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Penwortham Girls' High School

Governors Visit

Governors are given the opportunity to come into

school every term to observe some lessons and see the school in action.

Following their visit this term our governors reported having an excellent experience and enjoying reflecting on their previous learning and taking on board some new skills in certain subject areas.

Here are some quotes from their feedback:

'Very interesting and enjoyable classroom, teacher/pupil learning experience. All pupils were well behaved and classroom discipline and respect was impeccable'.

'The advances displayed in the teaching standards and the depth of subject content, supported by the teaching aids and equipment evident... was extremely impressive'.

'The teachers ability and enthusiasm for their subjects was both commendable and infectious leading to the constructive transfer and understanding information'.

'The students, without exception, were well-behaved, attentive and communicative, and the standard of work displayed in their exercise books, worksheets and project papers was, on the whole, exemplary'.

'I experienced the curriculum being delivered in each session in a professional manner to well-behaved and attentive pupils. The outcome of the exercise met my expectations from such an outstanding school'.

Thank you to all our Governors for your continued support.



Welcome to the Spring edition of the Penwortham Post



As I write, two of our Science labs are being completely refurbished thanks to an extremely generous donation from the Wolfson Foundation. We are looking forward to their completion during the Easter holidays, ready for our staff and pupils to use in the Summer Term. Look out for photos and more information in the weekly newsletter next half term.

During the Easter holidays, pupils from Years 8, 9 and 10 are spending a week in Spain with Acorn Adventures at Cala Canyelles from Wednesday 29th March until 6th April. There will be a sports and adventure theme throughout the week which includes kayaking, snorkelling, rock climbing swimming and tennis. This is a completely new opportunity for our pupils and I want to express a huge thank you to all the staff who are supervising the trip. I am sure you will all have a wonderful time!

Next term we will be launching our "School Alerts" app for parents. You will get at a glance updates for news stories, forthcoming events, important reminders as well as a whole host of other content. You will be able to download the app for free to your iOS or Android device from Apple's App Store or Google Play. Just search for "School Alerts" once downloaded simply type "Penwortham" and enjoy!"

In the meantime, on behalf of all the staff and governors, I would like to wish you all an enjoyable and peaceful Easter holidays.

Mrs Karen Pomeroy, Headteacher



South Ribble Schools Art Exhibition

Congratulations go to Charlotte Hough and Greta Giannoccaro in Year 11, who were awarded Highly Commended Certificates by the Mayor of South Ribble for their brilliant art work.

They put a lot of time and effort into their pieces and deserve to be recognised for their talent. Well done to both! The presentation evening was well attended by most of the schools in the South Ribble area. Twenty three of our pupils were awarded certificates. They looked very smart in their school uniforms as they walked up the aisle of St. Andrew's Church, Leyland, to receive their certificates. The following girls were awarded certificates for their superb work:

Nour Kamel, Alisha Solanki, Georgia Dagger, Tannith-Jade Cole, Abigail Swarbrick, Rosie James, Tejaysri Munagala, Livvy Lake, Maisie Eccles, Maya Darbyshire, Molly Abram, Javeria Irfan, Fatima Desai, Fezila Dar, Phoebe Prescott, Jessica Clayton, Susanna Sergison, Charlotte Griffiths, Tegan Lonsdale, Chloe Forshaw, Sophie Chohan.



Year 9 'Sweets'

Two groups of Year 9 are just completing oil pastel drawings of sweets. Many girls have produced outstanding pieces of work this term.

Oil pastel can be a challenging medium to master. I have been amazed with the overall standard of their finished drawings as well as their sketchbook work, showing confident use of oil pastel techniques. Again, well done!



Year 11 Examination Sketchbooks and Final Examination

Two Year 11 groups are working hard to complete their examination sketchbooks, in readiness for their forthcoming final 10 hour examination, which begins straight after the Easter holidays.

The Easter holiday will be the last chance for the artists to finalise their ideas in their sketchbooks, so it is therefore extremely important that the pupils have worked out exactly what they want to do in the examination and not leave anything to chance. The following dates are set for the examination:

Mrs Staines' group: TUESDAY 18TH APRIL 9.00 – 3.20 pm

Mr Quinlan's group: WEDNESDAY 19TH APRIL 9.00 – 3.20 pm

Mrs Staines' group THURSDAY 20TH APRIL 9.00 – 3.20 pm

Mr Quinlan's group FRIDAY 21ST APRIL 9.00 – 3.20 pm

The final marking of coursework and examination pieces will take place on TUESDAY 16TH MAY and will be sent off to the examination board.

