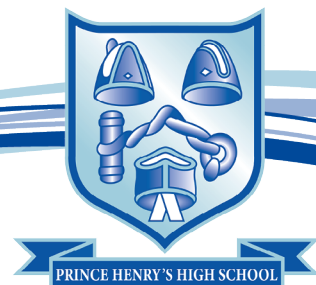


PRINCE HENRY'S HIGH SCHOOL

An "Outstanding" Academy for Students aged 13-18

Headteacher: Dr A A L Evans BSc(Hons), PhD



June 2026

SCHOOL YEAR 2025/26 NEWSLETTER NO. 6

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you and your family had an enjoyable half-term break. This will be my final newsletter of what has been a very busy school year.

We started off the term with our annual [Spring Show](#) on 16th April which was a resounding success. It was a fun-filled journey, with an impressive display of talent from our students. The audience also very much enjoyed seeing some of our teachers performing alongside our students as well. The Spring Show is entirely planned, developed, and executed by our dedicated performers and Interact students, and it was truly inspiring to witness the show's success, especially after all the hard work the Interactors and performers put in to bring the event to life. Special thanks to all the students, staff, and parents/carers who supported the event.

We have had a successful Next Step Conference for Year 12, a Year 10 Spoken Language Day, and the Year 9 Induction Evening for our future students, parents and carers. It has also been a pleasure to see so many school trips, sporting fixtures, [Duke of Edinburgh Award](#) expeditions and other extra-curricular activities taking place during the last few weeks. Year 9 students took part in the training expedition for their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award, walking 14km around Winchcombe. Year 12 students together with myself, Mr Freeman, Mrs Lungley, Mrs Barker, Mrs Webb and members of the Sixth Form team also took part in an enjoyable walk in the [Malvern Hills](#).

On Friday 24th April, Prince Henry's welcomed Robert Sullivan, CEO of the Football Foundation and Nigel Huddleston. We were particularly pleased to [showcase our new 3G pitch](#), which is already making a significant difference – not only for our students, but for the wider local community through increased access and use. We also valued the opportunity to share our vision for The Henrician Theatre with Nigel, alongside the ongoing challenges around congestion in Victoria Avenue. Just as importantly, we appreciated the chance to exchange ideas around Sixth Form Funding and our ambitions for further improvements, including upgrades to our



SPRING SHOW



THE MALVERN HILLS WALK



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD EXPEDITION



NIGEL HUDDLESTON VISITS PRINCE HENRY'S

boiler system and Abbey Block. We are very grateful for Nigel's time and his insight, and continued support for Prince Henry's and our wider community.

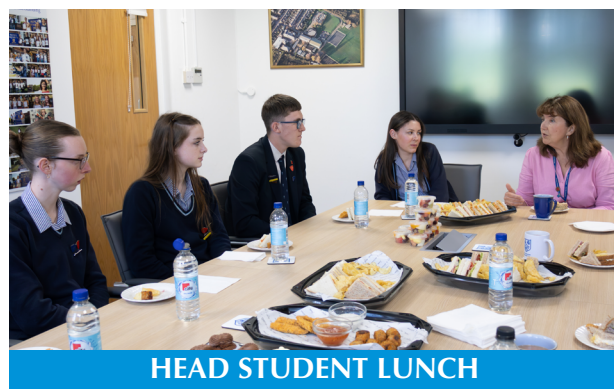
Before the half-term break, during two lovely assemblies, we said goodbye to our Year 11 and Year [13 students](#). They are now fully engaged with their external GCSE and A Level exams, and we wish them every success with these. My thanks to the Exams team for all their hard work in supporting our students.

Years 9 and 12 have also undertaken internal assessments in recent weeks, with Year 10 due to sit their internal assessments at the end of June. It has been a pleasure to meet many of our students at the Rewards meetings held for groups of students including House representatives, Interact members and the Year 12 students who have recently been appointed as Sixth Form Ambassadors for academic year 2026-27. It was also a pleasure to meet with our [current Head Students](#) Alice Collett, Iris Risdale, Steven Unwin, Zoe Brotherton, Viktoriia Cherkaska and Ellie-Mae Thomas recently and to reflect upon their time at Prince Henry's before they move on to the next stage of their lives. Together with the Service Ambassadors and Subject Champions they have all done so much to support school life and have exemplified all the values that we hold dear at Prince Henry's.

