

23 February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Year 11

There are now only 10 school weeks until Year 11 begin the summer exams – and quite a few deadlines to meet before that. Year 11 will have a further set of mock exams next week in the core subjects of English, Maths and Science.

We are planning an Easter revision school which will take place in the second week of the Easter holidays on Monday 8th, Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th of April. There will be sessions in PE, Art, Photography, Maths, RS, History and Science at least and a specific timetable with the focus of each session will be sent out in a couple of weeks' time.

Year 9

Thank you to Parents, Carers and Students who attended Options Evening yesterday. This is an important process for Year 9 students and will be followed up at Parents' Evening next Thursday – details of which have already been sent to Year 9 Parents and Carers.

Support

It is a reality that some children struggle in school for a variety of reasons and sometimes that can be associated with difficulties in regulating emotions. The National College has produced resources to help parents with this and I attach their poster '10 top tips on supporting children with self regulation'.

Rewards

Mr Long has developed a wonderful system for rewards and as part of that, each week he will publish the names of those in each year and in the whole school who have achieved the highest number of Grade 5's, the highest reward points overall and the highest points for **C**ommitment, **A**spiration, **R**esilience and **R**espect. During the following week the 6 overall winners for the whole school will have a breaktime reward as a thank you for their efforts. This week it was a pleasure to meet with:

Commitment:	Annie (Year 9)
Aspiration:	Jacob (Year 11)
Resilience:	Linda (Year 7)
Respect:	Sophie (Year 9)
Most 5's:	Kabaenda (Year 10)
Highest Points:	Grace (Year 7)

Congratulations

Many congratulations to Sophie in Year 9 for her achievements in swimming. She is the 50m and 100m breaststroke champion in Lancashire having gained 2 gold medals in the championship. She also achieved a silver in the 200m. Good luck with the training for the North West Championships in April and May.



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Attendance

This week we have sent out a text to all year 8, 9 and 10 Parents with current attendance. There is still work to do to get back to pre-pandemic levels of attendance and that is true here. Children need to be in school unless absolutely unavoidable – please do not let them stay off because they ‘feel off’ or ‘feel sick’.

Year 7	93.54%	We need to improve attendance in all year groups but especially Year 8, 10 and 11.
Year 8	90.48%	
Year 9	91.48%	
Year 10	89.16%	
Year 11	86.59%	

School Transport - Warton

Road works in Warton will affect 602, 603 and 639 school service commencing Monday 26th February for 3 weeks resulting in possible delays.

639 AND 602 start as usual from Lytham travel through Warton to Freckleton. The Warton stop at Whites is temporarily shut so pick up in Warton will be at 2 stops - the Old Post Office at Townsend Garage and Mill Lane Warton.

603 will not pick up in Warton and will start from the bus stop opposite Lamaleach Drive, Freckleton.

Walton's have confirmed students with bus passes for a specific bus can use any of the 3 buses during these roadworks .

Upcoming dates:

Thursday 29 th February	:	Year 9 Parents' Evening 4.00 – 7.00 p.m.
	:	Year 11 data published
Thursday 7 th March	:	Year 9 Options - Appointments available after school 6-8 pm
Tuesday 12 th March	:	SHINE Coffee morning for Parents and Carers 9.30 a.m.
Wednesday 13 th March	:	SEN Drop-In 2.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.
	:	Pastoral Drop-In 3.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.
Thursday 21 st and Friday 22 nd March	:	Performing Arts Show 7.00 p.m.
Wednesday 27 th March	:	Additional Year 11 Parents' Evening and Careers Fair for Years 10 and 11, 4.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.
Thursday 28 th March	:	School closes for Easter holidays at 3.15 p.m.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Waller
Headteacher