

Penwortham Priory Post

Message from the Principal

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 particularly warm welcome to all our new pupils and parents. We look forward to working alongside you over the coming years as you embark on an exciting and inspiring learning journey with us. We hope that your daughters and sons will be happy here at Priory, feel safe and feel that they belong to our school community.

I would also like to 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 fantastic examination results.

I am in fact delighted to announce that despite an incredibly tough two years for everyone in preparing our pupils for their GCSEs, we had a real sense of celebration on results day, with pupils achieving some of the school's best ever results.

These excellent results across the board, alongside some exceptional outcomes in certain areas, have ensured our high academic standards from previous years have not only been maintained, but built upon and I would like to congratulate the pupils on their success:

English

- 62% of all pupils achieved a grade 5+ (strong pass) in English – a slight increase from 2019 when exams were last sat.
- 83% achieved a grade 4+ (standard pass) - an increase of 2% from 2019.

Maths

- 63% of all pupils achieved a grade 5+ (strong pass) in Maths – an increase of 18% from 2019
- 83% achieved a grade 4+ (standard pass) - an increase of 18% from 2019.

English and Maths

- 52% of all pupils achieved a grade 5+ (strong pass) in English and Maths – an increase of 11% from 2019.
- 77% achieved a grade 4+ (standard pass) - an increase of 14% from 2019

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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

Weds, 21 September

Learning for Life Day 1
Early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm

Thurs, 22 September

INSET Day (school closed)
Open Evening from 4.30pm.
Pupil volunteers to be in school for 3pm

Tues, 27 September

European Day of Languages - Whole school celebration and activities

24-28 October

Half term

Continued from front page.

Pupil Premium

- 40% of pupil premium pupils achieved a grade 5+ (strong pass) in English and Maths – an increase of 5% from 2019

Furthermore

- 76% of all pupils achieved a grade 4+ (standard pass) in two Sciences, a 21% increase from 2019
- 73% of all pupils achieved a grade 4+ (standard pass) in Languages, a 13% increase from 2019
- Two Year 9 pupils achieved a grade 9 GCSE in German
- 59 grade 9s were achieved in various GCSE subjects - an increase of 46 compared to 2019
- Almost a quarter of the whole Year 11 achieved a grade 7 to 9 in Maths
- Over 20% of pupils sitting the following subjects achieved a grade 7, 8 or 9 – Art and Design, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Computer Science, French, Geography, History, Maths and Separate Science
- Vocational subjects also performed fantastically well with Health and Fitness, Childcare, Engineering, Graphics, Creative iMedia and Drama all demonstrating outstanding results.

I am sure you will agree that these results reflect once again the expert teaching and support from our staff, the dedication and hard work of our pupils and the excellent support of parents throughout a challenging two years, meaning 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 wish them all the very best as they embark on the next chapter of their lives.

And so, to the future.

It has been joyful to see our pupils and staff interacting and back together again in school and we look forward to being able to focus on our longer-term educational horizon from here on in.

My thanks to all of you for your continued support of the school and my thanks to all our pupils for the contribution they make to Priory in so many ways, whether that be in the classroom, on the sport's pitch, on stage, fundraising or in extra-curricular activities. 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 from the outset, ensuring the highest expectations of all, from all.

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

Mr M Eastham
Principal

The Passing of Her Majesty

We join the nation in expressing our condolences on the passing of our Queen. She was a remarkable lady and an example to us all. Last night our flags at the front of school were lowered as a mark of respect and a tribute has also been added to our memorial garden and in the Humanities department.

The Queen had ruled for longer than any other Monarch in British history, becoming a much loved and respected figure across the globe.

In school today Form tutors have shown pupils a short BBC film reflecting on the Queen's life. Mrs Hopes and Miss Makinson also put together a presentation for classes to discuss in their Learning for Life lesson at the end of the day.

Once we receive confirmation of schools' protocols regarding the funeral and the King's coronation, we will advise our school community accordingly.





