



ACHIEVING INDIVIDUAL EXCELLENCE TOGETHER



Pride in our Learning Community at Priory Lincoln

At Priory Lincoln we are proud of the community we serve and are fiercely ambitious for all of our students. Success for students is not just about achieving academic excellence, but also excellence in the growth of every young person to become a well-rounded citizen. All students are encouraged to seize the opportunities provided for them at Priory Lincoln and to show the courage to achieve, what for them, is individual excellence.

Mr M Whitaker, Headteacher

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Within Year 7, students have many opportunities for Achieving individual excellence.

Each week Mrs Bayston and Mrs Davey choose a student of the week who is given reward points and their name is displayed in the Year 7 office for the week. One student per week also wins a £5 voucher for having 100% attendance the week before. We also celebrate student successes each week in assembly. It is great to see the year group cheering each other on and encouraging them to achieve individual excellence together.



Each tutor also rewards students – each week a 'tutee of the week' is selected, rewards points are given and their name is displayed on their form board in their tutor room. Tutors also reward students each morning for being equipped and on time to school each day, and students are also awarded reward points for having a great day with no behaviour points.

Students also have the opportunity in school to achieve the Lincoln Passport and become subject champions in subjects across the Academy. Students are asked to go above and beyond and show their commitment to the wider Academy and show they are achieving individual excellence.

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Pastoral Management

We also have an extremely supportive pastoral management team, ranging across the whole school, from Year 7 all the way to Year 13. They are always there to support students either emotionally, or to give first aid support.

Finally, each and all pastoral members are always there for every student; especially in Sixth Form, to email us about various opportunities for us to apply for, or take part of, such as development programmes or diverse university opportunities.

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With continued support from parents and carers we aim to ensure our students strive to achieve 100% attendance.

We have been working with our students so that they understand the impact of time off school or poor punctuality. Please look at the information about attendance so you can talk about this with your child at home.

Exam result 90%.... Amazing!

Q: When is 90% NOT considered a good result?

A: When it is linked to attendance

90% = half a day
MISSED
every week

1 school year at 90%
= 4 weeks of learning
MISSED

Over 5 years at school,
that's half a school year
MISSED

Good attendance is 95% or higher.

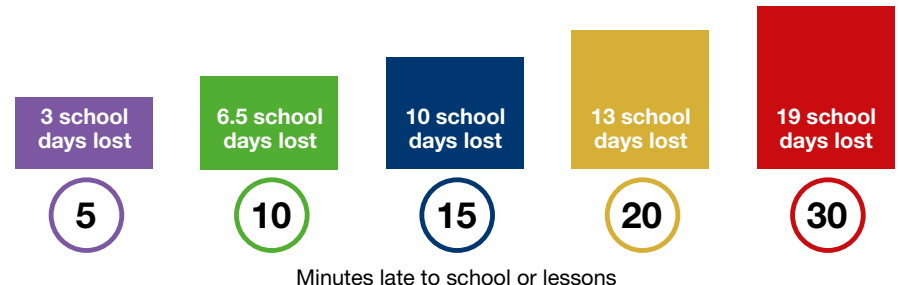
This means no more than 7 days off in the year.

- = Better chance of success
- = Better mental well-being
- = Stronger friendships
- = More involved with school life and activities
- = Less worry about falling behind with learning



Many students, parents and carers are not aware of the impact on the students' learning by having sporadic time off or being late.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS EVERY MINUTE MATTERS - BE ON TIME!



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Priory Stars go on a Paris visit

October saw 56 excited students from Priory Lincoln Academy visit Paris and Disneyland.



During their time in France students visited central Paris. In the morning the group of staff and students went to the top of the Eiffel Tower...by foot!

We can now confirm the Eiffel Tower is a lot higher and getting to the top is a lot harder than we thought! However, it was well worth the effort, affording us a wonderful 360° panoramic view of the 'City of Light'. Students got to try out their French in the beautiful 7th arrondissement before admiring the River Seine and the Trocadero.

The visit to Disneyland was great fun with a lot of childhood dreams being fulfilled. During the visit we stayed at the Château de la Grande Romaine just outside Paris, where students tried a variety of French dishes, including snails! Students had a camp fire experience in the dark and scary forest, and gave their all at the disco.

All our students were a credit to the Academy with the coach driver and staff at the centre remarking how well behaved and polite our group was.



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Enrichment Programmes

The Priory Lincoln academy has a brilliant and extensive enrichment programme; it allows students to enhance themselves and enables them to take part in activities they enjoy outside of academia. It also allows them to become a part of a smaller community, and meet new people and make new friends.



