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Penworthan Priory Post



How Are You Settling In, Year 7?

It's gone so fast as our Year 7s have almost completed a half-term at Priory – and they love it!

We spoke to a selection of Year 7s who told us their favourite lessons, how high school is different to primary school and what they think of Priory so far.

Eva, from Cop Lane Primary School, said: "I absolutely love it! I love PE – I do dance out of school. I do need to concentrate moving around but I enjoy that and I like having different teachers every lesson." Lois, from Kingsfold Primary School, said: "I have enjoyed it. My favourite lessons are Art and PE. Priory is bigger and you have to find your way but I managed that in a week. I have made lots of friends!"

Zach, from Middleforth, said: "My favourite subjects are PE and Computing. The teachers are really nice. I enjoy walking between lessons and I have made some good friends." Poojan, who attended Broad Oak, added: "I like PE, Maths, English and Creative Arts. I am enjoying Priory, I am enjoying most of the lessons."

Head of Year 7, Mrs Farley said: "They're proving to be a brilliant year group; they've gelled really well. We've had pupils from our main feeder schools but there are also children who came on their own, not knowing anyone at all and it's particularly nice to see how well they are settling in and making such good friends. They're really taking advantage of all the extra-curricular clubs too.

"It can be quite overwhelming starting a new, bigger school with so many responsibilities but they're handling themselves brilliantly. I'm really proud of them!"

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Key Dates

Diary Dates

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

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

Mon, 14 October Year 11 Newman College Assembly Year 10 Settle Factor Parents Evening (online)

Thurs, 17 October Year 10 & 11 Faith Day (postponed from last week)

Friday, 18 October Year 11 GCSE History Trip Gawthorpe Hall, Burnley

HALF TERM 21-25 October

Mon, 28 October Year 11 Hutton Sixth Form Assembly

Thurs, 31 October Online Assembly - Bonfire Safety (all years)

Tues, 5 November Nasel flu immunisations

12-14 November Year 7 Lancaster Castle Trip (one cohort each day)

Fri, 15 November Year 11 BAE Systems trip (apprenticeship group)

Mon, 25 November Learning for Life Day 2 Early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm

Good Luck Mr Owen!

On Sunday (13th), Mr Owen will be running his first ever Half Marathon.

Training for almost four months, peaking at distances of 35K for six weeks of that time, this has been no mean feat for the English teacher who only took to pounding the pavements earlier this year.

His running club, Freckleton & Warton Running Club, is officially supporting a fundraising effort linked to helping a local family raise the finances required to transform their home so that it is fit to



house their ill son whose lives were sadly torn apart when he was diagnosed with a brain tumour. Dan has been in hospital for two years.

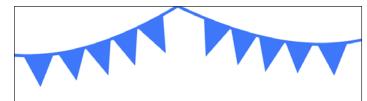
Read BBC article >> www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/cj31x48vvryo

If you'd like to support Mr Owen by donating to the 'Get Dan Home' fundraising campaign, the link is >>



https://gofund.me/a843b7c3

We'll let you know how he gets on!



SOME KIDS ARE SMARTER THAN YOU, SOME KIDS HAVE cooler clothes THAN YOU, SOME KIDS ARE BETTER AT SPORTS THAN YOU.

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BE THE KID WHO CAN GOT ALONG.

BE THE KID WHO IS generous. BE THE KID WHO IS HAPPY FOR OTHER PEOPLE BE THE KID WHO DOES THE RIGHT THING

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Year 7 History Trip Lancaster Castle

The Humanities department would like to invite Year 7 pupils on a trip to Lancaster Castle and Lancaster Priory on one of the following dates -Tues 12, Weds 13, Thurs 14 November.

We are running the trip across three separate dates due to limited availability to tour the castle and priory. Pupils will be told which day they are attending, and they will be there with other students from their teaching group.

We will depart from school at 9.15am and spend the day exploring the castle and priory. The aim of the trip is to learn about the history of the castle and the importance of religion in the Middle Ages.

The cost of the trip is \pounds 11 which includes return transport. We will return in time for the school buses.

Places are available for every Year 7 pupil however the closing date for payment is Friday, 11 October. If you would like your child to attend the trip, please make the payment via SCOPay, where you will also be required to provide parental consent. This replaces the need to complete a reply slip.

