

8 January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please can I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year, it was great to see all of our students back in school last week ready for the new year. As always, we have hit the ground running and last week we welcomed Mr Dunn into the school as Head of PE and Mrs Stevens as a Teacher of SEND. Year 10 and 11 had their first trip of the year to London to watch "Christmas Carol" and Year 9 have been introduced to the GCSE Options process. I would like to make all Year 9 parents and carers aware that I will be sending you an email before the end of the week with an update on the options.

Year 11 Parents' Evening - Thursday 18 January

Please ensure that you have booked appointments here: https://priorycofeschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/

Year 11 parents and carers

Link to letter regarding important events this term and GCSE examinations.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Parents do you have questions about DofE generally which are non-Priory specific? DofE are running some parent sessions to help parents understand how they can support their child through the award. Please see the attached flyer if you are interested in joining a session.

Duke of Edinburgh - Bronze

There is a training day for all students doing the Bronze award this year on January 20th.

Friends of the Priory School

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Upcoming events:

Saturday 20 January

W/B 8 January - KS3 Reading assessments
Thursday 18 January - Yr 11 Reports to parents
- Yr 11 Parents' evening

- Duke of Edinburgh Bronze training day

Tuesday 23 January - Yr 9 Olympic Park Visit

W/B 22 January Yr 11 Progress interviews with members of the Senior Leadership

team

Wednesday 24 January Wednesday 31 January 31 Jan & 1 February 2-8 February Friday 9 February 12-16 February Monday 19 February

Thursday 22 February Tuesday 27 February Wednesday 28 February Thursday 29 February

1-15 March Wednesday 6 March Thursday 7 March 11-13 March Thursday 21 March Thursday 28 March

29 March-12 April

15 April 16 April - Yr 11 Exam evening - Core seminars

- Yr 11 "Poetry Live!" Trip

- Gym and Dance show

- Year 9 exams begin

- INSET day

- Half term

- Start of half term

- DTP and MenACWY vaccinations

- Inclusion Parents' Evening

- Yr 11 Food Technology final practical exam (1)

- GCSE Drama trip "Woman in Black"

- Yr 7 Parents' Evening

Yr 11 Food Technology final practical exam (2)

- Yr 11 mock examinations

- Spring concert

- Yr 8 and 9 Reports to parents

- Science week

- Yr 9 Options evening

- Yr 9 Options submissions Last day of term - 3:25pm finish

- Easter holiday

- INSET day

- Start of summer term

Best wishes

Mrs J Trimnell Headteacher

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