Penwortham Priory Post



South Ribble Cross Country Championships

Priory was invited to take part in the area's annual cross country event last Saturday at Hutton Grammar School. Almost seventy of the school's best runners were selected to take part and compete against eleven other local schools.

There were three age categories with individual races for boys and girls. Three Priory pupils finished in the top ten positions which was an excellent result for races with over 100 participants.

Overall, Priory came in 4th place, behind All Hallows (winners), Balshaws (2nd) and Brownedge St Marys (3rd). Below are the highest positions achieved for each race:

Year 7 Boys	Jake Bolton (14th)	Overall 7th
Year 7 Girls	Keyantae Charles (1st), Megan Ind (7th)	Overall 2nd
Year 8/9 Boys	David McPherson (9th), Ben Box (12th)	Overall 3rd
Year 8/9 Girls	Tilly McNaught (30th)	Overall 6th
Year 10/11 Boys	Lee Henry (35th)	Overall 6th
Year 10/11 Girls	Georgia Pratten (15th), Kiera Baron (19th)	Overall 3rd

Overall Boys 5th place

Overall Girls 4th place OVERALL POSITION 4th PLACE

WINNING FORMS

The full attendance award this week goes to three classes - H1 seem to be a regular mention here so well done to Mr Wall's form.

100% attendance - H1

100% attendance with lates -

D3 (one late), D6 (two lates)

SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

If you have a child starting secondary school in September 2018 and live in Lancashire, the closing date for applications is 31 October 2017.

Deadline for primary school places is 15 January 2018.

You still need to apply even if a sibling is already at school.

You can apply for a place online at www. lancashire.gov.uk/schools or call 01772 532189.

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KEY DATES AUTUMN/WINTER

Year 10 Parents Evening

Mon, 23 October 4:00 - 7:00pm

Mid Term Closure

Mon, 30 October to Fri, 3 November

Class of 2017 Celebration Evening

Wed, 8 November (for last year's Year 11 leavers)

PSHEE Day 2

Mon, 13 November (early lunch followed by school closure at 1:30pm)

Year 11 Parents Evening

Wed, 15 November 4:00 - 7:00pm

End of Term Closure

Early lunch followed by school closure at 1:30pm on Thurs, 21 December



We're Relishing The New 'Food Preparation & Nutrition' GCSE Course

The GCSE course has been introduced nationally this year and Priory's Food Technology teacher knows she will have all the ingredients to make this examination a success.

Miss Lewis-Lavender, Lead Teacher for Food & Nutrition, has helped her students win awards previously, entering the regional and national Springboard Future Chef and Rotary Chef competitions with great success over the years. Last year's GCSE pupils also saw a 92% A-Cs success under her tuition.

Now she is keen to use local 'Lancashire' produce to make sure her next generation of pupils can cook up a treat and celebrate top GCSE grades.

"The new examination is all about food choices, seasonal food, nutrition, food preparation and more. I wanted to highlight the new course and, at our recent open evening, my angle was about going back to the roots of Lancashire and the theme 'If you took a bite out of Lancashire, what would you taste?' "

"People who have a link with Priory and who have enjoyed success in the food industry returned and did their bit to help me promote the new GCSE.

"Debbie Waring from Johnson's Farm promoted 'food miles' about how far food travels locally from field to fork. Former student Sally Fitzel owns the Cow Shed restaurant and is a dairy farmer and her son Sam came in to serve homemade ice cream while Woods Farmshop provided assistance.

"Members of the Rooke family have been outstanding at Priory in the cookery competitions over the years and one of them, Emma, now works for a product development company in Wigan as well as running her own business; she also came in to talk to prospective parents about food technology.

"We do encourage home grown produce," added Miss Lewis-Lavender. "Priory's own gardener Chris Farron provided herbs from the school gardens - and will continue to do so - while Booths and Myerscough College have also supported our Lancashire theme.

"It was great having former students coming back to celebrate and help us show off the new course – we hope to have more cooking success in the future."



MEET THE GOVERNORS

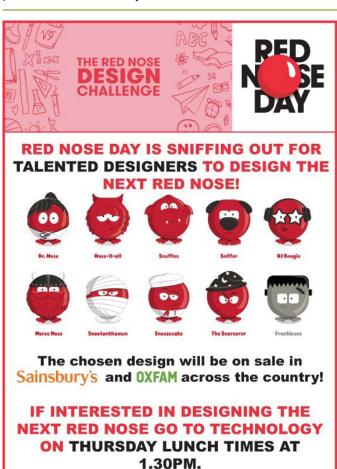
Chris Martin - Community Governor

Chris is one Priory's newest governors, having commenced his role this academic year.

Chris tells us, "I have worked in public transport for over twenty years and developed extensive experience of all aspects of the industry – from driving buses through to planning networks, for both private operators and local authorities."

"My particular interests include performance monitoring, transport economics and the environmental impact of transport services. I am a Chartered Fellow of the Institute of Logistics & Transport and Practitioner for the Institute of Environmental Management & Assessment. I am currently Head of Business Development for The TAS Partnership Limited – a specialist public transport business consultancy based in Preston.

"I look forward to joining the School Governing Body for Penwortham Priory Academy and providing the necessary support to the management team and teaching staff to ensure young adults have the best possible education to reach their maximum potential in our society."



Red Nose Day is running a competition to design a red nose for 2019. They are encouraging schools to enter, with the lucky winner having their design sold in Sainsbury's and Oxfam.

Designs must be of a character that could live in a magical land. If you think your child would be good at this task let them know. Full brief will be given out in the design club which is held every Thursday lunchtime at 1:30pm.

