



# Priory School, Lewes

## Newsletter



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## GCSEs/EXAMS 2021

On Monday (12 October) the government announced that the GCSE examinations in summer 2021 will start three weeks later.

As explained last week, there is still a possibility that there could be a change in the process, should there be more school days lost due to the virus.

We are now awaiting the detail of what will be included in the assessment criteria for the actual examinations. So, we are still left with many unanswered questions.

It is, therefore, imperative that students continue to **work hard in every lesson**, both to ensure they have the knowledge required for the examinations and that they provide strong evidence of the grade they may achieve if there is some form of teacher assessment.



## YEAR 9 MEDIA SCHOOL

The Year 9 Media School students have been working on images as part of their project studying inspirational black artists in the media. Students chose from a wide range of celebrities, from award winning actors such as Chadwick Boseman and Lupita Nyong'o from the Marvel film Black Panther, to TV and radio presenters like Reggie Yates and Clara Amfo.



The Year 9 Media School spend one day a week on extended project work and are led by Ms Brooke-Smith.



## COVID-19 CONTROLS

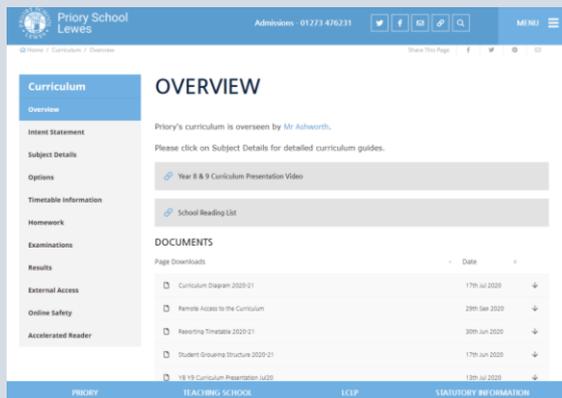
### Remote Learning

Last week the newsletter informed of the provision for remote learning that is in place for students who are absent due to a Covid-19 related incident.

The learning resources can be found by visiting the curriculum aspect on the school website:

<https://www.priory.e-sussex.sch.uk/404/overview>

Please download the file titled 'Remote Access to the Curriculum':



On the document, you will find a description for each subject and the link to the learning resources.

We will be updating these resources ready for Term 2 so that the learning is closely aligned to the delivery in school.

## SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS FESTIVAL

In 'One Night of Shakespeare' on 20<sup>th</sup> November, more than 20,000 young people are performing a Shakespeare play in the world's largest youth drama festival. We are so proud, against all the odds, to be a part of it. Priory School students will be performing a punk-themed '**Macbeth**' to Yr9 peers and staff, to be filmed and put on our website for a wider audience. Our talented cast took part in a dynamic workshop with SSF actor, Nick Taylor, who said, 'I can see the potential for the exciting show I know they are going to perform!'



The students have been guided through the process by Ms Dimoglou and Miss McCall as well as our student director Oliver (Year 10).

Keep a lookout for the video!



## VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING

Due to the restrictions in place, we have not been able to deliver the Open Evening on site. This is a huge disappointment but we have worked hard to do what we can to provide as much information to perspective parents.

We have hosted five 'face to face' meetings with parents and have another two scheduled.

There are also presentations posted on the school website:

1. The introductory video (which has had over 5,000 'hits')
2. The application process and explanation of the curriculum
3. Inclusion presentations

More can be learned by visiting:

<https://www.priory.e-sussex.sch.uk/414/news/post/78/virtual-open-evenings-2020-2021>

A screenshot from the video:



## PARENTS EVENING

### Year 8 (11 November)

We have received a few communications with regard to plans for Parents Evenings. We are currently planning to deliver these virtually. The school has purchased software which will allow parents and staff to book timed slots in which to meet and discuss the progress of the student.

We need to ensure we have trained staff and set up the software. We will be providing more detail to parents in early November.





## CONTACT DETAILS

Changing your contact details:

Sometimes contact details change and it is important to update the school of any changes; unfortunately, for security reasons, **we are unable to accept change of contact details via email or telephone**, please may we ask that you inform us one of two ways:

- completing the Change of Contact Details form (available on the school website);
- sending in a signed letter;

Without receiving this, we are unable to change any details.

Thank you for your understanding.

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