The remaining art lessons will be used for revision for other subjects.

Good luck to all our artists... remember, if your sketchbook is up to date and thoroughly covers all the Assessment Objectives, your final examination sessions should run smoothly.



And finally...

There will be an 'Easter Art Day' on MONDAY 3RD APRIL for those pupils who still need to finish their mock examination painting.

Anyone who cannot attend on this day, will have to take their painting home to finish over the holiday.

Mrs Staines
Head of Art



Art Department News

Ceramic Workshop at Newman College

A small group of Year 10 pupils were invited to create clay doors at Newman College for a day.

The work they produced will go towards their 'Urban Landscape' unit of work next year. The girls thoroughly enjoyed working with clay; this new medium for their portfolio of work will enhance their final exhibition.



History Department News

Write Your Own Historical Fiction Competition 2017

The History Department are inviting Year 7, 8 and 9 students to enter the national Write Your Own Historical Fiction Competition organised by the Historical Association.



Your story can be set in a historical setting of your choice. Here is what the judges are looking for:



- Historical accuracy – even down to the choice of names characters are given and any props additional to the historical setting
- A riveting read with a good plot!
- A convincing story - i.e. is it plausible that these events and/or this character could have existed at the time?
- Use of historical knowledge to feed the plot, context and character
- Effective use of historical vocabulary and literary conventions, including where dialogue is included in the story
- Creative and interesting perspectives of story-telling. In the past we have received an entry telling the story of a siege from the perspective of the castle!

There are endless possibilities for your story; it could be a thrilling drama following the fortunes of one of Harold Godwinson's soldiers at the Battle of Hastings, or maybe a description of life as one of Henry VIII's servants. A prize of £25 will be awarded for the best story as well as a prize for the best historical character. Please submit your story to Mr Herbert by Monday 8th May. We look forward to reading your entries!

Romeo and Juliet Performance



To support their study of the GCSE English Literature set text, Year 10 and 11 watched a very exciting, modern version of the play in school on 29th March.

The performance brought the text to life with a modern, urban setting, transforming the play from Renaissance Italy to today's Britain. This exciting performance demonstrated how relevant the themes of prejudice, hatred and passion are in our society today.

For the new linear examinations, students have to study the entire text and will be asked a question that requires a detailed understanding of how a character or theme is developed and presented across the whole text – the performance should be very valuable revision for Year 11 as they begin the countdown to their GCSEs.



Lancashire Book of the Year Award

We have been delighted to work alongside other High Schools in Lancashire as a judging school for this prestigious, Young Adult Fiction Prize – the first of its kind in the country (although, we'd like to point out Lancashire did this first and many other Library services have followed our lead).

Earlier this week, our representatives attended a judging meeting at County Hall and after much discussion and debate, decided on a shortlist. The shortlist will be whittled down and the winners revealed at an awards ceremony at the end of June. Our school judges will be invited to this event where they will meet the authors, take part in Q and A sessions and, most importantly, help select the prizewinners.

The shortlist is as follows:

What I couldn't tell you - Faye Bird

Unbecoming - Jenny Downham

Broken Sky - L. A. Weatherly

Paper Butterflies - Lisa Heathfield

Under Rose Tainted Skies - Louise Gornall

Finding Audrey - Sophie Kinsella

Consumed - Abbie Rushton

Follow me Back - Nicci Cloke

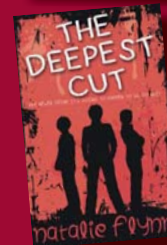
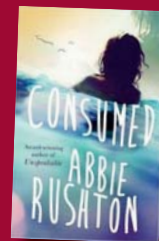
The Deepest Cut - Natalie Flynn

The Book of Lies - Teri Terry

What's a Girl Gotta Do - Holly Bourn

If you're looking for something to read over the Easter holidays, or to keep your mind occupied as you laze on the beach in the summer (or even in your back garden) this list is a great place to start. Please remember, this award is aimed at Young Adults, so check that the content or themes are suitable.

