

March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the Easter break, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support throughout this term. It has been a busy and productive few months, with students demonstrating great commitment to their studies, personal development, and wider school activities. From academic achievements to extracurricular successes, we are incredibly proud of their hard work and enthusiasm.

#### Senior Leadership Team Consultation Evenings

The senior leadership team are available on specified late afternoons throughout the year to offer a forum to discuss aspects which parents/carers may wish to review beyond the scope of the normal channels of staff/parent communication. The slots are staggered throughout the year and, with the first two having already taken place on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2024 and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025, we have one more remaining on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025. If you wish to avail yourself of this opportunity, please contact our reception on [generalenquiries@priorylsst.co.uk](mailto:generalenquiries@priorylsst.co.uk), outlining your topic for discussion.

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Form Senior Prefect Team 2025/26

We are delighted to announce our new Senior Prefect team who will start their duties after the Easter break. After a rigorous selection process the following students have been appointed.

Head students – Zane Redfern and Matilda Bush

Deputy Head students – Amelia Skinner and David Pape

Senior Prefects – Harriet Monaghan, Harry Bush, Jihana Slavin Disley, Evelyn Ward

We would like to thank our outgoing Senior Prefect team for their continued dedication and hard work over the last year. We are sure they will continue to support the new team as they settle into their roles.

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Form

As Year 13 start their final preparations for their upcoming examinations, the Year 12 students are beginning to look at future pathways post 18. On Awareness Day Year 12 students had the opportunity to visit a university campus in order to find out more about university life and courses. Our UCAS and Post 18 Pathways information evening has taken place this week and starts a series of events next term for our Year 12 students to help guide them with their next steps post A Levels.

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## Assessment

This module we saw the Year 10 students undertake a full set of internal assessments; the results for these will be shared with students and parents at the end of this week. In addition to this, module grades for all Year 9 students through to Year 13 will be available on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April on the SIMS Parent App. Year 8 students will also be receiving full written reports, and Year 13 students their last ever reports in the form of Tutor and Head of Year reports.

Next module sees the start of the summer examination series, meaning students in Years 10 to 13 will be sitting formal examinations. Details of these can be found on the website [here](#). Year 12 students will also sit a full suite of A level and BTEC internal examinations, details of which can also be found on the above link.

## Awareness and Personal Development

This module has been a busy one for Awareness and Personal Development. On the 21<sup>st</sup> March Years 7-12 were involved in a variety of activities linked to careers and personal development in our Awareness Day. The Academy also hosted the Oxbridge Conference where guest speakers came and spoke to the students from the Academy and local schools about Oxford and Cambridge University.

On Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Year 8 had their Stay Safe day where experts from the police and local authority came in the speak to our students about keeping themselves safe.

## Uniform and Community

May we take this opportunity to ask for your continued support in maintaining our high standards of uniform. We have very high expectations of the standard of student uniform and do appreciate the crucial support of parents and carers in this. Full details of the academy uniform expectations are available here:

[The Priory Academy LSST - Uniform \(priorylsst.co.uk\)](https://priorylsst.co.uk)

We would like to remind parents and carers that we hold a vast stock of pre-loved uniform on site. If you would like to enquire whether we have an item of uniform which your child may need, please do get in touch via [LSSTuniform@prioryacademies.co.uk](mailto:LSSTuniform@prioryacademies.co.uk)

We appreciate the need for parents and carers to collect students at the end of the school day and that this does create busy traffic conditions at the entrance/exit of the Academy. Recently we have had increasing contact from residents and businesses in the vicinity of the Academy, where parking to collect students has caused direct issues with access to their properties. We therefore request that if you are collecting students from the Cross 'O Cliff Hill entrance to the Academy, you come into the site and use the tennis court parking and collect your child(ren) from there. Please do not park in the residential areas in the vicinity of the Academy entrance. If you are collecting students from the Sixth Form entrance at the top of Clayton Road, do note the parking restrictions and double yellow lines in place, and please plan to meet students away from both here and Urban Street. This area can become very busy, and this can then impact on the locality. Thank you for your support in helping us maintain positive relationships with our neighbours.

## House Update

We have had our bench ball competitions for Years 7, 8, 9, and 11. It has been wonderful to witness such enthusiastic participation, teamwork and close competitions. Since the start of the academic year, numerous house competitions have taken place, including Duolingo challenges, pumpkin carving photo contests, Christmas photo competitions, and Valentine's cake competitions. There have been another series of House assemblies, featuring activities such as scavenger hunts and Plickers quizzes.

Finally, it is fantastic to see all our wellbeing and subject ambassadors actively supporting younger students. Our current leaderboard: 1st place Alexandria - 75,836; 2nd place Avalon - 73,664; 3rd place Castille - 71,250 and 4th place Sempringham - 67,556

### Charity

Since the start of the academic year, there has been a lot of activity in enrichment and extra-curricular programs, with numerous fundraising events and house competitions for all year groups. Events have been organised to raise money for our three chosen Academy charity partners: Water Aid, Dandelion Time, and the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, raising a total of £2,655 so far. Our student Fundraising and Charity Team (FACT) has supported these efforts at the academy show, in the Masterclass Café, and with the mystery book sale. Additionally, our staff participated in a house bench ball event for Jamie's Legacy, raising £92.

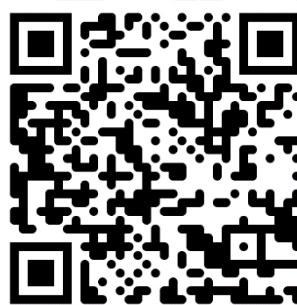
### Social Media Platforms

We want to encourage you to stay connected with the Academy through our social media platforms. You will receive regular updates about enrichment activities, arts programs, Academy updates and other exciting events to keep you informed.

Facebook



Instagram



May I finally take this opportunity to wish all our students a very safe and relaxing easter break. I look forward to welcoming them all back to the Academy on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Hopkinson  
Headteacher