

Penwortham Priory Post



Year 10 Peer Mentors Equipped To Help Younger Pupils

Our Year 10 Peer Mentors feel fully equipped to help the younger pupils at Priory after two-days informative training.

It's the second year Priory pupils have undertaken the ASDAN Peer Mentoring course delivered by Lancashire County Council's 'We Are With You' programme leader, Mr Tahir Mahmood.

ASDAN is an education charity and Year 10 pupils spent two days learning more about skills such as listening, teamwork, coping with problems and more to help them to mentor younger pupils. Among other tasks, pupils participated in role plays and communication challenges across five strands to gain a 10 hour ASDAN accredited certificate. They also bagged themselves a £25 'Love 2 Shop' voucher!

Peer mentoring can support children and young people by:

- Enhancing social competence,
- Building security within the setting and wider community by realising their worth as social beings,
- Improving attendance and educational attainment whilst
- Developing friendship skills in a positive environment.

Year 11 Umar, who's been qualified for a year now, said: "The option came up and I thought it would be useful and look good on my CV."

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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

17-21 February
Half term closure

Mon, 24 February
Year 11 Preston College interviews

Weds, 26 February
Year 10 Compass Bloom Exam Wellbeing Assembly
Iceland Trip Parent Information Evening
5.30pm-6.15pm

Fri, 28 February
STEM Careers Fair (in school)

12 & 13 March
Manchester Airport Trip (Year 10 invited pupils)

Thurs, 20 March
Year 9 Tetanus, Diphtheria & Polio (Td/IPV) & Meningitis ACWY Immunisations.

Mon, 31 March
Year 11 Parents Evening (online)

1-3 April
London Theatre Trip

Weds, 2 April
Year 7 & 8 Easter Bingo

Fri, 4 April
Early lunch followed by school closure at 1.10pm
End of Spring Term

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"We had two days where we learned about how to manage and control situations.

"Back in September we introduced ourselves to the Year 7s and made them aware we are there at break and lunch times to help them if they need us."

Harry said: "I love helping people and I also feel I have some experience to help any Year 7s with any problems, like if they're struggling with something, and so on.

"I learned a lot from the two-day course and I feel ready to help."

Kyle said: "I enrolled as a Peer Mentor because I want to help the younger ones and the course helped us to learn how to speak to them and guide them."

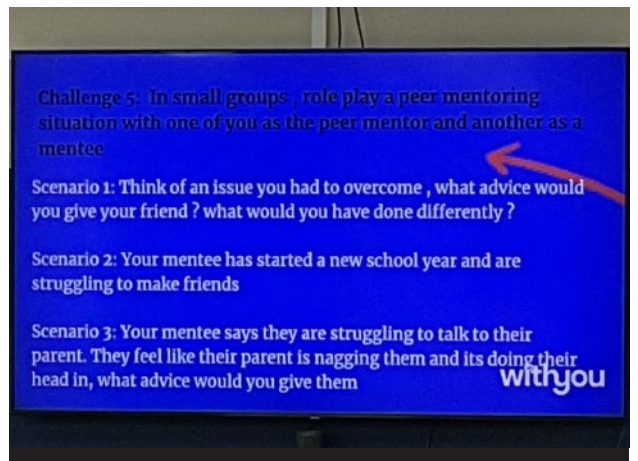
Jacob said: "I know what I felt like in Year 7 so I feel I can empathise with their problems."

Rehan said: "We want to be someone they can look up to and talk to."

Kasper added: "I think I would have benefited from a Peer Mentor when I was younger. I feel I can share my experiences from when I was in Year 7. I think it's a really worthwhile role and I want to help."

Lead Practitioner for Personal Development, Ms Smith, added,

"At Priory, we always look for opportunities to develop our pupils' life skills and provide leadership experiences. Our current Peer Mentor team has assisted younger pupils in the school, and our new additions will enable us to have more widespread coverage and provide some relief to our Year 11s as they approach their exams".



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Learning For Life - British Values Assembly



On Thursday, Mrs Elliott's Year 7 Form presented an assembly to the rest of the year group about British Values.

Pupils did a fantastic job with some excellent voice projection. Their presentation was informative and engaging.