Mrs Woodhouse, Head of English

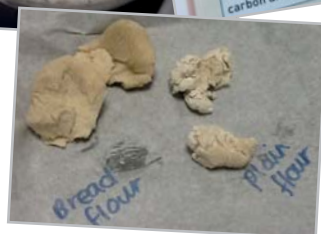
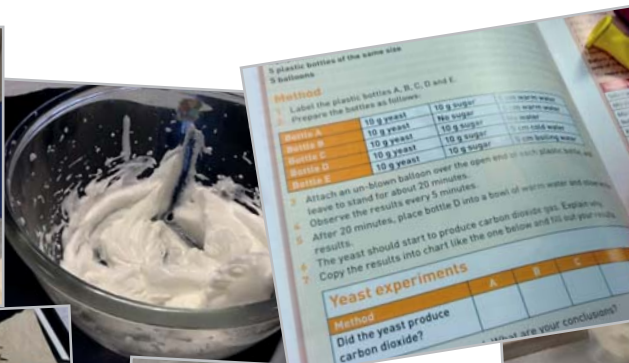


Food Tech Department News

Food Science

Year 10 have been busy investigating the perfect conditions for yeast to ferment, the stability of meringues and the Gluten content in different flours.

These are requirements of the new course and the conclusions drawn are then used to plan practical work linked to them!



Below are the results of a pasta making practical investigation where natural colours and flavours have been used to make fresh pasta. Spinach and beetroot pasta were the favourites.

Mrs Khan,
Food Technology Coordinator



Food Tech Department News

Pastry Making

Whilst investigating the use of fats for shortening, plasticity and caramelisation, pastry products of varying types and degrees of complexity were made by Year 9 and 10.



Shortcrust pastry is used due to the planning time of an hour in lessons. Year 10 will go on to make choux and puff pastry palmiers.

These included:

- Cheese and onion pasties - basic skills,
- Chicken and sweetcorn cooked filling pasties - intermediate skill level,
- Smoked salmon and spinach quiche - intermediate skills,
- Strawberry creme tarts - intermediate skills,
- Lemon meringue pies - higher skill level.



ICT and Computing Department News

VEX Robotics Regional Finals Success

Five brave explorers set off for the VEX Robotics regionals in Doncaster at the beginning of February.



Setting off at 6.30am, we arrived at Wath Academy at 9.00am after a diversion over the Woodhead Pass. Certainly a first for our school minibus!

Heats took place throughout the day with various modifications taking place to the robot to keep it 'on the road'.

Eventually the Tech-no-logic team of Imogen, Maariya, Zainab, Emma and Katherine successfully completed all the tasks. Such was the quality of their work that the group received the highest Excellence Award.

The students will now become STEM ambassadors in school and will help train the next group of Year 8 robot engineers. Very well done!

We are now all looking forward to the pizza reward!

Mr Riley, Head of Computing and ICT



Year 9 Volcano Models

Once again this year, Year 9 have crater-ed a wide range of lava-ly volcano models.

These will be judged by the Department and various awards and prizes presented. I hope those that don't win the bigger awards will be magma-nimous in defeat. Look out for a list of prize winners in the weekly newsletter early next term.

Mr Bowles, Head of Geography



Modern Foreign Languages

Another very busy term for our department! Since the beginning of the year, all year groups have been working on new topics and developing their grammatical knowledge as well as continuing to work on phonics and sentence building.

Year 8 and 10 were able to develop comprehension skills and immerse themselves in language and culture through the foreign language films showed during languages week. The assemblies and form time activities organised by Mrs Rourke focussed on literacy in French and German, for example, common spelling errors and false cognates.

Year 9 have gained experience in leading on our primary liaison activity teaching French to our feeder primary pupils on our Café Day which was organised by Miss Waterhouse. In addition, Mrs Rourke, Mr Pye and Mrs Powney accompanied 47 Year 9 pupils on a visit to Lancaster University to sample University life through a taster day looking at linking Business Studies with Languages. They enjoyed the tour of the University, the Chinese language and calligraphy session as well as working in groups on the business task. The event was hosted by the Lancaster University Management School and the student ambassadors who were from Italy, China, France and the UK spent the day helping with the business task, talking about why they were doing the business courses and acting as tour guides. Thanks to Mr Riley, Head of ICT, for establishing the link with the University.

