



Dear Parent/Carer

Please see below this week's updates from school.

## **Thank You**

I would like to say a big thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting us and helping us make Hodgson the great school that it is. This term has seen our young people settle in well to the new challenges they face as they grow and mature and I am very proud of all of them.

## **Teacher Training**

Are you interested in a career in teaching? Or do you know someone who is?

Here at Hodgson we have been training our own teachers for many years through something called a SCITT [School-Centred Initial Teacher Training]. Many of these North West SCITT graduates are working in our local schools and colleges, and several now hold middle and senior leadership positions. Being able to work closely with and support who we train as teachers in our region helps us in delivering the best outcomes for the students in our schools.

We still have vacancies left to start teacher training from September 2024 in English, maths, science, French, Spanish, geography, history, computer science and primary teaching.

Please contact [aly.spencer@blackpoolsixth.ac.uk](mailto:aly.spencer@blackpoolsixth.ac.uk) for more information or visit [www.northwestscitt.co.uk](http://www.northwestscitt.co.uk)

## **Year 7 Inter-house Spelling Bee**

On Monday all our Year 7s took part in a German spelling Bee arranged by our MFL department. It came down to a nail-biting tie breaker between 7W's Grace Cooper and 7D's Felix Aspden. They could not be beaten on any of the German words they'd prepared, so we had to go to 'sudden death surprise word' and Felix Aspden emerged triumphant.

## **Level 2 Teaching Assistant**

We are looking to recruit a Level 2 teaching assistant to join our team. If you are interested please follow the following link for more information. <https://www.hodgson.lancs.sch.uk/quick-links/quick-links/staff-vacancies>

## **Uniform Shop**

Our uniform shop will be closed during the half term break and will reopen on Wednesday the 8<sup>th</sup> of November between 5.00pm and 7.00pm. The uniform shop is open on Wednesdays between 5.00pm and 7.00pm and Saturdays between 10.00am and 12.00 during term time. The shop is run mainly by volunteers from the PTFA. If you feel you could give some time to help out in the uniform shop please contact us either by phone or email on [admin@hodgson.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hodgson.lancs.sch.uk)

## **Carol Concert and Christmas Fair**

Next half term will see a number of exciting events and I'd just like to point out a few. We will be holding a Christmas fair on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December between 4.00pm and 7.30pm and our carol concert will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December at 7.00pm at St. Chad's church in Poulton. All are welcome.

## **School Reopening**

School closes today for half term and reopens on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of November at the usual time. I wish you all a safe and happy half term.