Pupils can find more information about it at: www.rednoseday.com/red-nose-design-challenge

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

HANDWRITING CLUB

Does your child want to improve their handwriting or maybe try some creative techniques to improve presentation of their work?

Miss Salisbury's handwriting club is every Tuesday lunchtime in LEAP.

No need to register - just turn



BABY NEWS



We have had a busy year for babies at Priory and we finally get to celebrate the last of 2017.

Mrs Massey gave birth to her baby boy, Thomas, 8lb 5oz on Wed, 27 Sept.

Miss Beesley delivered a beautiful baby girl, Effie-Mae, 8lb 8.5oz on Fri, 29 Sept.

Celebration Evening

YEAR 11 LEAVERS (2017)

All Year 11 leavers and their parents are invited to Priory's Class of 2017 Celebration Evening on 8 November.

This is their chance to celebrate the successes of last year, catch up with former classmates, and importantly, collect your exam certificates.

If you have not already notified us of your attendance, please email j.yates@priory. lancs.sch.uk

PUPIL SUCCESSES

Last weekend, Year 8 pupil Bobby Green (R6) achieved a silver medal in an international kickboxing competition in Bristol.

Next week, Year 11 pupil Ashley Brown (D8) will be attending an international shooting competition in London, representing the Lancashire Army Cadet Force.

More on these next week.

YEAR 10 & 11 PUPILS AND PARENTS:

Preston North End Community & Education Trust is holding an Open Evening next Monday, 23 October to promote their Level 2 and Level 3 Extended Diplomas and Foundation Degrees in Sport. The event will be in the Guild Lounge at the Deepdale football ground from 6:30pm. Boys and girls welcome.

Learn from fully qualified coaches and tutors and compete in tournaments representing PNE, parallel to your studies.

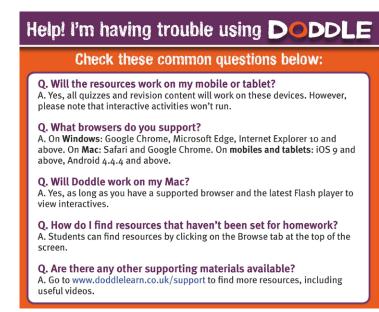
For further information contact Graham Atkinson 01772 693309 | education@pne.com



DODDLE PARENT - FEEDBACK

Thank you to those parents that provided feedback on the Doddle homework application which was launched last month. Your comments were invaluable to us, with several comments regularly occurring.

Mrs Cowell, Deputy Headteacher, will endeavour to respond personally to those that have provided detailed feedback that requires response. In the meantime, all parents may find this trouble shooting document below of assistance.





School Bus Notice - Timetable Changes

Due to persistent heavy traffic resulting in pupils regularly arriving late to school, the AVA Coach bus times are being brought forward.

These new bus pickup times which will start from Tuesday, 24 October.

Walton-le-Dale to Priory

0740	Todd Lane North (Lyndale Ave)	0752	Collins Road
0742	Millwood Road (near Spar)	0753	Brownedge Lane, Withy Arms
0745	Hennel Lane (opp Shops)	0755	Brownedge Road, Iron Gate
0746	Chorley Rd (Holland House Bus Stop)	0758	Brownedge Road, Graham Avenue
0748	Chorley Rd (Chiropractors)	0800	Brownedge Road, British Legion
0750	School Lane Garage	0810	Leyland Road, Gas Works
0751	Brindle Road (Clinic)	0830	Priory

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Adventure Holiday **MEYMAC, FRANCE**

22-29 May 2018

There are still some places left on this trip. An information letter can be downloaded from our website at www.priory. lancs.sch.uk/parents/ letters.

Videos from previous trips will be posted on our Facebook page to show parents and pupils what they can expect on this fun-packed adventure trip.

For further information, contact Ms please Clementson@priory.lancs. sch.uk.

ISLE OF WIGHT RESIDENTIAL TRIP

Mr Watters will be inviting his Year 9 & 10 GCSE Geography classes to a PGL residential trip to the Isle of Wight 18-22 July 2018.

Only 30 places available. Deposits to reserve a place must be in by 8 November.

Please email a.watters@ priory.lancs.sch.uk with any questions.



Could any of these be your child's?

As the saying goes, "nothing is lost until your mother can't find it"!

We have a lot of lost property which has built up since the beginning of the academic year. If items are named we do our best to return them to the rightful owner. However we have plenty of things, some of them valuable, that were found some time ago and remain unclaimed.

In general, lost property is put on the trolley outside the school office for pupils to check through, including coats, PE kits and uniform. Valuable items are kept securely in the school office and pupils should speak with a member of staff about these.

If you recognise any of the above items as being your child's, please ask them to call at the school office to collect.

Please note at the end of each term, unclaimed items are either taken to charity or disposed of. To save this from being your child's property, please ensure that everything is named, in particularly uniform.

Masking Their Creative Arts!

This week Year 8 has been researching the Mexican Day of The Dead as part of their cultural studies in their Creative Arts class.

Day of the Dead (Spanish: Día de Muertos) is a Mexican holiday celebrated by people of Mexican ancestry. This multi-day holiday focuses on gatherings of family and friends to pray for and remember friends and family members who have died, and help support their spiritual journey.

Mrs Hopes, Head of Creative Arts said, "Having studied this national celebration, they are now in the process of learning how to use clay to put their designs into 3D".











Penwortham Town FC Girls Academy play on Priory's 3G pitches and are recruiting girls from Reception age to Year 11.

They are looking to recruit girls for training, team selection and match competition. If you know anyone that would be interested, please get in touch with them directly.