All year groups have attended a British Values assembly over the past couple of weeks.



Now and Then

We're continuously developing our facilities at Priory to create inspiring learning spaces for our current and future generations of pupils.



On the left is a photo of the Art room in 2015, taken by Ms Smith who was the Lead Teacher of Art at that time. The photo on the right is as it is now - the Year 11's area of the Bistro. What a transformation!



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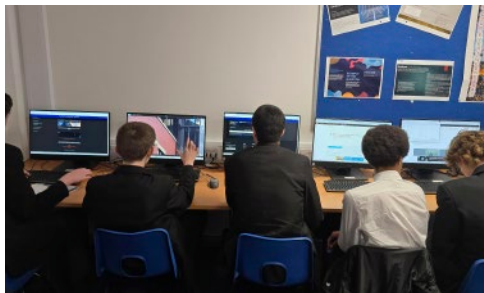
Year 10 Explore Careers Of The Future



As part of Lancashire Cyber Festival Education Week, a group of Year 10 pupils was invited to attend the Cyber Skills & Careers Day at Cardinal Newman College.

The Lancashire Cyber Festival Education Week saw a range of fun and engaging activities taking place across the county. Its aim was to inspire and enable young people to understand the potential cyber related career pathways open to them and highlight the county's once in a generation cyber opportunity brought by the National Cyber Force Headquarters being established in the county.

This Newman College event, which took place on Tuesday, 4 February, was run by Lancashire Cyber Partnership (LCP) and designed to transform the way students think about careers in Computing & ICT.



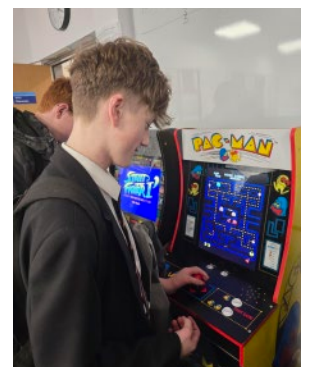
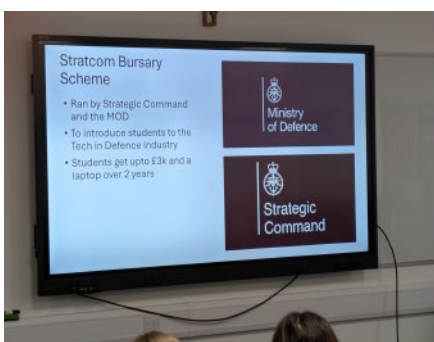
Head of ICT & Computing, Mrs Qadri, said, "The goal of these events is to reach students at a pivotal moment in their education to change their perspectives on Computing & ICT and to inspire the next generation of cyber-professionals."

The event hoped to spark pupils' interest in technology and cyber careers whilst they explored the latest innovations in areas including AI, cyber security, data science and robotics. Pupils could also investigate wider topics including languages, psychology and maths whilst hearing from inspirational leaders in STEM. Meanwhile education professionals were on hand to discuss potential training and career options in the sector.

Year 10 Holly P reported, "At Newman College we learnt about how many future jobs can link into computing. In the first session we got the chance to use professional websites to try and find out about what a group of criminals were going to do, like decrypting code and searching images to find a secret meanings. We also used a website to recognise whereabouts a picture was taken so we could narrow the potential area where they were based."

"In the second session we got the chance to code a game on C#. After lunch, in our last session we tried to get an AI robot to give us the secret password."

"The visit has opened my eyes about computers and learning about computers while having fun. Doing a career you love can help change the world and almost every job will have something to do with computers and evolving technology."



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Priory Pupils Get a Glimpse of College Life at Engineering Taster Day

On Friday, 7 February our Year 10 Engineering pupils were fortunate enough to be invited to a bespoke taster day of engineering activities at Preston College.

Technology teacher, Mrs Lockwood, accompanied the 18 students who are all currently working towards the Level 2 Vocational qualification in Engineering.



The morning session provided the pupils with the opportunity to have a taste of college life and a glimpse of the facilities on offer at the campus where they took part in three very different workshops.

