

# Priory News



*"The best way to predict the future is to create it."*  
Peter Drucker (1909 – 2005) – American Educator & Writer

We would just like to thank Year 7 parents/carers for attending our Parents' Evening last week – 94% turned up to discuss the progress of their son or daughter. Well done to all!

## Headteacher's Commendations:

*(When a Headteacher's Commendation (HTC) is awarded a letter of congratulations is sent home and a badge of excellence, with a certificate, are presented in assembly to those students who, at whatever level, show exceptional achievement in an activity, in or outside of school. We also announce their success in our weekly Priory News.)*

### Year 8

**Emma Murray & Meg Stephenson** for their exceptional achievement for coming 8th out of 30 schools across the region in the annual Maths challenge.

### Year 9

**Craig white & William Lenton** for their exceptional achievement for coming 8th out of 30 schools across the region in the annual Maths challenge.

### Year 11

**Leanda Best** for her exceptional achievement for achieving a Distinction in BTEC ICT, exceeding her target level considerably.

Well done!

Peter Loach

## UNWANTED BOOKS OR BIKES



We have received a request from the Hitchin Priory Rotary Club asking if you have any spare books or bikes, or perhaps both, you would like to donate. The Rotary Club would then ship them out to the children in Africa. Contact the school office if you have any items you wish to donate, please. **Thank you.**

## CORE LIBRARY

The summer external exams are only a few short weeks away and students in Years 11, 12 and 13 are already revising, both in lessons and after school.

It seems apposite then to remind everyone that the LRC's Core Library is available to students from 8.45am to 4.30pm each day.

The Core contains revision guides and text books for English, Maths and Science which can be used in school and borrowed on overnight loan.

Mrs Stovin and Mrs Plum



Dear Parents,

The summer concert this year will have the theme of 'a family affair' and we are looking for relatives to perform together in acts. This can be siblings, parents and children, grandparents or whole families (I'm thinking the von Trapps from the Sound of Music!). It can be a dance, a song, an instrumental - anything.

If you would like to perform (and we hope you do!) then we would LOVE to hear from you. The only commitment would be a rehearsal one evening so we could do a quick sound check! Summer concert is 3rd July at 7pm!

Please contact us at

[music@priory.herts.sch.uk](mailto:music@priory.herts.sch.uk)

we look forward to hearing from you

**Lindsay Creak (Head of Music)**

# CAREERS DEPARTMENT NEWS



## OPEN EVENING TANTE MARIE CULINARY ACADEMY IN SURREY Thursday 30th May 6.30 – 8.30pm

Thinking of a career in food or interested in finding out about information about a career in catering? See the Academy in action and watch a live cookery demonstration. Enjoy a tour of the school and discuss courses. Please see poster on Careers noticeboard or visit [www.tantemarie.co.uk](http://www.tantemarie.co.uk)

**OPEN EVENING HERTFORD REGIONAL COLLEGE - Thursday 9th May 5.30 – 8.00pm**  
For further information on which campus to visit please see posters on Careers noticeboard or go to [www.hrc.ac.uk](http://www.hrc.ac.uk)

## APPRENTICESHIP SCHEME AT COBHAM ANTENNA SYSTEMS STEVENAGE

Cobham Antenna Systems is a global leader in design, development and manufacture of advanced aerospace and defence systems for sea, land and air platforms. The Stevenage branch works on the design, manufacture, testing and repair of structures. They are currently recruiting for their excellent four-year Apprenticeship scheme, which includes college day-release and in-house practical training. Students need to achieve 4 GCSEs including Maths, English, Science and ICT Grade C or above and have an interest in engineering. Please see the leaflet on Careers noticeboard or visit [www.cobhamapprentices.com](http://www.cobhamapprentices.com)

## SOME USEFUL WEBSITES TO VISIT FOR YOUR CAREERS RESEARCH

Excellent information on careers, Further and Higher Education, finance, health issues and lots more  
[www.cascaid.co.uk/careerscape](http://www.cascaid.co.uk/careerscape) register and enter Licence Code helpinfo15

[www.youthconnexions-hertfordshire.org](http://www.youthconnexions-hertfordshire.org) Comprehensive advisory website covering CV layout, job applications and interviews, college courses, exams, money matters, Higher Education courses, housing, health and relationship problems.

Information on opportunities is on [www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk) or call hotline on 08000 150 600  
[u-explore.com](http://u-explore.com) click on LAUNCH U-Explore tab. On Login page, click 'Not Registered Yet' signpost to create your own account. School Code PRIORY. This is the latest engaging online resource with excellent insight into the world of work and business.

[www.Channelmogo.org](http://www.Channelmogo.org) information site for all young people in Hertfordshire

This covers all aspects of a Connexions Library – careers, job applications, Higher/Further Education, health related issues, student finance, GAP years.

<http://www.careersbox.co.uk> films on a variety on jobs and information on careers

[www.prospect4u.co.uk](http://www.prospect4u.co.uk) An excellent dedicated careers website

For CVs and preparation for interview please visit [www.alec.co.uk](http://www.alec.co.uk)

Job Centre's database of jobs [www.direct.gov.uk/findajob](http://www.direct.gov.uk/findajob)

National recruitment websites [www.hertsdirect.org/atozoflinks/jobcareer](http://www.hertsdirect.org/atozoflinks/jobcareer)

[www.smaartmags.com](http://www.smaartmags.com) Colourful digital magazines offering careers, HE and finance advice.

## Dates for your Diary 2013

Monday 29th April  
Yr 8 Charity Week

Wednesday 1st May  
Senior District Athletics

Monday 6th May  
BANK HOLIDAY

Friday 10th May  
Yr 12 Study Leave Begins

Saturday 11th May  
PSA Quiz Night

Monday 13th May  
Exams Begin

Friday 17th May  
Yr 11 Study Leave Begins

Friday 24th May  
Yr 13 Study Leave Begins

**HALF TERM**  
**Mon 27th - Fri 31st May**

## Summer Sports Clubs

	Lunchtime 12.45-1.20pm	Afterschool 3.30-4.30pm
<b>MONDAY</b>	Trampolining Yr 7 & 8 Rounders Table Tennis	Girls Football All Years Hockey
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Yr 7 & 8 Cricket All Years Lacrosse GCSE PE Revision	All Years Netball All Years Athletics
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	All Years Tennis All Years Athletics	NO CLUBS ATHLETICS MEETINGS
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Yr 9 & 10 Cricket Yr 9 & 10 Rounders	All Years Rounders Running Club
<b>FRIDAY</b>	All Years Netball	

Just to let you know the students who took part in the team Maths challenge in Cambridge

Meg Stephenson,  
Emma Murray,  
Craig White  
and Will Lenton

came 8th out of 30.

This is excellent as many of the schools train their students before they take part-we don't.



**Don't forget to collect your Sainsbury's vouchers and bring them into the collection point in reception. Thanks!**