



PARKLANDS BULLETIN

7th - 11th Oct 2024

Week 2



Headteacher's Message

Dear parents and carers,

A huge thank you for Macmillan Coffee Morning last week; we raised a massive £3,333.74! This was our biggest total ever, and we only achieved it thanks to the generosity of our whole school community. Cake donations and Star Bakes from staff, pupils, and families were sold and auctioned on the day, as well as hampers which were raffled off. A group of Year 11s pooled their money and, in hot competition with Mrs Batson and the English Department, achieved the winning bid of £255 in an auction for a spectacular chocolate cake, made by Mrs Haslam.

This week we have had assemblies to highlight and launch our mission for improved sustainability in our school buildings and community. The initiative covers 5 main areas - biodiversity; energy and future proofing; food sustainability; curriculum; community action. We will update you throughout the year as we work on this. We have already been successful in our bid for solar panels, and we will be installing a herb garden over the half term holiday. We know that our pupils are keen to improve the school environment and also to help to combat climate change, so we are looking forward to working with them on these projects.

Last night we held our Year 7 Transition Evening. It was lovely to see so many parents and carers in school to meet form tutors. We think that Year 7 have made a fabulous start to their time with us here at Parklands.

Regards,

Mrs. Batson

Headteacher

Whole School Messages

Dropping off items at school

We would like to remind parents and carers that any items dropped off for pupils at reception will remain at reception until they are collected. Due to the volume of items received each day, the office cannot deliver items to pupils or send messages letting them know they have arrived.

Secure

On Monday during their form Secure session, all pupils will be continuing the work about Black History Month and reclaiming the narratives. Pupils will learn more about notable contributions throughout history and the way that stories are told and remembered.

(Year 7) Weekly discussion questions from the RS Department.

Current Unit - Ultimate Questions

Enquiry Question - Is it possible to find answers to ultimate questions?

1. What is a community?
2. What are the different communities you belong to?
3. Why is it important to be part of a community?

(Year 8) Weekly discussion questions from the RS Department.

Current Unit - Prejudice and Discrimination

Enquiry Question - Why do people discriminate?

1. Why has the history of Black people been 'forgotten'?
2. How does this make Black people feel today?
3. What has been done throughout history to stop racism?

(Year 9) Weekly discussion questions from the RS Department.

Current Unit - Human Rights and Social Justice

Enquiry Question - Do we still need human rights today?

1. What does the symbol of Amnesty International stand for?
2. What might happen if people are denied their human rights?
3. How can we stand up and support other people's human rights?

Whole School Messages

Perfect 3s

Excellent Behaviour for Learning goes hand in hand with achievement. It is an excellent indicator of how your child is performing in lessons. Who's had the Perfect 3 since we've been back?

Year 7: 138 pupils to date

Year 8: 101 pupils to date

Year 9: 82 pupils to date

Year 10: 109 students to date

Year 11: 100 students to date

All: 530 students

How many had the perfect 3 in the previous week?

Year 7: 178 pupils

Year 8: 154 pupils

Year 9: 142 pupils

Year 10: 145 students

Year 11: 139 students

All: 758 students

Please congratulate your child if they have the Perfect 3. All BfL scores can be seen in the Edulink app.

How many pupils have a BfL score of 2.99 - 3?

Year 7: 177 pupils

Year 8: 140 pupils

Year 9: 114 pupils

Year 10: 137 students

Year 11: 122 students

All: 690 students

Students, please click the link to see what clubs, trips and activities are happening in school [Parklands Bulletin](#)

Weekly Learning Support Board - please click [here](#)

Learning Support Board
Week Commencing
14th October 2024

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?
After seven busy weeks, we have reached the final week of this half-term. The half-term break lasts for two weeks. This week is relatively quiet but there is a lunchtime drop-in session for year 11s interested in going to Preston College on Friday, looking ahead a few weeks, the SEND Review Evening will be on Tuesday 19th November.
Learningsupport@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Inspire Club
Of which British group of islands is this the flag?

