



Friday 28th June 2024

Headteacher's Message

This week Year 9 have had the opportunity to visit Preston College with sessions varying from classroom-based sessions to PE and construction. We hope they all gained some positive experiences from the day.

Next week sees our Year 10 students on work experience. Most of the year 10s have conducted themselves exceptionally well in their assessments this week and we hope this continues into the workplace next week.

We are currently working hard to offer more positive experienced to students before the end of the academic year, and this includes activities, in school, on the day of the Rewards trip. We understand that some students and parents will have been disappointed that they were not invited due to attendance falling below 90% and we feel it is important to offer an alternative, in school. We ask parents to please respect our criteria for inviting students on the Rewards trip and not send them to Blackpool Pleasure Beach unsupervised on this day. Our staff ratios only cover those students who are invited, and we can therefore accept no responsibility for any other children on this day and attendance would be unauthorised.

Mrs V Ardern
Headteacher



IMPORTANT DATES

01/07 - 5/07 - Y10 Work Experience

05/07/2024 - Inset Day - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

10/07/2024 - New date for Parent panel

10/07/2024 - Presentation Evening - **POSTPONED**

12/07/2024 - Sports Day

18/07/2024 - Reward Trips Day

19/07/2024 - End of summer term



Shortcut links

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House with Highest Attendance			Voyager		
Form with Highest Attendance	Challenger C4	Apollo A4	Endeavour E1	Voyager V1	Discovery D4
100% Attendance Golden Ticket	Challenger Willow C C1	Apollo Harry S A3	Endeavour Charlie C E4	Voyager Ollie S V2	Discovery Chloe R D5



House with Most Positives			Challenger		
Form with the most Positives	Challenger C4	Apollo A3	Endeavour E4	Voyager V3	Discovery D1
Kindness Golden Ticket	Challenger Andrew N C4	Apollo Blake W A5	Endeavour Ella N E5	Voyager Amy G V5	Discovery Diwan Y D6
Most Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Josh C C4	Apollo Brayden S A3	Endeavour Levi B E6	Voyager Amy V V2	Discovery Alicia M D8
Most Homework Positives Golden Ticket	Challenger Aoife C C5	Apollo Daisy D A2	Endeavour Joe M E4	Voyager Khaleesi A V3	Discovery Henry D D8
Most Improved Student	Challenger Kian R C2	Apollo Frankie S A4	Endeavour Will D E1	Voyager Poppy G V4	Discover Megan E D5



453,216
questions answered correctly in Sparx
Maths so far this year

Highest completion: **9WA/Ma (40.0%)**
Reached a new XP Level: **6 students**

Biggest completion improvement vs previous week: **8WS/Ma 29.6% (+11.1%)**
Highest average XP per student: **7DE/Ma (618 XP)**





Hot Chocolate Friday

Hot Chocolate



FANTASTIC

The following students were invited to have Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher this week for a variety of reasons. Fantastic work all of you – keep it up!

Luke B, Billy Y, Jessica R, Abigail G, Reaz B – For standing in for someone else at Stanley Park

Diwan Y, Angela S – For being kind and hardworking

Charlie C, Anthony G – For being a lovely student and hard working in English

Ebony S, Orla H, Emily S- For showing kindness and courage, taking care of some of our students and making them feel safe

Gracie M – For being top in the class on the recent physics assessment

Rylee A – For really improving on report

Lily E – For showing great progress in Music on the piano

Thomas G – For showing great improvement in the recent two Science assessments

Hayley A – for always working incredibly hard at everything



Homework Champions

The year group with the most homework submissions for this week is Year 8, closely followed by Year 10.

The individual winners of the golden tickets and postcards home for this week are:

Year 7: Poppy W (E1), Elliot S (C2)

Year 8: Tegan E (D1), Emily S (V4)

Year 9: Grace L (E5), Jack S (V6)

Year 10: Aaron M (V3), Kian O (C3)





Stationery Shop

Students can buy stationery every morning from our prefects who run the stationery shop. This a cash run shop but the cost of items is very low and part of our support for students to be READY to learn.



Drinks Bottle

Please could we remind parents to send their child to school with a refillable drinks bottle to allow them to get water at the water fountains throughout the day, as we are unable to provide cups for them to use.

Water Bottles are now available to purchase from Stationery Shop every morning at a cost of £1. Thank you.



Parent Pay

Please can all parents check and top up their child's account where necessary. We have a lot of children with a negative balance and we need this topping up by the end of the school week. Thank you.



