



24 March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations to the Yr11 students who completed their second series of GCSE mock examinations. Staff are now busy marking papers and preparing how they will be supporting their students in the lead up to their final examinations.

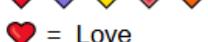
Auditions

This week the Drama department are carrying out their auditions for this year's show of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory."

Social Media

Following recent reminders please can you ensure that you know what your child is using social media for. Unfortunately, last week we had to spend considerable amount of time investigating misuse of social media outside of school. I have made it very clear to students that if we hear of students using platforms to be unkind to one another then I will have no hesitation to involve the Police. If your child has a telephone on contract, then whoever has their name on this, will be responsible for the content on the phone. Your support in this matter is appreciated. I have also attached useful information for the support and guidance of young people and families.

It is always difficult to understand the use of emojis within society, so I have also provided below the meanings of some emojis:

-  Red Pill – "I see the truth." Used in toxic male spaces to mean waking up to supposed hidden 'truths' about women and society, often linked to misogynistic ideologies.
-  Blue Pill – Represents those who are "blind to the truth" or still believe in mainstream views about relationships and gender dynamics.
-  Dynamite Emoji – An "exploding red pill," meaning someone is a radicalised incel.
-  Kidney Bean – A symbol linked to incel culture, sometimes mocking women.
-  100 Emoji – Tied to the "80/20 rule," the belief that 80% of women are only attracted to 20% of men.
-  Black Hole – Used to express depression, hopelessness, or being sucked into negative online spaces.
-  Tornado – Represents chaos or feeling overwhelmed, sometimes used to indicate mental distress.
-  Frog Emoji – Associated with alt-right and extremist meme culture, often linked to Pepe the Frog, which has been co-opted by some toxic online groups.
-  Eagle – A symbol of extreme nationalism, sometimes used in far-right online spaces.
-  Skull – While often just slang for "that's funny" or "I'm dead (from laughing)," in certain groups, it can signal darker themes like nihilism or self-harm.
-  Heart Colours – Not just about love!
 -  = Love
 -  = Lust
 -  = "Are you interested?"
 -  = Interested but not in sex
 -  = "You'll be okay"

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Year 10 Virtual Academic Parents Evening - Thursday 1 May 2025

I would like to invite you to attend Parents' Evening on Thursday, 1 May 2025. This is an important evening and provides you with an opportunity to find out how your child progresses in Year 10. We will be hosting this via School Cloud, which you can access through the school website. The Parents' Evening will be open for bookings on Monday 31st March, from 4pm. Please make sure to book your appointments online in good time. To access the system, you can use this link: <https://priorycofeschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

This is an academic parents evening to discuss progress with subject specialist teachers. We remind you to contact your child's tutor when there are any pastoral concerns.

Year 9 Pizza and Sports Afternoon – Thursday 3rd April

Mr Pinchin has organized a Pizza and Sports afternoon on Thursday 3rd April after school at 4:00pm after school. We will be having a sports tournament and will order Domino's Pizza for those who want it. Pupils do not need to wear school uniform or PE Kit, but they should be dressed appropriately for the event. **Uniform is required for the day.** A contribution of £3.50 will be required towards the cost of the food and snacks.

If your child would like to take part in the event, please complete the online form [here](#) and pay via Scopay. This will be found under 'Trips and Events' titled 'Y9 Pizza & Sports'. Your completed form will need to be returned, and payment will need to be made by Monday 31st March at the latest.

Upcoming dates for the diary:

03 April	Y9 Sports Afternoon – 4-6pm
04 April	End of Term – 3:25pm finish Year 11 mock results to parents/carers
22 April	Start of Summer Term
23-26 April	Silver DofE expedition
25 April	BTEC Dance Show
30 April	Year 11 PE moderation day
1 May	Year 10 Virtual Academic Parents Evening
1-2 May	Year 11 Art exam
5 May	School closed – Bank holiday
6-9 May	Year 9 Community project week
9-10 May	Bronze DofE practice expedition
12 May	GCSE examinations begin
26-30 May	Half term

Best wishes,



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