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Headteacher's Message

We are at the halfway point of the first half term and students are getting into the routines and challenges of each subject. There has been a big push on uniform, and we are grateful for your support. It has been refreshing to see so many students attending extra-curricular clubs, with some standout performances in the Year 7 sports teams. Our annual Open Evening took place this week with over 500 visitors. The students who supported on the night were amazing. I would like to thank Bella in Year 7, who presented to parents about her experience of starting high school.

Important Upcoming Dates

Thursday 5th October: Year 11 Parents' Information Evening
Monday 9th October: INSET Day 2 (School Closed to Students)
Monday 16th October: PSHE Parents' Information Evening
Wednesday 18th October: SEN Parents' Information Evening
Friday 20th October: School Closes for Half Term
Wednesday 1st November: School Re-Opens for Half Term 2

What Timetable Week Is It?

W.B. 2/10/23 =
WEEK A

W.B. 9/10/23 =
WEEK B

Upcoming INSET Days

Each year there are scheduled teacher training days, called 'INSET Days,' in our school calendar. On these days the teaching staff come into school, but the school is closed to students, so it's important to plan ahead. There are six over this school year, five of which are in this term. INSET Day 1 has already happened, but please be aware of the following upcoming dates:

- INSET Day 2: Monday 9th October
- INSET Day 3: Monday 30th October (just after half term)
- INSET Day 4: Tuesday 31st October (just after half term)
- INSET Day 5: Friday 17th November



Open Evening Success

Each year we hold our Open Evening event to promote the school to new students and their families. This year's Open Evening took place on Tuesday 26th September.

It's always great to see these evenings taking place, as it's a chance to see the best of what we do at CHS! In Science, there was the chance to have a go at knocking over cans with an Air Zooka and discover what is meant by "the jelly baby wave," in PE students were able to compete in netball and football penalty shoot outs, in Geography students were looking to map out our connections to the world, and there was much more going on throughout the school. As well as talks from the Headteacher, each department had activities for everyone and staff on hand to answer any questions.

We'd like to say a massive thank you to everyone who attended the evening, and a special thanks to all our student helpers and tour guides who made the evening such a success!

OPEN EVENING



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GCSE Parents' Information Evening

If you love free things and are a parent/guardian of a Year 11 pupil, then don't miss out on this fantastic event! On **Thursday 5th October (6-7pm)** we are hosting a GCSE Information Evening, which will give information about exams, revision strategies and how to support a child through this vital year. In addition, we are providing revision guides for students for free in most GCSE subjects – this is a saving of over £100! **Please ask your child to return their form to school to confirm their attendance, so that we can arrange their bespoke revision guide package.** On the evening we will focus on the year ahead, exam skills and how to plan revision. We look forward to seeing you there!

GCSE Information Evening

Year 11s and their families are invited to attend GCSE Information Evening, where they will be able to collect revision guides worth over £100.



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Is My Child Too Ill for School?

As we move into autumn and winter it can sometimes feel like coughs and colds appear out of nowhere. Please click on this link:

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

from the NHS as a helpful guide as to whether an ill child is well enough to attend school.



COME FOR COFFEE AND CAKE

WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



Friday 30th September
break & lunch



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Fundraising Success – Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 30th September, Ms Gregory and her charity team organised this year's 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning,' raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support. A wide selection of cakes were sold at break time and lunch to raise money for this good cause. This wouldn't have been possible with the baking and donations of a large number of students and staff, as well as the hard work of the team who organised the event. There will be an update about how much was raised in a future issue!



SEN Information Evening

Ms Carrington, our school SENCO, is holding an SEN information evening on **Wednesday 18th October**. This evening has been organised to help parents/carers understand the following:

- What are special educational needs
- How we identify SEN at Carnforth High School
- What you can do if you are worried that your child may be having difficulties

This event will also be an opportunity for parents/carers to provide feedback that will help develop our inclusive practices and communication. **Please email Ms Carrington at lcarrington@carnforthhigh.co.uk if you are intending to attend the evening.**



Special Educational Needs
& Disabilities

Staff Fundraising Success

A big congratulations to Ms Williams who recently completed the Three Peaks Challenge to raise money for The Inflammatory Breast Cancer Network UK (IBC). Ms Williams and her team smashed both their monetary and time targets, taking 11hrs 50mins and walking through a range of weather conditions. Ms Williams would like to have everyone who donated money and wished the team well!





