

Jordan North - Class of 2006

Radio 1 DJ Jordan North returned to his former school for the Class of 2018 Celebration Evening.

Jordan, 26, left Priory in 2006 was invited to return to Priory and hopes to have inspired the students, who left this summer.

"It's great to be back," said Jordan, whose parents still live in Penwortham. "I actually felt nervous giving a speech! I came here from years 9-11 as I travelled around a lot as my dad was in the army. I absolutely loved it.

"I left school with GCSEs, mostly Bs and Cs, but I didn't know what to do. I went bricklaying but hated it and then I went to Preston's College and to Sunderland to study media and radio production.

"It wasn't easy for me as I ended up working in a restaurant in Longton for six months while I waited for my chance but it helped when the BBC moved to Salford. I started as a tea-boy at the BBC and worked my way up and it's been great."



Jordan was happy to see one of his favourite teachers, Assistant Head Donna Crank, who teaches IT and Computer Science.

Headteacher Matt Eastham said: "It's fantastic to have Jordan back here, one of Priory's many success stories. He talked to our pupils and their parents about his journey and he showed he had his difficulties and had to overcome hurdles but has fulfilled his dreams which is fabulous."

We look forward to seeing you all our Year 11 leavers at again Priory soon – we hope you will be coming back, like Jordan, to share your success story!