Mrs Rourke,
Head of MFL



False Cognates

- actuellement - now, not actually
- assister - to attend, not assist
- librairie - a bookshop, not a library
- magasin - a shop, not a magazine
- collège - a school, not a college
- also - so, not also
- Enkel - uncle, not ankle
- arm - poor, not arm
- bald - soon, not bald
- Kaution - deposit, not caution
- Chips - crisps, not chips
- Kollege - colleague, not college

Mathematics Department Visit – The Preston Escape Rooms

On Friday 17th March, an intrepid group of thirty Year 9 and 10 pupils boldly set out to see if they could work together and use their mathematical, reasoning and problem solving skills from the Preston Escape Rooms.

The pupils were divided into six teams and led off to be locked up, with their teachers, in different rooms filled with devilish puzzles and fiendish conundrums which would need to be solved collectively if they wished to escape. There were different activities for the groups to face such as solving old Egyptian myths, staging a prison breakout or taking part in a spy adventure and the pupils began to look suitably concerned when the first two groups were led off handcuffed to each other like a human chain.

Once locked inside their puzzle room, each group had just one hour to solve all the problems contained in their room whilst the clock ticked down ominously. Of the six groups that began their quest to escape, only one group did escape in the time given, whilst the others faced the prospect of being trapped forever! (Or, at least, until the nice lady at reception took pity on us and opened the door.) Congratulations to Ms Mudie and her group who did escape in time and better luck next time to all the Maths department who, to their shame, were all locked in. I am sure that it won't be brought up many more times during the rest of the year? (It was mentioned a lot during the night).

Following on from our trials in the escape rooms, we were then divided up into groups to play Laser Quest. Following an induction video which told us what not to do, it was good to see that these lessons were taken to

heart and the games were played in a safe and sensible manner. At least the pupils took part in a sensible manner, the teachers not so much. Congratulations to Mr Cheal who ran into a wall in front of everybody else much to their amusement (and in keeping with the clear no running policy) and keep an eye out for the ongoing grudge match between Mr McVey and Mr Cafferkey after a little bit too much healthy competition between the two of them. However, everybody will need to watch out for Mrs “The Terminator” Sweeney who blasted away all the opposition and easily won out on the hotly contested teacher’s competition. The overall prize for the night should go to Sumaiya though, who destroyed all who opposed her and easily outscored everybody else (get on her wrong side at your peril!)

By the end of the night, happily fed on burgers and chips, exhausted in mind and body, it was time to bid farewell to the first Maths department visit to the Preston Escape Rooms. I would like to thank Mrs Sweeney for arranging the excursion, Mr McVey, Mr Cheal, Mr Cafferkey and Ms Hasan of the Maths department for their support and Ms Mudie for ably offering to help as well. We are already planning our next trip out and hope you will want to come with us.

The Mathematics Department



Lasers Quest Score Screen

Today's Top Scores

1. SUMI	1352
2. MRS SWEENEY	921
3. ROBBIE C	857
4. ALICE	848
5. SUMI	842



Music Department News

Performing Arts Showcase

On Wednesday 8th March Penwortham Girls' High School presented a 'Performing Arts Showcase' where pupils demonstrated their superb musicianship, fantastic dance moves and amazing acting ability.

Commencing at 7pm, the school orchestra performed a medley of Disney songs followed by a variety of performances from the brass, woodwind and string ensembles.



These were interspersed with dances from each year group in school to a wide variety of music from Cats to Michael Jackson and drama sequences inspired by Annie and Blood Brothers, a GCSE Set text. Penwortham Girls' also welcomed Year 5 pupils from Longton Primary School who gave a particularly entertaining performance of 'Hakuna Matata'.



The evening came to a rousing close with all performers joining for a medley of songs from The Sound of Music.

We were very proud of all the pupils who took part on the night and now look forward to our annual Arts Week production in July.

Mrs Cattnach

Head of Music

Music Department News

Year 7 Orchestra Homework Projects

Year 7 have been working on the Orchestra most recently and were set the challenge of creating a plan of the orchestra for homework in the most creative way they could.

There were many outstanding examples as you can see from the pictures but sadly I can only nominate four for Headteacher Commendations. However, we would like to say 'well done' to everyone who took part - you have all been rewarded with Homework Champion merits. Headteacher's Commendations go to: Ella Hodgson, Amani Valli-Carter, Teyan Hartley and Cara Rhodes.

Mrs Cattnach,
Head of Music



Music Department News

In addition to Cara's plan of the orchestra she also wrote a poem - we hope you enjoy it!

