

PSA NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2022



WELCOME BACK

Off the back of our excellent GCSE results in the summer, it's been a really positive start to the year. Students and staff have settled in really well to the new term and embracing our new values. We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

Mr Sahota

BAG TO K SCHOOL

CHARITY FUNDRAISER

On Tuesday 20th September, we celebrated Genes for Jeans day at PSA and we are proud to have raised over £500. Thank you to all staff, students and parents for your donations. The money raised from this event will be distributed between two charities, Jeans for Genes and the Disasters Emergency Committee charity, which is supporting the Pakistan flood appeal.



PARENT INFO EVENING

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our Parent Information Evening's this week. The feedback received has been really positive, for those of you who were unable to attend, the Head of Year and Safeguarding slides from our Trust Safeguarding Lead, Jatinder Matharu will be sent out in due course.

CONGESTION AFTER SCHOOL

Following the staggered finish of students, the flow of traffic has improved. We request that cars park in available bays as you enter PSA and continue to turn left onto Hollybush Hill as you exit. However, it defeats the objective if cars are reversing on to the driveways of local residents to turn around or turning on the Hollybush Hill, Bells Hill junction to head back towards Framewood Road.

If you are heading towards Slough, we request that you turn left onto Hollybush Hill / Bells Hill junction, continuing on to Grays Park Road. We appreciate this is not ideal for everyone, however, it will help avoid the 30 minute gridlock we experienced in the first week of school, the accident that took place last week and reduce the number of complaints received from local residents. Thank you for your continued support.



FAITH INSPIRED EDUCATION DAY - POSTPONED



Our Faith Inspired Education day, has unfortunately been postponed.

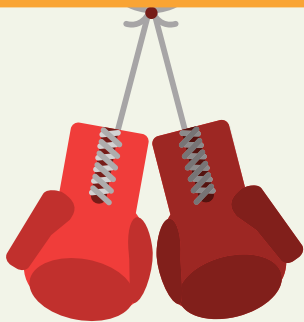


STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

BOXING STARS OF THE FUTURE

"My last fight took place in Manchester on 30th July. Not just any fight but The Manchester Box Cup Final. This was a two day tournament consisting of a semi final and final. Fighting two consecutive days was tough especially fighting an undefeated boxer in the final. I persevered, stayed strong and won the gold. It was a great experience with boxers coming from all around the UK. It was one of best experiences of my boxing career to date not only because of the gold but also because of the people who travelled all the way to Manchester to support it meant a-lot to me.", Mikael TIs

WELL DONE MIKAEL, THIS IS TRULY INSPIRATIONAL. WE ARE SUPER PROUD OF YOU. BEST OF LUCK FOR YOUR NEXT FIGHT THIS WEEKEND!



Well done to Gurnam, 9P and Satnam, 10WA who both competed in the first ever competitive boxing fight. The fight took place last Saturday (17 Sept), Satnam won the fight within the first round with a TKO stoppage. Gurnam won his fight with a KO. Both were representing The Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara, we are really looking forward to hearing more about your future success.

TRAILBLAZER - MANISHA TAILOR

Trailblazer, Manisha Taylor will be visiting PSA on Friday 7th October. Manisha is a sporting influencer, author, former Headteacher and the UK's first Asian female football coach (QPR). Manisha will be delivering a training session to the Girls team, a talk about her journey and her brand new book, Dream Like Me! Her main focus and drive is supporting BAME girls in football. To find out more about Manisha read here [interview with Sky Sports here.](#)

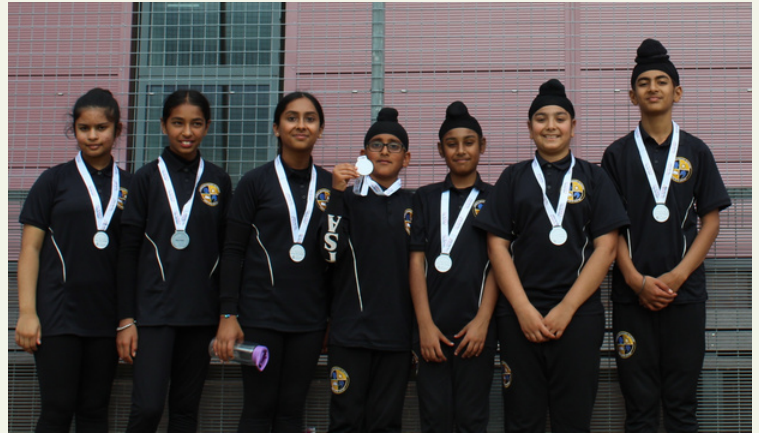


YEAR 7 CRICKET SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Year 7 softball cricket tournament at Wrexham School. Match 1 vs St Josephs was captained by Amrat who chose to field first. Some great defensive fielding meant the team finished the innings with a good target to catch. Batting was strong by Pioneer but not strong enough. We lost by 5 runs.