Last time's answer: Faeroen

Joke of the Week
How do you stop an elephant from smelling? Tie a knot in its trunk!

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Local Offer in Lancashire

Many HANDS make LIGHT work

Useful Links

- ADDitude Magazine
- Autism Eye
- Autism Parenting Magazine
- British Dyslexia Association
- The Communication Trust
- FIND Newsletter
- GOV.UK Covid-19 Information
- Headspace (Meditation & Sleep)
- KOOTH Mental Health Support
- Local Offer
- NHS Urgent Mental Health Helpline
- Witherslack Group

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Whole School Messages

Languagenut Pupil Leaderboard

Languagenut Pupil Leaderboard as of 9:11 on 11/10/24.



Top 10 Pupils on Languagenut

cod12600	35800	RWI - 10BRW Spanish
pony12679	25000	JDO - 10AJD - Spanish
space12419	24600	BC - 10CBC - Spanish
autumn12506	24600	RWI - 10BRW Spanish
rainbow12213	24600	RWI - 10BRW Spanish
ray12795	24200	BC - 10CBC - Spanish
raven12556	23800	JDO - 10AJD - Spanish
space12664	20900	RWI - 10BRW Spanish
parrot12415	19600	RWI - 10BRW Spanish
mole12684	19400	JDO - 10AJD - Spanish

ClassCharts



Congratulations to all our pupils that have achieved Pupil of the Week this week! All teachers were looking for pupils who demonstrated **service** which is another of our schools' chosen character virtues. You will be notified via ClassCharts and email if your child has been chosen as a Pupil of the Week. Each teacher only picks one Pupil of the Week so they have been chosen from over 1100 other pupils. This is a huge success and deserves to be celebrated!

Kind regards,

Mrs Wilkinson
ClassCharts Lead

If you need further information on classcharts, please click [this link](#) to see more detail. Also linked is the [parent code spreadsheet](#), and the [start up guide](#).

Y11 Family Revision Evening

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In preparation for Y11 mock exams, come and learn about Parklands' 3 step strategy for revision.

Trial some of the activities for yourselves so that you can best understand how to support your child.

Thursday 7th November, 5.30-6.30 pm in the School Hall. Refreshments available



Prom Incentive

PROM - Incentive (half termly)

- BfL average 2.95 and over - 1 point
- Attendance 94% and over - 1 point
- No social strikes - 1 point
- No lates - 1 point
- A suspension will clear all points for the half term.

From today until exams finish.

You will need **18 points** to be eligible for prom.

There will be opportunities for you to gain extra points by attending revision sessions, Easter School and using Class Chart points.
Extra points available for 100% attendance and perfect '3' BfL.



Whole School Messages

PE Update week beginning 7th October 2024

Another busy week with netball and football fixtures! Remember, there is no need to sign up just look at the extra curricular timetable, choose an activity, bring a kit and attend!

Year 10 Boys Football at home against Albany. First game of the season and what a performance! A well deserved win. Well done!



Year 10 Boys Football Lancashire Cup at home against Park High School at home. The team fought hard but unfortunately lost.



Year 11 Boys Football against Holy Cross at home. Great start to the season with a well earned win!

Year 11 Boys Football at home against Southlands. The boys continued their unbeaten start to the season with a hard fought 4-3 victory. Well done!

Cross Country away at Holy Cross A great team of students was selected to represent Parklands at the district cross country meet. They battled through the rain and ran a great race. Well done



We're so proud of the level of commitments shown by all of our pupils, well done!

Whole School Messages

Y7 Boys Rugby. Shevington Shark Blues U11 are now recruiting please see the flier for more information.

SHEVINGTON Sharks

SHEVINGTON SHARKS BLUES U11'S RECRUITING NEW PLAYERS NOW

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A SHARK

RESILIENCE TEAM WORK RESPECT CHARACTER ABILITY CONCENTRATION FUN

FOR BOYS MOVING INTO YEAR 7 IN SEPT 2024

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MANAGER EMAIL - SHEVINGTONMUTTS@MAIL.COM

7-14 Football. First Kick Elite Coaching.

