

# Penwortham Priory Post



## Meet Mrs Farley - The Primary Face of Priory

Most pupils have already met Mrs Farley even before they begin their school years at Priory. Mrs Farley is the first person most prospective pupils see – and she is amazed how her job has grown.

Mrs Farley is the Transition & Integration Manager at Priory having just returned from a year's maternity leave. It means she visits primary schools, she organises the primary school events at Priory, as well as helping new starters in Years 7-10 settle in.

Mrs Farley did the job previously for two years after starting out at the PE department at the school. Priory has grown in terms of numbers – the school is full for the Year 7s starting in September, with 180 the total - and she says that pupils from further away are now signing up.

"We have 180 students from a total of 38 primary schools, some as far away as Southport and Fulwood, starting in September," said Mrs Farley. "It has just grown and grown.

"Years ago this was an extra role on a teacher's job which may have taken a couple of hours a week but now it is a dedicated role and one I relish.

"I was a student at Priory myself between 1996-2001 so I know how daunting a first day here can be, everything we do at Priory is to make sure it's an easy transition."

Mrs Farley's job entails visiting the primary schools, and also organising events for Year 4s and 5s to experience Priory. "I go into schools but also every week Year 5s come to Priory and have a day with us doing art, food technology, science and PE lessons so they can get used to the secondary school atmosphere.

"We also have events for their Gifted & Talented pupils and I am also the Schools Sports Co-ordinator, working with South Ribble Sports Partnership, delivering sport and competitions to the primary schools. This can mean I am recognised quite a lot which is nice, as the students remember me and see me as a link with Priory.

"I loved my time at Priory and it's great to see new pupils come here and thrive."

## Attendance Winning Forms

This week's 100% attendance award goes to:

**C8 and H1**

Third place goes to H7 with 99.55%

Well done to Miss Thornton and Mr Wall's forms!



## Use of Mobile Phones

Pupils have been reminded that the use of mobile phones is not allowed during school time, unless with the express permission of a member of staff.

Non-observance of this rule will result in the device being confiscated. The phone will be kept securely in the school office until it can be collected at the end of the day.

Phones must be kept in pockets or bags and be switched off.

## KEY DATES

**Start of Summer Term**  
Mon, 9 April 2018

**GCSE Drama Theatre Trips** (evening)  
Wed, 11 April 2018  
Wed, 2 May 2018

**PSHE Day**  
Tues, 17 April 2018  
(Early lunch followed by early closure at 1:30pm)

**Next Steps Careers Event** (at school)  
Thurs, 26 April 2018

**May Day Closure**  
Mon, 7 May 2018

**INSET Day** (Closed)  
Tues, 8 May 2018

**Mid Term Closure**  
28 May - 1 June 2018

**Year 10 Parents Evening**  
Wed, 6 June 2018

**PSHE Day**  
Thurs, 21 June 2018  
(Early lunch followed by early closure at 1:30pm)

**Year 11 Prom**  
Wed, 27 June 2018

**Year 7 Parents Evening**  
Wed, 11 July 2018

# Year 11 Revision & Exams

The GCSE revision booklet has been emailed to all Year 11 pupils this week. The document sets out a weekly revision schedule for each subject and has been put together by teachers to enable pupils to create an effective order of study.

This booklet is also available on the school website where there are other useful documents to support pupils with their exam preparations such as revision strategies, helpful tips, websites and apps:

[www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/revision](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/pupils/revision)

Although there is no sat exam for GCSE Art, this web page includes a preparation schedule and checklist for submitting coursework.

