for a Mesign 3character that suffers from depression. As designers, they have had to portray a poignant message to the audience about how depression can affect a person.





"I wanted something to go over her face to look like a veil (at a

funeral), so I would put black

and grey lace over the cloud and hang a little at the front. Also, I thought to make the raindrops look more like rain. I wanted to make them look transparent, so using crystals, pearls/beads



and silver

rope gave

me the effect I was looking for. With the clouds on the shoulders there are chains hanging from them, this is to show that the weight of all this held inside is dragging them down."

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Nicole, says ...

"This time I decided that I wanted to show an element of depression through the makeup and went for a crack down the face. It looks like a piece is missing. People with depression feel like a bit of them is lost and I thought this showed it well,

I used an eyeliner pencil to create this as it allowed me to create darker, sharp lines but also be able to smudge it to create the shadow of a missing piece."

"I have used the backcombing technique to create a lift and messy look with the hair and this time pinned

the ends up so it created a more fuller look. I then pulled strands of hair out to be placed specifically, over the face. I didn't want to add too many over the face but had two or three to show how."



Miss Howell said:

"I'm so incredibly proud of all Year 11 and 10 drama pupils that have finished their exam and put in so much time and effort.

Drama isn't just about the performance, it is so much more and without talented designers we wouldn't have the films, theatre, music videos etc that we watch. It is a collaborative effort and requires a talented team.

Miss Howell Lead Teacher of Drama



Year 10 Aimee W has been working hard to break into the performing arts industry and has finally made her break.

Aimee loves dancing, acting and singing and has spent years developing these skills. She has been a big part of the school productions and has been involved in many performances outside of school.

She has recently been offered a place on the Mune Casting Agency's books and we wish her all the luck in establishing a long and happy career in the industry.

Recently she has filmed for the BBC television drama 'Waterloo Road' and had an amazing time.

Aimee tells us...

"Last week I had the opportunity to be in the TV series, Waterloo Road. As I want to be an actress in the future, I was really excited that I got to experience what a TV set was like.

When I first arrived, I was taken to hair and makeup and given my costume before travelling down to the set. We filmed a few scenes in the morning and then were treated to lunch. After lunch, we had a big scene to film so we rehearsed a few times and then filmed from all different angles which took all afternoon, but it was exciting meeting all the cast and crew and seeing how things worked in front and behind the camera. I had a lot of fun and hope to do more in the future."

Lead teacher for Drama, Miss Howell tells us...

"It is so refreshing seeing students reach for their dreams. Many people can be very negative about performing arts and a career in the industry and young people listen to this and then never try. I believe that every young person has the potential to be whatever they want and as educators, we should instil belief, passion and drive in our young people. We should encourage them to fight against the 'norm' and reach for the sky regardless of how difficult this might be.

"We at Priory are so proud of our students and how hard they work to achieve who they want to be." Miss Howell Lead Teacher of Drama

Well done Aimee and we wish you all the luck in your future career.





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Using the language learning website, Memrise, pupils can accrue points as they progress with their French practice. Here are this week's leaders...

7W1 Yusuf Y

7W2 Jamal C

7E1 Louis H

7F3

Thomas H

7E2 Eleanor R

Sports Recruiter



Just because you're passionate about languages does not mean you don't have

other interests. For the sports fanatics among us, this could be a rewarding career path that taps into your language skills.

Sports recruiters are hired by teams, universities and agencies to scout out the best talent. For highly-internationalised sports - think football - recruiters are literally scouring the entire world for the cream of the athletic crop, so there's opportunities for travel and foreign language use. Strong communication skills are paramount to success in this field, considering the amount of negotiating and persuading you must do.

We all know that communication is the wheelhouse of language lovers, so even if you're dealing with an English-speaking athlete, you've got a leg up.







Linguists of The Week

Phoebe A-W - 8E3

Mr Taylor would like to commend Phoebe for a superb Year 8 assessment result - in particular her writing on the topic of 'Town' was 'top of the class!'

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Year 11

Well done to all our Year 11 linguists this week. They have faced the challenge of their GCSE speaking exams brilliantly.

Mrs Scully, Mrs Bailey & Mr Taylor Languages Department

This week in their French lessons...





Mrs Bailey and 10B1 joined forces with Mrs Cowell in the Food Technology department to bake their Galette des Rois.