SENECA

SENECA Support for Homework

This year many subjects in school have moved the SENECA as our platform for homework. Some students have been having trouble accessing this at home and we thank you for your patience whilst all the new issues are ironing out. To help your child to log on, please see the following step by step guide with some common errors we have seen.

Logging into Seneca:

1. Log on to <https://senecalearning.com/>
(just looking for Seneca in Google will take you to the link)
2. On the log in menu, select 'Continue with Microsoft' – at this stage DO NOT enter email address.

Login
Welcome back

[Continue with Google](#) [Continue with Microsoft](#)

OR

Email

Password

Show password [Forgot your password?](#)

[Login with email](#)

Don't have an account? [Sign up](#)

3. When you reach the next stage as shown in photo, write in PUPIL'S SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS

Microsoft

Sign in

No account? [Create one!](#)

[Can't access your account?](#)

[Back](#) [Next](#)

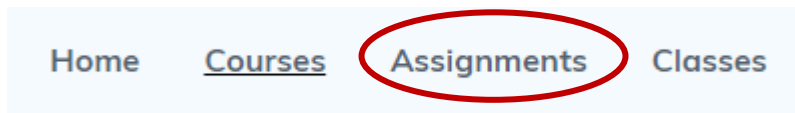
This will take the form of the year they started at the school, their initial and then surname, followed by the @carnforthhigh.co.uk. For example, a student called Jane Smith who started this year in Year 7 would be:

23jsmith@carnforthhigh.co.uk

4. Check that carnforthhigh has 2 h's

23jsmith@carnforthhigh.co.uk

5. The password is the password that the pupil needs to log into the computers at school. This does NOT need changing when you log in for the first time.
6. Once logged in, click on 'Assignments' and the HW will be there:



7. There is no need to add any courses or classes.

Common errors:

1. Another person is already logged into SENECA so the correct assignments are not showing – for this log out, and log in again completely
2. An old version of the APP is running on tablet or phone – for this – download the updated version of the app
3. Forgotten password – this means that the student has forgotten the password to log into the school computers – this needs to be reset by the IT technician at school (Mr Sharples). This will then be their password for the school network and for SENECA.
4. The username is wrong – some students are using their username for the school computers (e.g. 23jsmith) rather than the full e mail. For SENECA, the full email is needed as it links to their Microsoft 365 account.





New Year 11 Prefects

Each year we elect our student prefects from Year 11. Ms Cleasby, Year 11 Year Leader, has completed the election process for this year, and we now have 16 new Prefects! The Prefects can be identified in school by their red ties. They will be supporting with clubs, events and in Year 7 forms. Our Prefects embody of school values of Confidence, Purpose and Respect and are there to help any student who needs them!