Firstly, the pupils were tasked with building simple and parallel electronic circuits with the Automotive department, the objective being to light a bulb with consistent output. Then it was on to work with the General Engineering department as we were put into groups of three to complete a bridge building competition. Using only wooden sticks, straws, paper and glue, the teams needed to build a bridge spanning a gap of 30cm.

Mrs Lockwood said, "The testing of the bridges was a nerve wracking experience but the winning team had designed a bridge capable of holding a weight in excess of 2.6kg!"

The final activity was in the workshop where the students delighted in a practical skill building task of creating a metal box. New tools such as scribes, dividers and tin snips were required to mark, cut and shape a sheet of metal before using a folding machine to create a box shape.

It is hoped that the experience would give the pupils the opportunity to explore new areas of engineering from a different learning perspective and enhance their current knowledge - hopefully inspiring and informing both their education and career choices for the future.

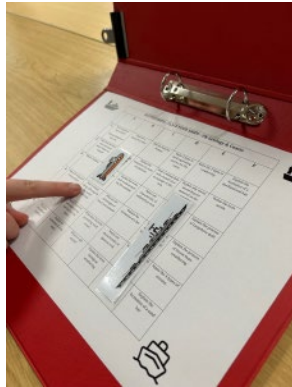




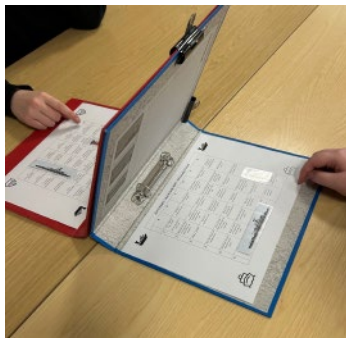
Geography Games: Escaping The Norm and Battling for Success!

Year 11 Geographers at Priory are taking a creative approach to revision as they prepare for their GCSE exams this summer.

Instead of sticking to traditional study methods, students have been diving into inventive escape room activities and engaging in Battleship-style games to reinforce their knowledge. These innovative revision techniques have not only made learning more enjoyable but have also significantly boosted students' factual recall.



The escape room activities have been a particular hit among the students. These sessions involve solving geography-related puzzles and riddles to 'escape' from a locked room scenario. Each puzzle is designed to test their understanding of key concepts and topics covered in the curriculum. From identifying coastal and river features, understanding geographical processes and management techniques to coastal erosion rates with numeracy application. The escape rooms challenge students to think critically and apply their knowledge in a fun and interactive way.



One Year 11 student shared, *"The escape rooms are so much fun!*

They make you think on your feet and really test your knowledge. It's a great break from the usual revision methods." Another student added, "I feel like I'm learning more because I'm actively participating."

Battleship-style games have also been incorporated into the revision sessions. In this activity, students are divided into teams and must answer geography questions correctly to 'sink' their opponents' ships. This competitive element adds excitement to the revision process and encourages students to engage more deeply with the material. The questions cover a wide range of topics, from physical geography to human

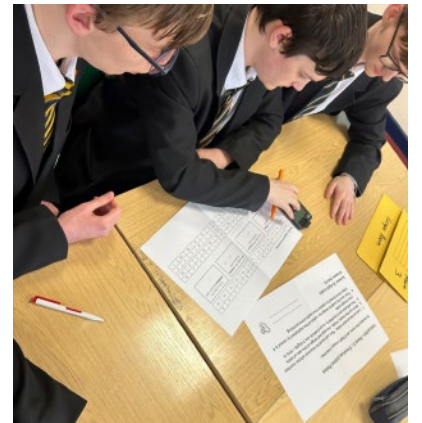
geography, ensuring a comprehensive review of the factual knowledge they will need for the exam.

Teachers have observed a noticeable improvement in students' engagement and retention of information. *"The students are more enthusiastic about revision and are retaining information better,"* said Mrs Kursitis.

"These activities provide a welcome relief from the traditional revision lessons during what is a busy time for Year 11 and have been very well received by the students. Simple repetition of key knowledge and numeracy skills are critical, and make up almost 25% of the overall exam".

As the summer exams approach, the Year 11 Geographers will continue to engage in these revision games, confident that their hard work and creative study methods will pay off. The combination of escape rooms and Battleship-style games has not only made revision more enjoyable but has also equipped students with the skills and knowledge they need to excel in their forthcoming GCSE exams.