*Percussion sits at the back,
Mostly pitch they tend to lack,
But they keep a boom, boom beat,
Or a ding, ding if the triangles meet.*

*As they toot their tune in a rainbow form,
At the edges there's a tuba and a french horn,
The next two with a monster tone,
Are the trumpet and the trombone.*

*The woodwinds are thankful, they have the best seat,
Like a bird, the flute and the clarinet tweet,
The next two are loud and they boom,
The oboe and the bassoon.*

*The viola is bigger than the violin,
And a deeper sound comes from within,
But they have to stretch their necks up high,
To see the conductor's baton fly.*

*Going from left to right,
There are two violins (confusing right?)
With the first and second violin,
The first is best and will always win.*

*Sat between your legs is a cello,
A kind, deep and thoughtful fellow,
The cello makes a lot of noise,
But you have to sit with a lot of poise.*

*You can play it with a bow or you can pluck the strings,
If you play it really well then it really sings,
It's super low and I think it's ace,
Have you guessed it yet? The double bass.*

*Standing in front of this motley crew,
Is the conductor telling everyone what to do,
Major to minor watch the key,
Come on now orchestra, follow me!*

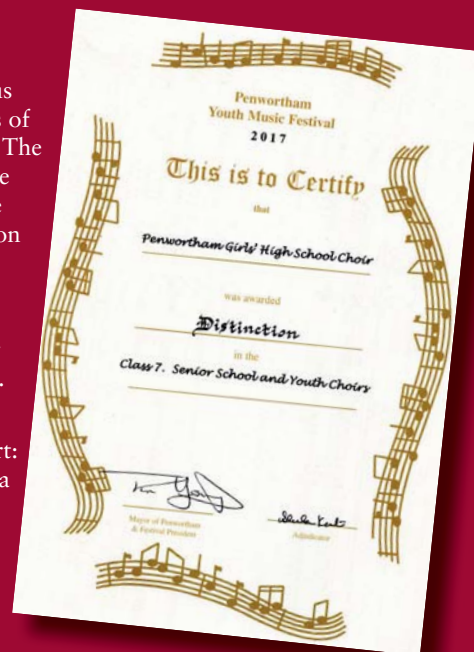
By Cara Rhodes 7H

Penwortham Music Festival

On Monday 20th March Penwortham Girls' High School Senior Voices took part in the School Choirs section of Penwortham Music Festival.

The girls gave a stunning performance of 'The Rose' by Amanda McBroom and 'Cantus Inequalis' from Adiemus Songs of the Sanctuary by Karl Jenkins. The audience were very appreciative of their singing and as such the choir were awarded a distinction for their efforts. The Music Department are incredibly proud of all the girls who took part and thanks go to them for representing the school so well.

Head's Breakfast nominations go to all the girls who took part: Matilda Taylor Proctor, Isabella Large, Georgia Munslow, Rebecca Wilson, Amy Whitehouse, Hollie Green, Mahin Hamidi, Anna Boden and Olive Gorrell.



PE Department News

Our busy Winter term sports are now coming to an end. It's been wet and cold but the girls have persevered and at times have endured very challenging match conditions.

Badminton

Congratulations must also go to the U'16 badminton team, crowned champions of South Ribble and qualifying to represent our district at Lancashire level. They competed in the Lancashire Badminton Tournament on Thursday 2nd February at Blackpool Sports Centre and came 3rd overall.

Team players in their ranking order:

1. Emily Broadbent
2. Charlotte Daley
3. Abigail Halliwell
4. Katie Hindle



Handball

This term has also seen the launch of our new Handball club. Handball has been introduced in to the curriculum this year and we are looking forward to growing it in size and creating opportunities for girls to play competitively in the near future.

Indoor Cricket

The indoor cricket season has been the best ever yet, with both U'13 and U'15 Squads qualifying for the Indoor County Cricket Competition. The girls have worked hard at developing their skills and have become a real force to be reckoned with in terms of their outstanding bowling and fielding skills.

Sixteen girls completed the Cricket Leaders Course that was run in school and supported by the Lancashire Cricket Development Officer. The girls will now go forward to officiating and supporting the local primary schools in their outdoor competitions in the summer term.