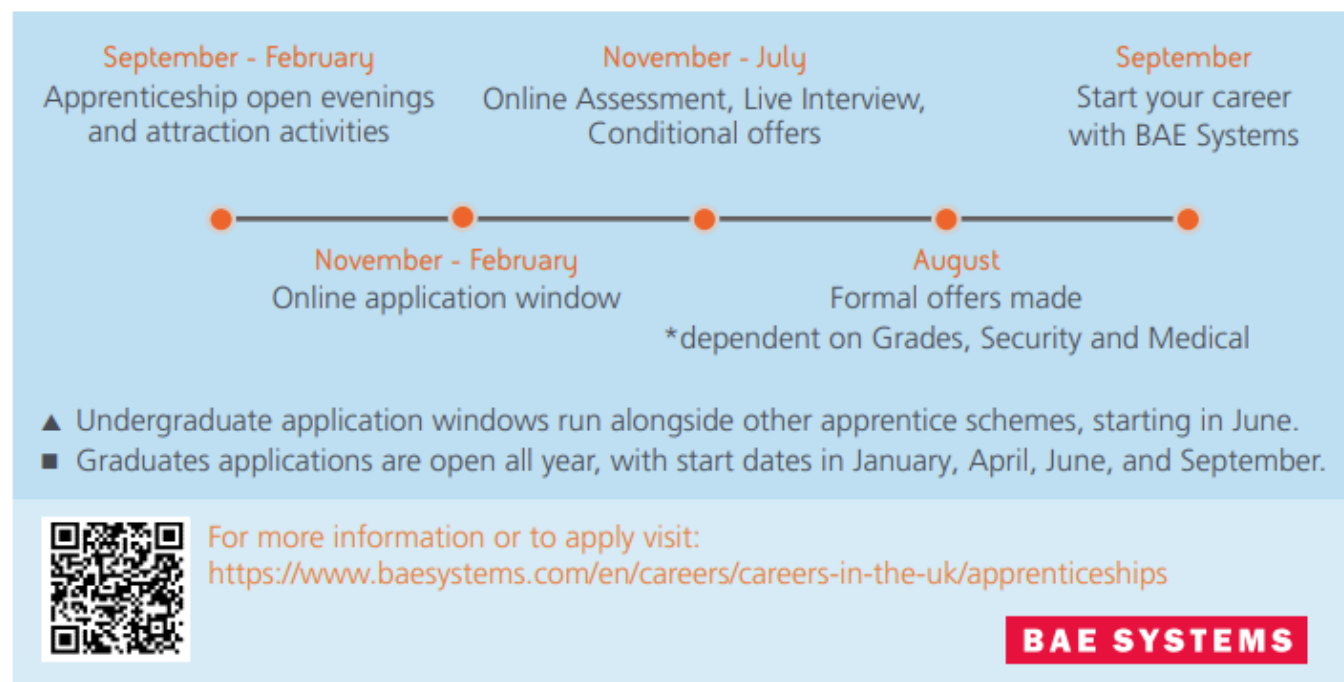
PLANS IN PLACE

BAE Apprenticeship Opportunities

A key part of our Personal Development offer is making sure that all students are informed about the different pathways available to them once they leave us. This coming week all students will be receiving their first half-termly assembly about career pathways from Mr McGauran. For Year 11s, this is a particularly important time, not only as they will soon be beginning their mock exams, but also as the window to start applying for post-16 courses will be opening soon. **Later this term, all Year 11 students will be having one-to-one interviews with a trained Careers Advisor** (more on this next issue), but in the meantime you can find more information about Careers here:

<https://www.carnforthhigh.co.uk/school-life/careers/>

Apprenticeships are one option available to students at post-16 (as well as A-Levels, T-Levels and vocational college courses), and **BAE systems is one of our largest local employers**. Please see below for general information about their apprenticeship programmes, as well as a flyer for their upcoming Open Evening on the next page.



Post GCSE			
Intermediate	Advanced		
Ancillary - Lifting	Designer	Business Administration	Site & Facilities - Plumber
Ancillary Production Services	Calibration Services	Driller	Dimensional Control
Scaffolder	Support Engineer	Sheet Metal Worker	Non-Destructive Examination
Joiner	Steelworker	Electrician	Technician - Radiography
Painter	Welder	Supply Chain	Safety, Health and
Caulker	Mechanical Fitter	Site & Facilities - Electrician	Environment (SHE)
Logistics Operative	Machinist	Site & Facilities - Mechanical	Information Management &
	Pipe Fabricator	Fitter	Technology (IM&T)



1 and 2 November
4.00-7.00pm

Submarines Academy for
Skills and Knowledge
Barrow-in-Furness LA14 2SW



BAE Systems Early Careers Apprenticeship Open Evenings

Thinking about one of our apprenticeship options but not sure what path to take?

Our open evenings are a fantastic opportunity to find out everything you need to know before making an application.

