

GET READY FOR READATHON!

Year 7 pupils will be involved in a sponsored reading challenge for Readathon. This took place over the half-term holiday and continues during the first week back. We have raised a fantastic £6565 in the last seven years for Readathon and are aiming to make this total at least £8000 with pupils' efforts this year. Please encourage Year 7 to collect as many sponsors as possible and to get reading over the remaining time. Good luck!

COMMUNITY POLICING

Our local Policing Team has undergone some changes recently. PCSO Gareth Westhead has left the area and we welcome PCSO Ben Barnes to our area working with PC Andy Alty. Andy and Ben are going to be based in school for some of the time and will be available for a 'drop in' session on Tuesdays at 1.15pm onwards over the lunch hour. If any pupil has information or concern regarding their local neighbourhood this is an ideal opportunity to raise these concerns with the Police. Andy and Ben will also be attending School Council meetings to deal with any PACT (Police and Communities Together) initiatives.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Tempest Photography will be in school on Friday 4 November taking portraits of Years 7, 9 and 11 pupils. Proofs will be available in approximately 2/3 weeks and will be sent home with your child. Any orders will be delivered before Christmas.

PE NEWS

Over the course of the first half-term we have fulfilled over thirty Football, Rugby and Netball fixtures with an impressive overall win rate against our South Ribble rivals. We have also organised a number of events including a Young Rugby Leaders course and the U-13/U-16 Elite District table tennis competitions.

Our U-16 A and B teams met in the final of their particular competition which proved a very close match up. The winning team was made up of Year 11 pupils: Connor Walker, Charlie Keenan, Phil Whiteside and Josh Lindley, all of whom performed superbly on the day. The B team is comprised of Year 9 pupils so the future is also very promising. All U-16 players will now go onto represent South Ribble in the Lancashire competition in November.

In relation to primary school provision we have so far organised two Central Venue football leagues and a Tag rugby competition with a lot more to come over the remainder of this academic year. In terms of secondary provision Lostock Hall continues to be the main provider for secondary school sport in the local area with four inter-school badminton, three 5-a-side football and two sports hall athletics competitions scheduled for next half-term.

The PE Department would also like to take this opportunity to once again thank all pupils, parents / carers and staff who contribute so much to ensuring that Lostock PE continues to offer such extensive sporting opportunities.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

We are introducing a new slant to our 'Student of the Week' on the Newsletter. An idea raised at School Council was for pupils to nominate other pupils in addition to staff nominating pupils. So this week we say Congratulations to Abdul Raheem Mulla in 7C, who has been nominated by the School Council for thinking of this idea.

Well done!!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER

Mon 31 School reopens

NOVEMBER

Wed 2 Year 9 RE visit
Newman College Drop In

Thurs 3 Year 8 HPV Vaccinations (2)

Fri 4 Years 7, 9 and 11 Photographs
Year 11 College Application deadline
AGT Dance Workshop at Runshaw

Wed 9 Year 11 Parents' Evening
AGT Dance Workshop at Runshaw

Thurs 10 Year 11 Drama Examination

Tues 22 Year 11 Drama Examination

Wed 23 Book Fair (until 30th Nov)
Year 10 AGT ICT visit

Thurs 24 KS4 Presentation Evening

Mon 28 Year 11 Trial Exams (Week 1)

Wed 30 School Council meeting 9.00am