Netball - The netball season has now ended and all the tournaments have been played:-

Year 10 - 3rd

Coach's Player of the Tournament - Sophie Wilson
Players' Player of the Tournament - Honor Barnes

Year 9 - Runners Up

Coach's Player of the Tournament - Cody Willis
Players' Player of the Tournament - Amy Lakeland

Year 8 - 5th

Coach's Player of the Tournament - Amy Norcross
Players' Player of the Tournament - Amy Norcross

Year 7 - Winners

Coach's Player of the Tournament - Poppy Gaskell
Players' Player of the Tournament - Lily Tite



Spanish Water Sports Trip: Wednesday 29th March – Thursday 6th April

Towards the end of term 42 girls, Miss Shahi, Mrs Murphy, Mr Farrington and Mr Cafferkey prepared for our first Spanish Water Sports Trip.

The girls are all looking forward to an active holiday and some nice weather. The sports complex is in Cala

Canyelles offering a wide range of water sporting activities with highly experienced instructors - kayaking, banana boating, speed boat, climbing, scuba diving and many more. Sunglasses at the ready!!!!



Dance

Our girls have worked extremely hard in dance during the spring term to prepare for the Performing Arts Showcase which took place in March. Our Year 7 pupils performed a Grease number, Year 8 performed a medley of disco and street dance, Year 9s performed cheerleading to High School Musical and our Year 11 GCSE dance group performed to Cats The Musical. All the hard work during the last 2 terms paid off, all the girls pulled out an outstanding performance on the night. Well done, everyone! Let's Go, PGHS, Let's Go!

Our dance leaders hosted the annual dance festival at PGHS this term. Three primary schools took part in the event

where they joined in a number of workshops in different styles of dance and learnt a dance to perform on Penwortham Girls' main stage. The primary school pupils thoroughly enjoyed the event. Well done to all the leaders who are all developing into excellent leaders!

Middleforth Primary school took part in a dance workshop this term where our very own Year 9 dancers lead them in the rock and roll dance we performed in the Christmas Concert. Middleforth performed the dance they learnt at the Guild Hall in the WRIST Celebrations Concert. Miss Coulthurst from Middleforth said the girls were a credit to the school! Well done Emily Caney, Elizabeth Maudsley, Ellie White and Annie Pearce.

PGHS Cross-Country runners at the Lancashire Race:

This year was a massive success for our cross-country runners in all year groups. After the first round of cross-country in South Ribble in October 2016, some girls who were in the top few places then competed in the Lancashire race representing our district.

Our girls have competed against 10 other districts and PGHS had some fantastic results in the intermediate level (Year 8 and 9) and won the team race overall. Congratulations to Scarlett Sutton, who came 3rd in the race and Alissa Darbyshire who came 9th overall: both qualified to represent our county in the English Schools Competition on March 18th. We are very proud of our team runners who train really hard and set a high expectation. Well done, girls! Scarlett Sutton has competed in another race for the individual Cross-Country Championship in Lancashire and won the event. Well done, Scarlett!

It was also a tremendous afternoon for PGHS cross-country runners, Scarlett Sutton and Alissa Darbyshire competed at the England School's Championships at Norfolk Showground on Saturday 18th March when the National Schools' Cross Country titles were decided. Both Scarlett and Alissa competed very well. Out of 344 girls in the junior race, Scarlett came 92 with a time of 11.59 and Alissa came 123 with a time of 12.07. Well done, girls! This is absolutely fantastic!

Our junior Year 7 team, the champion of South Ribble, Lauren Coulthard, Lydia Hall and Amani Valli-Carter were qualified to run in the Lancashire race and achieved 9th place overall as a team. Well done, girls!

Miss Shahi



Living for Sport Programme

We continued our Living for Sport Programme in collaboration with Sky Sports and welcomed back Jenna Downing, World In-line Skating Champion. Jenna delivered a very motivational workshop in resilience, facing fears and developing confidence. She even had the girls attempting the jump ramps by the end of the session.



Kick Boxing

Nippon UK have been back in to school to run kick-boxing sessions for the Year 11 core PE programme and we have also been lucky enough to be able to offer an extra-curricular Ju-Jitsu club this term.

Hockey

Miss Worthington still provides links with hockey in the local area and her club still runs after school on Thursdays.

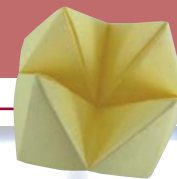
Summer Activities, Sports Day and Sports Presentation

After the Easter break we are moving on to summer activities. There will be plenty of opportunities to play rounders and cricket and develop athletics skills.

The end of the summer term will also see whole school Sports Day and our Annual Sports Presentation Evening.