Preston artist Gavin Renshaw has created a new mural outside the Harris entitled: “The links in the chain are of equal strength” with the help of pupils, now in Year 10, from Priory and Christ the King Catholic High School

In partnership with The Courtauld, the mural has been created to decorate the front of the Harris building in Preston city centre whilst building work begins for the Harris Your Place project. The Museum and Art Gallery will be closed until 2024 with the mural displayed as part of the surrounding hoardings.

Lead Teacher for Art, Mrs Hopes and the pupils began their involvement with the project back in March this year when they developed ideas for the painting based on experiences of workers at the Courtaulds factory. **They have been invited to attend the unveiling event next Tues, 13 September at 4pm. Members of the public are welcome to watch.**

More information here:

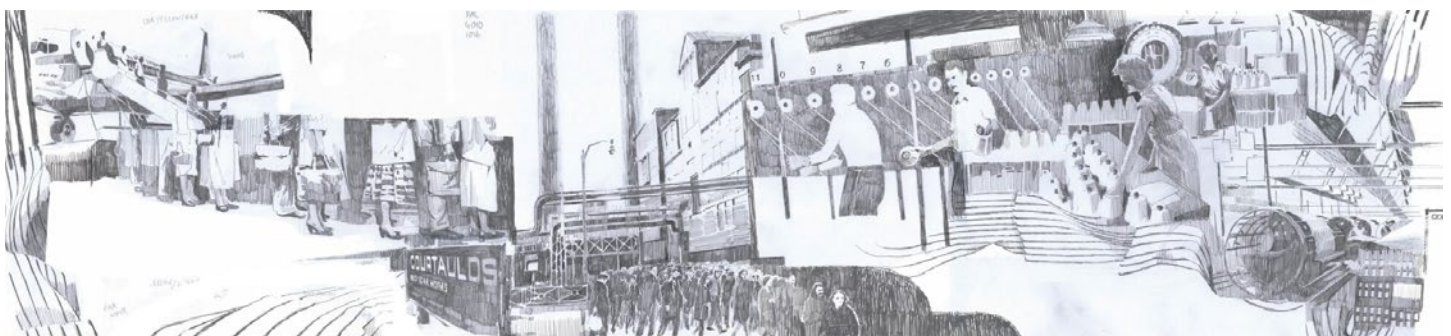
www.theharris.org.uk/harrisyourplaceinformation/harris-mural



To commemorate the history of textile manufacturing in the Preston area, the mural celebrates the journeys that Courtaulds Ltd employees made drawing attention to the diversity of the workforce that came together and continues to contribute to Preston’s rich textiles heritage.

Students, now in Year 10, from Penwortham Priory Academy and Christ the King Catholic High School took part in a series of workshops with local artist Gavin Renshaw and illustrator Toya Walker to develop key themes for “The links in the chain are of equal strength”, creating artwork to be incorporated into the planning stages of development.

Image below: Preparatory sketch based on the work of Priory and Christ the King high school pupils.



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Astronomy Club is Recruiting Year 9 Pupils

Priory pupils are once again reaching for the stars as they look to sign up Year 9s to start their Astronomy GCSE course.



Science technician, Mr Evans, teaches the GCSE Astronomy course which will run every Tuesday after school for the new Year 9 group. (Year 10 will continue their lessons every Wednesday/Thursday)

Astronomy Club is an optional extra curricular subject that is open to Year 9 pupils who continue through to Year 10, when they may opt to take a GCSE.

Introductory letters are available from the Science department or can be downloaded from the school website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters. Classes run after school until 4.10pm.

Pupils will study a range of topics including:
Cosmology | Stellar evolution | Exploring starlight
| Planetary motion and gravity



Places are limited. Enquiries can be directed to Mr Evans, Science Technician, j.evans@priory.lancs.sch.uk.



