

1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

## Year 9

This is an important time for Year 9 as they choose their options. Thank you to those who were able to attend Parents' Evening yesterday. If you still need to discuss options with a member of the Leadership Team there will be a further option next Thursday (March 7<sup>th</sup>) from 4pm to 7pm, please phone school to make an appointment.

## Year 11

Year 11 are in the midst of a final set of mock exams and now have only 36 school days left before the main public exam series starts on May 9<sup>th</sup>, they have several deadlines before that for various subjects.

I will hopefully send details of the Easter Revision School out next week. All Year 11 should be spending 2 hours an evening on personal revision now – results do not come without effort and there will be plenty of time to relax after the exams!

## Post 16 events

Blackpool Sixth Form is holding Easter sessions on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March (10.30 till 1pm) and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March (4.10 – 5.10pm). The links to both these sessions are:

Bookings for **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March** can be made via this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TasterDay24>

Bookings for **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March** can be made via this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/afterschooltaster24>

Also AKS have and Open Evening for their Sixth Form on Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm. Please see the attached flyer.

## Transport Survey

We have received the following message from LCC School Bus Service:

### **Lancashire County Council School Bus Service Survey**

Does your child currently use a school bus service contracted by Lancashire County Council?

If so please could you spare a few minutes to undertake a short survey to help the council understand what you may want from the service in the future.

The survey is open from 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024 and 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 and the results will help the county council better understand service user needs and wants.

You can access the survey via the link below:

[School Transport Review Survey - February 2024](#)



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### Attendance

School attendance continues to be a real focus and I am pleased that we are seeing some signs of improvement if only small at this stage. You may have seen in the news that parental fines will rise to £80/parent from September where these are used.

Year 7	93.67% ↑	Only year 7 and 9 are above current national average and both of these are below pre-pandemic levels.
Year 8	90.55% ↑	
Year 9	91.55% ↑	
Year 10	89.22% ↑	
Year 11	86.44% ↓	

### Rewards

Congratulations to our rewards highest scores in the weeks ending:

February 21st

Commitment: Josh (Year 10)  
Aspiration: Sam (Year 7)  
Resilience: Oliver (Year 9)  
Respect: Erin (Year 7)  
Most 5's: Charlotte (Year 10)  
Highest Points: Charlotte (Year 10)

February 28th

Commitment: Victoria (Year 10)  
Aspiration: Eve (Year 8)  
Resilience: Olivia (Year 7)  
Respect: Bailey (Year 8)  
Most 5's: Anne (Year 9)  
Highest Points: Damians (Year 7)

### Finally.

This weekend sees a cultural event in Kirkham with the lantern festival. We hope that goes really well and is a good occasion for the town.

### Upcoming dates:

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

Yours faithfully



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Headteacher