Mr King, who will be Head of Year 9 in September 2026, has been in contact with our Middle Schools to help support the transition of their Year 8 students to Prince Henry's. It was a pleasure to see so many of our future students and their parents/carers at the Induction Evening on 3rd June, and the students will have an opportunity to experience life at Prince Henry's, as well as meeting their new Form Tutors at the Induction Day scheduled for Wednesday 24th June. The key information needed for parents/carers and students who will be joining us in September can be accessed via the [Year 9 – First Steps](#) area of our website.

As we head towards the end of another busy school year, in the coming weeks we are looking forward to a number of events, including Celebration Day, School Sports and Games Day, Activities Day, with a trip to London for our Sixth Form students, and our Worcestershire Hills Trust Summer Concert.

Finally, we've recently been informed by the DfE that Prince Henry's has been successful in securing a £750K grant to replace our aging boilers and central heating system. Together with upgrades to Abbey Block, this work will take place over the summer holidays, hopefully in time for the winter!



HEAD STUDENT LUNCH



YEAR 11 LEAVERS



YEAR 13 LEAVERS



YEAR 12 VISIT TO CARDIFF UNIVERSITY



NEW AMBASSADORS BREAKFAST

Important Information:

1. Celebration Day – Friday 3rd July 2026

At 11.30am on Friday 3rd July, the whole school community will come together to celebrate the achievements of our students, at our annual Celebration Day, previously known as Speech Day. Once again, this will be a live event held in The Henrician Theatre, which will be live streamed to students in Years 9, 10 and 12 during a specially extended tutor time. We are delighted that this year's Guest Speaker will be Zoe Wenham who attended Prince Henry's between 2007 and 2012 when she also made her British GT Championship debut at just 18 years of age. Just a year later, Zoe won the British Women Racing Drivers Club Elite Gold Star award in recognition of her outstanding achievement and contribution at the highest echelons of British motorsport. This accolade underscored her status as a top-tier female athlete in motorsport, further cementing her influence and inspiring a new generation of aspiring female racers. Zoe will be an inspirational speaker for all of our prize winners.

Following the extended tutor time, the school will close, and arrangements have been made for buses to arrive for 12.50pm.

2. Start of Term Arrangements, September 2026

Just to provide some advance notice, as we normally do, there will be a staggered start to the Autumn Term in September for students. This arrangement allows Year 9 and Year 12 students to settle into their new school environment before being joined by students in the other year groups. This means that the start of term arrangements will be as follows:

- **Wednesday 2nd September 2026:** First day of term for Year 9 and Year 12. Years 9 and 12 will be the only students in school.
- **Thursday 3rd September 2026:** All students attend - first day of term for Years 10, 11 and 13.

School Uniform

Thank you for all your support in ensuring our students wear their Prince Henry's High School uniform smartly. With the warmer weather upon us, please may I ask parents to continue to support us with the very high standard of uniform we require from our students. The vast majority of our students do wear their uniform with great pride.

Our school uniform suppliers are The School Shop in Evesham and the Alcester School Shop – contact [details are on the website](#). Pre-loved uniform sales are



YEAR 12 AMBASSADORS TRAINING



YEAR 10 REWARDS TEA PARTY



DOFE CELEBRATION AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE



REWARD HOUSE ASSEMBLIES



STRATEGIC SAFEGUARDING AWARD

also held in The Henrician Theatre on the following dates and times ahead of the new academic year:

Thursday 25th June 2026 4pm – 4:45pm

Monday 6th June 2026 4pm – 4:45pm

The first date for next academic year is Tuesday 19th January 2026 4pm – 4:45pm

Parent View

I would like to thank parents/carers for their overwhelmingly positive feedback to the Ofsted Parent View website. I mentioned the purpose of Parent View in a previous newsletter and just in case you haven't had the chance to complete a review for your child, please click on [this link](#), which will provide you with further information. Thank you in anticipation of your support with this.