We wish them the best of luck in their upcoming exams and look forward to seeing their hard work rewarded with excellent results.



Year 9 Football

South Ribble Cup Progress - But only just!

Priory's Year 9 football team came out winners after extra time in the South Ribble Cup on Wednesday evening.

Playing host to the visitors from Walton-le-Dale (WLD), Priory made a bright start, scoring in the 3rd minute through Heaton. Priory maintained their hold on the game throughout much of the first half but could not find the net.

As the second half began, WLD scored an equaliser which gave the visitors real belief and they later moved in front with a looping long-range effort.

Priory continued to battle hard and created several good chances. With the time clock moving into the final minute Priory were awarded a penalty which was calmly converted by Mapstone, much to the team's relief.

As the game moved into extra time Priory again dominated the possession and took the lead through Ajibosin. WLD pushed for an equaliser however Priory broke away to score a fourth through Mapstone.

Coach Mr Raynor said, "The boys continued to believe they could equalise, and I was so proud of their determination, even into the last minute of normal time."

Mr Raynor
Maths Teacher & Team Coach



Year 11 Revision Timetables Summer 2025 Exams

To help pupils revise for their GCSEs, we've put together comprehensive week-by-week revision guides for all subjects with written exams.

These documents show what to focus on from the 17th February until the exam dates.

We'll be giving pupils printed copies of these soon, but until then, please access them from our website here:

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/revision



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Have You Claimed Yet?

Changes to Free School Meals and Ever6 FSM

Important changes are happening with Free School Meals (FSM) and the Ever6 scheme that may affect the entitlement you are able to receive in the near future.

As you may be aware, since 1 April 2018, all existing and new claimants of FSM have received free meals for a total of six years or until the end of their current school phase, whether that be primary or secondary. This provision is referred to as Ever6 FSM. It is also worth noting that all pupils receiving FSM are entitled to additional Pupil Premium funding, which funds the school with vital resources to aid educational achievement.

However, we would like to make you aware that the Ever6 FSM scheme will come to an end on 31 March 2025. After this date, the following changes will take effect:

- Existing claimants who no longer meet the eligibility criteria for FSM will continue to receive the Ever6 FSM support until they complete their current school phase.
- New claimants from 1 April 2025 will only be able to access FSM if they meet the eligibility criteria at the time of application, and then only for as long as they continue to be eligible.
- Pupil Premium funding will align with these eligibility rules.

Who Needs To Take Action?

In light of these changes, we strongly encourage all eligible parents/guardians, who are not already claimants, ensure their child/ren are registered for FSM before the deadline of 31 March 2025 in order to meet the existing criteria. Failing to apply before this date will result in a loss of the protected benefit for their child/ren.



For further information on how to apply, including eligibility criteria, please visit the Lancashire County Council website:



www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/

Should you have any questions or need assistance with the application process, please contact Lancashire County Council directly, via email at fsm.south@lancashire.gov.uk.



PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2025
moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

MORRISONS Spend £5 from the hot menu and get one free kids meal all day, every day.	BURGER KING From Friday 14th - Friday 21st Feb 2025. Kids Eat Free with every adult meal purchased via the app.
BILLS Kids eat free Mondays - Fridays from Monday 17th - Friday 28th February 2025.	ZIZZI From Monday 17th February until Sunday 2nd March 2025 kids eat free at Zizzi
PRETO Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms	COCONUT TREE One child (under 10) eats free every day Monday 10th - Sunday 23rd February 2025
ASDA Kids eat for £1 Daily at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.	SAINSBURY'S CAFES Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.
LAS IGUANAS Download the app and join 'My Las Iguanas' for free meals for mini Iguanas under 12.	BELLA ITALIA Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Sun to Weds. All Day Thursdays
WHITBREAD INNS Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased	HARVESTER From Monday 10th - Friday 28th Feb 2025, kids eat for £1 with every adult meal via the app
BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!	TABLE TABLE Two children under 16 get free breakfast daily with one paying adult!
TRAVELDODGE & PREMIER INN Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free	PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm
SIZZLING PUBS Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.	BREWDOG Pre-book online using code: KIDS EAT FREE and Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend
TGI FRIDAYS Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via app)	HUNGRY HORSE Kids eat for £1 on Mondays
GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day	THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend
IKEA Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am	SA BRAINS PUBS Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays
	FUTURE INNS Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

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Priory To Give Its Primary School Neighbours A Garden Makeover

Our award-winning gardener Mr Farron is using his talents to help Penwortham Primary School pupils have a better outdoor experience.