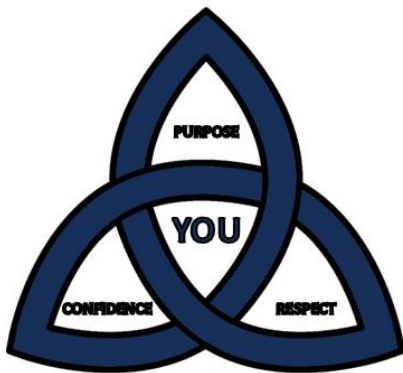
Come along to our state of the art Submarines Academy and meet our Early Careers Team, Functional specialists and current apprentices from all 48 of our apprenticeship programmes available for 2024.

These events are open to anyone in year 11 or above, with an interest in applying for a BAE Systems apprenticeship.

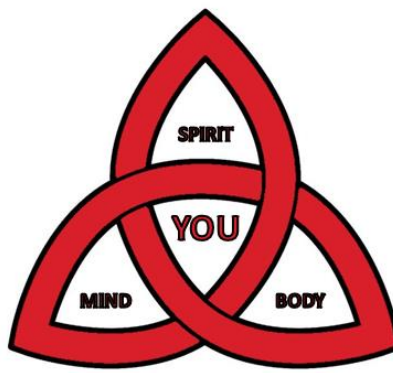
You must sign up for a time slot using the link provided, you will be able to bring 1 other person with you and both must be able to provide UK identification document, which must be brought with you on the night.



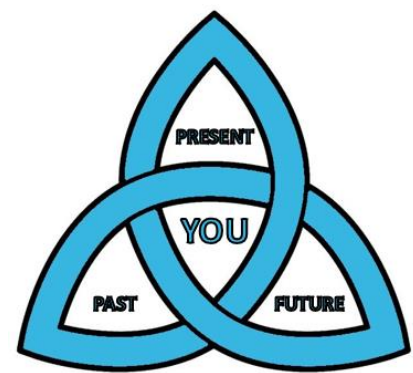
VALUES



STRENGTHS



JOURNEY



Personal Development – Assemblies Update

Our assemblies are used to help students develop their cultural capital, part of which is to understand key world events, how these affect them and be able to discuss these with others. Assemblies (and the activities students complete the next day) are closely linked to Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development (SMSC). It's always great to find out how your children are developing in this area of personal development, as well as on their academic journey, so here is a quick summary of what we've been looking at in assembly over the last two weeks:



The CHS Six

1. Pupils will begin every lesson with a silent starter activity.
2. Teachers will clearly communicate the expected sound level of every stage of the lesson
3. Pupils will be given a clear purpose at the beginning of every lesson.
4. Teachers will use the hands up signal to gain the attention of their class.
5. Pupils will listen to any instructions or explanations respectfully in silence.
6. Pupils will pack up at the end of lesson as instructed and then wait behind their chairs for dismissal.



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1. Pupils will begin every lesson with a silent starter activity: This is to give class the opportunity to settle down quickly to work. Every lesson the starter should take the same format and be in the same physical location to build routines.
2. Teachers will clearly communicate the expected sound level of every stage of the lesson. Sound levels should be shown on slides or whiteboards, and verbally communicated to the class. This ensures every pupil is always clear on the expectations.
3. Pupils will be given a clear purpose at the beginning of every lesson. This is to ensure all pupils are aware of why they are learning and how it links to their previous learning.
4. Teachers will use the hands up signal to gain the attention of their class. This is a common strategy across the whole school to ensure pupils know when they need to give full attention to their teacher.
5. Pupils will listen to any instructions or explanations respectfully in silence. – Teachers are subject experts and ensuring to listen to explanations will help pupils improve.
6. Pupils will pack up at the end of lesson as instructed and then wait behind their chairs for dismissal. A calm and orderly end to a lesson allows for calm and orderly corridors.



Assembly: The Carnforth Six

Mr McCormick spoke to the students about the importance of consistently strong lessons, and how our new Carnforth Six lesson routines are helping them to learn. You can see more about the Carnforth Six in the last newsletter.

School Values

- What are they for?
- Why CONFIDENCE?
- Why RESPECT?
- Why PURPOSE?



