

Newsletter

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Important Dates:



16th July

**Closure for Summer
Break (1pm finish for
Year 10, 1.15pm finish
for Years 7, 8, 9 – buses
leave at 1.30pm)**

19th and 20th July
INSET DAYS

12th August
GCSE Results Day

1st and 2nd September
INSET DAYS

Friday 3rd Sept
Students Return

UNITEE's Fashion Show



This half-term, our students have been creating t-shirt designs for a national 'UNITEE' competition. The competition asks students to design a t-shirt inspired by the theme of unity. Each form had selected their chosen design and these designs were then brought to life by Mrs Freer in our Technology department. On Friday, the time came to see these final designs in a celebratory virtual fashion show.

The fashion show involved staff from across the school modelling the designs created by the different forms. There were some excellent model poses and it was great to see so many of our teachers getting involved and showing off their modelling skills!

At the start of the assembly, we also wanted to take some time to remember Zaynab from Year 10 who tragically passed away this year. Zaynab had written about the importance of unity and the power of young people to grow and make the world a better place. Her friends read her thoughtful words at the start of the assembly and it was a moving reminder about the importance of uniting together. We were very excited to welcome two guests to join us in our show. We were able to hear from Mike Haines OBE, the creator of the UNITEES national competition. Mike Haines spoke to us about how important the message of unity was to him personally and spoke movingly about how he was inspired to create the competition to combat hatred and extremism in the world and instead spread a message of tolerance and understanding. After watching our virtual show, Mike contacted us to let us know how impressed he was with our designs. He said, "I have watched that video four or five times now. It is brilliant. A really massive well done and congratulations to your school, teachers, staff and the amazing girls. You all did such a wonderful job and all the designs are of the highest order. I am seriously impressed." We hope to be able to invite Mike to speak at the school again in the future, hopefully in person!



**Artsmark
Gold Award**
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We were also lucky to be able to welcome our local MP, Katherine Fletcher into our school to see our designs and answer questions from our new student leadership team during the assembly. Katherine took part in our International Women's Day celebrations earlier this year and it was brilliant to be able to welcome her into school in person. Katherine was also impressed with the designs created by our students, especially the design created by 10H!

We were so impressed by the creativity and compassion shown by our students throughout the competition. The winners for the national competition are to be announced later this month, but we have also held a school competition to find out our winning designs from each year group. We can't wait to celebrate the winning designs!



Here is a link to a slideshow featuring the fantastic T-shirt designs <https://tinyurl.com/9xzhtr84>

*Miss Starkie,
Equality Lead*

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Sports Day

On Thursday 1st of July, we held Sports Day 2021. This year saw a slightly different version of Sports Day with our girls participating in Athletics, Netball and the Rounders Interform competition. Looking around the field and netball courts, I saw a buzz of participation and team spirit. This was fantastic to see after the year we have had in school due to COVID. Outstanding performances in all three sports were also observed, which showed the high level of competition throughout the day. The winners of Sports Day will be announced in our end of year assembly, where we will be celebrating the successes and fantastic performances throughout the day. I am certainly very proud of all our students and staff at PGHS for their enthusiasm, passion and determination. Definitely a highlight of 2021 for PGHS and I already can't wait for Sports Day 2022!



Mrs Naylor
Curriculum Leader for Performance, Sport and Health

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Whalley and Sawley Abbey Visit

Over 120 Year 7 students visited the historic sites of Sawley and Whalley Abbey on Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd June. As this was the first out of school visit of the school year, there was much excitement and enthusiasm from the students to extend and enrich their classroom learning of Henry VIII's decision to close the monasteries at two superb local historic sites. Initially, students were given the task of exploring the ruins of Sawley Abbey to discover the purpose of each room. As much of the stone and building materials has disappeared since the dissolution of monasteries, this was a challenging task. The students then took part in a 'Dissolution' role play, acted out by enthusiastic volunteers who were provided with a monk's habit and tonsure to authenticate the look.

After lunch in the beautiful grounds of Whalley Abbey, students conducted a further investigation into the differences between the two historic sites. As more remains of the buildings at Whalley Abbey were explored, the students were given a fantastic opportunity to visualise the daily lives of medieval monks and how the dissolution would have affected the local community. Students were also given free time to explore the site and fully appreciate the size of the monastic community established at Whalley. On Tuesday 22nd June, students were also invited by the priest of Whalley Abbey to listen to prayers, held in the ruins of the abbey. The students listened intently throughout and fully appreciated the priest's explanation of different features of the monastery.