Mr Farron, with grounds support from Priory's Estates Team, has been asked to design a new garden suitable for young children in neglected areas at the primary school.

Mr Farron is thrilled about beginning Phase One of a project which will transform the outdoor space at Priory's neighbouring primary school.

He said: "It's a big area and we are looking at it in three phases. It's land which has been condemned by the local authority and we want to 'uncondemn' it and make it a wonderful place for children to learn.



"Phase One is an area where I want to have a 'beach' theme. There is a shed there which will be full of beach balls and deck chairs, there will be a sandpit and the fences will be brightly coloured.

"There will also be a pyramid which has flowers such a sweet pea, jasmine and beans and this will be a tepee where the children can go inside.

"There will be a wildlife area and also a cave as all children enjoy hiding away safely.

"I like symmetry and the three phases will all be linked together by arches of flowers which will be filled with fragrance.



"I am really delighted that Priory can help to transform their neighbouring school and add gardens which children can appreciate and where they can learn about nature.

"It's a big job but I am not fazed by it, which is why I have split it into phases! I want it to be neat and tidy for the children and their teachers and also educational."

Penwortham Primary School's, Headteacher, Miss Penarski added, "We are incredibly grateful to Mr Eastham, Mr Farron and Priory Estates Team for their generosity and hard work in transforming our outdoor EYFS space.



"This project will make a huge difference to our pupils, giving them a beautiful and engaging environment where they can learn, explore, play, and connect with nature.

"Our pupils are so excited to see the garden come to life, and we are all looking forward to having our very first sensory experience garden at school. Seeing this area turn into a vibrant and inspiring garden is truly exciting, and we cannot thank Mr Farron enough for sharing his talents with us to ensure we continue to give all our pupils the best possible start to their education."

Phase One should be completed by April this year and we look forward to sharing its progress.



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Eco Club Tree Planting Provides Opportunity For Careers Advice Too



On Thursday, a group of Year 8-10 pupils went to Middleforth Community Garden to help South Ribble Borough Council plant trees.

Science Teacher and Eco Club Leader, Mrs Massey, said, "We planted 275 in total! The boys worked really hard and the Council team we were working with were very impressed with how many trees we got through."



During the session, a member of the Council Parks team also took the group to the site where a new play park is under construction. He explained all the different roles involved which provided a great opportunity for some extra careers advice.

*Mrs Massey
Science Teacher & Eco Club Leader*



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Building the Past: Year 7's Impressive Castle Models



History came to life as Lead Teacher for History, Mr Eccles, held his annual Year 7 Castle Competition.

The idea is to build a 3D motte and bailey castle or stone castle from any materials for a chance to win a History pin badge and an Amazon voucher.

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Mr Eccles said: "The entries were fabulous, they were the best they have been and all were superb. Everyone seemed engaged and there was a range of ideas and different models, from using Lego to using bits found around the house."

"It was one of the hardest decisions to make but Isla was the winner. I was impressed with the level of detail, she spent a lot of time on it and there was a range of materials. Hers was a worthy winner."

Isla said: "It took me a few weeks to make. There was a lot of paint and glue and the draw bridge was stuck upwards!"

"I enjoyed doing it, staining the wood, learning about castles. I enjoy history."

Joint second placed Sravani said: "I used lollipop sticks, noodle boxes and anything I could find at home! It was hard work keeping it all together."

Also in second, Angel said: "It took me around two hours waiting for paint to dry and so on."

Nathan made his castle using the school's 3D printer while Alex based his idea on Minecraft, creating a series of pictures of the areas of the castle.

"The fence was hard to make in a circle in a game where you can only make squares! It took around six hours and I learnt a lot about castles!"



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Over £1000 Raised For Derian House Children's Hospice



Ms Smith praised the generous Priory community who have donated more than £1,000 to Derian House.