The purpose of life is a life of purpose

– Robert Byrne



Purpose

- What does that mean for me?
- 5 Years of Carnforth High School
- Every Day Counts... so why get in to school?
- Every Lesson Counts...so what is the purpose of the lesson?
- Every Activity Counts...so why try my best?



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Assembly: Purpose

Mr Malone spoke to the students about one of our school values: purpose. The school values were originally chosen in consultation with the students, who wanted to clearly have an answer to the question 'why are we doing this?' Thinking about short and long term answers to this is key to success.

Extra and Co-Curricular Clubs

A reminder that we offer a wide range of clubs at lunchtime and after school. For Years 7-9, the majority of these clubs also count towards earning the CHS Award. Students can find posters explaining what each club is about on the main corridor display. Each of this half term's clubs was also described in issue 1 of the newsletter.

What Can I Do at Lunch and After School?



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Lunch Time in Half Term 1 of 2023/24

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS3 History Club in HI1 SKILLS	Science Club in L4 SKILLS	Christmas Club in T1 SKILLS	Treble Makes in MU1 SKILLS	Lego Robotics Club in TBC SKILLS
Chess Club in HI2 SKILLS	GeoGuessr Club in IT1 SKILLS	Year 10 Boys Football in the Sports Hall PHYSICAL	Anime Club in LS1 SKILLS	Doodle Club in LS1 SKILLS
Events and Fundraising Club in LS1 SKILLS VOLUNTEERING	Debate Club in LS1 SKILLS	Reading, board games and study in the Library PHYSICAL	Year 10 Art Catch Up Club in A1 PHYSICAL	Year 10-11 Health Related Fitness in the Fitness Suite PHYSICAL
Girls Team Practice in the Sports Hall PHYSICAL	Year 9-10 Dance in the Dance Studio PHYSICAL		Year 7-8 Dance in Dance Studio PHYSICAL	Reading, board games and study in the Library PHYSICAL
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After School in Half Term 1 of 2023/24

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7-8 Girls Netball on the Astro PHYSICAL		Textiles Club in E2 SKILLS	Year 11 Art Catch Up Club in A1 PHYSICAL	Year 7 Boys Rugby on the Field PHYSICAL
Year 7-11 Girls Rugby on the Field PHYSICAL		Year 7-11 Girls Gymnastics in the Dance Studio PHYSICAL	Year 9-11 Girls Netball in the Sports Hall PHYSICAL	
Year 7-8 Boys Football on the Field PHYSICAL		Year 7-11 Girls Football on the Astro PHYSICAL	Boys District Fixture Afternoon PHYSICAL	
		Year 8-11 Boys Rugby on the Field PHYSICAL		



Year 9 Boys Rugby

On Thursday 14th September the Year 9 boys rugby team travelled to Lancaster Boys Grammar School for a district rugby tournament. The first game was a 30-5 victory over Ripley. Steven scored two tries and Rob, Harry, Alfie and Carter all added one try a piece. The boys showed some fantastic running with the ball, breaking through the Ripley defensive line on numerous occasions.

The second game was a real battle, versus a strong Kirkby Kendal team. Kirkby Kendal edged the game 10-5, Rob scored the only Carnforth try with a fantastic interception followed by running the full length of the pitch to score.

The third and final game of the tournament was a 25-20 victory versus Lancaster Boys Grammar School. Another close and competitive fixture where every tackle, ruck and scrum were closely fought. However, the brilliance of player of the tournament Steven sealed the victory for Carnforth as he scored a hat trick of tries. Rob and Alfie also got on the score sheet and some late heroic Carnforth defending on our own try line secured the victory. Well done boys on three excellent results against high level opposition.





Year 8 Boys Rugby

The Year 8 boys rugby team hosted Lancaster Grammar, Ripley, Our Lady's, Morecambe and QKS. The first game was a close game but ended in a 10-0 defeat to a strong and consistent Ripley side who went on to win the tournament. The second game was a 15-5 victory versus Our Lady's. Tries were scored by Keyan, George and Kenzie. A 15-5 defeat to LRGS followed, George again scoring the only Carnforth try. A 5-10 victory over Morecambe was next with Kenzie scoring both the tries. The final game a 20-0 defeat to QKS. Overall, it was a really positive display from the Carnforth boys, who were missing some key players due to injuries. Well done boys.





