# Bulletin



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#### **New Term**

Welcome back and a happy new year to you all. I hope that the first week back has been a positive one and you're pleased to be back after the Christmas break. We had an excellent first term this year but as we start a new term (and a new school year), it's an exciting opportunity to look ahead and set yourself a clear goal for the term ahead. As you settle back into the routines of school and return to your learning think about which next steps will help you to improve and to develop. It's only by keeping focused on the next step of the journey that we will keep improving, developing and learning most effectively. Let's make sure that the next term is filled with new achievements, new experiences and embracing the opportunities available to all us.

# **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Jayne Clarke, Executive Principal of the Pinnacle Learning Trust, and one of our Governing Body who has been awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List for her service to further education. A very well deserved honour which recognises all of the work she has done and is doing to support and develop the young people of Oldham.

Mr Anderson

# **Uniform Reminder**

It has been lovely to see the majority of students arrive back at school this week looking smart and ready to learn. We do, however, have a small number of students arriving in school with the following items which are not part of our uniform policy:

- Leggings
- Socks with sports logos on them e.g. Nike socks
- Fluffy socks with large frills
- Socks over tights

Form Tutors complete a uniform check every morning where non school uniform items such as jewellery, trainers, false nails etc are removed. However, to ensure a positive start to the day, we would ask that students do not arrive with these items in the first place.

If you have any queries regarding uniform, please contact the pastoral team.

Mrs Briggs





# Duke of Edinburgh Year 9 Bronze Award Meeting

There will be a meeting for all students taking part in the DofE Bronze award on **Tuesday, 16th January** at 3pm in the main school hall.

ALL students must attend as this is the last opportunity for the groups to be finalised.

Dr Rowan / Mrs Reece DofE Team



# Sisters in Sport Semi Finals here we come!

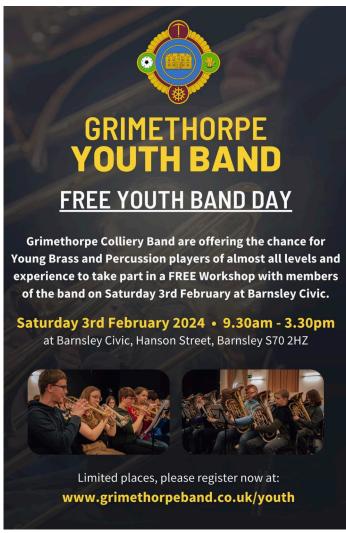
Congratulations to our outstanding U15s netball team who beat Birkenhead school 39-37 in an extremely tight quarter final to secure a place in the regional (North) semi final against Yarm school near Middlesborough.

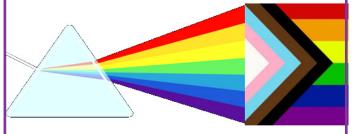
It was goal for goal in the first quarter. Saddleworth then went down a goal in the second quarter. The girls were determined and in the third quarter they pulled away by 5 goals as they got into a rhythm and displayed amazing team work, encouraging each other all the way. The final quarter was nail biting as Birkenhead clawed back a couple of goals. Saddleworth dug deep however and their true competitive nature shone - fighting for every ball to finally win 39-37.

We are extremely proud of these girls for their total commitment to school sport and for doing so well in such a prestigious national competition. Molly Hirst won player of the match which was well deserved.

Well done girls you are amazing! *Miss Kipling* 







## **PRISMS**

Calling all members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies!

Come and join us in a safe and inclusive space on **Tuesday lunchtimes in L107.** 

Miss Bowden

#### **Assemblies**

Day	Date	Staff	Year	Time	Assembly Theme
Monday	15th January	Mr Casey	11	8.30 – 9.00	Reporting Concerns
Tuesday	16th January	Mr Casey	10	8.30 – 9.00	Reporting Concerns
Wednesday	17th January	Mr Casey	9	8.30 - 9.00	Reporting Concerns
Thursday	18th January	Mr Casey	8	8.30 - 9.00	Reporting Concerns
Friday	19th January	Mr Casey	7	8.30 – 9.00	Health & Wellbeing - Sleep

#### **YEAR 11**

## STUDY SUPPORT SESSIONS

We saw fantastic attendance at study support sessions last term. On the Mock results day, we will be awarding vouchers to ten lucky winners who were all entered into a prize draw because of their regular attendance to study support.

Y11 students have each been given a new personalised study support timetable on brightly coloured paper.

We are keeping a record of attendance and engagement with all study support and intervention sessions this year. This information (along with your homework record, revision preparation and your attendance %) will be used to identify whether students have developed the independent learning skills required to be given independent study periods during your final examinations in the Summer.

If you would like to attend a session that isn't on your timetable, please contact the Curriculum Leader so that they can advise because numbers and rooms are limited.