Lunch Menu

Over the next few weeks the lunch menu will not be as stated on the school website, due to year 11 leaving and school trips. We will always have a vegetarian option everyday and a hot main, but we will be going from 3 choices in the dining hall down to 2. Along with the normal Jacket potatoes, sandwiches and the usual hot food in the canopy. We will be back to normal in September with a lovely new exciting menu.

Uniform

All orders placed online for uniform/stationery packs will need to be collected by students from the Uniform Shop at break time.



Contact Details

Please inform school via schoolcomms if you have changed email / home address / phone number recently so that our records can be kept up to date. Thank you.

National Tutoring Programme

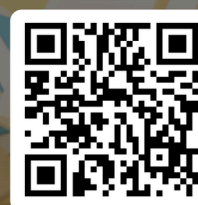
If your child has received after school tutoring this academic year, please complete this short survey:

[CLICK HERE FOR SURVEY](#)

Please encourage your child to complete the student survey, shared on Teams, via email and ClassCharts.

I really appreciate your feedback - Mr Moorcroft

National Tutoring Programme:
Parent Survey



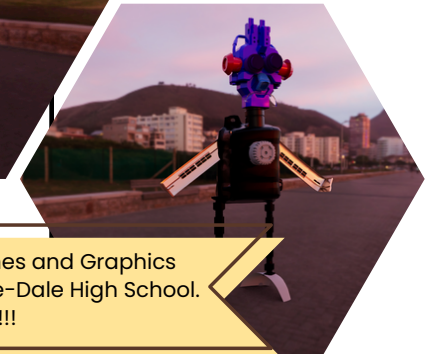
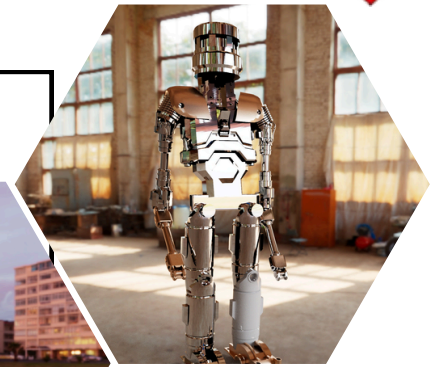
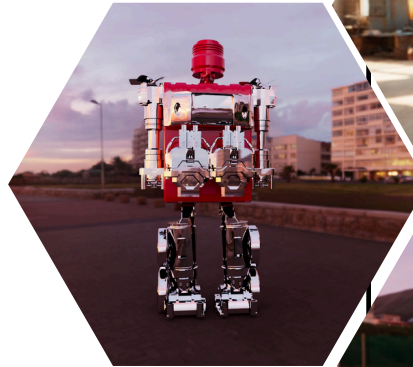


Y9 Preston College Trip

A big well done to Year 9! The Preston College team said you were hardworking, mature and polite.

It was great to seeing you playing football, building walls, styling hair, winning at games, working in nursing, building businesses and more!

We'll hold similar trips next year as you choose your future after school.



Some pretty awesome Games and Graphics renders from year 9 Walton-Le-Dale High School. Well done all!!!



RUNSHAW COLLEGE

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Taster Day 2024



Walton-le-Dale High School

Tuesday 18 June 2024



Y10 Runshaw College Trip

A group of year 10s had an opportunity to experience life at Runshaw College on Tuesday 18th June. They sampled a range of lessons on a timetable of subjects they had chosen. They represented the very best principles in our school and were described by the Runshaw College tutors as hardworking, polite and enthusiastic pupils who were a 'marvellous credit to the school'.



Stanley Park

1 2 3 4 5 6

On Friday 21st June we took 52 pupils to Stanley Park, Blackpool for a South Ribble Schools Athletics Competition. The weather was fantastic, all pupils were a credit to the school, and we even came home with six medals!

- Frankie S-S 100m - 1st place
- Lucia R 100m - 3rd place
- Mikey F 200m - 3rd place
- Isis J 800m - 3rd place
- Ja 'Zere S Triple Jump- 2nd place
- Noah B Javelin - 3rd place



Well done to all those that competed!





The Choice Programme

The Your Choice Programme is delivered in schools by Lancashire Child and Youth Justice Service to provide support and education around various topics. We work alongside the pastoral team to help explore which children would benefit from attending this programme.

What can the Your Choice Programme help with?