As an Academy, we are very proud to say we offer a vast variety of sporting clubs, from netball, football to badminton and more. Furthermore, our Academy also offers a wide range of super-curricular enrichments as well; such as an IT club, that allows the students to work through the IDEA programme, to develop technical skills that are invaluable for employers.



AN EXAMPLE IS:

Year 12 Enrichment – Learning to Cook on a Budget



Mrs Gollin delivers weekly cooking lessons to the Year 12 students every Wednesday afternoon as part of the Priory Lincoln Sixth Form offer. Students are being taught how to prepare healthy and balanced meals



on a budget which will support with their journey to becoming independent. The programme runs for 12 sessions and includes dishes such as flatbreads, curry, risotto, chicken goujons and tomato and basil pasta bake. Students have demonstrated curiosity and wisdom during their lessons.



#Curiosity #Wisdom #ReadyRespectfulEngage

Duke of Edinburgh Awards

An example of our Priory Stars are the students that took part in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards, their perseverance was a testament to their courage, resilience and determination.



The Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award participants triumphed over adverse conditions during their practice expedition. Braving the biting cold and relentless rain, these students exhibited unwavering perseverance and teamwork.

Despite the daunting weather, each participant demonstrated commendable grit, pushing through physical discomfort and mental exhaustion. The expedition served as a rigorous test of their outdoor skills and endurance, pushing them beyond their comfort zones.

Throughout the journey, camaraderie flourished among the students as they supported and encouraged one another through every challenging mile. In celebrating the successful completion of their practice expedition, we are so proud of these remarkable students for their resilience, determination, and spirit of adventure. We know they'll be fantastic on their assessed expedition!



They have all truly exemplified the spirit of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award program, proving that "Achieving Individual Excellence Together" through teamwork shows that any challenge can be conquered.

Staff are very proud of the resilience, hard work and determination all students have shown whilst navigating their damp, but fantastic routes.

Well, done all!

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The Royal Navy Catering Team

Year 10 Students “Achieving Individual Excellence Together” whilst having fun.



The Royal Navy chefs delivered a Ready Steady Cook event with 24 students from our Year 10 Hospitality and Catering course.

The Royal Navy Catering Team ran an interactive Master Chef-style lesson for our students in which the class was divided into five equal teams. The students were presented with a box of ingredients for two dishes – homemade meatballs with a rich tomato sauce and spaghetti and chocolate chip cookies with a Chantilly whipped cream.

Using the recipe sheets provided (along with the catering team’s assistance) the class had 90 minutes to complete their dishes before presenting them to the team.

Our students worked well as a team and developed their communication and time management skills showing the high standard that they can achieve.

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Children In Need

What a fantastic effort by all the students on our None Uniform day to raise money for Children in Need, a charity close to our hearts. By supporting Children in Need we as a school community are helping a wide range of children’s charities for children less fortunate than ourselves.



A big thank you to all our staff and students who demonstrated what a caring school community we are and a big thank you to all those who generously donated.

After the donations had been counted, we had raised a fantastic £750 for Children in Need.

#Proud #Generosity

Student Council

Our academy has an extremely dedicated and supportive academy council, that strives to better the academy and hear every student’s voice, to bring necessary change. The academy council’s main target this year is to transform the academy into a more supportive and charitable entity in our local community, as it used to be.

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Christmas Hampers

We are very proud of the community spirit and support given by all our students, parents, carers, and staff towards our collection for the Christmas hampers.



All donations will be distributed to our families and the Trussell Trust (local food banks). We aimed high and managed to beat our last year’s total of 30 hampers by collecting well over 50 hampers and other individual donations!



This event just shows the level of Christmas Generosity held by everyone involved with our Academy and we want to take the opportunity to thank you for all your donations.

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Celebrating The Priory Lincoln Choir performing at the Royal Albert Hall



We are so proud to announce that 12 of our student choir, Year 7 to Year 11, have had the honour of performing in a mass choir event at The Royal Albert Hall. The students performed with The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in aid of **Bernardo's Children's Charity**.



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This wonderful event raised over £80,000 for the charity and our students sang six uplifting songs with some amazing people.

The songs were; Pure Imagination from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, This is Me from The Greatest Showman, Happy with Pharrell Williams, Rower by Katie Perrie, Proud with the composer Heather Small and finally What a Wonderful by Louis Armstrong.



To finish the day off the students were treated to tea at the Natural History Museum.

