

27th May 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have all had a good week and are looking forward to the half term holiday and Jubilee celebrations.

It has been a busy few weeks at school and our first thoughts go to our students who have been in examinations this past week. Our Year 6 students were fantastic in the SATS exams and our Year 11 have already had two full weeks of GCSE exams. The start of this week saw our Year 13 exams begin as well! Busy times indeed. It is important to remind our Year 11 and Year 13 parents that after half term, there will be no formal teaching. This is to allow our students the full opportunity to attend revision sessions as well as prepare fully for the exams ahead in June.

There have been reports of a high level of trespassing on the tracks by young people in our local area and Network Rail, in partnership with the Learn Live News Channel, they are working to help raise awareness to students across the UK educating them about the dangers of the train tracks through interactive digital delivery. This may not necessarily apply to Preston Manor students but we wanted to share with you a 15 minute video that explains why it is important to stay safe near the tracks.

Over 14 million students, parents and teachers from across the UK have watched these videos which has led to a significant decrease in the number of trespasses in their area through watching the latest rail safety videos. Remember, 15 minutes can help save lives and provide important safety information to young people as well as our parents. The free safety video can be watched on line by entering the email address railsafety@learnliveuk.com into the '*I am registered*' field when you first watch the videos.

Please click on the link below to view the relevant safety video:

Primary school version: Age 7- 11 (with subtitles) https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-primary-school-safety-talk/ https://learnliveuk.com/i-am-train-safe/

Secondary school version: Age 11-16 (revised version with subtitles) https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-secondary-school-safety-talk/ https://learnliveuk.com/i-am-train-safe/

College & University version: Age 16 plus (with subtitles) https://learnliveuk.com/network-rail-college-safety-talk-lnw https://learnliveuk.com/i-am-train-safe/

Please note these are the recommended age ranges, we would always advise you to view the clips first to gauge suitability for your son or daughter.











School resumes as normal from Monday 6th June for all students other than those in Year 11 and Year 13 who should only attend when needed as outlined above. We will be entering into our last six and a half weeks when we return and our September planning will be well under way.

Wishing you and your family a restful half term.

Yours faithfully

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