Match 2 was captained by Anmol vs Wexham. Again we fielded first and were much stronger. Even making a glorious catch. Batting was tough but the team tried to make several 4s and a 6. We won by 48 runs.

Match 3 was captained by Ikroop against Herschel. This was going to be the toughest game so far and batting first. A wicket was taken early but the team didn't let it get them down. Jasmeen scored a marvelous 6 point strike. When the team took to field they battled hard but wasn't quite enough to catch up the deficit. We lost by 30 runs.



ENRICHMENT TIMETABLE

The whole school enrichment club timetable will be sent to parents soon and will also be available on our website. There are some really exciting sessions including Motorcycle maintenance, Art therapy and Kirtan club.

PE department enrichment					
Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Schedule		KS5	KS3 Sport	KS4 Sport	Theory
After school	Fixtures	Fixtures (WAD & AFI)	Football (KWA) Netball (AFI)	Girl's football (SHA) Table tennis (FAW) Netball (KWA) Boy's football (AFI)	BTEC Sport

YEAR 6 OPEN EVENING

Our Year 6 Open Evening Event takes place on Tuesday 27 September. Please do share this with friends and family. A number of pupils will be helping out on the evening, thank you for your continued support.



Pioneer Secondary Academy

welcomes you and your family to an immersive experience at our

Year 6 Open Evening

Tuesday 27 September 2022

5.30pm - 8.00pm

The evening will consist of:

- A welcome from the Headteacher at 6:00pm and repeated at 7:00pm
- Special performances from our student ambassadors
- A tour of the school, including a visit to our Gurdwara to experience a spiritual assembly and kirtan
- An opportunity to discuss your child's experience with all of our teachers

We will also be opening our doors on our **Open Mornings on 28 and 29 September** for those who cannot attend our evening event.

We are asking all families to confirm their attendance by booking in advance, simply scan the QR code below to register for any of our events.



SCAN ME

Our Faith Inspired Education day, Saturday 1 October has been postponed.

CCF NEW CADETS

On Monday 12 September 30 new recruits reported to the CCF Stores for Boot Camp. Recruits were issued uniform with boots, belts, berets, the cap star of the Coldstream Guards and the Blue Red Blue backing of the Household Division. Recruits were instructed in turnout (how to wear their uniform) and also the basics of static foot drill. All recruits were therefore ready to join the 20 continuing cadets on parade on Wednesday 14th September. It was an impressive sight seeing 50 cadets on parade in full uniform. The Pioneer CCF Company is now at full Establishment Strength looking forward to an exciting year of training and opportunities for adventure and both personal and leadership development..



THE PARENT OF A RECRUIT AFTER COLLECTING HIM SENT A MESSAGE,

“MY SON CAME HOME YESTERDAY IN FULL KIT LOOKING LIKE A MAN WHO'S SERVING HIS COUNTRY AND QUEEN, MORE POIGNANT NOW WITH RECENT EVENTS.”

PSA SCHOOL VALUES

Our new values, voted for by the student leadership will underpin our culture at PSA.



Our Values

Pioneer Secondary Academy

Respect

Show tolerance and empathy towards others



Aspire

Set ambitious goals.
Have no limit.



Integrity

Always do what is right.
Be honest and trustworthy.



Seva

Always seek to help others.
Be selfless.



Equality

Embrace our differences.
Treat everyone fairly.



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MEET OUR NEW STAFF

NAME: MS POULIN
JOB ROLE: HEAD OF LITERACY & ENGLISH TEACHER
STAR SIGN: LIBRA
FAVORITE FOOD: SUSHI
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM? CAN I SAY MY ICE- HOCKEY TEAM? CALGARY FLAMES!
HOBBIES: CROCHET, CRICKET, SWIMMING, MOVIES
DISLIKES: SPIDERS, SNAKES
CLAIM TO FAME: ONLY CANADIAN TEACHER AT PSA!

