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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome once again to our weekly update. This week has been very busy in the academy with teachers ensuring that all teacher assessed grades have been submitted for Year Eleven and Year Thirteen students. We look forward to celebrating with them on Results Days in August: further details will come out to parents in the next week.

Year Seven Transition:

The rise in covid cases in the local area has meant that we have had to, reluctantly, cancel our face to face transition evenings and days for our new Year Seven students. If you are a parent with a child who is coming to us in September, please just contact the school if you feel you need more information. Full transition packs will be being sent out and a letter will be arriving with details of our 'virtual' evenings.

Sixth Form Applicants:

If you have a son or daughter who intend to come to our sixth form please keep a look out over the next week on our social media for information about a virtual event we are holding for them. This event will cover important aspect of sixth form life. We will send a letter out next week about this.

Job vacancies:

We have a number of posts that are advertised on our school website. Please take a look and see if there is anything that you are interested in: we would welcome applications from our school community.

Mask Wearing:

Due to the recent news regarding upsurges in cases of covid in Lancashire, we are continuing to wear masks in classrooms and communal indoor spaces. I understand that this is not ideal, particularly in warm weather, but we ask that you support us in this until further notice.

Covid Tests:

We have distributed Lateral Flow Test kits to all students who have requested them. The testing kits provided should be sufficient until the two weeks after the summer holidays. Please remember to upload the test results so that they are being recorded properly.

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Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month:

Assemblies this week have focused upon Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month. This has informed students about the history, richness and diversity that these communities bring to the UK. They learnt about The Romani flag, truths and myths surrounding these communities and gained understanding through listening to some oral histories.

The Romani Flag:



- Blue symbolises the sky and the heavens. It stands for external spiritual values.
- The green is for the land, nature and environment. It symbolises the earth and growth.
- The red wheel symbolises movement and progress.

Flagship Ground Heat Source Project:

For anyone who has visited the school in recent days, you will have noticed that a large amount of fencing has appeared on our school field. This marks the start of a very exciting project for the school and a flagship project for The Department of Education. This is a £1.5million ground heat source project to heat the school. The system will use pipes bored vertically into the ground to draw heat from the earth. We are particularly excited to have this and play our part in the global drive to cut emissions. Many of our school departments are looking forward to using the project as a focus in lessons on educating students on our collective responsibility in reducing our carbon footprint.



Our Students:

The French department

"Olivia B (7y1) managed to fully translate a short French paragraph into English." – well done Olivia

For amazing work and effort every lesson in 8x2: Harrison H., Alexander R., Benjamin M., Leah M., Katie W.

For amazing work and effort every lesson in 7y3: Amona P., Bayan A., Logan M., Milena B.

Art and Ceramics:

Mrs Simpson has said: I am particularly proud of Year 9 Ceramics who have been working very hard to complete final pieces for their architecture project, they are all engaged, working well and producing large ceramic work.

Science:

Mrs Black from Science wanted everyone to know that: "9y4 Science- Just did a fantastic cartoon script about how white blood cells attack pathogens."

English:

Miss Anderson wants to praise her 8y3 English group, she told me: "We've had a great first week exploring our new Non-fiction unit. The class have been very engaged and developing their reading and writing skills to enable them to synthesis and write a summary.

Learning Support:

In Safespace we have started an after-school club, on Monday evenings. This week Year Seven developed their skills in the creation of 'outside trails'.

Sporting achievements:

Finally, a brilliant sporting achievement was achieved by Emily Sim in Year 11:

"Emily won the Lancashire Schools Inter Girls Javelin on Saturday with a throw of 32.69m - her personal best and over the county standard."

So, a huge well done to Emily.

As always, if there is anything that you feel we could help with or you have any concerns over any aspect of school life, please contact us and we will do our best to help.

Have a lovely weekend, and I hope whichever side you are on tonight – that your team wins!

Kind Regards,

Mrs H McClurg (Principal)