



**PARENT & CARER
WEEKLY BULLETIN**

Friday 26th June 2026

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

As you will all be aware, it has been an unprecedentedly hot week and I would like to thank all parents and carers for their support. The students have coped well despite the extreme heat and thankfully it is forecast to cool down over the weekend. As a result, we will revert to the normal summer uniform which means students should be in their normal clothes with a tie but they are not required to wear their blazers.

The start and end of yesterday's school day highlighted the breadth of what we do as a school. We welcomed 225 Year 6 students into the building who will be our new Year 7 students in September. The new students were a credit to themselves, their parents and their primary schools as their behaviour was exemplary and we are looking forward to working with them in the years ahead to ensure that they have a successful time at our school.

In the evening yesterday, it was my pleasure to be able to address our Year 13 students and their parents and carers at Headingley Stadium as part of our annual Year 13 prize giving ceremony and prom. We are extremely proud to be the only school left in the West of Leeds which has a Sixth Form and yesterday's prize giving ceremony was a testament to the hard work of our students and the dedication and skill of our teaching and support staff. It is deeply satisfying for all staff connected with the school to see young people coming in at the age of 11 from primary school and leaving us seven years later fully prepared for their adult lives. As I mentioned to all of the students last night, I do hope that they get the exam results that they want to allow them to go into the next part of their lives. In addition to that, I hope that when they look back on their time at our school they have extremely fond memories.

Mark McKelvie
Headteacher



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GENERAL NOTICES

Extra-Curricular Activities (w/c 29th June 2026)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Art Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room: 031/033 Staff: Mrs Lewis	Strategy Club 3.00pm - 4.30pm Room: 213 Staff: Mr Pugh & Miss Ingle	Vocal Group 3.00pm - 4.30pm Room: Staff: Miss Boshier	
	Rounders, Cricket, Athletics and Softball Clubs 3.00pm - 3.45pm School Field Staff: All PE staff	Debating Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room: 211 Staff: Mr Connor	Art Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room: 031/033 Staff: Miss Chappell	
	History Club 3.10pm - 4.00pm Room 114 Staff: Mr Alderson	Art Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room: 031/033 Staff: Mrs Newby	Japanese Club Week A Only 3.00pm - 4.30pm Room 011 Staff Mr Pugh & Miss Hornsby	
	Craft Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room: 007 Staff: Mrs Harrington	Design Technology Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room 037 Staff: Miss Hepworth-Smith	Philosophy Club 3.00pm - 4.00pm Room: 115 Staff: Ms Bennett	

Year 8 & 9 Flamingo Land Trip - Access to School

We are really looking forward to the Year 8 and 9 reward trip to Flamingo Land next week. Coaches will be accessing the school via Mount Pleasant Road from 7.45am. We therefore ask that parents drop their children a little further away from the school on this morning as the roads and car park will be needed for coach access.

Mr Sammons
Assistant Headteacher



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Open Evening – Thursday 9th July 2026

Early Finish – Thursday 9th July 2026/Late Start – Friday 10th July 2026

We are holding our annual Open Evening on Thursday 9th July 2026. All staff and a large number of students are involved in the preparation and delivery of the event with an expected 900 visitors booked on to attend.

As you will appreciate, a great deal of preparation is required in readiness for an event of this scale. We will therefore finish at the earlier time of 12.40pm on Thursday 9th July for all students. Grab bags will be available on the Street for students who are entitled to free school meals.

We will start at the slightly later time on Friday 10th July for students to give staff time to ensure classrooms are ready for teaching as follows:

Years 7, 8, 10 and 12 – 9.30am for a prompt 9.40am start

Year 9 – 9.50am for a prompt 10.00am start

Thank you for your kind co-operation and understanding.

Miss Frost
PA to the Headteacher
& Communications Manager

Year 7

A big well done to the year group for coping with the heat this week. Hopefully the weather will drop back to reasonable temperatures for this time of year next week.

Bike Safety

It's great to see so many students riding their bikes to school and we want to encourage as many students as possible. We do want to stress the importance of wearing helmets and also taking care on the roads. The roads in the morning are very busy around the school and we want students to be safe.

PGL Year 7 Residential

Another reminder for those going on the PGL trip that all the kit list and information is on the school website. Students will need a packed lunch for Monday. Grab bags will be available for students who are entitled to free school meals.

Mr Lucas
Year 7 Director of Studies

Miss White
Year 7 Leader



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YEAR 8

Flamingo Land Rewards Trip Reminder

A reminder that our much-anticipated Rewards Trip to Flamingo Land is taking place on Tuesday 30th June. This is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the excellent effort, attendance and behaviour demonstrated by so many of our students throughout the year. Students attending should ensure they have checked all trip information with their tutors and arrive promptly on the day.

Students need to arrive at school for 7.15am to be registered and for a prompt start. Students will need a packed lunch. Any students who would usually receive a free school meal will be able to collect a grab bag on the morning.

Please check the weather and ensure that students are dressed appropriately for being outside all day.

Progress Update 3

Please note that Progress Update 3 will be issued shortly. This report will provide an important update on your child's attitude to learning and progress across their subjects. We encourage you to take some time to review the report with your child and celebrate their successes, while also discussing any areas for further improvement as we look ahead to Year 9.