The Christmas Jumper Day and the House Colours Day raised a huge amount alongside the Table Top Sale in November and the bake sale at the official opening of the Pod, with the final total £1,086.57.

Derian House helps babies, children and young people, whose lives are cut too short, to make happy memories in an environment of fun, respect and high quality care. They provide respite and end-of-life care to more than 400 children and young people across the North West.

Derian House's Community Fundraiser Ann-Marie Fishwick came to collect the money and said: "This is amazing. It's a fabulous amount of money and this will fund one of our families to go on holiday for a week which will mean the world to them.



"It costs £1,000 to send one family to one of holiday lodges. We have two in the South Lakes and two at Ribby Hall.

"The pupils and their families should be proud that they are helping to change the lives of Derian House families with the money they have raised."

Lead Practitioner for Personal Development Ms Smith said: "Families have been amazingly generous in such a tough economic climate.

"It's important to have charity events in school, especially for local charities like Derian House. We have talked to the pupils about the work they do and the pupils understand where their money is going and how it can benefit those less fortunate than themselves, especially at Christmas time.

"We also had an open donation page for families who wished to give more and to raise more than £1,000 has exceeded our expectations, so thank you to everyone who contributed in any way."

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WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The SEND Partnership in Lancashire would like to include your artwork, words or similar in their new SEND Strategy which will be published later this year

YOUR ENTRY NEEDS TO ANSWER THE QUESTION:

WHAT MAKES ME FEEL INCLUDED?


You can create a picture, a quote, a voice recording, a short poem – however you wish to express yourself!

EMAIL YOUR ENTRIES WITH YOUR FIRST NAME AND AGE TO:

SENDPartnership@lancashire.gov.uk

THERE WILL BE A £20 HIGH STREET VOUCHER FOR WINNING ENTRIES IN THE FOLLOWING AGE RANGES: EARLY YEARS, PRIMARY, SECONDARY AND 16+ THOUGH ALL ENTRIES MAY BE USED

DEADLINE: 31ST MARCH 2025




Do you want to learn more about your families dental health and hygiene?

The course is designed to help parents and carers to understand the importance of good oral health routines and healthier options for their families.

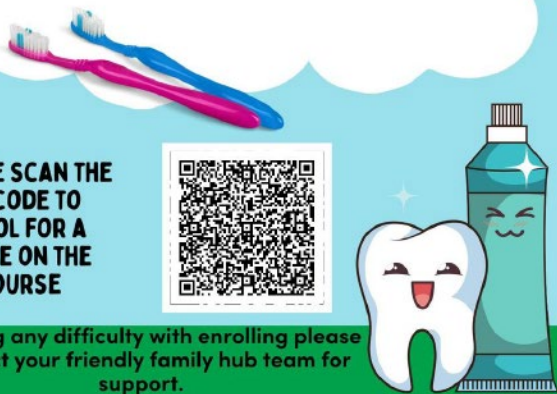
Tuesday 25th February
9.30am - 12pm

Ribbleton Hall Drive, Ribbleton, Preston PR2 1TU

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE TO ENROL FOR A PLACE ON THE COURSE



If having any difficulty with enrolling please contact your friendly family hub team for support.



DON'T FORGET

Iceland Trip Parent & Pupil Information Meeting



26 February 5.30pm

Pupils who will be going to Iceland, and their parents, are invited to attend an Information Evening regarding the trip, which is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 23 October to Monday, 27 October 2025. The evening will provide essential updates and further details about the trip.

The Information Evening will be held at Penwortham Priory Academy on Wednesday, 26 February, starting at 5:30pm and lasting approximately 45 minutes.

During the session, there will be the opportunity to:

- Receive a detailed overview of the trip itinerary.
- Meet the staff who will be accompanying the students, including Mr Metcalf, Mrs Cauchi, Mr Eccles, Mr Eastham, Mrs Ham, and Mrs Kursitis.
- Ask any questions you may have regarding the visit.
- Obtain further updates about key trip aspects such as hotel accommodation, room arrangements, meal provisions, and essential packing items.

We encourage parents and pupils involved to attend this evening to ensure you have all the necessary information and support for this exciting educational opportunity.