#### Year 11 Study Support Timetable from 15th January - 28th March 2024

15 <sup>th</sup> Jan- 28th March 2024	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
Form time 8:30-9am		Maths targeted students in L111 Maths targeted students in S103 Maths targeted students in S104 GCSE Business targeted students in F201	Maths targeted students in L111 Maths targeted students in S103 Maths targeted students in S104		
Lunchtime	RE in F204	3D Design in Q005 Design Technology in Q001		Graphics in S110	
After School	Combined science – targeted students until 4:10pm L106 and L206 English 7-9 in F111 English Booster in F110 Food in S110 Further Maths in S108 RE in F204 History in S201 and S203 Creative iMedia in S104 Health & Social Care in F208 - open session for anyone who has not already got a targeted session to attend.	Combined Science open invite in L105 Until 3:40pm  Maths targeted Grade 5-6 sessions in S108  Maths targeted Grade 6-7 sessions in L111  Maths targeted Grade 4 foundation tier in S103  Maths targeted Grade 7-9 L109  French in F207  German in F206 3d Design in Q005  Music GCSE in F103  Enterprise & Marketing in F209		Maths Past paper Club open invitation to students in dining hall.  Triple Science 3-4:10pm Practising exam technique. in L205 and L202.  English Secure Four in F110 English Secure Four in F111 English Lang Writing in L104 English Lang Reading inL107 English Lang Booster in L103 English Lang 7-9 in L102  Maths targeted 5 Foundation in L110	RE in F204 GCSE Media Studies in F109 Food in S110
	Art in L208				

# **Year 11 Key Dates**

Friday 19th January	Mock exam results day		
Thursday 25th January	Y11 Parents' Evening in school		
	Core Mock Exams (Maths, English and Science)		

Keep going Year 11! Remember the things you can control: your attitude to learning, your revision and how much effort you put into your work.

Miss Evans

# **Mock Results Day**

On Friday 19th January, Y11 students will gain an insight into what the exam results day in the summer might feel like. Students will get an envelope with their projected grades in and experience the highs and lows of seeing potential exam results. Teachers will have done their best to use all of the information available to them to project these grades — they will have taken into account how students have performed in the December exams, class assessments and lesson time. Students have been using their exam papers to identify gaps in knowledge, skills or exam technique so that they will be fully ready when exams begin in the summer.

Good luck to all of our Year 11 students!

Mr Tuck



# Spring- PE Extra-Curricular Clubs 3-4pm



Area	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday STAFF CPD	Thursday	Friday
Astro	Year 7 Boys Football (ACY/JRY)	Year 8 Boys Football (ACY)		Year 9 Boys Football (LAN) Astro	
Sports Hall	Year 8 & 9 Netball (ABY)	Dodgeball All Years (CKG)		Year 7 Netball (GWK/JCH)	Basketball All Years (GMG)
Grass			Year 9 Girls Rugby with Miss Sutcliffe	Year 7 Rugby (GMG/JRY)	
Activity Suite	Dance (JCH)				

Tuesday 3-4pm Year 11 GCSE PE Coursework Catch Up sessions in S110 with Miss Charlesworth



# Lunch Times- PE Extra-Curricular Clubs 1.20-1.55pm (must bring Trainers)



Area	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Astro	Year 9, 10, 11 Football with Mr Casey	Year 9, 10, 11 Football with Mr Casey	Year 9, 10, 11 Football with Mr Casey	Year 9, 10, 11 Football with Mr Casey	Year 9, 10, 11 Football with Mr Casey
Sports Hall	Year 7 – 11 Badminton with Miss Charlesworth	Year 7 – 11 Badminton with Miss Charlesworth	Year 7 – 11 Badminton with Miss Charlesworth	Year 7 – 11 Badminton with Miss Charlesworth	Year 7 – 11 Badminton with Miss Charlesworth
Fitness Suite	Year 7 – 9 Fitness Session with Mr Cooney	Year 7 – 9 Fitness Session with Mr Cooney	Year 7 – 9 Fitness Session with Mr Cooney	Year 7 – 9 Fitness Session with Mr Cooney	Year 7 – 9 Fitness Session with Mr Cooney

# **Credits: Top 5 Students**

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Oliver Butterworth	Nathan Bennett	Charlotte Heydon	Sofia Haq	Louis Yarwood
Albie Dickinson	Rocky Cregan	Fred Oldham	Mabel Kenworthy	Mason Abernathy
Maisie Taylor	Emme Worthington	Lewis Coe	Laura David- Catriano	Zak Blaylock
Harry Gannon	Summer Hatton	Max Merrington- Gosling	Oscar Shaw	Harry Hutchinson
Sienna Papaleo	Billy Crossley	Conor Maguire	Phoebe Jennings- Sharp	Jakob Leyland

This week, these students are in the top 5 for credits in their year group. These students have demonstrated they are ready, responsible and respectful and have gone above and beyond in their lessons all week.

Mr Carey