

PARENT BULLETIN 27 Jan - 31 Jan 2020: Week 2



Year 7 Messages

Y7 Parents Evening 6th February (4-7pm). Please be advised you can now book appointments through Edulink. Any issues, please contact <u>houseleaders@parklandsacademy.co.uk</u> Looking forward to seeing you there!

Year 8 Messages

SAVE THE DATE: Monday, 9th March is GCSE Options Evening at 7pm.

I am intending to take a small group of Year 8s to visit the brand new Strawberry Fields digital hub at the end of February. They will get to meet employers, colleges and training providers and find out more about careers in the digital industry: from cyber security to graphics, games design to software development. If your child has a keen interest in all things IT-related, this might be just the right trip! Email Miss Berry for more details: <u>pberry@parklandsacademy.co.uk</u>

Year 9 Messages

Y9 Immunisations- We are over half-way through with these. Europe and South America along with any tidy ups will be on 30th January.

Year 10 Messages

A reminder about Work Experience for Year 10. The date is 13-17 July 2020 and students need to download the Connect app, in order to input details of their chosen placement. The app is to track placements once they are verified and approved, not to find placements. Any issues, ring Miss Berry (01257 264596)

Please note: The NHS are unable to accept any more applications for Work Experience for this year from Year 10s. I would suggest if you are interested in a medical career to try clinics, dentists, opticians, pharmacists and so on. You will still get a general idea of what working in the healthcare sector involves.

Year 11 Messages

SAVE THE DATE: This year's prom is taking place on **Thursday**, **9th July**. Prom is a privilege, not an automatic right. Year 11s are well aware of our expectations of behaviour in order to receive an invite.

Friday 31st January is the date for Wigan & Leigh interviews in school. These will be held in CAT (language block) and you should have had your interview time in a letter sent to your home address. I have a copy of the schedule should anyone have missed the letter. If anyone else would like to be interviewed but hasn't yet applied, please let me know - it's not too late! (Miss Berry - top office)



Julia Beck The Dress Lounge Facebook: The Dress Lounge Instagram: Lounge_The_Dress

Careers

This week's Career of the Week can be found <u>here</u> - this week it is the role of the Construction or Site Manager. Lots of new buildings have recently been completed in Chorley town centre and it's the job of the Site Manager to ensure that everything goes to plan and that the budget is adhered to! Don't forget to check the CotW site for lots of interesting jobs and careers.

Our annual Careers Fair will take place on Friday 6 March 2020. If you would like to be involved, or you would like further information, please email: pberry@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Coaching Connexions Bolton - there is a Year 11 event coming up at the Eddie Davies Academy, Ox Hey Lane, Bolton BL6 4AW on February 11th, from 7-9pm for anyone interested in pursuing a career in sport. You will get to meet tutors, see the facilities and take part in sessions run by Coaching Connexions and Bolton Wanderers staff. If you are interested contact: JamesFabian@coachingconnexions.co.uk

Another date for the diary: Open Evening for Bolton 6th Form - Tuesday 28th January from 5.30 - 7.30pm

The next NHS Careers Event will be held on 5th May 2020 at Royal Preston Hospital in Health Academy 1. If students could register their interest in the event at the link below, this would be much appreciated - however they are welcome to attend even if they haven't registered. Click <u>here</u>. If you are serious about a career in healthcare, whether as a doctor, nurse or any other allied profession, then try and get to this event - speak to staff and find out what steps you need to take next.

Apprenticeship Notifications

Leyland Trucks are offering a fantastic apprenticeship in Fabrication and Welding, with a starting salary of £15,366 for the right person! You must be aiming to get at least a grade 4 in maths, English and science and have a keen interest in engineering. Application forms can be downloaded via the website (click <u>here</u>)and emailed to: <u>Leyland.jobs@PACCAR.com</u> before 28th February 2020. See Miss Berry for more details or for support with completing the application form.

The new January Parents Pack is here and includes: NAW2020 info, 10-step 2020 apprenticeship plan, life as an apprentice at Coca-Cola, recruitment tips from The Royal Navy, support for disabled individuals seeking apprenticeships, current vacancies and much more!

