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## Parent Bulletin

FRIDAY 26TH JUNE 2026

### Headteacher's Message

It has been an incredibly busy, productive, and warm week at our school, spanning everything from fantastic educational trips to key milestones for our students.

First, I must extend my thanks for your support with the pupils wearing their PE kits this week. The temperature has been hot all week, and our pupils and staff have done their absolute best to continue as normal. As the temperature is due to drop next week, we will revert to normal school uniform on Monday, with the exception that blazers and ties can be left at home.

Beyond the classroom, education extended far and wide this week as pupils from a range of different year groups embarked on trips. A group of our Year 7s had a wonderful time visiting Blackpool Zoo, while Mrs Holly took a group of our dedicated Key Stage 3 readers for an inspiring visit to Waterstones in Preston.

For our Year 10 students, it has been an especially packed and important week. They have approached their mock exams with maturity and focus. Alongside their exams, Thursday marked a major milestone as they attended their first sampling day at Wigan and Leigh College. This is a vital day in their journey through Parklands and beyond, helping them look forward to their next steps.

We also valued the opportunity to look toward the future together on Monday evening, when we welcomed parents and carers to our Parents' Forum. This provided a lovely opportunity to meet Lucy Pilkington, our new Headteacher, and our Alan Hammersley, our new CEO ahead of September.

Finally, we ended the week on a high note with our Key Stage 3 Presentation Evening. This was a wonderful, celebratory occasion to mark the many successes across the Key Stage, and it was lovely to see so many parents and carers join us to share in these proud moments.

Thank you for your continued support across a very packed but rewarding week. I wish you all a restful and happy weekend!

*Mrs C Batson*

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## School Socials

Don't forget to check our Facebook and Instagram pages to see what's been happening this week...

- [CLICK HERE!](#)  
Parklands High School
- Parklands High School
- PE
- English
- Europe House
- Africa House
- South America House

The bulletin is now available to view [here](#) in Arabic, Kurdish, Russian and Romanian.

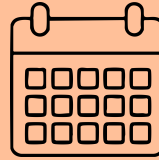
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## Key Dates



Thursday 2nd July	Year 10 Runshaw College day
Friday 3rd July	INSET day (school closed to pupils)
Wednesday 8th July	Year 11 prom
Friday 10th July	Year 10 mock results day
Monday 13th July	Learning Challenge Week and Work Experience Week begin
Friday 24th July	School closes at 1:00 pm

## Leadership Applications Closing Soon!

**Year 9 SSLT Reminder:** There is only **1 week** left to get your Student Senior Leadership Team applications in! Please hand them into the HAL's office by **3rd July**.  
Don't miss out on this great leadership opportunity!

Don't Miss Out  
Want to make a real difference in our school community? This is your final reminder to submit your applications for Prefect and Senior Student Leadership Team (SSLT) roles.

Being part of the leadership team is a fantastic way to build your skills, lead exciting projects, and stand out on future university or job applications.

\*Deadline: Prefects 18th July, SSLT 3rd July

\*Where to apply: Make a copy of the prefect application that was shared with you, and share back to your HAL

Get your applications in before the deadline. Good luck!

## Support Available for Families

With the Household Support Fund food vouchers now coming to an end, we want to reassure families that a wide range of help is still available locally.

- [Holiday Activities and Food \(HAF\) Programme](#)
- [Local Food Clubs and Emergency Food Support](#)
- [Family Support Webpage & E-Booklet](#)
- [Crisis and Resilience Fund](#)
- [Additional Local Services](#)

[Click for more info!](#)

## Weekly Learning Support Board

**Learning Support Board**  
Week Commencing  
29th June 2026

**HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?**  
Four 10 minute news items on Wednesday. This will allow for the year's news to be shared. One for each house and one for the school. The news will be shared on the school's website. The year also has the year 9 and 10 news items. The year 9 and 10 news items will be shared on the school's website. The year 9 and 10 news items will be shared on the school's website.

**Useful Links**

- E-ING Newsletter
- GOV.UK Covid-19 Information
- Healthcare, Meditation & Stress
- NIOSH Mental Health Support
- Local Offer
- NHS Urgent Mental Health Helpline
- Wellbeing Group

**Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Local Offer in Lancashire**

**Joke of the Week**  
"Rise above the storm and you will find the sunshine."  
MARIO FERNANDEZ

**Summer is a state of mind**

**Follow us on Instagram:**  
[psh\\_learningsupport](#)

## SKI TRIP

- 5 full days with ski instruction
- Ski hire
- Boot hire
- All meals provided including breakfast on the outbound and inbound journey
- Full area ski lift pass
- Apres ski programme including bowling, pizza, ice cream & disco
- Trip hoody
- Helmet hire
- Comprehensive winter sports insurance.

