



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have a lovely week with your families. Please see below an update from this week and a few key messages:

### **Sporting achievements and updates**

- Year 7 Girls have won their group stage of the Wyre and Fylde Handball competition, beating St. Aidans and Millfield, and will now be playing on the finals night.
- Year 8 Rugby team finished runners up in the Preston Grasshoppers U13s Rugby competition.
- The female U16s badminton team have won the group stage of the England Schools Badminton Cup and are into the next round.
- The male U16s badminton team finished runners up in the group stage of the England Schools Badminton Cup, missing out on the next round by one point.
- This Saturday Hodgson will be represented by students from all year groups at the Lancashire Cross Country Finals in Blackburn, good luck to all involved.
- This Saturday our U16 Netball team will be competing at the second round of the national competition.

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January, Hodgson Academy hosted the first round of the Badminton Nationals 2025. The schools that competed were St Cecilia's RC High School, Greenbank High School, Clitheroe Royal Grammar School, Bowland High School, and St Michaels CE High School.

The students from all schools displayed remarkable skill, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the event. It was evident how hard they had been training, and they truly gave their best effort. The energy and enthusiasm from the players were contagious, and it made for an exciting and memorable competition. However, there can only be one winner from the KS4 boys and KS4 girls and in 1<sup>st</sup> place for the KS4 girls were Hodgson Academy. The girls won 15 out of 15 matches and are now through to the 2<sup>nd</sup> round where they will represent Lancashire. The KS4 boys just narrowly missed out and came 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We are incredibly proud of how each student represented our school, not only with their performance on the court but also in how they supported one another. It was a wonderful experience that showcased the dedication and teamwork our students embody.

### **Sponsor our Sports Teams**

Mr Webb has this week emailed a letter outlining a fantastic opportunity for anyone who may be interested in sponsoring our sports teams. If you are interested in this or know of any business who would be, please pass on the link below to them to complete and Mr Webb will be in touch.

<https://forms.office.com/e/QkFQrLQT3Q>



### **Mental Health Matters@Hodgson**

Thank you to those of you who attended the coffee morning on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Please see attached to the email a link to our mental health newsletter for this half-term written by our mental health ambassadors.

### **Year 8 Parents Evening**

On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025, it is Year 8 Parents Evening from 16:00-19:00. This evening will give you the opportunity to meet with your child's classroom teachers to discuss their progress in their subjects. Miss Morton has sent an email outlining how to make appointments for the evening. Please ensure you leave gaps in your appointment schedule to allow you to move around the site to the different locations for your appointments.

### **Blackpool 6<sup>th</sup> form GCSE Masterclass 7+**

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February, Blackpool Sixth will be running a GCSE 7+ Masterclass for 60 pupils aiming for top grades in their summer exams. This will be a half day event where they will be discussing:

- What is effective revision?
- Long/mid/short term revision strategies for all subjects
- GCSE grade 9 masterclasses in both Maths and English Language

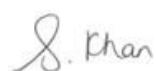
In order to sign up for the event, students will need to complete this form (please note they will need their application number to complete their registration):

[www.surveymonkey.com/r/masterclass2025](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/masterclass2025)

### **Year 11**

Please find attached the Y11 Guided Revision for Week 12. Revision lists for all subjects are also available on the Y11 Guided Revision area on our website in the subject folders.

Best wishes,



Mrs S. Khan  
Head of School