Pupils should see their History Teacher for a copy of the letter or it can be downloaded from the school website at>>

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

Any queries can be directed to Mr Eccles via email at a.eccles@priory.lancs.sch.uk





DaMari Maps Out Black History Month Celebrations at Priory



Year 11 DaMari has been keen to promote Black History Month in school and has been given a big opportunity to do that this October.

From assemblies to food sales and music, DaMari will help to educate Priory pupils about iconic black people in history and their influence.

DaMari said: "I think when people talk about Black History Month, they think of slavery and the civil rights movement. I want to show there is so much more than that.

"The people I look up to are Mary Seacole, Barack Obama and Serena Williams and I want to highlight these and more.

"It started as Black History Month comes around every year and I felt we could do more as a school.

"I went to my Head of Year, Mrs Bullock, and asked about doing something positive around it.

"I was disappointed as I didn't get to be a Head Prefect but I'm a Senior Prefect and Miss Smith, the Lead Practitioner for Personal Development, told me that I don't need a title to make a difference.

"I thought about it over the summer and made a PowerPoint presentation about Black History Month which I showed to Mr Eastham.

"I will now deliver assemblies for Year 7, 8 and 9 about influential black figures in Learning for Life lessons which I am a bit nervous about!

"There will also be a food sale on Tuesday, 15 October which I helped set up with Mrs Qadri, our Culture Club Leader, where pupils can sample and buy food traditionally made from Black cultures."

"I have also been working with Mr Taylor to play music from black musicians around the world. It's been organised into decades with Sam Cooke, Whitney Houston, Luther Vandross, Aretha Franklin and more.

"It's something I feel really strongly and passionately about as from an early age my Mum and Dad taught me and my brother to know our worth and to know our history and I am glad to have this opportunity to share that with others."



Miss Smith, Lead Practioner for Personal Development at Priory said, "I am so pleased DaMari considered our discussion prior to the summer. He has found his passion project and run with it.

She continued, "DaMari will now have a lasting legacy at Priory. I am hoping other young people follow his example and consider how they can make an impact and further their personal development.

"Leading projects like this develop important employability skills, and DaMari will be able to call on this as an example in future interviews for college and employment opportunities."





Lost and Found: Are These Yours?

So far this year we have accumulated two hoodies, a jacket, a bag and one trainer! There's also a couple of PE jackets among them, and a sock, but many more waiting to be claimed in the PE Department's lost property.

Lost and found property is located in the Pastoral office with the exception of PE kit which is usually kept by the PE Department. Please also check the school office for any items lost that day. Valuables will be stored securely by the Pastoral office (see Mr Shipton) until their owner can be identified.

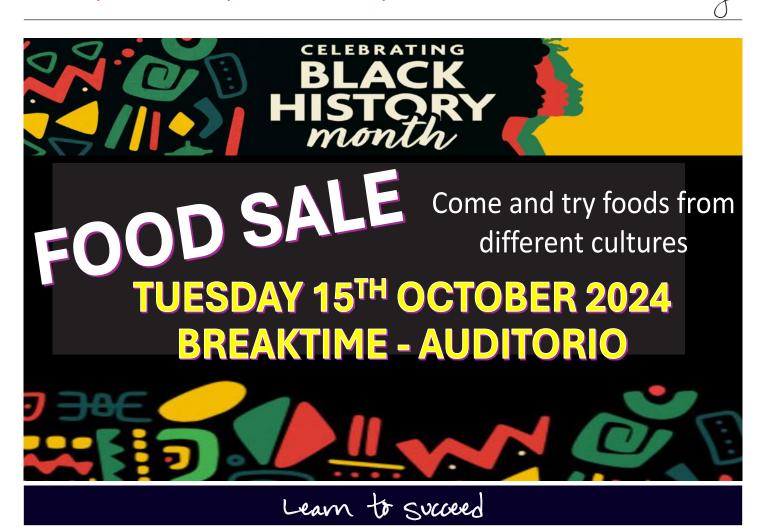


We do aim to return named items to their owner and so we cannot over-emphasise the importance of marking all property, including ties, water bottles and stationery, with your child's name.