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Attendance

I cannot emphasise enough the fact that good attendance at school significantly correlates to success. The [attendance page](#) on our website shows some statistics that powerfully illustrate this point.

Please may I remind the parents/carers of Sixth Form students that, when reporting student absence, they should speak to the Sixth Form office (option 2 on the phone system) or email sixthform@princehenrys.worcs.sch.uk, rather than using option 1, which is the absence reporting line for students in Years 9-11.

I would like to express my appreciation to Mrs Simms (Attendance Officer), Mrs Jennings (Attendance Manager and Education Welfare Officer), the Year Teams and Mr Freeman (Senior Deputy Headteacher) for their hard work and determination to support and improve student attendance.

Training to Become a Teacher

My sincere thanks to Mr Duffy for all the work he has done with our ITT cohort this year and also with the delivery of the fourth year of the Prince Henry's Teaching School Hub. Our current cohort of 11 trainees will shortly be completing their initial teacher training.

Following our reaccreditation as a School-Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) provider, working in partnership with the University of Worcester, if you, or any friends or relatives are considering a career in teaching, please get in touch with us. A small number of places are available for September 2026, and we will soon be starting recruitment for our 2027-28 SCITT cohort. Further information is available on the [SCITT page of our website](#).

Staff Update

During the Summer term we have said goodbye to Miss Maiden (Cover Supervisor) and Mr Wall (Estates Manager). We wish them well with their future endeavours.

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying farewell to several colleagues who will be retiring after many years of dedicated service to Prince Henry's; Mrs Cox (Head of Food Technology) with 26 years' service, Mrs Martin (Head of Chemistry) with 16 years' service and Mr Dick (Head of Business and Economics) with 10 years' service.

We will also say goodbye to Mrs Boyle (Assistant Deputy Head of Languages) after 20 years' service and Mrs Shalom, with 19 years' service (Chief Finance and Operating Officer for The Worcestershire Hills Trust and previously the Business Manager for Bredon Hill Academy).

I would like to say thank you to these long-standing dedicated members of staff and wish them all the best for the future.

Thank you to all of these colleagues for all that they have done, and we would like to wish them all the very best for the future.

Diary Dates

8th – 11th June	Year 10 Work Experience Week 1
11th – 12th June	Bronze DofE
16th – 18th June	Year 10 Work Experience Week 2
Thursday 18th June	Future Year 12 Sixth Form Induction Day
19th – 20th June	Bronze DofE
22nd – 26th June	Year 10 internal assessments
Wednesday 24th June	New Year 9 Induction Day
29th June – 2nd July	Gold DofE
Wednesday 1st July	Art, Textiles and Design Show – 6.30-8.30pm
Friday 3rd July	Celebration Day, 11.30am; school closes at 12.50pm
Tuesday 7th July	Worcestershire Hills Trust Summer Concert, Henrician Theatre – 5:30- 7:30pm
Wednesday 8th July	Sport/Games Day
Thursday 9th July	Activities Day / Sixth Form London Trip
9th – 12th July	Year 9 & Year 10 Spanish Trip
12th – 16th July	Year 9 & Year 10 French Trip
13th – 15th July	Year 12 Work Experience
14th – 16th July	Year 9 Battlefields Trip
Friday 17th July	TERM ENDS, 12.50pm
Thursday 13th August	A Level Results Day
Thursday 20th August	GCSE Results Day

The term dates for 2026/27, 2027/28 and 2028/29 including all TED Days are [on the website](#).

Thank you

As this will be my last newsletter to you this academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for all your continued support through what has been a really successful year. For a reminder of the highlights during the past academic year, please look out for the new edition of The Henrician, which will be published online during the Autumn Term.

I hope that you have a well-deserved and enjoyable summer holiday (when we get there).

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely



Dr Tony Evans
Headteacher

Staff Leaving



Miss Maiden



Mr Wall



Mrs Cox



Mrs Martin



Mr Dick



Mrs Boyle



Mrs Shalom