NAME: MR REGNIER
JOB ROLE: MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES, ART & PE
STAR SIGN: TAURUS
FAVORITE FOOD: CASSOULET
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: PSG
HOBBIES: SCUBA DIVING
DISLIKES: INJUSTICE
CLAIM TO FAME: AN ACTOR IN A SOUTH KOREAN MOVIE

NAME: MS LALLIAN
JOB ROLE: BUSINESS STUDIES
STAR SIGN: VIRGO
FAVORITE FOOD: THAI FOOD
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: COVENTRY FC
HOBBIES: LONG WALKS IN COUNTRY PARKS
DISLIKES: IMPOLITENESS
CLAIM TO FAME: ONCE EMBARRASSED MYSELF ON PANJAB RADIO

NAME: MR FIELD
JOB ROLE: PHYSICAL EDUCATION
STAR SIGN: CANCER
FAVORITE FOOD: CHINESE AND INDIAN CUISINE
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: ARSENAL FC
HOBBIES: FOOTBALL, GARDENING AND DJING
DISLIKES: BAD MANNERS
CLAIM TO FAME: KING HENRY VIII AND PRINCESS DIANA ARE ON MY FAMILY TREE

NAME: NARINDER TOOR
JOB ROLE: BUSINESS STUDIES
STAR SIGN: ARIES
FAVORITE FOOD: PASTA
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: NONE
HOBBIES: WALKING AND SHOPPING
DISLIKES: MESS

NAME: MRS MANGAT
JOB ROLE: PUNJABI
STAR SIGN: LEO
FAVORITE FOOD: PUNJABI FOOD
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: NONE
HOBBIES: READING BOOKS
DISLIKES: HOT WEATHER
CLAIM TO FAME: MY COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN PUNJABI WHICH HAVE GIVEN ME SO MANY UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE COMMUNITY

MEET OUR NEW STAFF

NAME: MS GILL
JOB ROLE: MATHEMATICS
STAR SIGN: LIBRA
FAVORITE FOOD: MAKKI DI ROTI AND
SAAG WITH LOTS OF BUTTER!
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: NONE
HOBBIES: READING
DISLIKES: CLUTTER

NAME: MR RANE
JOB ROLE: SCIENCE
STAR SIGN: CAPRICORN
FAVORITE FOOD: SARSON KA SAAG AND
MAKKI DI ROTI
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: ARSENAL
HOBBIES: SWIMMING AND CAMPING
DISLIKES: HIKING
CLAIM TO FAME: MY TEACHING STYLE
AND MAKING SURE THAT THE MENTAL
WELL-BEING OF ALL THE STUDENTS IS
TAKEN CARE.

NAME: MR BULLEN
JOB ROLE: DRAMA
STAR SIGN: CAPRICORN
FAVORITE FOOD: THREE CHEESE PIZZA
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: BRIGHTON AND
HOVE ALBION
HOBBIES: COOKING, THEATRE, READING,
CINEMA, SWIMMING.
DISLIKES: SPROUTS, SPIDERS AND SUMMER
AS I PREFER THE SNOW.
CLAIM TO FAME: MET SIR IAN MCKELLEN IN
PERTH SCOTLAND IN 2019

NAME: MR MANDER
JOB ROLE: ART
STAR SIGN: LIBRA
FAVORITE FOOD: VIETNAMESE FOOD
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: LIVERPOOL
HOBBIES: LIFE DRAWING, KITTING,
SWIMMING AND COOKING.
DISLIKES: MEXICAN FOOD
CLAIM TO FAME: I ONCE HELD THE
DOOR FOR JUDY DENCH

NAME: MR WALDEN
JOB ROLE: PE
STAR SIGN: LIBRA
FAVORITE FOOD: CHOCOLATE AND CAKE
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: NOTTINGHAM
FOREST
HOBBIES: TRIATHLON, ZWIFT RACING AND
CROSS COUNTRY RACING
DISLIKES: RAINY DAYS AND LATENESS
CLAIM TO FAME: TAUGHT TWO CURRENT
PREMIER LEAGUE FOOTBALLERS AND BEAT
RONNIE O'SULLIVAN IN CROSS COUNTRY
RUNNING

NAME: MS SUMMERELL
JOB ROLE: STUDENTS SERVICES MANAGER
STAR SIGN: GEMINI
FAVORITE FOOD: CHEESE
FAVORITE FOOTBALL TEAM: CHELSEA
HOBBIES: I HAVE A CARAVAN (STATIC
HOME) ON HAYLING ISLAND THAT WE GO
TO EVERY WEEKEND
DISLIKES: DISHONESTY AND AVOCADO!
CLAIM TO FAME: MY DAUGHTER FREQUENTLY
APPEARS ON TV IN HEATHROW'S ANIMAL
RECEPTION CENTRE AND HEATHROW'S
BUSIEST AIRPORT WORKING WITH THE
ANIMALS THAT FLY INTO HEATHROW