SCOPay Updates

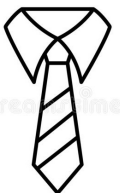
There has been an update to the payment page on the school's online payment system, SCOPay, that our Finance department would like to make you aware of.

The card details window on the Payment Page on SCOPAY has been changed. You may have noticed that this has changed from WorldPay to Vesta Merchant Services (VMS). All payments are

now powered by VMS. You will receive an email confirming your purchase as normal, nothing else is effected this is just for your information only.

Please also note that the price for school ties, which are available to purchase via SCOPay, has now increased to £6.

Replacement ties, once paid for via SCOPay, will be available for pupils to collect from the School Office the next day.



Mrs J Coolson
Finance Officer

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On the last day of the academic year, we held our Sports Day. The event has a reputation for being one of the most joyous occasions of the school calendar and this year certainly didn't disappoint.



The day was a short one, with the academic year closing at 1pm, so the PE department had already completed the field events earlier in the week - now all eyes were firmly on the track! Pupils sat with their year groups as the four Houses battled it out. Support was excellent with pupils marking their war paint across faces and limbs in their House colours.

Last minute entries and multi-discipline competitors ensured that there was a full track programme with even a teachers 100m sprint to finish the day - Well done Mr Sneddon!

Mr Bullock said, "The pupils were outstanding on the day. There were so many fantastic performances with school records broken and individual personal best times achieved. It was a fantastic atmosphere. Thank you to all on the day for their efforts, whether that was joining in the races or being so vocal in their support for their friends/Houses."



It was very close with **Calder** being crowned the winner with a final score of 724, closely followed by Ribble (722) and Douglas (718). Well done to Mrs Eastham's house!

*Mr Bullock
Head of PE & Sport*



Thank you to History teacher, Mr Eccles, Year 11 leaver Will Jones and Year 11 Ameer A-H, for their photography. Here's just a few of their images that sum up to atmosphere of the day.



Year Group	Calder	Douglas	Hodder	Ribble
Year 7 Boys	125	75	125	79
Year 7 Girls	75	119	97	87
Year 8 Boys	101	91	71	132
Year 8 Girls	68	72	75	87
Year 9 Boys	87	93	76	91
Year 9 Girls	84	57	76	79
Year 10 Boys	91	116	97	104
Year 10 Girls	93	95	55	63
TOTAL	724	718	672	722

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During the event, Miss Nicholls and her Equality & Diversity Club members organised a wet sponge competition in aid of Lancashire LGBT and raised £45.90.



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reminder

Food Tech Ingredients Fees - Now Due

As you may be aware, we operate a system where school organises all the provisions pupils will need for their Food Technology lessons. This enables lessons to run smoothly and takes the pressure off parents to provide specific ingredients. To enable us to do this however, we ask parents to make a contribution towards the cost of practical lessons.

This is a one-off payment and covers all the dishes pupils will make over the academic year.

Year 7 - £6.50 | Year 8 - £8 | Year 9 - £8.50

Letters have been sent to parents of pupils in Years 7, 8 & 9 this week and a copy can also be downloaded from the school website at www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters. Payment should be made via SCOPay. If you need a reminder of your SCOPay login please contact the Finance Officer, Mrs Cookson, by email j.cookson@priory.lancs.sch.uk

Thank you to those families that have made the payment already.

Mrs Cowell
Vice Principal &
Food Technology Teacher

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Catering at Priory

Important Notice

New for 2022

Dining Options For Pupils And Staff

From September, pupils will have the choice to pre-order cold food to Take Away by using the online facility, SwiftOrder/VeriCool, or purchase hot food directly from the dining rooms to Eat In or Take Away using fingerprint identification to make payment*.

Cold Food

Sandwiches | Salads | Pasta | Drinks | Snacks | Fruit

Pre-order online from the Take Away menus for break and lunch

VeriCool
SwiftOrder

Pupils must pre-order their cold food using the online facility, SwiftOrder / VeriCool, and select from the Take Away menus.

