



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

Dear Parents,

National figures show that 375,000 pupils missed school last week due to self-isolation. I am very grateful for the patience of families whose children are or have been in that position. The government is reviewing its “close contact” rules so that pupils’ education may continue with much less interruption in future. Schools expect to set up testing centres again in September as part of this, although we do not yet know any details.

Particular best wishes to some of our Hong Kong boarders who had to fly home at short notice after the Hong Kong government imposed a UK travel ban. What a week! We are very proud of those pupils dealing with this situation.



CCF Gold DofE expedition

### Pupil achievements

Congratulations to **Harry Wild (U6RTM)** who was top UK competitor and 23<sup>rd</sup> overall in the European Physics Olympiad. His selection for the UK Team came after achieving a Gold medal in the UK Physics Olympiad.

Well done to Sixth Formers who achieved outstanding Biology Olympiad results, with Gold Medals for **Aaron Wang (L6TCM)**, **Ako Lekwuwa (L6ADK)** and **Jason Chan (L6RAA)**. Congratulations to **Jacob Terence (L6TCM)** whose research into vitamin D & COVID-19 was published in Medic Mentor magazine and featured on BBC Radio Lancashire.

Best wishes to **Will McGhie (L6JRR)** who has qualified for The Open Regional Final – an outstanding sporting achievement in an exceptionally strong field of golfers at St Anne’s Old Links.

### Preston North End Community and Education Trusts

Good luck to **Joe and Oliver Martin** who are walking and cycling 72 miles to raise funds for the PNECET Goals mental health programme! Please read more about their challenge and consider sponsoring them here: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/PNECETRoadToRecovery>



### Summer building works

Several site projects are planned for the summer: major work on **Ashton House**; **Frankland House** improvements; conversion of two smaller rooms to create a new **science laboratory**; an expanded **Wyresdale House** pastoral base in memory of Richard Furlong-Brown; new gates outside **Old School House** to enhance security; an **LED lighting** project to improve energy efficiency. These are funded from government grants, a charitable foundation, and generous donations and a bequest from former pupils and staff.



Despite the interruptions of the current situation, we still have plenty of activities scheduled beyond our classroom doors and Teams: Strolling with Shakespeare, RGS Cricket Festival, Sports Day, Duke of Edinburgh expeditions, Rowing, Masterchef, Geography and History trips, CCF Summer camp – and more!

With best wishes for the final weeks of term ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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