

December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Mr M Reynolds BA Hons, MA, NPQH
Principal

As part of our ongoing commitment to improving teaching and learning, we are introducing a new expectation for students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10. From January, your child will be required to carry a small folder containing:

- A mini whiteboard
- A whiteboard pen
- A whiteboard eraser

This folder should be kept in their school bag at all times, as the expectation is they already have a bag in which they can carry A4 folders in.

Why are we introducing this?

At The Prescot School, we are committed to ensuring every child is actively engaged in their learning and making strong progress. One of the most effective tools we use to achieve this is the mini-whiteboard.

Whiteboards allow teachers to check understanding quickly and accurately during lessons. This means that every student has the opportunity to show what they know, rather than just a few answering out loud. If a teacher notices that some students have misunderstood a key idea, they can immediately revisit and explain it again, ensuring no one is left behind.

This approach provides several benefits:

- **Immediate feedback** – Teachers can see how well the class has understood and respond straight away.
- **Identifying misconceptions** – Mistakes are spotted early, so they don't become long-term gaps in knowledge.
- **Active participation** – Every student is involved, which builds confidence and keeps engagement high.
- **Improved memory and progress** – Regular use of whiteboards supports retrieval practice, helping students remember and apply what they've learned.

By making whiteboard use a consistent part of lessons, we are strengthening learning routines and giving all students the best chance to succeed.

What does this mean for your child?

- All students will be provided with the equipment they need on the first day back in January by their form tutor.
- If a pen runs out, it will be replaced by the school.
- Students are expected to take good care of their whiteboard and eraser, as these will not be routinely replaced.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain high standards and provide the best possible learning experience for your child. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Mr N. Cleator
Assistant Principal, Teaching and Learning

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