



Weekly Bulletin for Parents & Carers

Week commencing Monday 22nd July 2019

Principal's Message

It has been a successful year for the school in so many ways and this final week has been no exception. We have had the Year 9 and 10 rewards trip to Alton Towers, Awards Evenings for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10, a Performing Arts trip to London and Year 7 and 8's rewards afternoon 'Grangefest' on the playing fields just in one week.

As we come to the end of a week of celebrations there is a tinge of sadness as we will be saying goodbye to a teacher who has been part of Pudsey Grangefield for 33 years and is retiring today. I don't normally mention individual staff in my bulletin messages but I will be making an exception today for this colleague. John Williams has made a massive contribution to this school over the past three decades and I know that I speak for all of the staff when I say he is one of the most exceptional teachers and colleagues it has been our privilege to work beside. I also know that John has had a profound effect on thousands of students in his capacity as a maths and physics teacher, Form Tutor, Head of Sixth Form and finally as Director of Studies.

Although we are saddened at John's retirement we are also extremely grateful that he chose our school and community to serve his entire teaching career in. The impact that an exceptional teacher has lasts a lifetime and the countless goodwill messages from staff and students demonstrate clearly that John Williams has made a lasting contribution to the lives of those he has taught and worked beside. I am sure you will join me in wishing him all the best for a long and happy retirement.

Finally I would like to thank you for all of the support that you have provided our young people with over the past year. However old your child is, they need and value the support and guidance which you provide on a daily basis. It also means that they get much more out of school than they would otherwise.

I hope you all have a relaxing summer and we will look forward to welcoming the students back on Wednesday 4th September (please see below for details).

Mark McKelvie
Principal

General Notice

Start of term arrangements

Monday 2nd September – Training Day 1
Tuesday 3rd September – Training Day 2

Wednesday 4th September - school re-opens
8.20am Year 7 arrive
11.10am Year 12 and 13 enrolment
12.00 noon Years 8 – 11 arrive and go into Form. Normal lessons continue in the afternoon.



Uniform Reminder

Thank you for parents for supporting the high uniform standards that we expect as a school. Students have looked extremely smart all year. As parents prepare for next year, please refer to the website for full details of our requirements. In particular, please note the following points of clarity:

- Trousers - must be plain black, with no coloured (e.g. gold, silver) zips, buttons, or studs. No leggings / jeggings (one way we judge this is whether the trousers have pockets and a zip). No jeans or denim-looking material.
- Shoes - must be all black, leather-type (not canvas) with a flat sole. Not trainers or trainer-type sole, not boots. No logos or branding on the shoe (e.g. Gazelle written on the shoe)
- Socks - should be black
- Piercings - students are only permitted to have one earring in each ear, and they must be studs (not hoops or any other form of earring). No facial piercings are permitted.
- Hairstyles - should not be extreme. Shaven haircuts or tramlines in hair or eyebrows are not permitted. Hair should be a natural colour.
- Nails - no acrylic or coloured nails
- Eyelashes - no false eyelashes
- As part of our continued whole-school focus on reading, from September, all students in Years 7 - 10 are expected to bring a reading book to school every day. This has been added to the equipment list on the school's website.

Year Leaders from September 2019

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| Year 7 Leader | Mrs Mullan | g.mullan01@pudseygrange.co.uk |
| Year 8 Leader | Mrs Hanahoe | m.hanaho01@pudseygrange.co.uk |
| Year 9 Leader | Mrs Williams | m.willia01@pudseygrange.co.uk |
| Year 10 Leader | Mrs Pennock | m.pennoc01@pudseygrange.co.uk |
| Year 11 Leader | Miss Nota | g.nota@pudseygrange.co.uk |
| Post 16 Pastoral Support | Miss Fisher | h.fisher@pudeygrange.co.uk |

Year 7 and 8

Thank you to Parents/Carers

We would like to thank all parents and carers for their efforts supporting students in Year 7 and 8 this year. As a school we believe close working relationships with parents/carers and staff is vital for students' success. We thank you for your continued support and wish students a happy summer holidays. We look forward to working with you again next year to help students reach their potential.



Guided Choices

Good luck to all students starting their different courses next year. The Year 7 and 8 Year team would like to wish all students every success in their future option choices and wish them every success in their different subject areas. We are sure if you continue to work hard with the same attitude to learning you will reach your potential and make great progress.

'Grangefest'

Students in Year 7 and 8 got to participate in the 'Grangefest' experience. Students were able to get involved in sporting activities, listen to music, face painting, refreshments, picnics, and many more fun activities. Congratulations to all students who met the ATL grade criteria.

Celebration Assembly

A massive well done to all students that were recognised in Year 7 and 8 celebration assemblies. Students were congratulated and rewarded for their efforts in the following areas:

The School Values Awards
Attitude to Learning Awards
School Ambassador Awards
Zero Hero Awards (Zero Negative Points)
Attendance Awards

A large number of students could have been selected for these awards which makes winning the awards a fantastic achievement. Congratulations and well done.

Awards Evening

It was fantastic to recognise so many students at Awards Evening in Year 7 and 8 this year. Students in Year 7 and 8 have performed very well this year and it was great to recognise their success. We recognised students for their achievements, endeavour, attitude to learning, contribution to the community, sporting achievements and for their special achievements. Well done to all students who received an award and thank you to all parents and carers that have supported them.

Mr Matthews – Year 7 & 8 Director of Studies

Year 9

Awards Evening

Well done to all our award winners who received awards this Monday. It was a great evening and there was lots to celebrate. Also a big thank you to the school band that had so many Year 9's involved.

Alton Towers

Well done to all Year 9 students on their conduct this week at the Alton Towers trip. Students represented the school really well throughout the day.

Mr Sammons – Year 9 Director of Studies

Year 10

Year 10 Interviews

Our Year 10 students excelled themselves with their interview skills and presentation.

The employers were blown away with how driven our Year 10 students were and the clear plans a number of them had for the future. They were an absolute credit to themselves and the school.



A special mention goes out to the following students who were all personally mentioned by the interviewers due to the fantastic impression they made:

Callum Black
Hannah Smith
Ella Adams

Mrs Ricketts – Year 10 Director of Studies

Summer Science Challenge!

All Year 10 students have been set the challenge to memorise a small number of Science facts in preparation for their Year 11 studies. Please feel free to support your child in this. Students were handed the sheets in their last Science lesson and will be tested on them in their first week back.

Mr Hodge – Subject Leader of Science

Post 16

Congratulations Lewis Quarmby-Zubrzycki – Highly Commended Award

Massive congratulations to Yr 12 student, Lewis Quarmby-Zubrzycki who won the 'Highly Commended Award' at last night's Art & Photography Exhibition at Harewood House. A huge achievement as all other work submitted was from Yr 13 students across Red Kite schools.





ID Badges

Year 12 students will continue to use their ID Badge in Year 13 so please ensure they are kept safe over the summer break. If a replacement is required please use ParentPay to purchase another badge which will then be distributed in September.

Helen Fisher – Post 16 Pastoral Support & Careers Lead