



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

PresTales

Please click [here](#) for the latest edition of PressTales. In particular, I draw your attention to our half term results for Sparx Maths. Well done to Natalia, Hollie, Emily, Nefeli and Milly (Year 7-11) who have topped the leader board for their year group, gaining over 80,000 points between them. Well done to all students who are engaging in this program to support their learning and understanding in Maths.

Open Evening

Well done to all involved in the organisation and delivery of our Open Evening. It was a pleasure to see so many young people and their parents in school looking around departments, talking to staff and most importantly speaking to our current students. Our students were fantastic, and were highly praised by all the visitors I spoke to. Parents were very impressed with how well the students knew and sold the school as shown in the comments below.

'The tour was very informative and gave us a good insight into the school'

'Our tour guide, Fara (Yr 9) was fantastic. Really chatty and informative & positive about her experiences at the school. A really lovely girl'

Sixth Form Information Evening

A reminder that this event takes place on Thursday 10th November, from 6.00pm to 8.00pm. Further information will be sent out in due course.

U14 and U16 Netball

Well done to both the U14 and U16 netball teams who competed at the weekend in the County round of the National Schools Netball Competition.

The U14s did really well in their pool, coming 2nd out of 7 teams and only losing one game. They unfortunately lost 11-4 in the semi-finals to St Albans High School for Girls and came in 4th position overall out of 14 schools.

The U16s won every single game in their pool, topping the group with a massive 93 goals scored and only 27 conceded. In the semi-finals they won 17-11 against St Albans High School for Girls, meaning they progressed through to the finals. They then went on and remained undefeated all day, winning the final 11-3 against Berkhamsted!

Presdales' U16 netball team are now officially County Champions and will progress through to the regional round on Saturday 28th January.

The girls played excellently all day and were a credit to the school throughout. Well done! Thank you to the PE staff for training and supporting the students.

Behaviour policy

Whilst all of the policies that are relevant to students and parents are on the school website, I would like to draw attention to our [school behaviour policy](#). It is useful for students and parents to read periodically.

Super Curriculum

Well done to those students in Years 7-9 who have already completed the required number of tasks. There are several who still need to complete at least one. Half term would be a good time to complete your tasks. Mr Payne will contact parents where work is overdue.

Non-Uniform Day

If you have not already done so, please can we remind you to pay for Non-Uniform day on Wisepay. All funds raised will be divided between the school council and this year's chosen charity which will be announced after half term.

Finally, we wish all of the students and staff who left the school site at 7.00am this morning all the best for their trip to New York and Washington. I am sure they are going to have a fantastic time.

Wishing you all a pleasant and restful half term break.

Regards

Mr M Warren

Headteacher