



**PEMBROKE**  
A PRIORY ACADEMY

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

As we embark on a break from school today for just over 2 weeks, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the recent events and successes, as well as look forward to the last part of the academic year which is, as ever, an important stage in our older students' journeys as they sit their formal GCSE examinations.

So many events have taken place in the last module it is difficult to sum it all up! We have had sporting success with our Under 15 Girls football team reached the semi-final of the National Cup, an amazing feat! Despite ending up on the wrong side of the score line, all involved should feel a strong sense of achievement in going so far in a national competition. Asher and Finnian Phillipson travelled to Yorkshire to compete in the English Schools National Cross Country Championships, posting excellent times. I'm sure there's not too much sibling rivalry in the 9 seconds between them! Great passion has been shown in so many other sports including netball, handball and the ski trip in February half-term.

Other events include: a group of Year 7 students developing their first aid skills, our Year 11 GCSE Food students completing their NEA Exam with some very tasty dishes being created, a range of activities and events for World Book Day including the now famed "Great Book Character Balloon Debate", visits to the University of Lincoln and Bishop Grosseteste University, British Science Week challenges on designing a time measuring device, a group of drama students visiting the New Theatre Royal in Lincoln to experience a show, raising money for Comic Relief in school, plenty of students being recognised for their hard work and excellence through Pledges being awarded, being part of the "Always Club", having Hot Chocolate Friday, and so much more!

As ever, please follow @PrioryPembroke on Facebook or X and check out the latest "Pembroke Press" through this link: [The Pembroke Press](#)



I'd like to take this opportunity to highlight again the importance of attendance at school. The Department for Education have raised the profile of attendance this academic year with their drive named "Moments Matter, Attendance Counts". We do regularly send letters to both praise good

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attendance, and ask for support when attendance doesn't meet our Priory Trust expectation of 95%. *Please take note of your child's current attendance this academic year which can be found on their Module Grade Report which has been distributed to all students today.*

Looking forward, we wish all of our Year 11 students luck as they begin their formal GCSE examinations in May. Please can we emphasise the importance of students in Years 7-10 showing respect for our Year 11s in ensuring they are moving quietly around the site, especially during the examination series. Dates for diaries include April 25<sup>th</sup>: Year 8 Parents Evening and June 6<sup>th</sup>: Year 7 Parents Evening. Year 10 will be completing a week of Work Experience just before May half-term and we have our annual Bushcraft residential trip out in the same week.

I trust everyone in the Pembroke family will enjoy the rest over the Easter break and I look forward to seeing the students back on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2024.

Kind regards



**Mr N Bibby**

**Deputy Headteacher**

**Be ready, be safe, be respectful.**