



# PRESDALES SCHOOL

*Achievement for all*

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

I hope that the students had a pleasant and enjoyable half term break. It does not seem possible that we are now embarking on the last half term of the school year. Planning for the next academic year is in full swing.

The Year 11 and 13 students should be half way through their exams now and Year 10 and 12 are starting their in-class assessments. We wish them all well.

## **Sports Leaders**

Presdales has a long tradition of offering the Sports Leaders Awards at Level 1, 2 and 3 through the Leadership Skills Foundation. This year, over 125 students have successfully achieved an award at either L1, L2 or L3. This is a remarkable achievement. I am pleased to announce that The Sports Leaders National Development Lead has awarded our school a Quality Assurance Best Practice Certificate. We are only one of three centres he has ever presented this certificate to out of the 200 he manages. Well done to the students and a particular thanks to the PE department and Mrs Warner for leading the programme.

## **Creative writing competition**

Congratulations to Evie Pratt (Year 12) and Evie Bowkett (Year 9) who have won the Academy of Real Assets Creative Writing Essay Competition, based on the title 'If I could build my neighbourhood from scratch'. The competition is open to young people all over the country. Both girls will be invited to an awards evening in July, where they will meet industry professionals supporting the next generation of talent in the building environment. Their work will also be published. Well done to you both, and thank you to Ms Severino for supporting their entries.

## **U16 England Hockey**

Well done to Olivia Holme, Year 10, who has been selected to represent England at the U16 hockey European Championships in July. This is a fantastic achievement and we wish her, and the rest of the team, all the best in the championships.

## **Languages day at Abel Smith Primary School**

On Thursday, the Modern Foreign Languages team took 21 students to Abel Smith Primary School to work with their students as part of Abel Smith's Languages Day. Teachers from German, Spanish, French, Italian and Russian supported the students to deliver sessions. The students were praised for their presentations and how they interacted with the staff and students at Abel Smith. Thank you to everyone involved.

## **Staff Long Service Celebration**

Yesterday, after school, staff came together to celebrate colleagues who have been at Presdales for a significant number of years. There are 49 staff who have been at Presdales for 10 years or more. Of these, 11 have been here for more than 20, and 6 for 25 or more years. A special mention to Mr Newman who has been associated with Presdales School for 37 years. Whilst he is no longer a full time member of staff, Mr Newman can regularly be seen covering lessons and working as an invigilator. Thank you to all staff for what they do for our students.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend

**Mr M Warren**  
**Headteacher**