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

When logged in there will be two menu options - select Break Take Away or Lunch Take Away.



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.

For Break and Lunch choices range from baguettes and sandwiches with various fillings to pasta and salads as well as fruit, cereal bars, cakes*, popcorn* and drinks.

Orders for all year groups will be brought to the Auditorio to collect.

Take Away Food and Packed Lunch Dining Areas:

Year 7 - The Hex | Year 8 - The Auditorio | Year 9 Humanities | Year 10 & 11 - The Bistro

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

*available lunch only

Hot Food

Plated Meals | Chicken Wraps | Jacket Potatoes | Paninis
Pizza Slices | Bacon Barm | Snacks | Fruit | Drinks

Purchase hot food served fresh on the day at break and lunch from the dining rooms. Pupils will have the option to have it plated to Eat In or put in disposable cartons to Take Away.

(hot food will no longer be available to pre-order)

No cash is required as fingerprint identification will be used to deduct payment from your account* at the tills.

A limited selection of sandwiches will also be available to buy on the day in the dining rooms, alongside snacks, fruit and drinks.

Hot Food Dining Areas:

Year 7, 8 & 9 The Dining Room | Year 10 & 11 The Bistro

There's a great choice with a three-week rolling lunch menu which will be displayed around school and in the weekly newsletter. A sample menu is attached.

For Break choices include bagels, sausage/bacon barm, pizza slices, toast and garlic bread. For Lunch, plated meal choices include pasta dishes, curry, roast dinner, fish and chips and regular 'specials' alongside jacket potatoes, chicken wraps, paninis and more.

Vegetarian and gluten-free options also available.



Hot Food Menu

Fresh home cooked meals and snacks available daily.

We have a three-week rolling menu which will be displayed around school and in the weekly newsletter. Below are the menus for the first half of the Autumn term w/c 5 September 2022.

Week 1

Monday

Brunch
Tomato pasta served with garlic bread

Tuesday

Chicken curry served with rice and naan
Creamy vegetable slice served with wedges and beans

Wednesday

Ciabatta pizza served with diced potatoes and beans or sweetcorn
Chicken burger served with diced potatoes and beans or sweetcorn

Thursday

Roast dinner
Mediterranean vegetable pasta served with garlic bread

Friday

Fish | Pizza | Jumbo sausage
Served with wedges and beans or peas

Week 2

Monday

Sweet and sour chicken and rice
Vegetable curry served with rice and naan

Tuesday

Spaghetti Bolognese served with garlic bread
Cheese and onion pasty served with wedges and beans

Wednesday

Calzone pizza served with diced potatoes and beans or peas
BBQ pulled chicken barm served with diced potatoes and beans or peas

Thursday

Roast dinner
Quiche served with potatoes and beans or vegetables

Friday

Fish | Pizza | Beefburger
Served with wedges and beans or peas

Week 3

Monday

Sausage and mash served with beans or peas
Spaghetti Neapolitan served with garlic bread

Tuesday

Chicken and black bean stir fry with noodles
Cheese and broccoli pasta served with garlic bread

Wednesday

Ciabatta pizza served with diced potatoes and beans or sweetcorn
Chicken tikka pasty served with diced potatoes and beans or sweetcorn

Thursday

Roast dinner
Cheese pie served with potatoes and beans or vegetables

Friday

Fish | Pizza | Steak Pudding
Served with wedges and beans or peas

Chicken wraps, jacket potatoes with various fillings, and paninis are available every day.



Open Evening - 22 September

Everyone welcome | No prior booking required
Starts 4.30pm - Ends 9.00pm

The Principal's speech will be at 5.30pm and 7.30pm. It has also been recorded to listen to in your own time and, prior to your visit, we invite you to take a virtual tour or view our prospectus at your leisure via our website:

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

Pupil Support Required

As always, we are asking for pupils to volunteer their time to support us at the event and showcase their school. Letters are being given out to by teachers with full details. Mrs Ham and Mrs Bailey will also be commandeering their Prefects and Peer Mentors respectively to greet our prospective families and conduct tours.





