



PARENT BULLETIN

30 Nov - 4 Dec 2020: Week 2



Year 7 Messages

None this week.

Year 8 Messages

None this week.

Year 9 Messages

Thank you for your support during the closure of the Year 9 bubble. Many pupils worked hard during their time away from school and impressed their teachers with their hard work and dedication. It was great to see all pupils return to school on Thursday.

You will have received an email earlier this week giving you an update on engagement with work during the first week of isolation. For many of our pupils they demonstrated the same level of commitment to their studies during the second week. Therefore, in the majority of cases, we have decided not to send a second email to report on engagement and submission of work during week two.

Thank you again for your understanding and support.

Year 10 Messages

None this week

Year 11 Messages

For anyone who finds the idea of a large college a little bit overwhelming, don't forget there are options to study at local sixth forms, where class sizes (and overall student numbers) are much smaller - for example, Rivington & Blackrod 6th Form.

At RBHS you can take a combination of BTECs and A Levels: 3 A levels; 2 A levels and a BTEC Certificate (equal to 1 A Level); 1 A Level and a BTEC Diploma (equal to 2 A Levels) or a BTEC Extended Diploma (equal to 3 A Levels). They offer a huge range of subjects so it might be worth checking out the website <https://www.rbhs.co.uk/> or see Miss Berry for a prospectus.

<https://www.tlevels.gov.uk/> Have a look at the official Government site to find out more about T-Levels, the latest qualification being offered post-16. There are a number of new options starting in September 2021, following the launch this year of the first three T-Levels. 80% classroom time, 20% on the job time with an employer (which the colleges will find for you).

Careers

Don't forget that there is a Parklands Careers Twitter account - @PHSCareers1

Date for the diary: Tuesday 1st December. Watch a live theatrical make-up workshop and take the opportunity to video chat with one of the tutors at Preston's College. Zoom workshops are 5pm-6pm or 6pm-7pm. No need to stay for the full hour, drop in anytime. Email: delliott@preston.ac.uk to book your place.

Apprenticeship Notifications

<https://youtu.be/jwRwt8DmVQk> This link takes you to a short video from Leyland Trucks, explaining the benefits of an apprenticeship - and the various options available. The application process for the September 2021 apprenticeship intake starts in January, so keep an eye on your emails and the bulletin.

Quick reminder about apprenticeships at BAE Systems. The application window is now open - they are committed to taking on around 800 apprentices this year (despite the current situation). Go to the website: <https://www.baesystems.com/en/careers/careers-in-the-uk/apprenticeships> and start your application now.

Network Rail Apprenticeships

The Rail industry is currently going through one of the largest transformations we've ever seen. New opportunities are appearing every day and we're investing over £45 billion in the next five years to revolutionise our nation's railway system. It's an incredible time to start a career with us.

Start your journey today

Our [Level 3 Engineering Apprenticeship](#) is a three-year programme which gives you all the support and training you need to take the first steps towards becoming a professional engineer. During this scheme you'll earn a competitive salary and get involved with important projects - gaining invaluable experience as you work towards a degree level qualification.

Whole School Messages

Perfect 3s

Has your child continued to achieve the perfect 3 since the start of term? There are **440** pupils with the perfect 3 - Well done!

Year 7: 108 pupils
Year 8: 129 pupils
Year 9: Pupils Isolating
Year 10: 103 students
Year 11: 100 students

Who had the perfect 3 last week?

Year 7: 35 pupils
Year 8: 63 pupils
Year 9: Pupils Isolating
Year 10: 45 students
Year 11: 39 students

Please congratulate your child if they are one of the perfect 3s! All BfL scores can be found in the Edulink app.

School bus transport update: click [here](#) to read information we've received from the Local Authority.

Do you collect your child by car? If so, please could we ask that you wait for your child with your engine switched off. We have received concerns from local residents regarding pollution. Your support would be very much appreciated.

[Parent/Carer Letter](#)
[Booking & Declaration Form](#)

[Weekly Learning Support Board](#)

<https://www.futurelearn.com/>

Learn new skills online with top educators (ideal for parents/carers)

Learn 100% online with world-class universities and industry experts. Develop your career, learn a new skill, or pursue your hobbies with flexible online courses. Most are completely free (some offer extra benefits that are chargeable). Check out the vast range of options and have a go at something new.

Final course advice morning for 2020 from Myerscough College on Saturday 5th December, from 10.00am - 12.30pm. Go to: <https://www.myerscough.ac.uk/> to find out more. They offer a huge range of courses (and not just in the agricultural sector). Take a look at their website and see for yourself.



Reading House Competition y7-9 RESULTS WEEK 1



HOUSE	PLACE
Australasia	1
Asia	1
South America	2
Europe	3
Africa	4

Don't forget to look out for an email from Mrs Donohue for this week's articles and quizzes! **Your house needs you!**

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Dear Parents,

There are places for 6 parent governors on the governing body of this academy. They are elected by the parents of pupils at this school to serve a 4 year term of office. There is now a vacancy for 1 parent governor(s). You may, if you wish, put yourself forward for election – the Nomination Form, Appendix B and other information is available via the Edulink App. Please read the information before applying.

The timetable for the election is:-

1. Nomination form along with completed Appendix B to be returned to me by 12:00 on 11th December 2020;
2. Ballot papers to be sent to all parents on 18th December 2020 (Voting will only take place if there are more nominations than vacancies)
3. Ballot papers to be returned to me by 12:00 on 08th January 2021;
4. The votes will be counted at 14:00 on 08th January 2021 after which the result will be announced.