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8:30AM - 4:30PM
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Royal Ave, Leyland PR25 1BS

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FULL WEEK £80
4 DAYS £70
3 DAYS £60
2 DAYS £50
1 DAY £25
50% SIBLING DISCOUNT

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Whole School Message

Barcelona Football and Netball Tour 2025 - Expressions of Interest -The link to the form is [here](#).



Barcelona Football and Netball Tour



Saturday 24th (Sunday 25th) May – Thursday 29th (Friday 30th) May
2025

Pupils in current years 7-10 who play and attend school Football/Netball club are welcome to attend!

- 2 professional coaching sessions
- Festival Matches against other schools
- A stadium tour and museum/shop visit.
 - Visit to Las Ramblas
 - Visits to the Lloret De Mar Beach
- Bowling on one of the evenings included in price
 - Sightseeing in Barcelona
- All meals during the trip are included in the price. Breakfast and Tea and a packed lunch for days when out of resort
 - Waterpark Excursion on the final day.
 - 2 x Tour tops TBC

Total Cost On SCOPAY NOW £850
Deposit £100

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT
ngreaves@parklandsacademy.co.uk



Videos - [part 1](#) and [part 2](#)



PARKLANDS RAIN JACKET



Available to use in PE lesson, after school clubs. Also great for our cold weather, outdoor activities.
S, M, L, XL - We have a medium and large available for you to try on.
£21 - available on scopay.
This will come with your initials printed on it.

Whole School Messages

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We cannot express our gratitude enough. We are so grateful to all of you; parents, carers, students and staff. The amount raised is the biggest ever, by a country mile. It makes all the preparation and organisation worth it. Here's to next year x

You're the icing on the cake

TEAM PARKLANDS



Thank you for everything you did to make Coffee Morning a huge success.

Together we raised

£ 3,333.74

to help Macmillan do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

In aid of

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**



Macmillan Cancer Support: Registered charity in England and Wales (261017), Scotland (SC039907) and the Isle of Man (604). Also operating in Northern Ireland: MAC19446

This is not a receipt.



WRAP UP LANCASHIRE



WARM A HEART, GIVE A COAT

As a school we are getting behind local initiatives and charities.

Next term you will hear about the Christmas Hampers and we will be asking for donations for Living Waters our local food bank.

If you have any unwanted coats/jackets at home please bring them in and dump them in the designated bin in the FITNESS SUITE PE office.

We will take any unwanted coats and give them to charities that support the homeless, refugees, children living in poverty and people fleeing domestic violence

*Coats must have working zips and be in good condition/clean.

Click [here](#) to view

OUR MENU WEEK 3

Choose your favorite dish

<p>Monday</p> <p>Main Meal Butter chicken curry served with boiled rice £1.90</p> <p>Vegetarian option Chickpea curry served with boiled rice £1.90</p> <p>Jacket Potatoes with various fillings</p> <p>Grab & Go Sausage roll £1.15 Chicken wrap £1.90 Pizza £1.20</p>	<p>Tuesday</p> <p>Main Meal Hunters chicken served with veg £1.90</p> <p>Vegetarian option Halloumi burgers served with salad £1.90</p> <p>Jacket Potatoes with various fillings (GF)</p> <p>Grab & Go Herby potato cubes £1.50 Chicken wrap £1.90 Pizza twist £1.90</p>	<p>Wednesday</p> <p>Main Meal Chicken fajitas £1.90</p> <p>Vegetarian option Veggie fajitas £1.90</p> <p>Jacket Potatoes with various fillings</p> <p>Grab & Go Panini £1.90 Chicken Wrap £1.90 Steak pie £1.15</p>	<p>Thursday</p> <p>Main Meal Spaghetti bolognese served with salad and garlic bread £1.90</p> <p>Vegetarian option Creamy pasta and broccoli bake £1.90</p> <p>Jacket Potatoes with various fillings</p> <p>Grab & Go Chicken wrap £1.90 Cheese pasty £1.15 Pizza twist £1.90</p>	<p>Friday</p> <p>Main Meal Fish and wedges £1.90</p> <p>Jacket Potatoes with various fillings</p> <p>Grab & Go Meat & Potato pie £1.15 Chicken wrap £1.90 pizza £1.20</p>