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Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2023 and living in Lancashire?

APPLY NOW!

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

CLOSING DATE: 31 OCTOBER 2022

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'.

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www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools



Looking Forward To

Seeing You...

Open Evening | Thursday, 22 September

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Summer School

How did Summer School go then?



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

The three-day event was led by Humanities teacher, Miss Ackers, to benefit our new intake's transition to high school. With a 'theme park' theme, pupils took part in many fun activities to develop their team building skills, independence and communication. Pupils were shown how to access the ICT systems and set up their accounts to gain their 'entry tickets', learnt about the Eat Well Guide to help them make their own lunch, navigated the school through treasure hunts, enjoyed circus skills workshops, and of course...there was the inflatables!



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

Lead teacher, Miss Ackers, said, "Summer School was an enriching experience for all and couldn't have gone any better. The students were able to ease their anxieties and have fun. I am proud of the student helpers who aided the teachers and I'm ecstatic that the new Year 7s found it helpful. Hopefully next year can be just as beneficial."



A special mention to the staff and Year 8, 10 & 11 pupils below who volunteered their time during their holidays to support us:

Year 8 - Jamal C, Evie C, Archie I, Shiven N, Chloe R, Freya Y, Year 10 - Grace D, Alex I, Year 11 - George H, Daniel R, Scarlett S.



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Class of 2020 - Colin Chan



Congratulations to former Head Boy, Colin Chan, who has just received his A-Level results from Runshaw College and is going on to the University of Manchester to study Micro-biology.

We are very proud of all our Class of 2020 leavers as they move on to employment, further training or university and wish them all the best in their future careers - please keep in touch!



Class of 2012 - Ed Duckworth

Former Priory pupil, Ed, stepped up to referee at National League level this season and was the fourth official at the pre-season friendly between Accrington Stanley and Sunderland on 23 July,

In addition, Ed covered the opening League One game between Accrington Stanley and Charlton the following week, 30 July.



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

On the curriculum w/c 12 September

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

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

Year 7	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Starting as we mean to go on' Introducing organisation
Year 8	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Celebrating our difference' There is no 'I' in team.
Year 9	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Finding my voice' Voice
Year 10	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Owning my journey' Mindset assessment
Year 11	Autumn Term - Theme: 'Breaking down the journey' Breaking down the journey

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These articles were spotted in a recent Tweet by St George's Shopping Centre with the caption:

"Were you one of the winners who got to choose what went in our time capsule when our Friargate extension was built in 1998?"



Priory will be doing our own time capsule this year as we celebrate 70 years as Priory! - watch this space!

*Mrs Yates
Alumni Liaison*



Time team capture the best of 1998

PUPILS from a Penwortham school are on their way to making their mark in the history books after scooping first prize in a time capsule competition.

The six, from Priory High School took part in a competition run by St George's Shopping Centre, Preston, which is being given a £23m redevelopment. The youngsters were invited to suggest items for a time capsule to be buried in the centre's new extension.

Pupils from schools all over the area were asked to select items reflecting the personality of Preston in 1998.

Organisers said the response was overwhelming. The six 12-year-olds came out on top winning £750 to be spent on school equipment.

The school plans to include a photo album of different types of houses, a video diary by four families, a scrapbook on transport and a tape of a local radio show capturing the best of this year's entertainment and music.

Among other items will be an autographed Preston North End kit, a recipe book from restaurants in the town, a University of Central Lancashire prospectus, a detailed map of the area and a copy of the Labour Party manifesto.

The youngsters were also eager to ensure a model of Wallace and Gromit were included to capture the home-grown talent of Oscar-winning Nick Park.