Open to years 7-9  
The next trip will not go until 2029 so don't miss out!

PLACES AVAILABLE!

13th February 2027  
7 days  
Total cost: £1590  
Deposit: £100



Deposit Payments Via ScoPay  
Email Miss Marr more information.  
gmarr@parklandsacademy.co.uk  
Letters available from the pavilion office.

# General Noticeboard

learning challenge Week 13th to 17 July

**We are building a farm!  
Can you help?**

During learning challenge Week 13th to 17 July, Parklands staff and pupils will be building a farm. The aim is offer a transformative, hands-on approach to sustainability, bridging the gap between theoretical environmentalism and practical stewardship.

The vision: transform this area...



[Click for more info!](#)

Can you support us with any of the above? We are looking for donations of Materials (New or Upcycled), expert advice and skill sharing, donations of labour and financial sponsorship

learning challenge Week 13th to 17 July

**Is our eagerly anticipated Learning Challenge Week at Parklands!**

Learning Challenge Week is an exciting opportunity for pupils to step outside the traditional classroom to build essential, lifelong skills and discover new passions. Through unique, hands-on activities, your child will challenge themselves, grow in confidence and develop new friendships with peers.

An email has been sent earlier this week, which contained information about dress code, challenges and some housekeeping. Please give it a read!

We are really looking forward to Learning Challenge Week – It's always amazing!

**KS4 DANCE SQUAD AUDITIONS 2026/27**  
Three teams. One Squad. Unlimited opportunities to perform.

**OPEN TO CURRENT YEAR 8, 9 & 10 STUDENTS**

<p><b>LYRICAL TEAM</b> THURSDAY <b>9 JULY</b> 3:10PM - 4:00PM With Sarah</p>	<p><b>MUSICAL THEATRE TEAM</b> FRIDAY <b>10 JULY</b> 3:10PM - 4:00PM With Lucy</p>	<p><b>COMMERCIAL STREET TEAM</b> FRIDAY <b>10 JULY</b> 4:00PM - 4:45PM With Lucy</p>
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**AUDITIONS WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE PAVILION DANCE STUDIO**

- NO SIGN-UP REQUIRED Just turn up and audition!
- AUDITION FOR ONE, TWO OR ALL THREE TEAMS You choose!
- OPEN TO ALL KS4 PUPILS
- PASSION, COMMITMENT, TEAMWORK

**IMPORTANT:** You **MUST** be available to perform in the Parklands Dance Show during the week commencing **1 MARCH 2027**.

## Break Time Camps for children with SEND

We wanted to let you know about our free **Saturday Break Time Camps for children with SEND**, held at Coppull Primary School as part of the Lancashire County Council Break Time Initiative.

These sessions provide children with the opportunity to have fun, make friends, and enjoy a range of activities in a safe and supportive environment – all at no cost to eligible families.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please send an email to: [Learn@activenw.co.uk](mailto:Learn@activenw.co.uk)

# Blackpool Pleasure Beach

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Cost

£37.50

Emails have been sent to all pupils  
who are eligible to earn the required  
trip points

**Non  
Uniform Day for  
pupils on the trip  
only**

### Hot week in the PE department

Our U15 Cricket team played Audenshaw High School. KS3 and KS4 cheerleading teams will be competing in the UKCA National Schools cheerleading competition in Manchester this coming Sunday



[Click to see more photos](#)

### Head Students Message

Hey everyone,  
It's been a massive week around school! Here is a quick wrap-up of what's been going on:

- **Year 10 Mocks:** Year 10 have been smashing their mock exams all week. Huge good luck to all of you on your remaining papers, you've got this!
- **College Trip:** On Thursday, Year 10 also headed out for a college tour at Wigan & Leigh College to check out life after secondary school.
- **KS3 Presentation Evening:** A massive congratulations to everyone who picked up an award at the Key Stage 3 presentation evening on Thursday. It was great to see so many achievements celebrated.
- **Cheer Competition:** This Sunday, loads of our students from across different year groups are heading off to the Cheer comp. We want to say a huge thank you for all the grueling hard work you've put in since September. Go smash it!