Governors have an important and influential role to play in the life of our academy, and I do hope you will be able to take part in this election by becoming a candidate and by casting your vote when the time comes

If you require any further information about being elected to the governing body, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Mitchell

Headteacher

Reminder - Would all pupils who walk or cycle to school please be mindful of the other pedestrians and road users. I have had to deal with another complaint from a member of the public in relation to our pupils' road sense and general behaviour. If a pupil rides a bike to school, this must be ridden on the road and not on the pavement. Thank you

PGL WATERSPORTS 2021



£ 675

TWO CENTRE ADVENTURE
3 DAYS BEACH WATERSPORTS @ BEACH
2 DAYS DESCENT DOWN THE ARDECHE
1 DAY AT AQUALAND

8th August - 15th August 2021
ALL FOOD, TRANSPORTS, EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS, AND
WATERPARK INCLUDED.

Letters have been emailed from Miss Greaves to parents
via edulink app.



Email ngreaves@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Deadline for deposits is 4th December 2020

Andalucia Trip October half term 2021

Email jdonohue@parklandsacademy.co.uk for a
letter

Amazing opportunity to:

- Visit the incredible Alhambra World Heritage Site
- Explore the Great Mosque and Synagogue in Cordoba
 - See art exhibitions
- Relax on Malaga Beach
- Taste traditional tapas
- And much more!



Five days
open to current year 9 students
Approx. £720 all food, hotel accommodation and travel included
We are still planning for this trip to go ahead, Covid-
dependent

2021 Normandy Food Tour Years 7,8,9 &10



- Boulangerie – bread making
- Goats Cheese Farm
- Oyster Farm
- Visit to Bayeaux Market and shopping
- Sweet Making Factory
- Apple Juice & Cider Farm
- Arromanches 360 Cinema – D-Day Landing beaches and WWII history.
- Halloween Party and Campfire
- Local Market and shopping at Deauville
- ... and more!



Click here for video link...
**Please check your
child's e-mail for
a letter and
booking form.**



Staying
at
Chateau
Du Baffy



4 days October 2021 - £430

Whole School Messages

BE AWARE!



Information sent to us by the Police

This County Lines app is not surprisingly creating consternation amongst parents of exploited children. It is a game about running a County Lines (Cunch) operation. The NCA, VKPP and NCLCC are all aware of this app and the NCLCC is investigating whether any action can be done about it. It appears to have an in-chat facility which would enable grooming/recruitment and so hopefully action can be taken.

**ANXIOUS? STRESSED?
STRUGGLING?**
IT'S OK TO ASK
FOR HELP

**STOP.
BREATHE.
THINK.**

TEXT
**BREATHE
TO 85258**

For free and
confidential
support.

 **snow
camp**
NATIONAL YOUTH CHARITY

WWW.STOPBREATHETHINK.CO.UK



Lancashire Positive Minds Parent/Carer Support Group

Anxiety / Obsessions and Compulsions / Depression / Self Harm
Eating Disorders / Psychosis / Suicidal Thoughts / Autism
Low Mood / Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder/
Borderline Personality Disorders / Self Esteem and confidence issues
and more.

You are not alone! Supporting a young person with Mental Health difficulties can be really challenging, isolating, emotionally, physically and mentally exhausting.

Come along to the group, meet with other likeminded Parents/Carers in similar situations and get both peer and professional support in a confidential, safe environment. The Group is very much parent led but professionally supported by Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) and experienced people who can provide support, advice, guidance, practical tips and strategies, topic discussions and guest speakers all whilst you can have some time for you and have a cup of tea/coffee!

During current Covid Pandemic, face to face meetings for group members have been put on hold.

Leyland Group - First Monday of the month from 6.30 –8.30pm

Preston Group – Third Monday of the month from 6.30- 8.30pm

Email: Lancashirepositiveminds@gmail.com

Parent Founder: Susie Marsden – 07713 337182

Facebook Closed Group: Lancashire Positive Minds

Twitter: [@Lancashirepositiveminds](https://twitter.com/Lancashirepositiveminds)

Christmas Hamper Appeal!



Many people struggle at Christmas and often can't afford to heat their homes and eat well. Due to COVID many will not see their loved ones! Imagine if these were your loved ones. You can make a real difference and help give somebody else an amazing Christmas!

Please bring in your items and drop them off at the Food drop off zones



Thank you for your kind donations so far, we are still a little way off reaching our usual target, so we need lots more goodies.
Thank you.

Lancashire

SEND IAS

Information, advice and support
for Special Educational Needs and Disability



The SEND Information, Advice and Support Team

are offering **FREE** webinars for parents and carers
on the following subjects:

Choosing a school/school admissions

Wednesday 25th November 1:30pm – 2:30pm

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tUofuGhqT0qGNX817hDHdr_47Euq4gueAO7

Meetings with school – make them matter

Wednesday 2nd December 1:30pm – 2:30pm

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tUkceigpzoGvGNK8hx6pmPjCztrdXBcllyv>

SEN support in school

Wednesday 9th December 1:30pm – 2:30pm

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tUepd-uopjwrG9B4E3rbFroBPpoUI1uuErVa>

The annual review process

Wednesday 16th December 1:30pm – 2:30pm

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tUlsf-2gqzkuEtVffuD0rVPnBdSb2OAXDGWM>

Each session will be open to a maximum of 10 parents

Booking essential – click the link to book

For more information, contact a member of the team:

SEND Information, Advice and Support Team

Helpline - 0300 123 6706 Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm, out of hours please leave a voicemail

Email – information.lineteam@lancashire.gov.uk

Facebook - www.facebook.com/LancashireSENDInformationAdviceandSupportTeam