## Working together - helping your child with revision

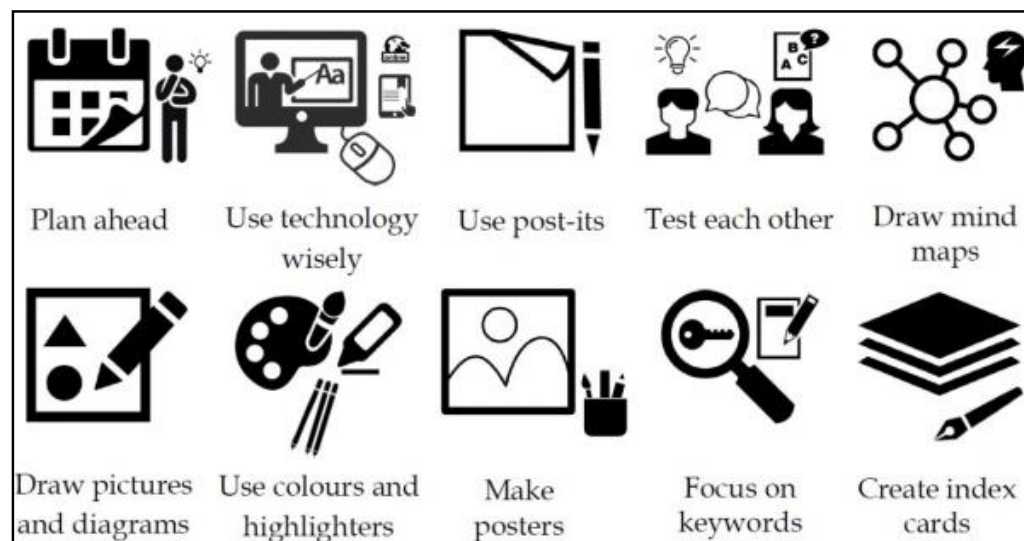
Research and experience shows that children whose parents/carers take the opportunity to be frequently interested in their child's learning make most progress.

Why should parents encourage their child to revise?

- It can reduce panic – gives them control and confidence
- It means exams reflect what they can do, not what they didn't bother to do – show what you know!
- It can help them to identify problem areas

A parent guide to supporting your child with revision is available to download at:

[www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/revision-parent-support](http://www.priory.lancs.sch.uk/parents/revision-parent-support)



## Year 11 Exam Timetable

Personalised timetables will be issued to Year 11 pupils shortly after the Easter break. A full timetable, however, is available on the pupil revision page of school website (see above). Please note that the afternoon exam times may change slightly.

Exams commence w/c 14 May and continue until w/c 18 June.

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# Northern Pub Helps Set The Scene For Drama Exam

Year 11 Drama pupils made headway into the exam season this week as they underwent their practical exam.

The 'scripted' piece of their GCSE makes up 20% of their final grade and followed their 'devised' piece which they sat before Christmas. Pupils studied the play, 'Two', by Jim Cartwright and were examined on their ability to learn sections of the script, and in effect perform 'from page to stage'.

Drama teacher, Mr Hardcastle, said: "All the Drama pupils should be very proud of themselves; they have put in tremendous effort. The examiner also commented on how respectful and considerate other pupils in the school were in allowing the performances to occur without distraction. I would like to offer a massive thanks to Mrs Whalley for all her assistance with the preparations and also thank you to Lucian F, Joel G and Owen C for their technical support and knowledge in creating the right atmosphere for the play".



The play was set in a northern pub in the 1980s and so we would like to thank The Fleece Inn at Penwortham for loan of props and set pieces which helped to create the scene.

Pupils will now work on their preparation for the written exam on 18 May.

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## Food Technology Makes Egg-Ceedingly Good Cakes



In the run up to Easter, coincidentally, the Year 9 Food Preparation & Nutrition pupils have been learning all about eggs in their GCSE lessons.

Guided by teacher, Miss Lewis-Lavender, pupils have been looking at the structure and composition of an egg, how eggs bind and stick together, and the effects of temperature on cooking them.

In their practical learning, pupils have been demonstrating the different effects of cooking with eggs by making meringues, mousses and cakes.

Pupils were given the challenge of showcasing their technical skills using the functions of the egg and up skilling what they have learned.

Hope you will agree, Olivia T's Easter cake made a perfect ending to the term.



# Priory Referees Are On The Ball!

## SPORTS REPORT



Following completion of their Football Laws Awareness Course, run by the Lancashire FA last September, Priory's young referees officiated the Primary Schools Central Venue League on Thursday.

Refereeing matches with teams from 16 local primary schools, Mr Bullock, Head of PE & Sport at Priory commented, "The referees did a brilliant job in making sure the matches run smoothly."

