

Newsletter

Friday 11th September
2020



Penwortham Girls'
High School

Important Dates:



1st October
VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING

26th – 30th October
HALF TERM

19th November
Year 11 Parents Evening

10th December
Year 9 Parent Evening

Head Girl and Deputy Head Girl



Penwortham Girls' High School is an outstanding school, delivering fantastic academic results whilst empowering students to achieve their full potential, without the classic gender stereotypes.

As Head and Deputy Head Girl, we are incredibly proud to work alongside the teaching staff and the student leadership team, who are dedicated to supporting fellow students to become articulate, questioning, tolerant and independent young women.

Through the support of the teaching staff and fellow students, our school feels more like a family than a place of study and that's probably the reason why so many students choose to come here and go on to do many great things.

Darcy and Tegan
(Head Girl & Deputy Head Girl)



National Teaching School
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National Support School
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Professor Dame Nancy Rothwell takes up position as Chair of The Russell Group



We are delighted that one of our alumni, Professor Dame Nancy Rothwell has taken up the position of Chair of the Russell Group.

Appointed in May, Professor Rothwell is the eighth Vice-Chancellor to Chair the Group and the first woman to take on the role.

The Russell Group represents 24 leading UK universities, based across every region and nation of the country. Currently, Russell Group universities are working hard on plans to safely reopen campuses ahead of the new term, in line with official requirements and social distancing guidelines, to ensure students continue to get the best possible teaching and learning experience.

The universities are also playing an important role in the fight against Covid-19, carrying out potentially life-saving research into the virus, as well as giving practical support to NHS staff and local communities.

<https://www.manchester.ac.uk/discover/news/professor-dame-nancy-rothwell-takes-up-position-as-chair-of-the-russell-group/>

It was lovely to receive an email this week from Professor Dame Nancy Rothwell commenting on how she loved seeing her former school on the BBC News this week.

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COVID 19 Government Guidance



Do not send your child to school if:

- they are showing coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms
- someone in their household is showing symptoms

Arrange a test if you or your child develops symptoms. Inform your nursery, childminder, school or college of the results.

If the test is positive, follow guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection, and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.

It is really important that you help nurseries, childminders, schools and colleges to implement these actions by following the advice set out here and wider public health advice and guidance.

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result.

Main symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

Get a test to check if you have coronavirus

Please visit our Attendance Policy Appendix on our school 'September 2020' webpage for further Attendance information. <http://www.penworthamgirls.lancs.sch.uk/september-2020-opening/6093207.html>

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**SCHOOL
ADMISSIONS
SECONDARY**

SOUTH

Do you have a child starting secondary school
in September 2021 and living in Lancashire?

APPLY NOW!

WWW.LANCASHIRE.GOV.UK/SCHOOLS

or give us a call on 01772 532109

CLOSING DATE: 31 OCTOBER 2020

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk and search 'School Admission Policies'.

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Attention all parents!



ParentMail

Have you registered?

It's an easy, convenient way to
receive school messages.

You can:

- ✓ Receive messages on your computer, tablet or mobile
- ✓ See all your messages in one handy, uncluttered feed
- ✓ Link to other schools or clubs that also use ParentMail
- ✓ Keep up to date with your school calendar
- ✓ Authorise trips or permissions online



Registering is really easy...

Ask your school office to send you a registration message



Attention all parents!

Download the ParentMail App for the best way to pick up school messages

FREE
DOWNLOAD



"Nice simple little App but such a great, effective way of accessing important school information"



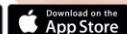
"Great communications tool - makes life a bit more organised"



"Brilliant! I don't have to go back to all my emails to check up what's going on at my children's school, 10 out of 10"



Search "ParentMail" in your App store...



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Please note: If you are not already registered, you will need to register online on the ParentMail website before trying to access the App. Please ask the school office to send you a registration message

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<https://twitter.com/PenworthamGH>



On Wednesday you may have seen us again on BBC North West News.

Peter Marshall from BBC News North West came to PGHS for a follow up interview with Mrs Pomeroy, Headteacher regarding the re-opening of our school and to see how it is all going with the new procedures and safety measures in place.

Hill Road

There is currently ongoing construction work along Hill Road, Penwortham.

Please can the Year 9 and 10 girls who access school via Alcester Avenue be mindful of this and try to remain on the pavements as much as possible.