The students followed the recipe in French in a previous lesson and Mrs Bailey and Mrs Cowell used the instructions in French to get the students baking.

Each student placed 'une fêve" into their cakes and

whoever found this in their piece of cake at home became the King or Queen for the day.

All the class thoroughly enjoyed their alternative French lesson.

Merci beaucoup to Mrs Cowell.





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Mrs Gidden's Cool Readers Club

Here's what our Cool Readers Club is all about...

They stopped when Covid first hit but now they're back. These are our reading stars put forward by their English teacher. We interview them about their current book, what they like reading about and what they like to do when they're not reading.

Introducing, Ethan...

Ethan has enjoyed the Redwall Series by Brian Jacques.

The Year 8 is currently reading 'The Sable Quean' which is the 21st novel in the series, the last to be published before the author's death although there is a 22nd novel which was published after Mr Jacques died.

"It's all based around Redwall Abbey which is where woodland creatures live and the ravaging hordes are stealing children," said Ethan.

"I like this series a lot. I have read a lot of the books and nearly finished now. I like fantasy and adventure novels."



When he is not reading, Ethan can be found playing as a striker for Lostock Hall JFC Blacks.

"We go training once a week then play games at weekend."

Ethan's favourite subject at Priory is Science.

"I like space and the infinity of it all, the stars and the planets.

"When I leave school I would like to do either something with computers or be an astrophysicist."

Ethan's English teacher, Mrs Elliott, added, "Ethan is a great pupil. He always works incredibly hard during his English lessons and is one of a rare breed who I have to 'reprimand' for not putting his reading book away! He's been reading the Redwall series with such passion that I might well grab a copy (I'm sure he can recommend one of the series). Ethan's ability to focus will surely bode well for any future career where he

Mrs Gimen Head of English





Read

My Name is Mina by **David Almond**

My Name Is Mina is a 2010 children's novel by David Almond. It is a prequel to Skellig (also a great book) and is about Mina, a homeschooled girl who lives across the road from the house that Michael's family moves into at the beginning of Skellig.



Mrs Elliott's The Northern Young **Recommended Adult Literary Festival**

21 May at UCLan

NYALitFest is back after a 2 year break.

Fans will have a unique opportunity to delve into the publishing industry, and to meet critically acclaimed and international best selling authors.

This is a free festival full of bookish fun. Tickets are free however you will need

to register for the event by visiting the link below.

https://nyalitfest.wordpress. com/programme/





The novel takes the form of a journal where we get to hear Mina's thoughts and musings on life. At school Nina is labelled as one of the 'strange' ones by both the children and the teachers. She struggles to conform and questions everything for no other reason than genuinely wanting to understand. She

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English Teacher

loves words and stories, but hates how

school tells her how she should read and write. She wants to fit in at the same time as wanting to be free. She's curious about what it would be like to have real friends but likes to spend lots of time sitting in a tree watching the world go by and keeping her distance.

I really enjoyed this book, but then I loved Skellig so I came at it with a positive mindset. Mina is quirky but likeable. If you like thoughtful texts that make you think about the world around you, then this is for you.

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9AM - 5.30PM

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

Classics | Non Fiction | Fiction | Young Adult |

We're always 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.

Pupils can drop books off at the library, 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@priory.lancs.sch.uk

> It was lovely to see Class of 2021 pupil, Aaron B who called in to say hello and drop off a very generous donation of books for our library.

> A big thank you to Aaron and brother Luke B (Year 9) and their family for thinking of us.

Letters

Did you know that our general letters are also available to download from the Parent section of the school website?

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

Be assured that all letters are emailed to parents or given to pupils to take home. However, as a back up, general letters such as those regarding parents evenings, updates, notices, trips, revision guides etc are also on our website.

If you are not receiving emails from us, please ensure we have your correct and up to date email address by calling Reception or emailing <u>enquiries@priory.lancs.sch.uk</u>.













May 2022

Wednesday, 18 May

Year 7 & 8 Boys Rugby Tournament 1pm-3pm @ UCLan Sports Arena

June 2022

Tuesday, 7 June Year 10 Rounders Tournament @ Priory

Thursday, 9 June Year 9 Rounders Tournament @ Priory

Monday, 20 June Year 7 Rounders Tournament @ Priory

Friday, 24 June Years 7-10 Athletics @ Stanley Park

Monday, 27 June Year 8 Rounders Tournament @ Priory

July 2022

Monday, 4 July Reserve date for Rounders

Please note that these dates are subject to change and more may be added. Events may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

Head of PE \$ Sport

Good Luck 🧸 Jazmin!

