



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parents/Carers/Students

As we come to the end of the second week back, I want to say well done to all of our students. So far, they have amassed 6853 reward points, which is more than the same period last year. As one would expect, Year 7 are leading the way, but are closely followed by Year 10. Please keep up the good work.

Visiting Author

On Tuesday, we welcomed Presdales alumna and published author, Ore Agbaje-Williams to the school to speak to 60 Sixth Form English students. She spoke about her work experiences as a Commissioning Editor at HarperCollins Publishers and her route into becoming a published author. She also inspired the students with how she created the story for her novel 'The Three of Us'.

"Ore's charisma and personality really shone through - it was clear that she was passionate about writing and her craft. I enjoyed hearing about the different steps involved in publishing a novel, and Ore's career development at a range of top publishing companies." Saoirse, Year 13.



New School Minibus/Parents Association

We had mixed emotions yesterday when we took delivery of a second school minibus after a nine-month wait. Our joy turned to dismay when we noticed that the signage 'Achievement for All' has been misspelled numerous times on the minibus. It will be going back to be rectified, so our wait continues! We are grateful to our Parents Association who covered the deposit for the bus. If you would like to know more about our PA then please click [here](#). They are always looking for new volunteers to help.

Home Run App

We continue to take part in a pilot scheme operated by Herts County Council called the Home Run network. This scheme provides an App that you can download to enable you to arrange carpools, travel buddies and explore travel options to and from school. The App supports us towards becoming a greener school by reducing our carbon footprint. We would encourage you to sign up to the Home Run App in order for this service to be as effective as possible. Please click [here](#) to sign up to our private network.

Parent Trustee Nominations

We will be seeking a parent to join the Trust Board as a Parent Trustee. If this is something you would be interested in, please look out for further information from the Trust Board in the next few weeks.

Tesco Community Grants

A reminder that we were selected as one of the community grant options at the Tesco in Ware to raise 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! This will end at the end of September.

Frank House Charity Week

This year, each House will have a week where they will try to raise as much money as they can for our school charity. Next week is the first Charity Week of the year which is being organised by Frank House. Fund raising activities include the following:

Monday	Guess how many sweets are in the jar
Tuesday	Film night from 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Wednesday	Donated clothes sale
Thursday/Friday	Bake sale

We hope that all students can support Frank House next week.

Wishing you all a pleasant and enjoyable weekend.

Regards

Mr M Warren
Headteacher