



Friday 23rd January 2026 – **Edition three**

The Pleckgate Weekly

Pleckgate siblings take part in MCC Foundation Hub Trials

We are delighted to celebrate siblings Ziya (Year 7) and Zain (Year 9), who are taking part in trials for the 2025/2026 MCC Foundation Hub programme, delivered locally by the Lancashire Cricket Foundation.

The MCC Foundation Hub programme provides free, high-quality coaching and competitive match play for state-educated cricketers across the county. Hubs offer intensive coaching followed by summer match play and talent identification opportunities.

Both Ziya and Zain have been playing cricket from a very young age.

Zain said: "I've loved cricket from a very young age. I started playing when I was five with my dad and I've grown up around the sport. Scoring 50 was a really proud moment for me. I look up to Joe Root and I hope one day I can be as good as him."

Ziya said: "I'm most inspired by my dad, who started playing cricket in India, and by my brother. I love playing cricket and I want to go all the way and become really good at it. My dad has always encouraged me, and my manager Glenn at Rishton Cricket Club has helped me a lot."

If successful at the MCC Foundation Hub trials, both Ziya and Zain would be absolutely thrilled at the opportunity to train and compete at the highest standards. We wish them the very best of luck as they take this exciting next step in their cricketing journeys.



Celebrating our Stars of the Week

Each week, we select exceptional pupils from every year group to be our Stars of the Week.

We are proud to celebrate the following pupils as our Stars of the Week:

Year 7: Aniya, Mohammed Hassan, Aahil

Year 8: Aleena, Hammad

Year 9: Izun, Mohammed Azaan

Year 10: Aneesha, Amina, Ayaan

Year 11: Mohamed, Mahek



Sociology pupils visit the University of Liverpool



Our Sociology pupils enjoyed an inspiring and informative day at the University of Liverpool, spending time within the School of Law & Social Justice.

The day provided valuable guidance on future pathways, helping pupils to understand the range of opportunities available to them after school.

Staff Spotlight: IT Support Team

This week, we are delighted to shine a spotlight on our fantastic IT Support Team, Mr Hussain and Mr Tahir.

Both Mr Hussain and Mr Tahir are former Pleckgate pupils themselves, making their journey especially inspiring.

Our IT team works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure systems run smoothly for staff and pupils alike.

If you need support with: iPad issues, Edulink access or queries; please contact our IT team via info@pleckgate.com and your query will be directed to them.



Key dates this term

Year 11 Parents Evening – 3rd Feb

Year 10 Raising Achievement – 5th Feb

Year 8 Parents Evening – 10th Feb

Coffee Morning – 11th Feb



Tell us what you think: Parent View

We are committed to continually reflect on the education and pastoral support we provide for all pupils.



As part of this commitment, we would be very grateful if you could take a few moments to scan the QR code on the right to complete a short feedback form to share your views of our school.

Your feedback is extremely valuable.