



Friday 09/01/2026 – Version one

The Pleckgate Weekly

Welcome back to the Spring Term and Happy New Year!



This term, we are placing a strong focus on excellent attendance, good manners, mutual respect, and developing a positive mindset across the school.

We recognise the vital role that regular school attendance plays in a child's learning, wellbeing, and overall success.

We therefore kindly ask for your continued support in ensuring that your child attends school every day and arrives on time throughout this half term.

By working together, we can help our pupils develop positive habits that support both their education and their future success.

Staff Updates – Welcome to the Team!

We are delighted to welcome several new members of staff to our school this term and are pleased to share the following updates with our community:

New starters: **Fatima Saleh** (Maths Teacher), **Hannah Copner** (Music Teacher), **Ian Burrows** (Lead STEM Teacher) and **Lisa Iddon**, who will be covering for Miss Bury during her maternity leave.

We are also very pleased to welcome back a returning member of staff: **Louise Dougan**, returning from maternity leave.

We wish all our new and returning colleagues every success and look forward to the positive contributions they will make to school life.

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



Florence Nightingale Day at Lancaster University

Our pupils attended Lancaster University's Florence Nightingale Day on Wednesday, where they listened to talks from female mathematicians and took part in quizzes and team-building activities.

The event showcased women working in mathematics, statistics and research, highlighting the opportunities available through further study in these subjects.



Mock Exams

Important information for all parents of Year 11 pupils, the first week of mock exams has taken place and pupils have demonstrated excellent attitudes to learning and have approached their exams seriously and have worked hard.

Week two continues from Monday 12th January. All pupils must attend every day in full school uniform with the correct equipment, we wish all pupils good luck in these important examination

Online Safety Hub

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping our pupils safe online, we are pleased to share information about the Online Safety Hub, a new digital resource designed to support schools, staff, and families with online safety and wellbeing. This can be located in our safeguarding section of the school website.

Don't forget that the Online Safety Hub is available to support your family or your own knowledge and understanding of digital safeguarding! You can access it for free using the QR code on the left.