We work with children and young people to provide a safe space where they can discuss challenges they face within their communities and help encourage positive and sustainable change for the future.

The different sessions the Your Choice Programme includes:

- Online Safety
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Exploitation
- Substance Misuse
- Knife Awareness
- Modern Masculinity

If you feel your child would benefit from one of the above sessions, please speak to Mrs Sheridan in school.

School Nurse Drop in clinic

The School Nurse, Carol, will run a service of drop-ins during break and lunchtime on the following date:

1st July

This will be held in Meeting Room 1 and any student wishing to attend will need to access this via the Pupil Office or Reception.

New settings in Sparx



Colour Overlays

We have added colour overlays to Sparx Maths which may help you to read questions more easily. You can try different colours using the Settings page

Display

You can apply a coloured overlay that may help you read questions.

Overlay colour

<input checked="" type="radio"/> None	<input type="radio"/> Cream	<input type="radio"/> Yellow
<input type="radio"/> Orange	<input type="radio"/> Green	<input type="radio"/> Blue
<input type="radio"/> Purple	<input type="radio"/> Pink	<input type="radio"/> Red

Preview

Work out the size of the angle labelled h .



Ron is working out the size of angle a



$$a + 156^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$a = 360^\circ - 156^\circ$$

$$a = 204^\circ$$



Ron

What mistake has Ron made?



Student absence reporting

Please see the link to our website [here](#) where you will find information on reporting student absences. We only use Classcharts and Schoolcomms as the only two methods of notification – **please do not ring or email school**. If your child has a medical appointment, please upload a copy of this evidence onto Classcharts. If you have received notification of your child not registering in school, please respond via either Schoolcomms or Classcharts – **please do not ring**.

Although we ask parents/carers to refrain from booking medical appointments during school time, we understand there may be times that this cannot be helped. Therefore, please can we ask you to specify on Classcharts: what time your child needs to leave site and whether they are getting picked up or making their own way to their appointment along with any supporting evidence of the appointment so we can authorise their absence.

If you do not have access to Classcharts, please contact your child's HAL. Please could we also remind parents/carers that they need to complete the Classcharts notification, and these are not to be made by students or siblings.



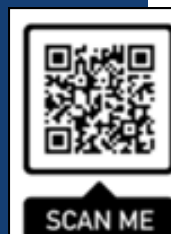
Safeguarding

If you have concerns for a child's welfare and you require advice, please contact Children's Social Care on 0300 123 6720. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 0300 123 6722.

For a child who resides in the Blackburn area, please ring the Children's advice and duty service on 01254 666400. For out of hours (evenings and weekends) please call 01254 587547.

If you have immediate concerns for a child, please dial 999 and ask for the Police. For mental health support services, please see the links below for information and contact details:

- Kooth – all anonymous and over text (there is an app to download)
- School Nursing Service – 11–19 years olds can text their school nurse on 07507330510 or scan the QR code to contact them via Chat Health, for anonymous advice 9–5pm =
- Shout – Text SHOUT to 85258 (more of a crisis line if struggling to cope)
- Papyrus – Prevention for young suicide contact: 0800 068 4141
- Samaritans – for support call 116 113 for free or email jo@samaritans.org
- <https://www.lscft.nhs.uk/our-services/service-finder-z/children-and-young-peoples-psychological-services>
- Young Minds – Crisis messenger is a free 24/7 UK service. Text 'YM' to 85258



The Grub Club

A lunch club run on a Wednesday and Friday 1:05pm – 1:40pm

Do you feel that you suffer with social anxiety?

Are you in need for support to overcome these anxieties?

The Grub Club is aimed to support students who need a quiet and safe space where they wish to participate in games, low-key activities or some time to talk and meet new people, also experiencing similar feelings.

This club is currently run on a Wednesday & Friday lunchtime in D1

Please contact Mrs Sheridan if you wish to attend.

(Please note, D1 may not be accessible during exam times, and may be cancelled)



Homework Support

Homework support runs every day after school in D4. Students can access support from members of staff until 4pm each day.





FREE Summer Lunches

Monday 29th July –
Friday 23rd August 2024

11.30am-1pm

Family Hub Livesey

Family Hub Darwen

Family Hub Shadsworth

Family Hub Little Harwood

Hancock Street Childrens Centre

To Register please
call 01254 585000
or drop in to one of
our Family
Hubs/Childrens
Centres



**Family
Hub**



Darwen | Little Harwood | Livesey | Shadsworth



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