Mrs Mitchell
Year 8 Director of Studies

Mrs Swithenbank
Year 8 Leader

YEAR 9

On Tuesday, 25 of our Year 9 students took part in the Testimony 360 Event, delivered by the Holocaust Educational Trust. The facilitators spoke very highly of our students, praising their maturity, respect, and engagement throughout the day.

On Wednesday 24th June, we hosted a Positive Choices Day in partnership with Leeds United. The sessions focused on helping students make informed decisions and develop positive life skills. Once again, our Year 9 students were outstanding throughout the day, demonstrating excellent behaviour and remaining fully engaged in all activities and discussions.



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Looking ahead, our Flamingo Land Trip will take place on Tuesday 30th June. Students must arrive at school by 7.45am and report to the Sports Hall, where staff will complete registers and provide final instructions. The coach will depart promptly at 8.15am, so it is important that students arrive on time. Students will need a packed lunch. Any students who would usually receive a free school meal will be able to collect a grab bag on the morning.

As part of the ongoing transition of the Year 9 cohort to Mr Syed, I would kindly ask that he is copied into any future correspondence regarding Year 9 students. This will help ensure that any queries or concerns can be addressed efficiently and that the transition is as smooth as possible.

Mrs Kaye
Year 9 Director of Studies

Mr Inman
Year 9 Leader

YEAR 10

Firstly, I would like to congratulate all Year 10 students for the mature and positive way they have approached their trial examinations over the past two weeks. They have worked exceptionally hard and conducted themselves brilliantly throughout the exam period.

Given the extremely high temperatures we have experienced recently, particularly in the sports hall and around the school site, students have shown remarkable resilience and focus.

Sixth Form Experience Day – Thursday

On Thursday next week (2nd July), Year 10 students will take part in our Sixth Form Experience Day. This is an exciting opportunity for students to gain an insight into Sixth Form life and explore potential post-16 study options.

Throughout the day, students will attend five taster lessons, timetables will be given to students on Wednesday. The final lesson of the day will be spent outdoors on the sports field, giving students a chance to relax and reflect on their experiences.

Dress Code

Students may attend in Sixth Form appropriate clothing rather than their normal school uniform.

The following items are not permitted:

- Short shorts
- Crop tops
- Crocs
- Clothing with inappropriate slogans or images



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Students should dress smartly and appropriately for a working day in a Sixth Form setting. As part of the day will be spent outdoors, we also recommend that students bring a water bottle and suitable sun protection if warm weather continues.

Miss Legg
Year 10 Director of Studies

Mrs Green
Year 10 Leader

YEAR 11

It has been a pleasure to see how positively our Year 11 students have continued to conduct themselves during the Year 11 into Year 12 transition days. They have approached this important next step with maturity, enthusiasm, and a commitment to learning, demonstrating the qualities that will help them thrive in Key Stage 5.

We are confident that they will make a huge success of their studies and wider experiences in Sixth Form, and we look forward to welcoming them back in September as they begin this exciting new chapter.

*****Year 11 Prom*****

 **Thursday 2nd July**

Arrive at Village Hotel Otley Road at 6.30pm

During the evening, there will be a buffet served and there will be a DJ.

It is a cashless venue and all students will be searched before being allowed entry.

Photographer - £10 a print or 3 print for £20 (please bring cash for these)

Students to be picked up at 10:30pm.

Please contact Miss Exley if you have any questions at n.exley@pudseygrammar.co.uk.

GCSE Results Day & 6th Form Enrolment

 **Thursday 20th August AM**

This is an important day for students to attend. Please let us know if there are any issues in collecting results and we will advise on what to do.

Contact Mrs Smith (l.smith@pudseygrammar.co.uk) or I (s.syed@pudseygrammar.co.uk), if you have any questions

Mr Syed
Year 11 Director of Studies

Miss Exley
Year 11 Leader



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SIXTH FORM

Our Year 13 Prom on Thursday was a fantastic evening filled with celebration, memories, and a chance to mark the end of an important chapter for our students. Despite the heat, everyone embraced the occasion and helped make it a truly special event. A huge thank you to all the students, parents & carers who joined us for the prize giving ceremony beforehand. It was wonderful to see so many families celebrating the achievements and successes of our Class of 2026. We would also like to give a special shout-out to our Year 12 photographers and event set-up team, whose hard work behind the scenes ensured the evening ran so smoothly.

This week we also welcomed over 150 students to our Year 11 into Year 12 Induction event. We have received very positive feedback from staff and students, and we are excited to welcome our new Year 12 cohort in September. A special thank you goes to our Year 12 ambassadors, who once again represented the Sixth Form amazingly. They provided invaluable support to staff and students throughout the induction programme and were also on hand to assist with the Year 6 Induction Day on Thursday. Their enthusiasm, professionalism, and willingness to support others makes a significant difference to our school community.

As we approach the final few weeks of the academic year, we would like to remind students and parents of the key dates ahead. There are now just three school weeks remaining until the end of term and the completion of Year 12. In one week's time, students will depart for the Paris Trip (Tuesday 7th – Friday 10th July), followed by Work Placement Week (Monday 13th – Friday 17th July). We also remind Year 12 students, that re-sit examinations begin on Monday 29th June and that all coursework should be completed before the summer holidays.

As always, if you have any questions about the final weeks of the academic year, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mrs Smith
Assistant Director of Sixth Form

Miss Robinson
Careers and Progression Manager

Miss Mathie
Attendance and Pastoral Support

Mrs Scott
Supervised Study Co-Ordinator