It's the English Schools National Finals at the weekend and we're proud to say that one of our Year 11 pupils will be leading out Lancashire's Under 16s girls team.



Jazmin and the rest of the Lancashire squad will be heading down to Stoke City FC on Saturday and the match will be streamed live via the ESFA's YouTube channel, ESFA TV.

Jazmin is no stranger to the national finals having been a finalist and winner in previous years. If you'd like to watch, the screening will feature full commentary and

provide a great viewing experience for all supporters who are unable to travel to the stadium.



3:30pm Kick Off U16 Champions' Cup Inter County Final for Girls Lancashire CSFA v Kent CSFA

www.youtube.com/esfatv

We've got everything crossed for Jazmin and the girls. Let's hope she'll be returning to the red rose county as National Champions for 2022.

This will be her final game for Lancashire county before Jazmin joins Everton FC Ladies U20s next season.







After receiving lots of nominations, the Science Department has chosen one student from each year group for its ...

Scientist of the Week

Year 7 Evie S – Nominated by Miss Hancox for consistent excellent attitude to learning and great use of the microscopes.

Year 8 James H – Nominated by Mr Cox for an excellent start to the new topic and application of numeracy skills.

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Year 9 Sam H – Nominated by Mrs Massey for a great start to the new Physics topic.

Year 10 Harvey H – Nominated by Miss Nouraghaeii for his excellent recall of prior knowledge.

Year 11 Violet S – Nominated by Miss Nouraghaeii for her excellent engagement during revision lessons.

Certificates and prizes will be handed out on Monday.





The Work Of The Week is from Harry W (Year 10).

Yesterday we looked at a required practical, investigating the specific heat capacity of different materials. Harry labelled and annotated all prior knowledge around the diagram before discussing the method and carrying out the practical with his classmates.





Summer School Pupil Volunteers Needed!



Once again, we're delighted to be able to offer a Summer School for our new intake of Year 7 pupils.

To support the event, this year we are looking for enthusiastic pupils from the current Year 7 and Year 10 to join us for one of the three days, on a voluntary basis. Details on year group Teams.

The Summer School will be running from Mon, 22 August – Weds, 24 August from 9.30am-2.30pm each day. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided.

If you are interested, please see Miss Ackers for a short application form.



Mon, 22 August - Weds, 24 August 9.30am - 2.30pm

To support the event, this year we are looking for responsible and enthusiastic pupils from the current Year 7 and Year 10 to join us on a voluntary basis. Lunch, drinks and snacks will be provided.

This would be a wonderful opportunity for those working towards their PIXL Edge qualification and an asset to add to their CV or college applications, as well giving something back to the school community by welcoming our new pupils to the Priory family.

See Miss Ackers To Apply Miss Ackers, Humanities Teacher | b.ackers@priory.lancs.sch.uk



TALKING TO YOUR DEAF FRIENDS



Some deaf people speak, some use sign language and some use both.

Find out what your friend does.

- Five top tips
- Get their attention. Try waving or tapping their shoulder.
- Speak normally. Not too slowly or too loudly.
- Face them when you talk. Make sure they can see your mouth.
- Use your hands. Point at what you're talking about.

Keep trying. Try texting on your phone or writing a message down.

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Bringing music to your ears at break and lunch

MABAL is music played through the school's tannoy system during break and lunch. Chosen by Mr Taylor, Lead Teacher for Music, this is designed to offer exposure to the curriculum in different ways, and support pupils' appreciation of music.

The focus is on one theme each week across a genre, a country or from history. The theme could also link to the season or an event in school, such as the production.

Next week it's all about: Subjects and lessons

You can thank Maths teacher, Mr Sneddon, for next week's music theme.

Thanks to the Science, Food Technology, PE and Humanities for their selections so far.

The list currently contains such classics as Chain Reaction - Diana Ross, Blueberry Hill - Fats Domino, Don't Stop Movin' - Livin' Joy and River Deep, Mountain High - Ike and Tina Turner, amongst a 60-strong playlist.

Future weeks' theme suggestions are very much welcomed pupils/staff should see Mr Taylor, email <u>a.taylor@priory.lancs.</u> <u>sch.uk</u> or contact via Teams.







