

**PARENT & CARER
WEEKLY BULLETIN
Friday 6th June 2025**

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

This week, we were delighted to welcome the INFUZE Project for a half-day workshop with 52 of our Year 10 Geography, Art, and Media students. The session, supported by the Royal School of Art, University of Leeds, University of Lancaster, and over 20 industry partners, focused on student voice in transport initiatives across Leeds. Highlights included creative proposals for redeveloping New Pudsey Train Station, the Leeds–Bradford tram system, and other public space improvements.

Special recognition goes to one of our fantastic Year 10 students whose innovative idea of trading good deeds for free public transport points was highly praised by the INFUZE Director and University of Leeds professor.

On a related note, we would like to acknowledge the outstanding effort of our Year 11 and 13 students as they continue to undertake their external exams. Their hard work and perseverance during this challenging period truly reflect their dedication to their studies. Similarly, our Year 10 and 12 students are preparing for their trial exams in the coming weeks. These exams are an integral part of their academic journey, providing valuable feedback and preparation for their future courses and assessments. We wish all our students every success.

Mark McKelvie
Headteacher

Year 7

Year 7 Key Dates

This week staff will be collating data for the final capture point for Year 7. You will be receiving their final report for Year 7 within the next few weeks.

Sports Day

Years 7-10 Sports Day will be on Wednesday 2nd July. Students have been using their time in form to sign up for events.

Residential - 7th - 9th July

140 students are attending the residential in July. A reminder that the PGL Centre is Nut Free and we ask that students do not bring any nut products on the trip.

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The information and kit lists are on the school website.

Students will find out their rooms within the next 2 weeks.

If you have any remaining payments to make, please can these be made at your earliest convenience.

Rewards

On Monday 14th July, those students that qualified for the rewards event will be taking part in the inflatable activities on the school field.

Mrs Mitchell
Year 7 Director of Studies

Mrs Swithenbank
Year 7 Leader

YEAR 8

The final half-term is always a busy one, and there will be plenty of exciting opportunities for your child to take part.

Here are some key upcoming events:

Maths Escape Room – Taking place on Wednesday 11th June.

Sports Day – Provisionally scheduled for Tuesday 2nd July.

Go Ape Trips – Scheduled for Monday 14th July and Wednesday 16th July.

School Open Evening – Happening on Wednesday 10th July. As always, we rely on student volunteers to help make the evening a success.

In addition, I am looking for students who can play a musical instrument to perform at the start and end of assemblies. If your child plays an instrument and would be willing to contribute entry or exit music, please let me know.

Go Ape Trip Details:

X Band (8AS, 8CA, 8CS, 8DB) will attend on Monday 14th July.

Y Band (8SS, 8PS, 8LS, 8VA) will attend on Wednesday 16th July.

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Coaches will depart school at 8.45am and return at approximately 4.00pm. Students should arrive at school at the normal time on both days.

Mrs Kaye
Year 8 Director of Studies

Miss Mathie
Year 8 Leader

YEAR 9

It has been the assessment this week and Year 9 have returned from half term with a real drive to do their best in these assessments. There is clear evidence that students have revised and really want to succeed. The results will be given back soon and a progress report with final grades will be given out before we break up.

Options

I know it has been a while since you helped put the options in, but we are working on it and figuring out the groups for next year. We are close to finishing and you will get the choices as soon as they are ready.

Mr Lucas
Year 9 Director of Studies

Mrs Green
Year 9 Leader


YEAR 10

Silver Duke of Edinburgh

All students in our Silver cohort should have received their welcome pack this week. This pack includes the necessary forms for students to hand to their assessor, who will complete the reports for each of the three sections: Volunteering, Skill, and Physical.


Please take note of the following expedition dates: locations have changed, an updated guidance letter has been emailed to you by the Turnbull's on Tuesday 3rd June and is attached to the bulletin for ease of communication.

Practice Expedition: Nidderdale

-  **June 10th (3.00pm) – June 12th (approx. 4.00pm return)**
- Students taking part in the expedition **are permitted to wear expedition kit** on June 10th, as there will be no opportunity to change before departure. Please advise students to leave school bags in lockers or give them to younger siblings to take home.
- Students will be allowed to **leave expedition kit bags in school in room 112 (exam bag room) during the day.**

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Qualifying Expedition: North York Moors

-  **July 16th (depart 8.30am from front of school) – 18th July (approx. 4.00pm return)**
- Students will arrive at school in their expedition kit and wait under the bike shelter. No need to bring any school equipment.
- Please note, this does not clash with Awards Evening on Monday 14th or the Alton Towers rewards trip on the 15th July.

Miss Legg
Leader of PSHE

Year 10 INFUZE event

This Tuesday, we had the pleasure of welcoming the INFUZE Project to Pudsey Grammar School for a fantastic half-day workshop with 52 of our Year 10 Geographers, Artists, and Media students.