All unclaimed lost property is added to the uniform bank, donated to charity or is disposed of after the end of each half term.



The last day for collection of any of these items is Friday, 18 October





Mrs Cowell's After School Creative Cookery Club

Taco 'bout talent!

In Friday's after school cookery class, the Year 7s embraced the challenge of making fish tacos with impressive enthusiasm and surprising skill.

With a few confident flips of a pan, the tortillas were perfectly toasted. Despite a few playful debates about the best way to assemble the tacos, everyone ended up with something delicious - and a newfound appreciation for cooking.

In the end, the fish tacos were a huge hit, with everyone proudly devouring their creations.

Look out for Mrs Cowell's next after school cookery session which will be advertised on the Year Group Teams.





Year 11 English Revision & Exam

EnglishDepartment

Year 11 will sit an English exam on Monday, 28 October.

The exam will have two questions - one for A Christmas Carol and one for An Inspector Calls. Work in class this half term has been focused on revising and consolidating these texts and they will, therefore, be able to take booklets home to aid revision.



Further information on how to revise was given out during the revision evening last week but will also be posted on Teams.



Year 8 Make Their Lancs Cup Debut With First Win

REPORT BY MISS BEESLEY, PE TEACHER

Priory's U13s Girls football team entered the first stages of the Lancashire Cup on Friday, 4th October, playing away against Bishops Rawstorne Academy.

The game was their debut in the tournament as well as their first time playing together as a team since Year 7.

Priory got off to a cracking start immediately showing Bishops their grit and determination. It wasn't long into the game when Hollie L scored our first goal. This settled the girls, who were then able to get into their stride, with great tackles from Willow P and defence from Bella D.

With a few minor changes at half time, the girls were ready to go again. Daisy G moving up front allowed us to create another goal



opportunity from Hollie L scoring her second of the match eight minutes into the second half.

Bishops had a few chances on goal, however the quick hands of Freya C allowed for some fantastic saves.

Priory continued with some very near misses towards the end of the match, hitting the bar on a number of occasions. The result ended 2-0 to Priory allowing them to enter the round one stages, where they will be up against Holy Cross Catholic High School.

Well done girls!

Back row: Charlotte G, Evelyn S, Freya C, Bella D. Front row: Sandra B, Willow P, Daisy G, Hollie L, Lola B



The Assistant Head of Maths Mr Sneddon, along with the Maths Department, is running a competition asking pupils to say what they particularly enjoy about the subject.



Pupils are tasked with completing the following sentence, "*I love Maths because...*" and qualifying responses are rewarded with an *I love Maths* badge.

I Love Maths Because - Competition Time!

Here's why Year 7 Lewis and Josh love Maths:

Lewis... because I like adding up numbers, working with numbers, and figuring out maths equations. I like adding up with columns addition and using my times-tables. I like dividing big numbers and timesing in big numbers and using my knowledge to add these numbers together. I also really like square numbers and square roots because I like times-ing and dividing.



Josh... because when it might be a little challenging you can always push yourself to have a go at things and every lesson is something new.



NOW, It'S YOUR TURN ...



How To Enter...

Pupils that want to claim an 'I love Maths' badge should simply click the link below (or check your year group Teams) to access the online form and write Mr Sneddon a few sentences or paragraphs explaining why they love maths. The best responses from each year group will be selected and also featured here in our article.

https://forms.office.com/e/cAKzEBpP1H



Priory in the Community

Leyland Road Gardening Project



Last Friday, Mrs Massey and three Eco Committee members went out into the community.



Working with Jayne Charlton from South Ribble Borough Council, Mrs Massey, along with Year 9s Harley F-N, Kenzie S and Harry C, set about improving the planters on Leyland Road, Lostock Hall.

The planters, situated just after the railway bridge, were overgrown and badly in need of some TLC. The group tidied the planters, clearing weeds and dead plants.

Mrs Massey said, "We kept what we thought would grow again and planted spring bulbs and some new plants. The boys were full of enthusiasm, they got stuck in and were an absolute credit."

This activity supports the school's mission 'To be a school that cares about the local and wider environment and takes action to improve it'.

Eco Club is looking for more recruits! If you want to find out more about what they do then pop along to SC1 every Friday lunchtime or see Mrs Massey.