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 15 minute Learning for Life lessons each week where they will participate in the curriculum shown opposite.

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

On the curriculum w/c 16 May

Year 7	Summer Term - Theme: 'Making Good Decisions' Digital footprint
Year 8	Summer Term - Theme: 'Committed to Growth' What is a 'closed' character
Year 9	Summer Term - Theme: 'Growing in Confidence' Overcoming barriers
Year 10	Summer Term - Theme: 'Owning my Decisions' Mental energy part 3
Year 11	Summer Term - Theme: 'Finishing with Pride'



Physical Education Department Extra-Curricular Weekly Timetable w/c 16 May

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch – Sports Hall 13.15 – 13.45	Badminton Key Stage 3	Basketball	Key Stage 3 Table tennis	Basketball	Key Stage 4 Basketball/ Badminton
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NB In addition, school teams will have fixtures through the half-term. These may result in some clubs being moved locations.







Bedrock classes in the spotlight:

8E3

Bradley G	85 points
Riley C	52 points
Lewis B	43 points

This week you were learning these words ...

Enigma- a person or thing that is mysterious or difficult to understand. *"Madeleine was still an enigma to him"*

Divisive - tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people. *"the highly divisive issue of abortion"*

Deploy- bring into effective action."small states can often deploy resources more freely."

9E3

Oliver H	82 points
Louie F	76 points
Alfie H	70 points

This week you were learning these words ...

Humane - having or showing compassion or benevolence. *"regulations ensuring the humane treatment of animals"*

Gullible easily persuaded to believe something; credulous. "an attempt to persuade a gullible public to spend their money"

Liberal- willing to respect or accept behaviour or opinions different from one's own; open to new ideas. *"they have liberal views on divorce."*

Well done to those in 8W1 and 9W1 who did their Bedrock this week and scored lots of points - Bradley, Riley, Lewis, Oliver, Louie, Alfie!

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A big well done to those who have continued to read and quiz over the STAR testing period. Particularly well done to Jessica, Jane, Shannon and Tilly.



Accelerated[®] Reader

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 <u>www.priory.</u> <u>lancs.sch.uk/pupils/online-learning-platforms</u>

This week's overall leaders:

Year 7

Jad H	7W1	321,440
Jessica D	7E3	239,379
Beau M	7E3	213,223
Year 8		
Emily P	8E2	256,730
Jane W	8E1	190,858
Kayleigh I	8W3	93,132
Year 9		
Shannon T	9E2	120,608
Nabiha S	9E2	93,536
Katie H	9W1	44,877
Year 10		
Tilly H	10W6	132,444
Aimee W	10W6	91,844
Taylor G	10W4	14,305

Mrs Robinson Assistant Head of English

The Performing Arts department at Cardinal Newman College invite you to enjoy their students' performance of ...

Elinor Stardust

Tuesday, 24 May at 7pm

A mix of singing, dancing and acting

The college offers a BTEC Foundation Diploma course in Musical Theatre and would like to invite Priory pupils and their family and friends to the performance.

Tickets start at £4 each for concessions. Please contact Katie Beard, Musical Theatre teacher, for details and to purchase

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We are collecting items to be donated to the Ukraine Appeal

Miss Beesley and Mrs Willis are collecting items to be sent to families whose lives have been turned upside down due to the war against Russia.

Any donation however big or small will be greatly appreciated. All items will be taken to MCR Therapies Clinic at Sharoe Green Park, Preston, which is a local drop off point.

Please bring any items down the PE office where they will be placed into a labelled box.

The list of items that are required are as follows:

- Tea/coffee
- Chocolate (normal, no praline or fancy boxes)
- Toiletries
- Disinfectants
- Wound dressings, Band Aids, bandages
- Nappies
- Dry food, cans / tins
- Formulas for babies





Digital Healthy Schools is a programme designed to give young people access to trusted digital health apps to support with a whole range of health areas.

The organisation is asking pupils to create a piece of content to demonstrate and promote something related to using health apps.

Click here for full details and competition rules.

There are 6 prizes up for grabs including fitness trackers and Amazon vouchers.

Entries must be submitted via Mrs Hopes, Head of Learning for Life. Deadline 8 July 2022.

The school's link to the platform is >> https://penworthamprioryacademy-lancs. digitalhealthyschools.co.uk/



Friday, 20 May