This year there is a slight change to the organisation of the Sports Presentation Evening. Excluding the main awards at the end of the evening, each pupil will only be able to receive a maximum of 1 award across all the sports. This gives us the opportunity to celebrate more individual success. Every individual sport will have a commitment award, a most improved player award and a player of the season award. Details will be available nearer the time.

Mrs Burns, Head of PE



British Science Week

From 10th - 19th March, Penwortham Girls' High School celebrated British Science Week. We ran activities all week to mark this annual event and to raise enthusiasm for the subject and other related subjects across school. This year's theme was 'Change' and we had been looking at different types of changes as well as changes that we could make in our world.

Year 7 enthusiastically took part in a scavenger hunt around school; looking for female scientists and engineers from all around the world, including some of our very own alumni.

We also ran lunchtime workshops on Deployable structures, where we built some of our own; and one for Year 9-10 on STEM careers, where we considered our own interests and strengths and how these related to different career paths within Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.



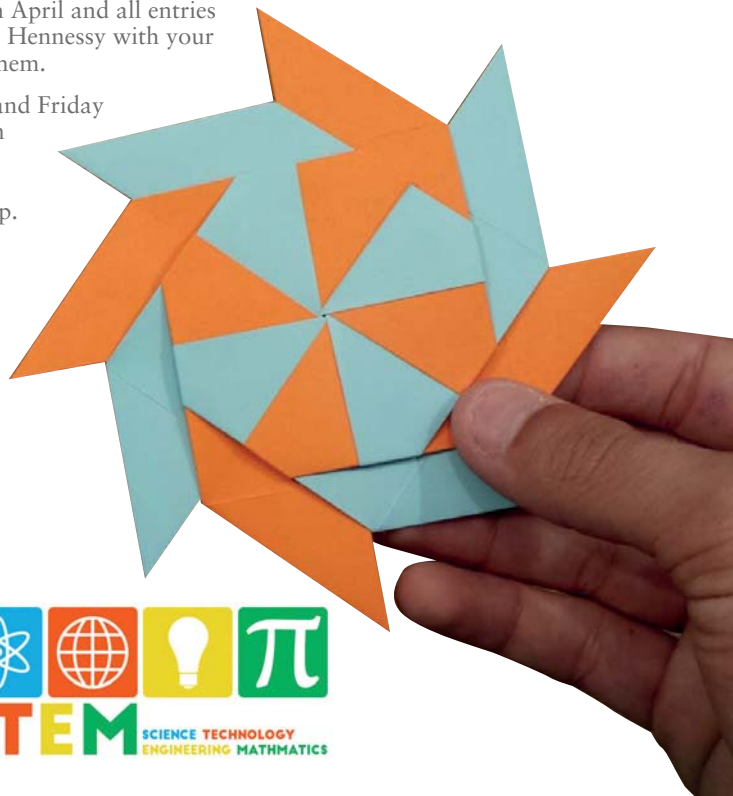
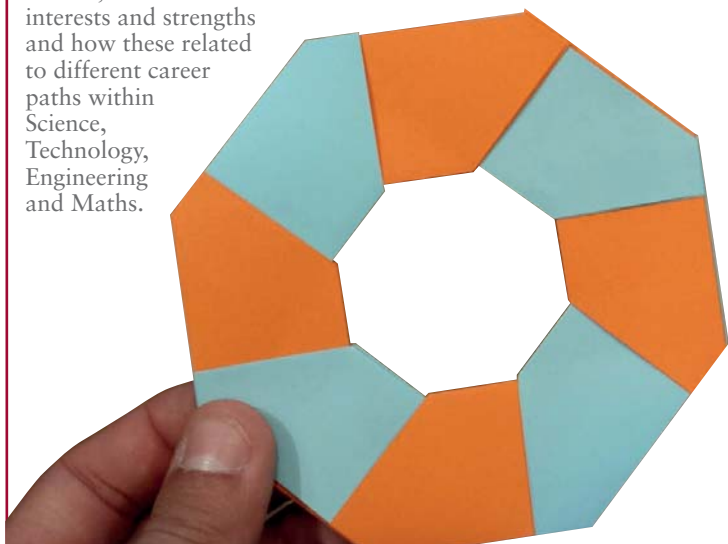
An ongoing poster competition for Years 7-9 on the theme of 'Change' was part of our activities for the week. This is part of the British Science Association's annual poster competition and the best 10 entries from PGHS will be sent off to compete in the national competition. All entries must be on A4 or A3 paper and need to be on the theme of change. The deadline for entries for this is break time Tuesday 18th April and all entries must be returned to Mrs Hennessy with your full name and form on them.