To assist us in planning for the evening, please complete the reply slip on the letter* given to pupils and ask them to return it to Mr Metcalfe in the Humanities Office.

*Also available to download from www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/letters

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MUSIC PRACTICE Room

**IN OUR NEWLY RENOVATED REHEARSAL SPACE
YOU CAN JAM WITH FRIENDS, START A BAND OR GO SOLO.**

**The rehearsal space is fully equipped
with top-notch musical instruments to
elevate your practice sessions.**

**Enjoy the rich sounds of keyboards,
acoustic and electric guitars, powerful
drums, high-quality amps and space
for singers.**

**Everything you need to create music
is right here!**



The space is located on the sports corridor near the exit to the Hex.

**To book a slot in this incredible space, simply use the booking sheet pinned to the practice room door.
For more information, see Mr Taylor.**

Pupils Receive Their iDEA Inspiring Digital Enterprise Awards



Two more pupils have been awarded with their iDEA certificates this week.

Year 9 Ribble pupils, Junior and Naeem collected their Bronze certificates from Mr Raynor in their House assembly on Wednesday, along with their Record of Achievement which demonstrates the skills, knowledge and information they have gained.

The Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award, known as iDEA is an award-winning international programme that helps students develop digital, enterprise and employability skills for free.

iDEA's different learning categories (Citizen, Worker, Maker, Entrepreneur and Gamer) cover topics as diverse as cyber security, cloud computing and e-safety; and animation, growth hacking, customer relationship management, AI, and web development.

All the digital badges are short modules which can be completed anytime online. Points and digital badges aggregate towards Bronze, Silver or Gold Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award.

For more information or to sign up, pupils should see Miss Gregson, ICT & Computing Teacher, or pop along to Computer Club in Hex 2 any Monday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime and Thursday after school until 4.10pm.



The Duke of York Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award (iDEA) in partnership with Microsoft and inspired by the Duke of Edinburgh Award

iDEA is an international award winning programme that helps you develop digital, enterprise and employability skills.

Through a series of online challenges, you can win career-enhancing badges, unlock new opportunities and, ultimately, gain industry-recognised Awards that help you stand out from the crowd.

Available Awards

- ✓ Bronze
- ✓ Silver
- ✓ Gold

Please register in Computing Club with Miss Gregson in Hex 2 on Monday lunchtimes

The graphic features a blue and white color scheme with various digital icons like a hand pointing at a screen, gears, and a bar chart. The word 'INTEGRA' is written in a stylized font at the top.

School is now closed for the half term break.

We return on Monday, 24 February.

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Chili Challenge Winners

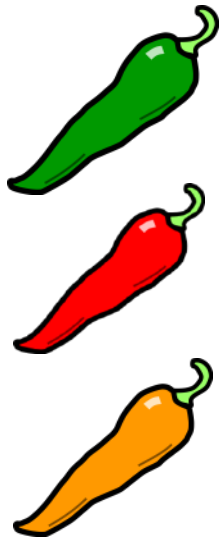
This week's winners

- Year 7 William C (Mrs Kursitis) **Douglas**
- Year 8 Tyler M (Miss Howell) **Ribble**
- Year 9 Emily A (Mr Owen) **Douglas**
- Year 10 Out on work experience placements
- Year 11 Ruhm S (Mrs Shaw) **Hodder**

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

The leader board remains unchanged. **Douglas** are going to be hard to beat! It's very appropriate that we have the red team in the lead on Valentine's Day!

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



Year 11 Preston College Interviews

DON'T FORGET

**Monday, 24th February
First Day After Half Term**

These will be in the same format as the recent Runshaw College interviews and will take place in the conference suite.

Feedback from Runshaw College was that all pupils were excellent in their manner and attitude, and showed lots of personality and interest in the college. Well done!

Year 11 applicants should bring their CVs, records of achievement and any other supporting documents to show what you have already accomplished.

The time schedule has been posted in the Year 11 Teams and can also be found pinned to the wall in the Bistro.

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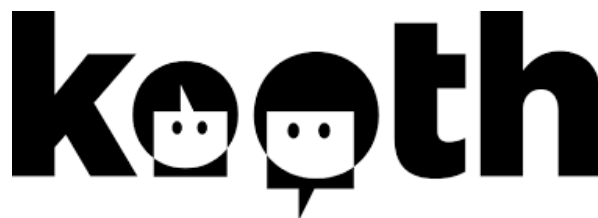
Priory Bird Watch!

