



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

PresTales

Please click [here](#) for the latest edition of PresTales. A reminder that tickets can now be purchased for Presdales Rocks.

GCSE Fine Art Evening

Our annual [GCSE Art Exhibition](#) will be taking place on Friday 14th July in the Art department. All parents and students are welcome to view the amazing work by our students. The exhibition is from 4pm to 6pm.

Maths Challenge

Congratulations to our four Year 8 students who came 6th in the final of the Year 8 Hertfordshire Maths Challenge yesterday. 70 teams took part in the heats and the top 18 got through to the final so to come 6th overall is an amazing achievement. Well done Lara Adam, Maisie Bevan, Lizzie Morgans and Chara Pylarinou! Thank you to Miss McCallum for working with the students who entered.



School Minibus

We will soon be taking delivery of a second school minibus. We are grateful to our Parents Association who have provided the deposit for the minibus. Two minibuses will help us to provide cheaper transport for smaller school trips, as well as reducing the need for us to borrow buses from other schools for PE fixtures.

Tesco Community Grants

We have been selected as one of the community grant options at the Tesco in Ware. We are raising money for production lighting in the hall. If you shop at the Ware branch, then please support the school by adding a blue token to the Presdales pot! Please pass on to your family and friends who live locally.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

We are pleased to say that we have had record levels of applicants for our Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award Programmes for 2023-24. Over 155 have signed up for Bronze and nearly 120 have signed up for Silver. Presdales ranked 1st place out of the 92 centres countywide for the number of participants achieving a DofE award during the last financial year. This is such a fantastic experience for the students and we are excited to see so many are making the most of the opportunity to take part.

Strike Days

You may be aware from the national press, that the NEU have announced a further two strike days on Wednesday 5th July and Friday 7th July. We already have two major trips out on these days for Year 8 and 10, with many staff going on the trips. I have to take into consideration the health and safety of students when on site and ensure we have appropriate teacher/student ratios. Therefore, we will manage these two days in the following way:

Wednesday 5th July

Year 7 - At home completing online lessons where teachers are available to provide lessons. Tasks such as Super Curriculum or Sparx Maths should be completed where a teacher is not available.

Year 8 (students not on the trip) - In school as normal.

Year 9 - In school as normal.

Year 10 - At home completing online lessons where teachers are available to provide lessons. Sparx Maths and revision of content already delivered should be completed where a teacher is not available.

Friday 7th July

Year 7 - In school as normal.

Year 8 - At home completing online lessons where teachers are available to provide lessons. Tasks such as Super Curriculum or Sparx Maths should be completed where a teacher is not available.

Year 9 - At home completing online lessons where teachers are available to provide lessons. Tasks such as Super Curriculum or Sparx Maths should be completed where a teacher is not available.

Year 10 (students not on the trip) - In school as normal.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend.

Regards

Mr M Warren
Headteacher