On Monday, Thursday and Friday we also had groups from local primary schools visiting PGHS for an exciting rocket workshop.

As part of this we looked at how rockets work and what a good rocket includes, and we designed, built and tested our own rockets. A fun and exciting time was had by all involved, despite the poor weather!

Science week has been a great success and we cannot wait for the next one!

Mrs Hennessy

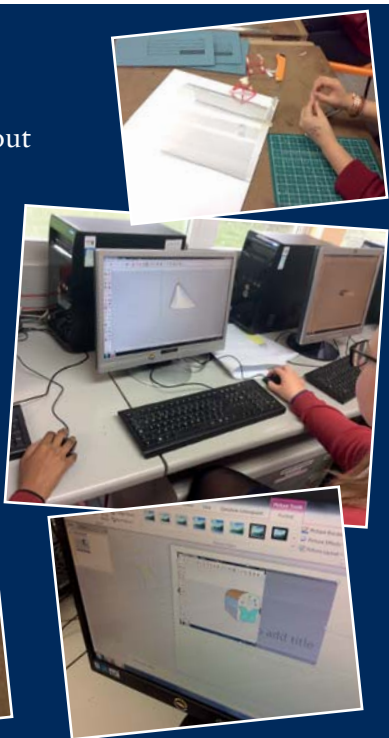


Technology Department News

Year 9

Year 9 students are learning about biomimicry and architecture to create their own beach hut idea.

The girls have produced some fantastic research sheets and are now beginning to model their ideas in 3D and on CAD.

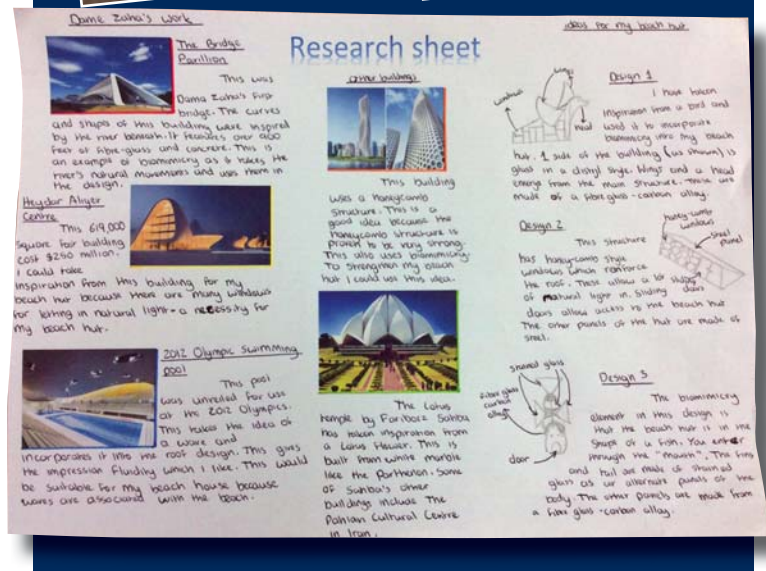


Year 11

Year 11 Product Design class are currently working extremely hard, finalising their making for the jewellery project.

They have used a plethora of different equipment, materials and techniques, creating some fantastic designs.

Mr Farrington



Chair of Governor's Update

Thank you parents for supporting your daughters in their continued hard work this term.

This term has seen the school improve further still with the near completion of our Training Centre. Governors are fully supportive of these continued improvements, all of which are designed to enhance the teaching and learning in school.

This term, and over the Easter break, we see the start of the science laboratory refurbishment scheme, thanks in part to a successful funding bid.

I would like to take this opportunity to update you on the membership of our governing body. We have recently welcomed back Colleen Lloyd (an ex parent governor), and also joining us is Geoff Fawcett as co-opted governor. Our governing body consists of 16 members including the Headteacher, myself as Chair, Howard Jackson, Chair of Finance & Resources and Peter Smith, Chair of Staffing and Pupil Welfare.

If you wish to find out about any of our other responsibilities, please follow the governor's link on the school website. As Easter approaches, I would like to, on behalf of the governing body, thank the staff and girls for their hard work this term and parents for your continuing support.

Mrs Lorimer Russell-Hayes, Chair of Governors



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