



Longridge High School

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NEWSLETTER 26th January 2024

Dear Parents/ Carers,

January has been a very busy month at Longridge High School – for those passing the school, you will have noticed the building work which has now started on site. This is very exciting for us all – the new build is going to be adjacent to the astro pitch. We are very happy with the design, which we have been involved in from the outset. It will be a purpose built six classroom block, with toilets, a staff work area as well as a lift for pupils with mobility issues. Pupils have had an input into the design, with Lancashire County architects meeting groups of pupils to discuss the sustainability features of the building.

Year 11 are beginning their GCSE mock examinations on Monday. Last week we held a careers day for them, where they spent the morning meeting local employers and training providers, discussing their aspirations for the future, and discussing entry requirements for their chosen paths. This was a fantastic morning, and I would like to thank all the employers and training providers who attended the event for their time and support.

Year 9 have had their first Options' Assembly and will be bringing home full details about the options' process next week. A reminder for Year 9 parents/ carers that options evening, combined with meeting your child's Maths, English and Science teachers, is on Thursday 22nd February, 4pm – 7pm. Further details to follow.

I would like to thank all those of you who completed the parent/carer questionnaire. Your views and comments are much appreciated. The suggestions made will help form an action plan and I will be holding a forum for parents and carers after half term, where I am inviting you to come along to discuss how we can work together to develop the school further. Your responses were very positive, with comprehensive comments to support the school as it continues to improve. A key concern noted was you want more information about how your child is doing socially at school and this is something we are currently looking at in terms of how to communicate this to you.

On Friday, all pupils will be having assemblies on the school's expectations for behaviour – our pupils are an asset to the school, and it is important to remind them of the high expectations we all have of them in terms of their general behaviour around school. This includes wearing the uniform correctly, not having mobile phones out and not wearing jewellery. As always, your support with this is greatly appreciated.

Please get in touch if there is anything you want to ask or for any support you think we might be able to offer.

Kind Regards Jane Green Headteacher



Diary Dates

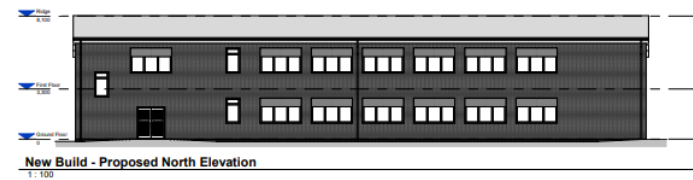
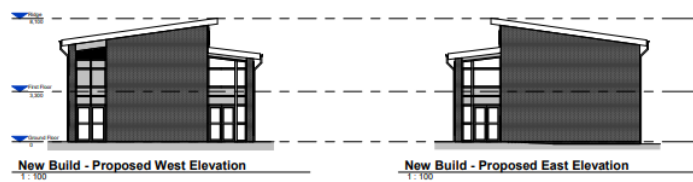
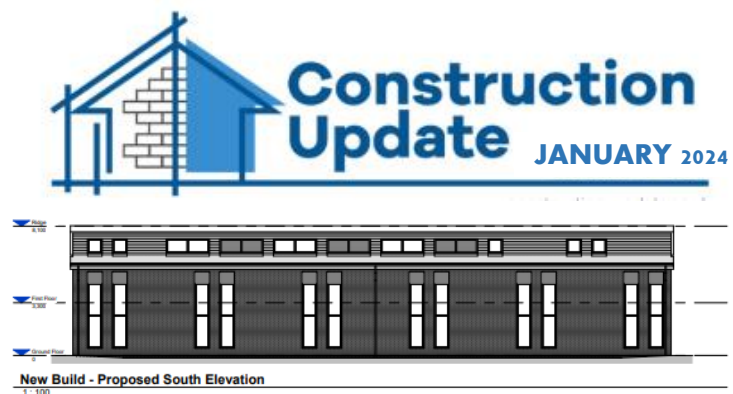
29 th January - 9 th February	Year 11 Mock Exams
Close 3.05pm Friday 9 th February -	Half Term
Reopen 8.40am Tuesday 20 th February	
22 nd February	Year 9 Parents'/Options Evening
7 th March	Year 11 Parents' Evening
11 th March – 22 nd March	Year 10 Exams
13 th March	Year 8 Haworth Trip
Close 3.05pm Thursday 28 th March -	Easter Holidays
Reopen 8.40am Monday 15 th April	



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Phase Two of building work has begun. The first job is for the construction team to lower a pre-existing concrete ramp to ensure the lorries can access the site. Once this is completed, the construction team will begin on the new build. We are very happy with the design, with pupils having an input into some artwork which will form part of the building. The building will have six classrooms, as well as a staff workroom, plant room, toilets and a lift. The building should be completed by November 2024, and will help accommodate the additional pupils we are taking into Year 7.



Careers Day Success, 2024!

On Wednesday 17th January, we held our **Y11 Careers' Day**. We had over 30 different providers from local colleges, businesses, apprenticeship providers and UCLAN university. Our guests spoke to Year 11 pupils about their aspirations for the future and talked to them about their personal statements. They also asked them interview style questions to get pupils to start to think about how they would prepare for a job, college, or university interview in the future. Our pupils had the opportunity to ask questions about the various job sectors that were represented on the day, giving them a better insight into the world of work. We also had two workshops running where pupils had a presentation from the Preston College Apprenticeship Team in one and were taught how to create a CV with Future U in the other. Our pupils were a credit to the school on the day, showing a great deal of maturity when interacting with the guests and asking really good questions. We are extremely proud of them! We would also like to thank all our guests who came to school to support our pupils.





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BIG SCHOOL REUNION

26th April 2024

6.30PM-11.30PM

LONGRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL HALL

Past pupils and staff since 1959 welcome

- *Hot Pot Supper*
- *Live Entertainment
Geno and Hayley Eccles*
- *Licensed Bar*

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