

PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

PressTales

Please find a link to the latest edition of PressTales here

Sister Act

As we approach the last performance this evening, I wanted to say well done and thank you to everyone involved in putting on the musical. The performances so far have been outstanding. So much work goes into producing these shows and I thank, in particular, Miss Mack, Mrs Shakespeare, Mrs Hetherington and Mrs Smith for the time they have given over many months to rehearse the students. I also pass on my thanks to those staff who have supported the team by being backstage, serving refreshments and all the other roles required when arranging these events.

Most importantly, well done to all the students who have been part of the show - you are amazing! Performing on stage is a time that you will never forget in the years to come.

Year 7 Half Term Homework

A reminder that students in Year 7 will not be set subject based homework over the upcoming half term. Instead, students are expected to complete at least one piece of work from our <u>Super Curriculum</u>. The students were informed of this in assembly and form times.

House Creative Writing Competition 2022

A reminder to students about the annual Creative Writing Competition. Entries should be no more than 800 words and the deadline for entries is Thursday 3rd March (World Book Day). We had lots of entries last year, we are hoping for just as many this year. More details can be found <u>here</u>.

Student Success

Congratulations to Isabel O'Reilly, Year 13, who has been offered a highly prestigious JP Morgan Finance Degree Apprenticeship for September 2022. Only twenty places were given from the 7000 applications. The application process involved five stages over four months. Well done Isabel, a fantastic achievement.

Inset Day - Change of Date

A reminder that the planned inset day on Monday 21st February was **moved to Thursday 17th March**. Therefore, students should return to school on Monday 21st February.





Queen's Green Canopy - Mrs Kate Belinis

Last Friday, in joint recognition of the Queen's Green Canopy and the service given as a Trustee at Presdales School, Mrs Kate Belinis, Deputy Lieutenant of Hertfordshire, planted a wild cherry tree on the school grounds. Mrs Belinis stepped down as a Trustee in the summer, following nearly 10 years of service to the school. The Queen's Green Canopy is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee.



Well done to all students for the past half term. Whilst it has been short, it has been very busy. Year 11 and 13 students will have assessments after half term and are now on the last stretch to their final exams so will need to continue with their revision plans.

Thank you for your continued support and I wish you an enjoyable half term break.

Regards

Mr M Warren Headteacher