Teachers and Students Welcome!

**Wednesday 5th March 2025 – After School
(Until 4:30pm) - LEAP**

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Online Mental Health and Wellbeing Support For Young People



Kooth provides early intervention mental health support to children and young people. Kooth works with schools and professionals across over 90% of the UK.

Kooth is free to access via any internet-connected tablet, computer or smartphone. There are no waiting lists or thresholds to meet and a referral from a medical professional is not needed. Young people can join Kooth anonymously simply by visiting -

www.kooth.com

Kooth offers young people a range and choice of support options under one digital roof. It has services that are accessible 7 days a week, 365 days a year. This includes one to one text based sessions with experienced counsellors and wellbeing practitioners run from midday to 10pm on weekdays, and from 6-10pm at the weekend.

Appointments can be booked in advance or accessed via a drop-in text-based chat.

Kooth also provides a fully safeguarded and pre-moderated community with a library of peer and professional created articles. And there are discussion forums too. All content is pre-moderated and age appropriate.

Kooth covers many topics on the website including relationships, LGBTQIA+, exam stress, anxiety, eating difficulties, self harm, suicidal thoughts, body image, social media, bullying and family worries.

All of these subjects affecting young peoples' mental health are presenting issues that Kooth and other mental health providers see from all age groups.

Kooth is commissioned by the NHS and clinically approved for children from the age of 10, and is the only digital mental health provider to hold a BACP (British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy) accreditation across the Country.



If you have any questions please contact the Pastoral team at Priory. If you would prefer to contact Kooth directly, please email parents@kooth.com

There is more information on our website including a Kooth mental health guide for young Muslims.

www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/well-being-support



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How to sign up to Kooth.

- 1 Select **Join Kooth** button.
- 2 Sign up by postcode or select your location from our dropdown list.
- 3 Enter the first part of your postcode.
Or
4 Choose your area from the dropdown.
- 5 Select your month and year of birth.
- 6 Select your gender and ethnicity.
- 7 Create an **anonymous (not your real name)** username and secure password.

Kooth is a **free, safe** and **anonymous** mental health and wellbeing platform for children and young people. You can access Kooth via mobile, tablet or desktop by visiting Kooth.com.

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PENWORTHAM FOOTBALL ACADEMY

FOOTBALL COACHING CAMP

WEDNESDAY 19TH - FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2025

9AM - 3PM (WITH WRAP-AROUND AVAILABLE)

Calling all Year 1 - 6 players... Do you love playing football & learning new skills? Join us on the PFA Football Camp at Penwortham Priory Academy. With a daily price of £20 a day or £50 for 3 days, it promises to be an action packed few days with focussed practices, 3v3 pitches, tournaments and skills challenges each day!

- ✓ Skill Development Practices
- ✓ Ability-Set Tournaments
- ✓ Small-Sided 3v3 Games
- ✓ Fun-Filled, Active Days!!

SAVE THE DATE

Easter Camp 7th-11th April

<https://www.penworthamfootballacademy.co.uk>

[Book on here](#)



Penwortham Football Academy

Penwortham Football Academy will be hosting a half term camp from 19-21 February.

The camp includes three days of coaching, games and tournaments with quizzes and football related activities to keep the players challenged throughout.

The camp is open to any primary-aged child (girls/ boys Year 1-Year 6) who is already with a grassroots / academy team. Sessions are a full day 9am-3pm, with wrap-around care available.

For more information and to book a place, please visit:

www.penworthamfootballacademy.co.uk/football-camps

Please also note the first full week camp at Easter, 7th-11th April.

Breakfast Hot Food Menu

Every Day

Toast	25p
Cheese on toast	£1.10
Teacakes	65p

Daily Specials

Monday	Croissants/Pain au chocolat	65p
Tuesday	Ham & Cheese Bagel	£1.10
Wednesday	Sausage Barm	£1.10
Thursday	Pizza	55p
Friday	Bacon Barm	£1.10

Gluten-free options available on request.



Effective From 12 February 2025



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