Mrs Massey Science Teacher & Eco Committee Leader







VENDORS NEEDED: We hope to have a variety of stalls available.

- nearly new or second hand items e.g. clothes, books, toys
- handmade
- locally made
- refreshments

The cost of a table / stall will be £10 – all proceeds from this will go to Derian House. Vendors will then keep all the profit they make.

To express an interest in having a stall please email Mrs Massey at <u>cmassey@priory.lancs.sch.uk</u> or contact Penwortham Priory Academy.



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What's the best thing you've learnt this week?

Every week, Miss Thornton, ventures out of the classroom to chat with our pupils and find out what they've really enjoyed the most about their learning this week.

Year 7s Ellie M, A Ellie M, Amaya M and Reya S all spoke about PE with Miss Beesley.

They like her lessons because they get 'fresh air' and it's 'sporty'.

Year 10, Kacper G, mentioned Mrs Bailey's French lessons.

"She knows how to help me when I need help."

Year 11s Jane W and Tilly P told

us about Mrs Massey's Science lessons and explained,

"She uses mnemonics, songs, coloured circles and games like 'articulate' to help us remember things".



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Year 10 Skye S enjoyed Mrs Lockwood's Food Tech lessons:

"She knows how to teach so that we understand. We looked at carbohydrates and fibre and what happens if you have an excess or a deficiency".

English Teacher & Research, CPD & Teacher Development Lead

Year 7 Team Continue Their Unbeaten Run in South Ribble League



Priory's Year 7 football team continued their impressive unbeaten start to the season with a second successive 1-0 victory.

After beating All Hallows 1-0 in their first South Ribble league game of the season, with Jack S on the score sheet, they followed this up on Monday with another 1-0 win at Lostock Hall Academy.

Assistant Principal and Team Coach, Mr Gee, said, "A commanding performance saw a second half winner from Harvey R gain Priory all three points. Taylor G was named player of the match."

The Year 7 team now has further matches against Leyland St Marys and Balshaws, and two further victories will see them crowned South Ribble League Champions. The boys will also start their Lancashire Cup 7-a-side knockout after the half term break.



Team: Riley R, Reuben P, Alegria A-M, George K, Taylor G, Max M, Josh S, Jack S, Harvey R, James H, Fynn L, Keelan S.



Come along and join the Eco Committee.

- All year groups welcome.
- Friday lunch Sc1 bring your lunch.
- Earn your Eco Committee badge by attending once a half term.

A Successful Weekend For Gymnast Millie



Last weekend Year 9 Millie competed in the North West Classic Challenge gymnastics competition.

The City of Preston gymnast competed in the Bronze category and not only did she top the results for her age category winning

overall, she also came 3rd on vault in the North West, plus 1st on vault in Lancashire, 2nd on bars in Lancashire, 3rd on beam in Lancashire and 2nd on floor in Lancashire.

What a scoop! Well done to our double Lancashire and North West champion.

Millie's coach tells us, "Millie was also overall champion in the entire of Bronze in a pool of 96 amazing gymnasts".

Millie heads to London in a few week's time to compete in the National finals.

Year 10 Pupil Bakes Cakes To Support Home Country's Flood Disaster Fund

Kacper made his own cakes to sell and raise money for the Polish Red Cross.

Year 10 Kacper's parents are from Poland and he has relatives who still live there.

"There were floods there last month, large amounts of flooding in the big cities so I wanted to do something," said Kacper.

"I made cakes and cookies at home. I do enjoy baking, and brought them in and raised \pounds 35 for the Polish Red Cross.

"It was also about raising awareness of the situation in Poland too as people asked me questions about it."

Well done Kacper, and thank you to all those that bought his bakes to support the fundraising.











Inter-House Cross Country

The PE Department is finally in a position to announce the school's Key Stage 3 Cross Country result. In a change to the usual mud-filled trip through the woods, this year pupils completed four laps around the field for the 2K course.

A fantastic effort was displayed by pupils from all three age groups. Pupils who came within the top six of their year group will have the opportunity to represent Priory in the annual South Ribble Cross Country Championships taking place in November at Hutton Grammar School. Information will be given to these pupils after the half term break.