Whole School Messages

SEND

Click here for the link to the Lancashire SEND Partnership homepage.

Latest news : In this edition, we share the SEND Partnership Ways of Working document that was agreed by the SEND Partnership Board to set out our shared understanding about working together. There's an item about the Lancashire Parent Carer Forum (LPCF) One Year On Event and a questionnaire for young people on the redesign of the <u>Short Breaks Offer</u>.

We continue to promote the Personal Outcomes Evaluation Tool (POET) survey by <u>In-Control</u> which is part of a national pilot to help local areas understand the impact of the SEND reforms and help improve services in the local area

For the SEND Local Offer, click here



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The **drop-in service** is once again being offered to parents who wish to meet with a member of the Achievement Team outside of school. Should you have a query or concern please feel free to drop in. The service is offered every Wednesday from 11:30-12:30 at the Asda cafe in Chorley

School Nurse Drop-In available every Thursday 1.00 pm - 2.30 pm. Please see Mrs Fairhurst for appointment slip.

The student J8 development group have more Fair Trade ground coffee available for you to buy for £4.60 per bag. This coffee has come straight from Malawi where the growers work in the community of Liwonde, where the secondary school is for whom we are raising funds. The proceeds from the sale of this coffee go straight back to the school we are working with, to help buy resources to keep more children in school. Please do what you can to support the group and purchase your coffee here. If you would like to make a purchase you can provide your child with the money and the coffee is available from myself in S14. Thanks from the J8 group - Mrs Ward

Edulink app

All trackers, BfL reports and mock exam results can be found within the DOCUMENTS section of the app. You will need to download the document to view it. BfL scores are shown behind the 'Behaviour' button, then scrolling across to 'Lesson Behaviour'.



Whole School Messages

Perfect 3s

Has your child continued to achieve the perfect 3 since September? There are 166 in total so far!

Year 7: 38 pupils Year 8: 25 pupils Year 9: 34 pupils Year 10: 31 students Year 11: 38 students

Who had the perfect 3 in the last week (Mon - Fri)?

Year 7: 170 pupils Year 8: 109 pupils Year 9: 100 pupils Year 10: 127 students Year 11: 125 students

Please congratulate your child if they are one of the perfect 3s!

PE MESSAGES

Monday 27th: Y9 Basketball match v St Michaels (away) Tuesday 28th: Y10 Football match v Lytham High (away) Wednesday 29th: GCSE Boys Handball moderation Y9-11 for selected pupils only. Thursday 30th: Y11 Basketball v St Michaels (home)



Click <u>here</u> for the latest edition of their leaflet which offers advice and support helplines.

Message for parents/carers of pupils on the Battlefields trip.

The Parents Evening for this trip will be on 26th February 6-7pm. Here you will be given all itinerary details, school phone number for while we are away and other essential information. Thank you very much, Miss Crabtree

Ski Trip Meeting

This is taking place on Tuesday at 6pm in the hall.

Whole School Messages

On Thursday 27th February we will be hosting musicians from The Band of the Grenadier Guards, from London, who will be delivering a workshop to our GCSE Music students, entertaining our Year 7 students and working with our Band Musicians. We have also invited students from Euxton Primrose Hill Primary School to take part in the day. The day will culminate in a free concert! More information next week. Mr Willsher





As another initiative to make our school greener, Monday will see our bespoke 'Clearing Station' in action for the first time in the Dining Hall. Please encourage your child to use this at break and lunchtime. There will be clear signage to direct students. We all need to think about our environment and encourage the younger generation to think twice. We only have one Earth, let's look after it!

It is with a heavy heart that I have to let you know that I am leaving school, due to ill health, at February half term. This means that Maggie will also be leaving school and that's going to be a real loss to the pupils. Thank you for your support with initiatives I have run at school and I know that your children will continue to thrive here at Parklands. Ms Mulligan

POLITE NOTICE

Car parking: we understand it is difficult to find suitable parking when picking up your child, but please could we ask parents and carers to help us ensure all our students are safe, that you do not drive too fast past the buses due to students crossing the road, and that you park in the appropriate areas. Thank you for your understanding.

