



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

I trust that all of our students and their families had an enjoyable and restful Easter break.

Whole School Photograph

On Tuesday morning, the whole school was out on the field lining up in year group by height order for our whole school photograph. This is the first one that we have done in nine years. The students were very patient and we were fortunate that the few spots of rain didn't develop into a heavier shower. The photo was taken in two halves and will be combined digitally to show the whole school in one picture. It was quite a spectacle to see the students on the rigging, all standing perfectly still at the same time. We should have the first proof through in a few weeks' time and we will send out details of how copies can be purchased.

Ofsted

Thank you for all of the congratulation emails we have received since the publication of our Ofsted report. I started replying to them all, but there were too many to keep up with! Thank you to all parents who have emailed us this week, we do appreciate it. If you have not had a chance to read the report, then please click [here](#). Only 16% of secondary schools are rated as outstanding, and just 30% of those outstanding schools who were previously exempt from inspection have maintained the outstanding grade. We are very proud of our school.

Parent Survey 2024

Every year, we ask students, staff and parents to complete a short questionnaire. This gives us a snapshot of views, thoughts or ideas on what we can do to improve further. I am conscious that parents only recently completed a survey for the Ofsted inspection. Whilst the data is available on the Ofsted Parent View website, none of the comments are, and these are not shared with the school in an inspection. As the window for completing the Ofsted was so short, many parents may not have had sufficient time to complete it. I would be grateful if parents could complete the [survey](#), which will close on Monday 29th April.

Period Products

We have had a new order delivered. The Modibodi "period proof" briefs are a brilliant sustainable development in period products and now come in sizes 6-18. We also have organic pads, tampons and washable liners. Supplies are kept topped up in the box outside the main office. Please encourage your children to help themselves. The DfE allocate us an annual budget to be spent directly on them so they are at no cost to the school or students.

Year 9

Please be advised that from next week that Mrs Sykes, Assistant Headteacher: KS4 will take responsibility for our Year 9 students. This will allow Ms Chandler: Assistant Headteacher: KS3 to focus on the transition program for our new Year 7 students. Mrs Bowden continues as Head of Year.

U13s Football County Final

Well done to all of the students who played in the U13s County Final against Parmiter's School this week. Whilst the girls were on top throughout the game, they unfortunately lost the match 3-2. I know the girls are disappointed to lose the game, but they should be very proud that they got to the final in a highly competitive county league. Thank you to Mr Macrae for coaching the team.

U13s Handball

Congratulations to our Year 8 Handball team, who won the regional championship yesterday in Nottingham, beating Northampton School for Girls 2-0 in the final. The girls now proceed to the national finals later this term. Well done to all involved and thank you to our fantastic PE team for training and taking the students to Nottingham.



I wish you all a pleasant weekend.

Regards

Mr M Warren
Headteacher