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators TEACHING CHILDREN FIRE SAFETY

Fire safety is especially important around Bonfire Night, as fireworks, bonfires and sparklers add extra risks for families and young children. Every year in the UK, thousands of accidents occur due to improper handling of fireworks and neglecting fire safety measures. This guide offers practical tips for keeping children safe when handling everything from fireworks to space heaters.

1 BONFIRE NIGHT AWARENESS

Bonfire Night is exciting, but it comes with several inherent risks. Educate children about the dangers of fireworks and open flames. Teach them that only adults should handle fireworks and that bonfires should never be approached. Keep children at a safe distance (at least five metres away) from bonfires and explain why supervision is crucial during these events.

2 SUPERVISE FIREWORK USE

Fireworks should only be handled by responsible adults who are following UK laws and guidelines. Make sure to buy fireworks that meet British Standards and adhere to all instructions that come with them. Keep children a suitable distance from any firework activity and designate an adult to supervise the event. Ensure no one goes near fireworks after they've been lit.

3 SPARKLER SAFETY

Sparklers are often captivating for little ones, but they can burn at extremely high temperatures – over 1,000 °C! Only allow children over the age of five to use sparklers, and make sure they wear gloves. Teach them to hold sparklers at arm's length and never wave them near others. Once a sparkler has burned out, extinguish it fully in a bucket of water – which you should prepare beforehand and always keep nearby.

4 ORGANISED DISPLAYS ARE SAFER

If possible, families should attend an organised fireworks display rather than holding one at home. These tend to be far safer as they're run by professionals adhering to strict safety regulations. Organised displays also provide a controlled environment where children can enjoy the event from a safe distance, reducing the risk of accidents.

5 KEEP FIREWORKS AWAY FROM THE HOME

If you are hosting your own fireworks display, set them off well away from homes, sheds or fences to avoid starting accidental fires. Choose a wide-open space with no flammable materials nearby and keep a means of putting out fires to hand in case of emergency – such as a bucket of water, a hose or a fire extinguisher. Afterwards, ensure that all fireworks are fully extinguished and never attempt to relight one if it doesn't go off.

6 BONFIRE SAFETY

If you're building a bonfire, place it well away from trees, buildings, fences or anything else flammable. Make sure it's structurally sound and not at risk of collapsing. Only burn natural materials like wood and leaves, avoiding petrol or other accelerants. Children should be kept far away from the bonfire, and it should always be supervised by adults. Be sure to fully extinguish the bonfire before you leave it.

7 "STOP, DROP AND ROLL"

Ensure that children know what to do if their clothing catches fire. Teach them the simple "stop, drop and roll" technique, which can quickly extinguish flames. Practice this with them before events like Bonfire Night, so they feel confident if the need to use it arises. It can also be helpful to keep another means of putting out these kinds of fires on standby, just in case. An extinguisher or flame-retardant blanket are both sound choices.

8 SECURE CANDLES AND OPEN FLAMES

Beyond Bonfire Night, everyday fire safety is also crucial. Candles can be a common fire hazard, especially in homes with young children. Teach children not to touch any open flames, and ensure candles are placed in sturdy holders away from combustible materials. Never leave candles, incense burners or other such items unattended, and always extinguish them fully before leaving a room or going to bed.

9 EDUCATE ABOUT FIREWORKS HAZARDS

Make sure children understand the dangers of playing with fire or fireworks, and how to handle such things responsibly. Emphasise that fireworks are not toys and can cause serious injuries when improperly used. Demonstrate the importance of treating fire with respect and the consequences of misuse, which can help temper any curiosity and any resultant dangerous behaviour.