The INFUZE Project is an exciting national collaboration between the Royal College of Art, University of Leeds, Lancaster University, and over 20 industry partners and transport providers. Their mission is to engage young people in rethinking the future of transport, infrastructure, and public spaces.

During the session, students explored a range of local initiatives—including the redevelopment of New Pudsey Train Station, the proposed Leeds–Bradford tram system (which will run through Pudsey), and potential improvements to Pudsey Bus Station. The focus was on amplifying student voice in shaping the future of transport and how our urban spaces are designed.

All the ideas generated will be shared with local government and planning teams. The INFUZE team were incredibly impressed with the creativity, thoughtfulness, and ambition shown by our students throughout the workshop.

We're proud to see our students contributing to real-world conversations and solutions that could impact their own communities. If your child was involved, please take a moment to ask them about their ideas—they have a lot to be proud of!

To learn more about INFUZE and their work, you can visit: <https://in-fuze.org.uk/>

Year 10 Assessment Week

This will be the final year group assessment for Year 10 and will be in a similar format to the final GCSE exams that students will sit next year. The assessments will cover content taught in Year 10 and will be used to inform Year 11 plans therefore, students should prepare for these assessments in all of their subjects. Teachers will add what/how to revise on Arbor to support students for these assessments.

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Key Stage 4 Revision Resources

Please review the revision resources that have been shared previously to support independent revision at home.

- ✦ Flash Cards <https://bit.ly/PGS26flashcards>
- ✦ Mind Maps <https://bit.ly/PGS26mindmaps>
- ✦ Revision Clocks <https://bit.ly/PGS26revisionclock>
- ✦ Revision Timetable <https://bit.ly/PGS26revisiontimetable>

After School Supervised Study

I would like to also inform parents/carers and students that the school will provide an after school supervised study area for our Year 10 students to use to revise and complete homework leading up to these assessments. Students have access to the supervised study area which is located in the main hall on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3.00pm – 3.45pm. This is an area that will be supervised by a member of staff. Students will have access to chrome books and a variety of resources to support revision. I would highly encourage the use of the study area and I encourage students to bring a friend so that they can work collaboratively if they wish to do so.

I have provided students with a printed timetable and also attached another copy for your convenience below.

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1_XXwkpnI3_04cptoxjVWDoRpjvjTrItK

Revision Timetable

Students were provided with a printed revision timetable to plan out their remaining time to allow for more focussed revision. Please discuss this at home. If you would like to print a copy, use the link provided above.

I look forward to all of our Year 10 students showing discipline, resilience and ambition over the next few weeks leading up to the assessments. If you have any subject specific questions, please email the subject leader. If you have any questions regarding the assessments in general, please let me know via email on s.syed@pudseygrammar.co.uk.

Finally, Eid Mubarak to all students who are celebrating, have a great weekend!

Mr Syed
Year 10 Director of Studies

Miss Exley
Year 10 Leader

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YEAR 11

A few important updates for the week ahead:

Prom Photo Permissions & Timings

Please check your emails for a message regarding permissions for Prom photographs and key timings for arrival and departure on the evening. It's important that you complete the necessary permissions form to ensure your child can be included in group photos.

Exam Schedule Next Week

Please see below for the upcoming GCSE exams next week:

Monday 9th June: Biology (AM), Media (PM), Construction (PM)

Tuesday 10th June: Spanish (AM), History (PM)

Wednesday 11th June: Maths (AM)

Thursday 12th June: Geography (AM), Russian (PM), Further Maths (PM)

Friday 13th June: Chemistry (AM), Polish (PM)

Pre-Exam Sessions

Below is a link to a document with the dates and times of the pre-exam sessions taking place next week. Please encourage your child to attend these sessions for some last-minute revision and support. They are designed to boost confidence and help students feel prepared as they head into their exams.


https://drive.google.com/open?id=1yBenVSybgRKIR24-PjR7SWOxhDd9gc_h

Miss Legg
Year 11 Director of Studies

Miss Birdsall
Year 11 Leader

SIXTH FORM

Thank you to everyone who attended the Paris Trip Information Evening on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many of you there. Just a quick reminder:

 Please ensure the behaviour agreement letter is signed and returned as soon as possible. The presentation from the meeting has been emailed out for your reference.

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Key Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 19th June – UCAS Fair

Please make sure your child has booked their place and saved their QR code for entry.

Monday 30th June – Exam Week Begins

A full timetable has been shared. Please support your child in preparing for these important assessments.

Tuesday 8th July – Paris Trip

We're looking forward to a fantastic experience! Further details will be shared closer to the date.

Monday 14th July – Work Experience Week

Please continue to encourage your child to finalise their placement and upload the details to Unifrog as soon as possible.

Year 13 – A Message of Congratulations

To our Year 13 students:

Well done for your continued efforts and the resilience you have shown throughout your A Level journey. We are incredibly proud of all you have achieved.

Mrs Smith
Post 16 Director of Studies

Miss Hart
Attendance and Pastoral Support

Miss Robinson
Careers and Enrichment Lead