It was fantastic to see so many Year 7 students participate enthusiastically in the visit. They demonstrated a genuine curiosity for the sites and represented the school superbly, showing respect and courtesy to members of the public when visiting both abbeys.

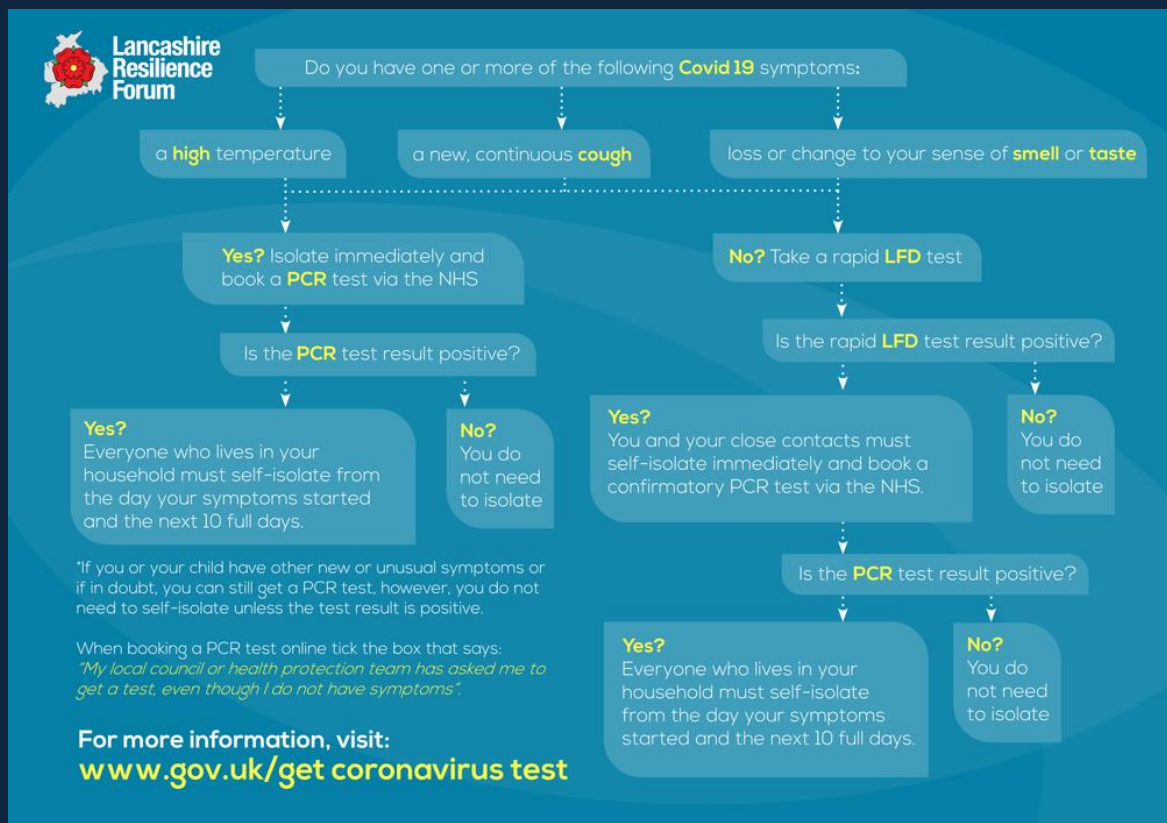


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Covid Testing Guidance



As you may be aware, South Ribble has been designated as an area of 'enhanced response' due to the rise in cases of Covid-19 in Lancashire and across the North West, driven by the variant first identified in India, now known as Delta.

We know that this variant is more transmissible than previous strains. New data is also emerging that suggests that people infected with the Delta variant – which is now thought to be the dominant strain in the UK – may be at greater risk of being admitted to hospital compared to the Alpha variant, which originated in Kent, although further data is needed to have more confidence in that finding. Public Health England is currently working hard to understand the Delta variant better.

At present, we have been given no further guidance about what we, as a school, need to do in order to support the work of the local authority to reduce the spread of the virus. As you know, we have continued with the use of face coverings in school. We would also like to encourage all students to continue with their twice weekly lateral flow tests - this will help support our efforts to protect our school community and reduce transmission of the virus by detecting asymptomatic cases.