The House with the least number of points were the winners. Ribble had a close call in first place, with Hodder in Second, Calder in Third and Douglas pulling up the rear despite an impressive result from the girls.

This year's top performing pupils, with the best times, for girls and boys were...

Emma N (Year 8) 9.25 mins (Calder)

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Josh K (Year 9) 7.35 mins (Douglas)

Year 7	CALDER	DOUGLAS	HODDER	RIBBLE
Girls	79	53	185	47
Boys	146	268	72	96
Overall	225	321	257	143
Position	2nd	4th	3rd	1st

Year 8	CALDER	DOUGLAS	HODDER	RIBBLE
Girls	71	41	109	94
Boys	216	352	92	212
Overall	287	393	201	306
Position	2nd	4th	1st	3rd

Year 9	CALDER	DOUGLAS	HODDER	RIBBLE
Girls	102	81	25	60
Boys	139	109	138	93
Overall	241	190	163	153
Position	4th	3rd	2nd	1st

Overall	CALDER	DOUGLAS	HODDER	RIBBLE
Girls	252	175	319	201
Boys	501	729	302	401
Position	3rd	4th	2nd	1st















YEAR	Girls E Band	Girls W Band	Boys E Band	Boys W Band
7 1st	Emeli P	Matilda Y	Excellence I	Bobby O
7 2nd	Ellie M	Angel H	Shivam Y	Tom B
7 3rd	Reya S	Amelie Rose T	Oliver C	Marcus H
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8 1st	Emma N	Lola B	Oliver C	Ethan B
8 2nd	Hollie L	Eva F	Charlie H	Joe W
8 3rd	Willow P	Esme C	Isaac H	Cameron D
9 1st	Eliza G	Pheobe G	Excellence Ig	Josh K
9 2nd	Alexis G	Emily M	Shivam Y	Adam B
9 3rd	Millie D	Megan B	Oliver C	Finn T



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Priory's Young Leaders Support South Ribble School Games

On Tuesday, Priory's Young Leaders were invited to support a primary school inclusive sporting event hosted at our school.

The Year 3 & 4 South Ribble primary school pupils were wonderfully guided by our Year 8 girls at the Multi Skills Event which was run by the South Ribble Active Health Team.

Congratulations to all pupils who attended and the amazing Young Leaders for taking a leading role in managing their own activity stations.

Well done, Year 8: Willow P, Hollie L, Bella D, Lola B, Freya C, Daisy G, Sandra B, Evelyn S, Charlotte G, Eva F, Sienna T, Olive C, Jess H, Emma N,



On Tuesday the ALL 15th October WELCOME

Bring your instrument to school and we will Look forward to see your talent

We can't take GUITAR everyone DRUMS SINGER

ALL YEARS









Priory Hosts Gymnastics Teacher Training With Illustrious Coach

On 9th October, we proudly hosted an inspiring Embrace SCITT (school-centred initial teacher training) gymnastics teacher training in the Ian Edwards Conference Suite and Gym.

Led by the eminent Gary Kirby - a former international performance coach and judge - the primary and secondary PE trainees got hands-on experience and expert insights.

Laura Pilling, Professional Development Lead at Embrace, who organised the session said, "It was a fantastic opportunity for future educators to learn from the best."



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HISTORY COMPETITION

October is the annual Black History Month in the UK where we look to celebrate the lives of people of colour from all over the world.

This year's national theme is Reclaiming Narratives.

Design a poster or a PowerPoint presentation about a figure from Black history who has helped to contribute to British society or the wider world.

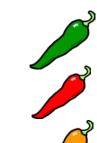


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Entries to be handed to your History teacher by Monday, 28th October



Chili Challenge Winners



This week's winners are:

Year 7 Lacie E (Mrs Cauchi) Douglas

- Year 8 Corey H (Mr Eccles) Hodder
- Year 9 Junior Y (Mr Momoniat) Ribble
- Year 11 Abbie S (Mrs Qadri) Hodder

These pupils have now received their chilli tokens to claim their free breaktime snack from the dining room.

Pupils:

Pick up your challenge sheet from the top of the post boxes in your dining areas. When you've had a go at them, pop your answers in your year group post box.



The leaderboard has stayed the same this week

Ribble	1st
Douglas	2nd
Hodder	3rd
Calder	4th

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