We also want to give a shout out to our students who have 'Achieved Individual Excellence': **Dylan**, Year 11, Grade 5 Drumming Merit; **Delilah**, Year 10, Grade 6 Musical Theatre; **Sophie**, Grade 2 Distinction Musical Theatre; **Logan**, Year 10, Grade 3 Drumming.



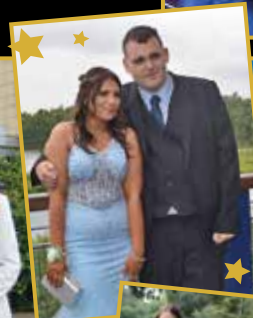


Celebrating Success

Over 100 students attended the End of Year Prom celebrating all the hard work Year 11 students have put into their studies over the last two years.

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Students made sure that the event went ahead by helping to raise fund to pay towards the event with raffles and cake bakes. It was a great night and all students looked their best. Staff and students had a great time together at the Whisby Nature Park which proved to be a lovely venue.





HAF Programme

During the Summer 2024 HAF programme Mrs Gollin (Teacher of Food) organised and prepared the food for the students and staff, catering for 40 people each day. Five to eight students took part in the preparation of the food as well as serving it within the canteen.



The students learnt how to prepare the lunch with three choices of meals including chicken pasta bake, homemade pizzas and chilli con carne and nachos. During the afternoon students baked items suitable for breakfast for the following day.

The bakery items included fruity flapjacks, fruit muffins and savoury pastries. Students also supported with the washing up and cleaning down contributing to the development of their life skills. Students showed generosity with their hard work and commitment. The week was finished off with a traditional British afternoon tea with homemade scone, sausage rolls and finger sandwiches.

This programme is intended to help our students to develop life skills and to eat well helping them to “Achieve Individual Excellence Together” through the hard work of our committed staff.



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Careers and Work Experience

At The Priory Lincoln the staff work hard to ensure that students are supported to make informed choice for their future progression.

We look to support all our students with a taste of the real world of work by arranging opportunities to have work experience, interactions with employers, creating meaningful encounters with employers and further and higher education providers.

Examples of what we have delivered over the last 12 months are....

Careers in Golf

Year 12 Lincoln City Foundation students received an invitation to attend a bespoke Careers in Golf event.



The event was run by England Golf, Woodhall Spa Golf Club and Careers in Golf in partnership with the Greater Lincolnshire LEP's Careers Hub.

The event took place at the home of England Golf, Woodhall Spa Golf Club.

The students did not have to have an interest in golf as the event was created to open students' eyes to an industry that has a huge number of careers opportunities attached to it.

The day involved talks from professional golfers, activities and tours of Greenkeeping, Driving Range and England Golf HQ/Woodhall Spa Academy.



#Wisdom #Curiosity #Passion
#Generosity #Courage

Lincolnshire Health & Care Careers Event

Students from Years 10 and 12 that are interested in careers within the Health and Care industries visited the Lincolnshire Health and Careers Event at the University of Lincoln.



There were over 50 different career stations covering a wide range of professions including Clinical Engineering, Nursing, Dentistry, IT, Plumbing, Corporate Service, Hospice Care, Occupational Therapy, and the Ambulance Service amongst others.

Students had the opportunity gain an insight into the diverse range of occupations in Health & Care across Lincolnshire.

They were able to view a large variety of skills and career opportunities and speak directly to working professionals about real jobs to explore professions and make informed choices about their future career prospects.

Work Experience

Year 10 have had assemblies this module to introduce work experience week that will take place in June 2025. Students have been encouraged to find placements.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to experience the world of work.

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Construction Week

Students from Year 9 were given the opportunity to delve into the world of construction at the Lincolnshire Showground.

On offer was a variety of technical, professional and trade career opportunities available within the construction industry from a wide range of local and regional employers.

The students were able to get a taste of different aspects of construction, including electrical engineering, scaffolding, carpentry and building. Much fun was had by getting hands-on experience of working in the construction industry and learning some important skills.



Alongside the different activities the students had the chance to question instructors, company bosses, and apprentices about their careers and how they got into construction. It was an excellent insight into what a career in construction would look like as a future career path.

#Curiosity #Generosity #Courage



Lincoln College Experience Day



As part of the academy's careers delivery, a group of Year 8 & 9 students went on a visit to Lincoln College to take part in their Experience Day.

Students had the opportunity to engage with staff from various departments and learn about college life and pathways.

Each department also provided an interactive activity to ignite students' interest in future career options.