Once we receive any further information about any action the school needs to take, we will be in touch.

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Head's Commendations



Rachel W, Amber T, Ella H and Maryam B (Year 8)
Creative USA College projects. (Geography)

MFL Stars of the Week!

Year 7 German	Year 8 German	Year 9 German	Year 10 German	Year 8 French	Year 9 French	Year 10 French
Maisie B, 7p	Tasneem A, 8G	Ella E, 9S	Freya A, 10H	Amirah P, 8H	Lily-Anna J, 9J	Lucy P, 10J
Vidhya P, 7H	Millie S, 8G	Faryal I, 9S	Diljeet KS, 10J	Safiyyah M, 8h	Megan M, 9J	Sana R, 10G
Niamh L, 7H	Charlotte H, 8H		Beth S, 10S	Lottie J, 8G	Lola U, 9P	Antonia S, 10H
Holly W, 7H	Lucy R, 8H		Felicity A, 10P	Freya I, 8G	Amirah P, 9P	
Hannah D, 7H			Annabella M, 10P		Stevie McC, 9P	
Georgia J, 7H					Maia F, 9G	
Lydia W, 7S					Evie H, 9G	
Phoebe C, 7S					Martha S, 9G	
					Aasiya H, 9G	
					Megan H, 9G	
					Tilly P, 9G	

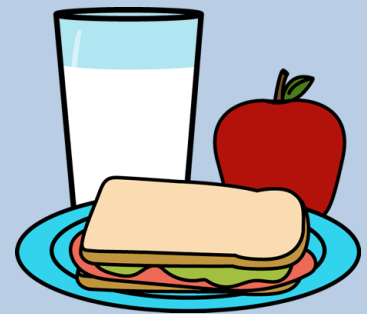
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Lunch Menu

Week commencing 12th July



Monday

Pork sausage or Quorn sausage served with mash and veg.

Tuesday

Beef/Quorn Chilli served with rice and nachos

Wednesday

Macaroni cheese or pasta bolognaise served with garlic bread.

Thursday

Chicken curry or Quorn curry served with rice and naan.

Friday

Fish/pizza served with chips, peas and beans

Freshly made sandwiches from £1.00

Hot Sandwich selection from £1.85

Cold drinks from 45p

Homemade cookies and cakes from 40p

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PGHS PE After-School Clubs

Starting W/B 12th April!

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Year 7	Year 10 & 11	Year 9	Year 8

Year 7, 8 and 9 practices will start at 3:00pm and finish at 4:30pm. Y10 and 11 will start at 3:20pm and finish at 4:30pm.



You will be given a choice of a wide range of different activities each week. The sports will be different every session so you can experience a variety of different activities.



Please bring trainers with you and you may also bring a pair of dark coloured plain tracksuit bottoms, this is optional.



PGHS PE After-School Clubs

The most popular sports from the list below will be available each week. Popularity will change from one week to the next to cater for all students.



If you have any questions or queries, please contact Mrs Naylor. s.naylor@penworthamgirls.lancs.sch.uk

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Do you need
careers
advice?

Independent Careers Adviser

Shamim Khan

Available for 1:1 Careers Appointments & Drop In sessions in
The Careers Room (Situated first floor next to the ICT Suite)

Drop In sessions Times:

Morning : 8.30am to 9.10am
Lunchtime : 12.30pm to 1.20pm

Careers Adviser Dates:

March 2021	Wednesday 17 th March 2021 Wednesday 24 th March 2021
April 2021	Tuesday 13 th April 2021 Wednesday 14 th April 2021 Wednesday 21 st April 2021 Tuesday 27 th April 2021 Wednesday 28 th April 2021
May 2021	Wednesday 5 th May 2021 Wednesday 12 th May 2021 Wednesday 19 th May 2021 Wednesday 26 th May 2021
June 2021	Wednesday 9 th June 2021 Wednesday 16 th June 2021 Wednesday 23 rd June 2021 Wednesday 30 th June 2021
July 2021	Wednesday 7 th July 2021 Wednesday 14 th July 2021

If you would like a 1:1 appointment, please email:

careers@penworthamgirls.lancs.sch.uk

Registered Professional Careers Practitioner/Member



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Monday 2 August 16:00 - 17:00

Option 2:

Monday 2 August 17:00 - 18:00



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