BACK TO THE FUTURE: Penwortham Priory High pupils won first prize in a time capsule competition which will put their names in the history books are pictured (from left) Trisha Patel, Rachel Clemance, Jennifer Wilcox, Richard Wade, Robert Ashurst and Tony Urbanski

The Headteacher's Log Book - How things have changed!

Not quite the 'Captain's log' but back in the day the Headteacher at the time, Mr Summers, kept a journal to record the day's key events. We have recently discovered some of these beautifully scribed logs in our archives and our resident historian, History teacher Mr Eccles, has revelled in them to find 'picks' which we will find amusing to read today. How things have changed!



5 SEPTEMBER 1973:

School opened for the winter term. Numbers on roll increased to 930. The complete 5th year remained at school. A seventh form entry at fourth year has posed some problems.*

School meals rose again to over 600 each day.

Mr Eccles

**Year 10 today*

Lead Teacher of History

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EnglishDepartment

Book Donations



Thank you to the Hosker family who have made a very generous donation of books to our school library during the summer break. We are truly grateful!

These books will go a long way in promoting the habit and love of reading for all our pupils. We're always looking to top up our library. If you have any books that you are wondering what to do with next, could we have them?

Books can be dropped at reception or enquiries can be emailed to Mrs Elliott, English Teacher and Chief Librarian at:

j.elliott@priory.lancs.sch.uk



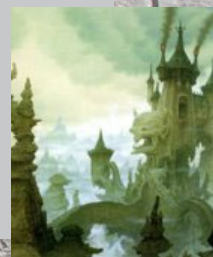
Year 7 pupils who impress their teachers with their imagination and creativity in the 'Kraznir' unit will receive a certificate for their efforts.

THE LEGENDS OF KRAZNIR

Do you have what it takes to become a legend of Kraznir?
Did you complete your transition booklet over the summer?
Do you show creative flare and imagination in your writing?

If so, prepare yourself to be nominated as a *Legend of Kraznir* by your English teacher!

Winners will receive a certificate for their efforts.



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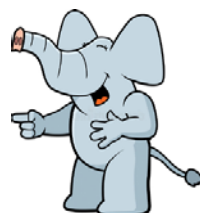
It's Bookmark Competition time again for Year 8!

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

Using the template provided by their English teacher, pupils can design their own bookmark. The winning designs will be printed onto card and distributed to all readers who will then be able to add their name, a reminder of their reading ZPD and their colour code.

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

So he always nose where he stopped reading!"



Are You Feeling Creative, Year 8?

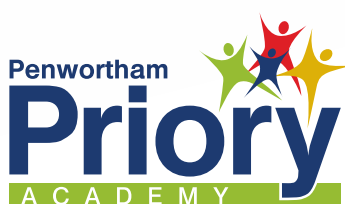
Assistant Leader of English, Mrs Robinson-Ali, has set all Year 8 pupils a creative challenge which will also prove useful for pupils' Accelerated Reading (AR) sessions.

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

The theme is *READING PUNS*. Go create!

Year 8 pupils should return entries to their English teacher by **Friday, 30 September**. Please ensure your name and English class are written on the back. Entries can also be submitted on Microsoft Teams.

*Templates can be collected from your English teacher



Year 8 pupils should return entries to their English teacher by Friday, 30 September.



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.

To all our pupils who have now received their GCSE results - congratulations! They've been through two challenging years and their grades reflect all the hard work they have put in.



All our 2022 leavers should feel proud of what they have individually achieved. 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.

GCSE Results Day: Their Stories

Rhianne celebrated a stunning seven Grade 9s and two Grade 8s as well as a Level 2 Star Distinction in Engineering – an extra course Priory fitted in for her.

“I did the engineering after school as I ran out of options I could take in school! I wanted to do everything!” said Rhianne.

“I want to be an astrophysicist so engineering is important. I want to go to the LUSoM (Lancaster University School of Maths) and study Maths, Further Maths, Physics and Chemistry. I am just so pleased with my results!”