This involved the students trying their hand at plumbing, engineering, decorating and learning useful skills such as how to safely wire a plug.



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#Generosity
#Courage



PGL Careers Visit

PGL are a UK based company specialising in residential adventure camps and activity holidays for children.



Students from Years 10 and 12 with an interest in Sports and Hospitality careers visited PGL to learn about the various roles involved in the industry, and talk to staff about their experiences.

Alongside a careers presentation and tour, students were able to try out some of the activities on offer such as climbing and axe throwing to see how instructors delivered them.



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RAF Music Careers

Music students were offered a visit to watch the internationally renowned RAF Music Services deliver a concert at Carre's Grammar School, Sleaford.



This was a unique opportunity for students to experience a live performance by the RAF's exceptionally talented musicians and speak with both them and the RAF's Career Engagement

personnel who were on hand to give an insight into RAF life and the broad range of career opportunities and apprenticeships available to young people.

Our talented students even joined in with their own improvised performance!



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Royal Navy Combat Chef

The year group 10 were given a presentation explaining the roles of the Catering Service Branch, career opportunities, service life, educational gains, sporting and social opportunities and a general insight into the career of Royal Navy personnel.



Following the presentation, they participated in an interactive Master Chef style lesson where they were divided into equal teams and presented with a box of ingredients for two dishes. The aim was to create a main dish and a dessert within the time frame using recipe sheets provided with the RN team's assistance.

The activity was very popular alongside being a fantastic way to exercise pupils' initiatives, teamwork, communication, and time keeping skills.

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Careers Fair

On Thursday 29th November, the Priory Lincoln Academy held an informative and aspirational Careers Fair.

36 organisations visited the Academy to create an inspiring and educational day for pupils from Years 9 to 13 who were able to view a large variety of skills and career opportunities.

In this informal setting, students could ask any questions they had directly to working professionals about real jobs to explore professions and make informed choices about their future career prospects.



The Careers Fair offered an excellent way for students to learn what each company had on offer, the different roles available, and gain an understanding of what each job entails.

There was also an opportunity to have hands-on experience, to hear about the skills that are needed to be successful in today's economy. Exhibitors included local and international businesses from a broad range of industries alongside public service recruiters, the armed forces, colleges, universities, charities, and other training providers.

It was a fun and rewarding day for all and the organisations that attended spoke very highly of the Priory Lincoln Academy students, expressing that they had been particularly impressed how polite and engaged they had been. This has led to companies wanting to form links with us for visits and work experience.

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Adaptive Teaching: Planning for Inclusion and Responsive Teaching

The Academy is pleased to be working in partnership with LEARN SEND Hub as we move to the next step in our Academy Development Plan journey after Christmas.

We have been building on the Continuous Personal Development (CPD) from September and the excellent practice we see in our classrooms, we are revisiting our SEND framework and the implementation of the Education Endowment Foundation 5-a-day.

Staff have already engaged in CPD linked to working with Support Staff, Scaffolding and The Teacher Toolkit for Communication and



SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS IN MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS

Summary of recommendations

1 Create a positive and supportive environment for all pupils, without exception



2 Build an ongoing, holistic understanding of your pupils and their needs



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Interaction. The addition of Provision Maps ensures that we know our students and their needs, and means staff can plan to remove barriers.

Effective Assessments for Learning supports our responsive teaching, ensuring that we carry out timely

interventions to support good progress and improved outcomes for all our students. Helping them to “Achieve Individual Excellence Together”

3 Ensure all pupils have access to high quality teaching



4 Complement high quality teaching with carefully selected small-group and one-to-one interventions



5 Work effectively with teaching assistants



Reading Reward Trip to see Katherine Rundell

On Wednesday 25th September, 20 students from Year 7 and 8 went on a trip to the Engine Shed to see Katherine Rundell give a passionate talk about her new novel 'Impossible Creatures'.



There was a brilliant buzz even before we set off on the trip as all of the children were excited to meet one of their favourite authors! Many of the students even brought along a copy of one of Rundell's books to read on the way there.

Katherine gave an incredible and inspiring talk about how she has gained inspiration to write all of her many novels, including tales of piranha eating in the Amazon Rainforest and roof top climbing at Oxford University. She also explained the inspirations for all of the mystical creatures that feature in her new book. There was time at the end for a Q and A for students to ask Katherine questions, and then they received their limited edition, signed copy of Katherine's book. The students enjoyed trading books so that they could get the edition that featured images of their favourite Impossible Creature!

Both students and staff had a brilliant time, and as one student remarked it really was "the best school day ever!"

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