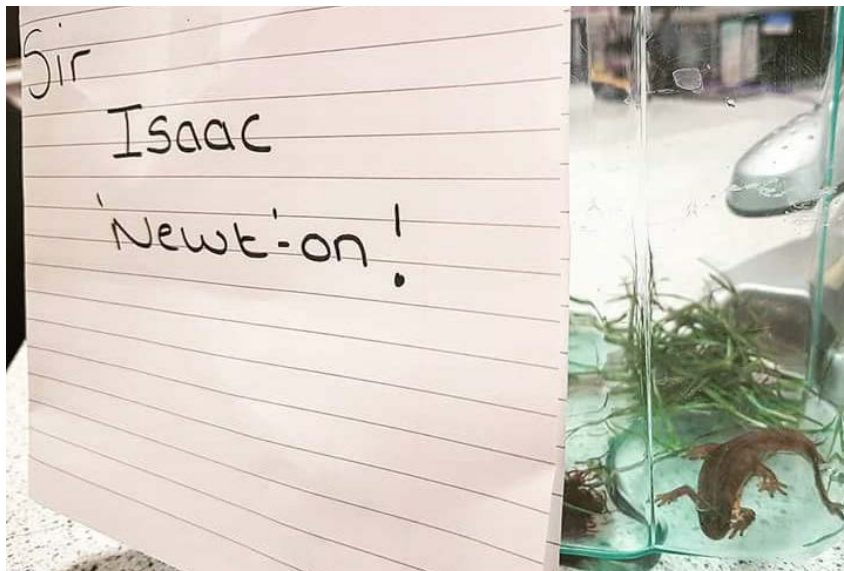
## Regional 7-A-Side Football

After last week's success in the Regional 7-A-Side Tournament organised by Runshaw College, Priory continued their winning streak at Wednesday's follow up match.

Winning 7-2 against All Hallows Catholic High School with thanks to Cieran D's and Jake F's hat-tricks and Jack M's 7th goal, Mr Faulkner complimented the boys' teamwork. The team is now through to the semi-finals which will be played after the Easter break.

## The Science Department Has A New-t Pet!

Meet Sir Isaac Newt-on! Newton was found wandering the Pastoral corridor yesterday afternoon in a sorry state. Learning Support Assistant, Miss White, came to its rescue and swiftly took him across to the Science team for emergency care.



After administering TLC and finding him a temporary new home, we are pleased to say that overnight Newton has made excellent return to good health.

In the meantime, the Science team are still arguing over who came up with the genius name. Whilst we'll leave them to battle that one out between themselves, we hope that Newton continues his road to recovery before we can release him back to the school's sensory garden.

# Medical Marvels' Day Out

On Wednesday, five pupils with a passion for a career in medicine were invited to Runshaw College to learn more about working in the sector.

The 'Medical Marvels' event gave pupils the chance to take on the role of a doctor. They had a go at diagnosing patients' symptoms and learnt how to apply stitches. Pupils also completed dissections, intubated a (real) trachea and bandaged one another up!

Science teacher, Mrs Burn, who accompanied the pupils said: "Everybody had a great time and luckily, nobody seemed put off a career in medicine by the end of the day!"

One day you never know, we may be addressing these pupils in the near future as Doctor Ellie B, Molly P, Charlotte R, Cerys H, Jacob H!



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# NHS Careers Event

**20th April 2018**

Royal Preston Hospital  
The Health Academy Centre 1, Sharoe Green Lane, Preston  
PR2 9HT 3pm-7pm

**Have you considered a career in the NHS?**

Come along to find out information on apprenticeships, NHS careers, University paths and much more.

We will have interactive stands from a wide range of our departments for you to explore.

**Free car parking for all attendees on Car Park N**



For more information please contact [Brittany.Mollart@lthtr.nhs.uk](mailto:Brittany.Mollart@lthtr.nhs.uk)



An inspirational careers event for young people in the Preston/South Ribble areas



# Next Steps Careers (Yrs 7-11)

**Thursday 26 April, 2018**

**9.30am-2.30pm**

**Penwortham Priory Academy, PR1 0JE**

An opportunity for young people to explore post 16 options with colleges, employers training providers and universities

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- \* Informative
- \* Informal
- \* Educational
- \* Creative

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For more details please contact [ficorilliv@gmail.com](mailto:ficorilliv@gmail.com)



**Enjoy the Easter break.  
School re-opens on  
Mon, 9 April**



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