10 FIRST AID FOR BURNS

Even if you have the best possible precautions in place, accidents can still happen. Keep a first aid kit on hand. Ensure you know how to apply basic first aid to burns, so you can teach children those techniques too. If someone suffers a burn, run it under cool water for 20–30 minutes. Never use creams or ointments, as these retain heat and can cause further damage. Instead, seek medical help if the burn is serious.

Meet Our Expert

James Whelan is an experienced health and safety expert who is a Chartered Member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health. He provides services to educational settings and many other industries, helping them to maintain a safe working environment.



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Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/guides/fire-safety>

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Fireworks, The Law and You



Fireworks can only be purchased from registered sellers for private use between:

15th October - 10th November
26th December - 31st December
3 days before Diwali or Chinese New Year

It is illegal to sell fireworks or sparklers to anyone under 18

It is illegal for anyone under 18 to possess fireworks in public

If you are caught with fireworks in public you could be given an on the spot fine of £80

It is an offence to set off fireworks between 11pm and 7am

It is also an offence to obstruct emergency workers

If you are caught committing any of these offences you could be given an on the spot fine or be taken to court where you can be given a heavier fine or prison sentence.



THINK ABOUT IT.

Firework Code



Lancashire Fire
and Rescue Service

Always supervise young children

Light sparklers one at a time

Keep pets indoors

Keep them in a closed box

Follow all instructions carefully

Stand well back

DO's

&

Don'ts

Never return to a lit firework

Don't give sparklers to under 5's

Don't set fireworks off after 11pm

Never put them in your pocket

Never throw them



For more information visit:

www.lancsfireandrescue.org.uk/bonfires-and-fireworks.aspx

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school meals

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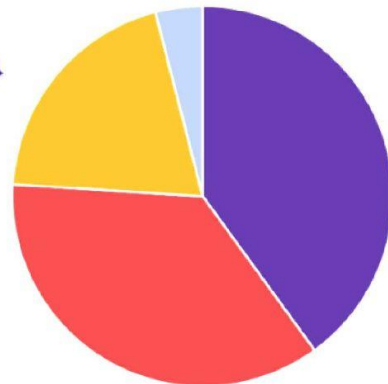
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- 4p goes to VAT

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It's simple—choose 6 numbers between 0-9 and if they match the weekly lottery draw, you win great prizes. One of our players will win a cash prize every week, maybe even the £25k jackpot! Tickets cost just £1 per week and the proceeds are donated to Parklands High School

Every Saturday at 8pm the numbers are drawn and posted online. Winners are notified by email and winnings paid into the account of your choice.

The easiest way to join our lottery is online at YourSchoolLottery.co.uk by direct debit or debit card.

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The Maths... 100 tickets sold a week means
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THE NORTH WEST APPRENTICESHIP & CAREERS EXPO 2024
GREATER MANCHESTER

Only 1 Week To Go!

Did you know? For the first time, the #NWAPPEXPO2024 is heading to Greater Manchester. Get ready to discuss careers, training and apprenticeships at the Bolton Stadium Hotel, October 16th, from 12pm-17pm.

The North West's leading apprenticeship and careers expo connects career-hungry applicants with business opportunities.

At this event you can meet leading local employers from a range of business sectors, all looking to recruit apprentices to work across various operational disciplines.

Local universities, colleges and training providers will also be available for you to chat openly about upcoming apprenticeship and career opportunities. The colleges and training providers will be looking to meet young people, vacancies they are looking to fill.

For more information, visit our website at www.thewestexpo.co.uk

CHORLEY CAREERS EVENT
Your Future. Your Choice
07 NOV 3PM - 7PM
The Lancaster Chorley Town Hall, PR7 1DP

Weekend Career Opportunities
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Wigan & Leigh College

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INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE

LISTEN NOW ON SPOTIFY

Career News

Lots of great opportunities for students of all ages in this week's Career News.

Virtual Apprenticeship Open Events - BAE Systems

We are hosting virtual open events for those interested in apprentice opportunities who are not able to attend our in-person open events. Please follow the below link to sign up to one of our virtual open events: <https://www.baesystems.com/en/event/apprenticeship-open-evenings>