Year 7 Boys Rugby

The Year 7 rugby team played their first ever rugby fixture in their Year 7 rugby tournament. The standard of performance, commitment and overall fearlessness shown from all the schools involved was incredibly impressive – considering for many students involved this was their first ever time playing competitive rugby.

The Carnforth boys won three games, drew one and lost only one. The first victory was against Our Lady's, two tries to nil, with Joe and Carlo scoring the tries. The second game vs LRGS 'B' was a 5-0 with Reece the only try scoring. A 10-0 victory over Morecambe followed with Dan and Carlo scoring the tries. The only Carnforth defeat came against LRGS 'A' in a close game which ended 10-5 in the favour of LRGS, with Dan scoring the only Carnforth try. The final game was a well match 5-5 draw versus Ripley, Dan again the Carnforth try scorer.

Well done to all the Year 7 boys involved, in what was a superb start to their time representing Carnforth High School.



U14 Girls Football

The Carnforth U14 Girl's football team played Ripley on Thursday 28th September. All players worked extremely hard and having only had two training nights to play together as a team played very cohesively. Led from the front by Erin, the team battled through the match scoring once but also unfortunately conceding 5 goals.

Well done to all players, there was plenty of tackles on the ball and shots on target however there's also plenty more training to be done too before our next match. **Please can any/all girl footballers who want to play in upcoming fixtures please be at training on Wednesday nights.** Thank you.



Dance at Carnforth High School

We are looking for a dance team and we need you!

Dance club this term is starting at lunch time (12:45) in the dance studio. Just bring your trainers.




- Year 9 & 10 every Tuesday lunch time
- Year 7 & 8 every Thursday lunch time

All abilities welcome! Do not worry if you have never danced before, just come and give it a go!

School Transport and Fixture Payments

The PE department is offering the opportunity for parents to make a one-time payment at the start of the 2023/24 academic year of £25 to cover their child's extra-curricular fixture transport payments. Currently the PE department charges £1 for home fixtures and £2 for away fixtures, this covers a percentage of cost for transport and competition fees, this will remain in place for parents who do not wish to make the £25 one-time payment. We believe that this for some parents will be a preferential method of payment for their child's sporting fixtures throughout the school year.

The PE department will be providing students with a letter in the coming days with details of how to make the payment via SchoolComms. For details or any further questions please contact Mr Chambers on cchambers@carnforthhigh.co.uk

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PE Department Extra Curricular Timetable		
September - October 2023		
	<u>LUNCH 12.45pm - 1.15pm</u>	<u>AFTERSCHOOL 3.30pm - 4.30pm</u>
MONDAY	Girls Team Practice - Sports Hall (AB)	Y7-8 Girls Netball - Astro (AB) Y7-11 Girls Rugby - Field (BL) Y7-8 Boys Football - Field (JG & JD)
TUESDAY	Y9-10 Dance - Dance Studio (AB) Y9 Boys Football - Sports Hall (JD)	Staff Meetings
WEDNESDAY	Y10 Boys Football - Sports Hall (CC)	Y7-11 Girls Gymnastics - Dance Studio (AB) Y7-11 Girls Football - Astro (NS & ST) Y8-11 Boys Rugby - Field (JD & CC)
THURSDAY	Y7-8 Dance - Dance Studio (AB) Y11 Boys Football - Sports Hall (JD)	Y9-11 Girls Netball - Sports Hall (NS) Boys District Fixture Afternoon (JD & CC)
FRIDAY	Y10-11 HRF - Fitness Suite (HW)	Y7 Boys Rugby - Field (CC)

Boys & Girls Y7-11 if you are a regular team member, please look on the fixtures board for this half term's fixture list.

Look out for Future Issues!

This year our school newsletter will be released **every two weeks** via Schoolcomms email and the school's website. Look out for future issues for all the latest information about what's going on in and around Carnforth High School and the local community.

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