Ella admitted she had done better than expected with her GCSE results.

She celebrated three Grade 9s, two Grade 8s and two Grade 6s.

“In my mocks I got Grade 5 in both my English subjects and I got Grade 6 on both so that may change my plans for the future.

“I also got three 9s in Science so I might do another science subject among my A-Levels along with Biology, Graphic Design and Maths at Runshaw College. I am thinking maybe an architect in the future, or perhaps something medical.

“I have loved my time at Priory – I felt really well supported.”

James celebrated amazing results with eight Grade 9s and one Grade 8.

“I was nervous last night but I am happy with my grades. I want to go onto Lancaster University School of Maths (LUSoM) at Newman College and study Maths, Further Maths, Computer Science and Physics.

“I have enjoyed my time at Priory, the teachers are helpful but it's a relaxed atmosphere too.”



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GCSE Results Day: Their Stories



Josh took the engineering qualification and was happy with his three Grade 9s, two Grade 8s and three Grade 6s.

"I enjoyed the engineering course, especially the practical side of it. That was interesting. I have done a lot better than I expected. I was expecting a 7 in Maths and got a 9 so that was a nice surprise.

"I am going onto Newman College to study Physics, Maths and Chemistry."



Hannah achieved a stunning Grade 5 in her Japanese GCSE – the highest grade she could reach!

Hannah has been studying Japanese in her own time and it's something she just wanted to do.

"I was so pleased to get the highest grade I could," said Hannah. "The written part of the exam was tough.

"I also achieved three Grade 9s in History, English Language and Chemistry and an A* in Childcare. I was shocked at getting a 9 in Chemistry and an 8 in Physics, I didn't expect that!"

She will go to Newman College to study English Language, Modern History and Sociology.

Jack enjoys maths – but he has just spent an exciting summer in Malawi building a school with Stanhope Explorer Scout Unit.

"It was an amazing experience, we built a school, went on a safari and climbed a mountain!" said Jack.

Jack celebrated four Grade 9s and one Grade 8 among his strong results and will go to LUSoM with James.

"I got a Grade 9 in Maths and a Grade 8 in Further Maths so I am happy with that."



Twins Alfie and Tom got almost identical GCSE results and are studying the same subjects at college.

Alfie achieved just one grade better than his brother – he got four Grade 9s, two Grade 8s and one GCSE each at Grade 7, 6, and 5.

Brother Tom achieved three Grade 9s, three Grade 8s and a 7, 6, 5.

Alfie said: "There is just one grade difference but we are not competitive! It doesn't matter. We are both going to Newman College to study Maths, Further Maths, Computer Science and Accountancy. We just want to do the same things."

Tom said: "I was surprised at my Grade 8 in French. It's been great at Priory with the variety of trips and the teachers have been supportive. I either want to go into something with history or accountancy and Alfie is the similar, something with accountancy or computing."

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GCSE Results Day: Their Stories



Languages teacher Mrs Scully was delighted with her French results, which included three Grade 9s, four Grade 8s and 10 Grade 7s.

"The results have been fantastic this year and some of the pupils want to take French at A-Level which is always pleasing. I am so proud of them all."

Josie was one of the pupils who celebrated a Grade 9 in French, among her four Grade 9s.

"I want to go to Newman College to study French as well as Maths, Further Maths and Physics. In the future I want to do something maths-related."

Erin also celebrated a Grade 9 in French.

"I got a Grade 9 in French, three Grade 8s, two sevens and a Grade 5 – I did better in maths than I expected."

"I want to go to Runshaw to study French, Psychology and Sociology."

Emily thinks being a solicitor 'will be cool' and that's her aim after GCSE success.

Emily secured four Grade 9s, two Grade 8s, two Grade 7s and one Grade 6 and will go onto Newman College to study Law, Sociology and Modern History.

