



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

PresTales

Please click [here](#) for the latest edition of PressTales. Information can be found on current vacancies, trip payment reminders, Spring concert and news from several subjects. Please do take time to have a read.

Trips

We are pleased that trips are now taking place and others are being booked. This is part of school life that we have always embraced, which was unfortunately stopped by COVID.

On Monday, 124 Year 12 students went to ExCel London for the Higher Education Exhibition where they were able to meet representatives from universities, employers and gap year specialists.

On Wednesday, 27 A Level Biology students visited the Wellcome Sanger Institute based near Cambridge to find out more about genome sequencing.

Today, sees 47 students going away for the weekend to the PGL centre in Liddington for a residential netball trip, where students will have the opportunity to train then take part in tournaments over the weekend. We wish all of the students and staff an enjoyable time.

Good luck to the 135 Year 9 students who are on their DoE Bronze Award practice expedition today and tomorrow. The weather is looking good for the two days and I am sure they are going to have a fun, but tiring time. It is fantastic to see so many students involved in this award. Thank you to Miss Haywood and Mr Bedwell for organising and supporting the students.

Non-Uniform Day

Following requests from parents and students, the last day of this term, **Friday 1st April**, will now be a non-uniform day. The proceeds will be donated to a suitable charity supporting those in Ukraine. Several schools in the local area will have a non-uniform day between now and the end of term and we are asking students to wear blue and/or yellow on that day (although this is not compulsory). Donations can be made in person on the day, or via Wisepay. We usually ask for a £2.00 donation on non-uniform days.

Donations for Ukraine

Debs Bonfield, who runs Manic Ceramics in Hertford, is collating donations to take to Ukraine. They have organised five trucks to leave on Thursday 24th March. They are looking for children's/babies' nappies, baby bottles, underwear for boys and girls (new and in sealed packets), gloves, roll on deodorant, soap bars, talc, flannels, toothpaste, toothbrushes, tea, coffee (but no glass jars), sweets, granola bars, breakfast cereal bars, biscuits, packet pasta meals, torches, batteries, candles, power banks, sleeping bags, head torches, tourniquets, bandages, dressings, antiseptic wipes. If you are able to donate any of these items, then please drop them to Manic Ceramics directly at 22 Port Vale, Hertford, SG14 3AB.

London Road Crossing

Several of our parents who live in Great Amwell have been canvassing the council for a safe crossing on London Road. They have passed us the following message to share with parents:

'If you would like a crossing or traffic island on London Road near Postwood Road / the Scout Hut then you can email local councillor, Jonathan.Kaye@eastherts.gov.uk to say so. It would mean safe crossing for those walking from Great Amwell to Presdales'

Police Newsletter

Please click [here](#) for a link to the latest newsletter from the Hertfordshire constabulary.

'We Are Tennis'

Please click [here](#) for details of tennis coaching sessions available from April at Presdales School. These are given by an external provider.

I wish you all a pleasant weekend.

Mr M Warren
Headteacher