"I was nervous but now I am happy. I think a solicitor or lawyer will be a cool occupation."



Year 10 & 11: How to Save a Life Virtual Medical Work Experience



Doctors Live are a team of fully qualified doctors passionate about teaching and inspiring the next generation of students into Medicine, Nursing, Allied Health Professions and Science.

Monday 12th September 2022 | 6pm-8pm | Suitable for Year 10 & 11 | Free

In this session you will learn the principles of life support - How healthcare professionals assess and treat unwell patients. You will also see some interactive scenarios.

Registration is free, to enrol please use the link: <https://doctorslive.co.uk/>

The program is held virtually. Once registered you will be sent a confirmation email with a personalised link to join the course (this is usually sent one week before the course start date). All you need is a computer and an internet connection. Certificates will be provided for participation. Places are allocated on a first come first serve basis.

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Debate Club: Schools' Mace Competition



Miss Ackers' Debate Club is back on and she's looking to take five of her best debaters off to the Schools' Mace competition soon.

The English-Speaking Union's Schools' Mace competition, held in November, will hone your debate skills in a fun, competitive environment. Whilst there, pupils will enhance their speech-writing, public speaking and critical thinking, helping you to excel both in and out of school and giving you a sense of pride in yourself and your achievements.

If you think this is for you, or just want to know a bit more about what's involved, then see Miss Ackers in HU6.

More info at
www.esu.org/competitions/schools-mace/

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**YEAR 10 & 11
OPEN EVENTS**

**VISIT OUR CAMPUS
SPEAK TO TUTOR
SEE THE FACILITIES**

DATES & TIMES

**Wednesday 5th October 2022
4-7pm**

**Saturday 12th November 2022
10am-2pm**

**Wednesday 8th March 2023
4-7pm**

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www.preston.ac.uk**

- > Register for events
- > Apply online
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Debate Club

Every Thursday 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.

Miss Ackers

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What is that bone?

One day workshop of Animal and Human Remains

Discover how forensic scientists distinguish between human and animal bones in an interactive, one-day workshop held at the **Lancashire Forensic Science Academy**.

When bones are found, the police and forensic specialists are often called to determine whether they are animal or human and decide whether a major investigation needs to be launched. A good working knowledge of comparative faunal and human skeletal anatomy is needed.

This one-day workshop will give delegates the tools to identify the majority of UK bone finds, and an understanding of how this identification can aid a forensic investigation. The workshop is taught by forensic experts in a real working forensic laboratory at the **Lancashire Forensic Science Academy**. It will include hands-on practical sessions using UCLan's extensive animal and human skeletal collections and case studies from real forensic cases.

The workshop will include:

- The structure and naming of the parts of a skeleton
- Similarities and differences between animal and human bones
- Similarities and differences between animal and human teeth
- How to distinguish between mammal, amphibian, reptile, fish and bird skeletons
- 'Laying out' animal and human skeletons
- Tricky animal bones that look human
- Forensic case studies

Wednesday 26th October 2022, 09.30 – 16.30

Lancashire Forensic Science Academy

Lancashire Constabulary HQ, Saunders Lane, Hutton, Preston, PR4 5TJ

Open to anyone with an interest in forensic science and bones. Minimum age 12 years.

£99 per delegate

includes refreshments and lunch.

For more information and booking, please go to: www.lfsa.co.uk or email: enquiries@lfsa.co.uk



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**Lancashire Forensic
Science Academy**



'What is that bone?' is a one day course taking place over the October half term and delivered by the Lancashire Forensic Science Academy (LFSA) at the police headquarters in Hutton.

It is aimed at anyone with an interest in forensic science, anthropology, archaeology or just bones in general! Open to anyone age 12 and over.

The school may be able to apply for free places. If you are interested, please see Mrs Hopes, Head of Personal Development. t.hopes@priory.lancs.sch.uk

For more information and booking, please go to:
www.lfsa.co.uk

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