Have an amazing, restful weekend everyone.

Thanks from your  
Adam, Bella, Barney and Jenny  
Head Students 🎓

### This week in KS3 Religious Studies

This week, KS3 students have continued to deepen their understanding of their enquiry questions. The summary below outlines their current learning and offers some discussion ideas for home.

#### Year 7 – Who is responsible for helping the poor?

- What do charities do to help people living in poverty?
- How do these charities put Christian teachings into action?
- How does religion inspire people to help others?

#### Year 8 – Is death the end?

- What does "paranormal" mean?
- Why do some people believe in paranormal experiences?
- Can the paranormal ever be explained by science?

#### Year 9 – GCSE Theme B: Religion and Life

- What do Christians and Muslims believe about how human life began?
- How does evolution compare with religious beliefs about human origins?
- Can science and religion agree on how humans came to exist?



### STEM Respect day

We will have representatives from a variety of local businesses including, UK Cyber Security Council, MWH Treatment, Inspire' Chorley and Gilling Dod.

Pupils will take part in a series of challenges throughout the day relating to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths to help them to understand the potential job opportunities they have in these fields.



# CAREER News

[Click for latest news!](#)



# Safeguarding Information

## Water Safety



With the current heatwave, many families will be heading outdoors to the coast or local open water (like rivers, lakes, and reservoirs) to cool off but swimming where it isn't safe can be deadly. Open water hides serious, unseen dangers that can catch even the strongest swimmers off guard.

If you or your child ever get into difficulty in the water, the instinct is often to panic and swim hard, which can be dangerous. Instead, we strongly urge you to share the 'Float to Live' technique with your children.

[Click to read the article](#)

[Click for Float-to-live article](#)



Well-Being support now and over Summer.

[Kooth Website](#)

How Kooth supports your child:

- **Free & confidential:** no cost, no referrals, and no waiting lists
- **One-to-one support:** live text chats with qualified practitioners available until 10pm 365 days a year
- **Community & peer support:** moderated forums where young people can share experiences safely
- **Self-help tools:** mood trackers, goal-setting tools, and a library of therapeutic resources

## Classchart Champions

	Positive Points Total per House	Student awarded the most Positive Points this week
AFRICA	451	Danas M
ASIA	451	Alex S
AUSTRALASIA	478	Amelie F
EUROPE	514	Jack F
SOUTH AMERICA	498	Mazhella N-A

## Perfect 3s—Years 7 to 10

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?

### How many had the perfect 3 since September?

Year 7: 58  
 Year 8: 52  
 Year 9: 52  
 Year 10: 58  
 All: 220

### How many had the perfect 3 in the previous week?

Year 7: 154  
 Year 8: 136  
 Year 9: 161  
 Year 10: 175  
 All: 626

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 – 3.00?

Year 7: 146  
 Year 8: 118  
 Year 9: 126  
 Year 10: 128  
 All: 518

## Pupil of the Week Awards

15/06/2026 – 19/06/2026

IBenjamin A-M (MAG), Belsim B (COL), Aurelia C (EGY), Tilly C (POR), Agnes C (EGY), Ronnie D (MAR), Jasmine E (HKG), Jack F (DEN), George G (ARG), Kei H (LINC), Evie L (MAR), Gwen L (BRA)

Gwen L (BRA)Martha L (NEP), Leighton M (ITA), Kayla M (PER), Kieran Mc (PHI), Lilly Mc (GUA), Liam P (PNG), Lexi S (SWZ), Maddy S (THA), Annie S (SKO), Sebastian S (PAR), Jamie T (LINC), Sebastian W

## Weekly Attendance Update

As part of our ongoing commitment to fostering a positive and successful learning environment at Parklands, we would like to provide you with an update on the overall attendance across the school. Regular attendance is essential for student success, and we want to share important information regarding current trends, key attendance goals and ways we can work together to support all of our students.

We currently have **63** students who have 100% attendance so far this year. If your child is one of these students please congratulate them and continue to encourage their attendance, it is a great achievement.

House	This Week %	This Year %
ANZ	91.5%	93.7%
ASA	93.3%	94.3%
EUR	92%	94.8%
SAM	91.2%	93.7%
AFR	91.1%	93.7%
Total %	91.2%	93.6%

**Students are expected to be in the school building at 8:25am, heading to form at 8:30am and be in form by 8:35am. If they are arriving between 8:35am and 9:15am for any reason they need to enter through the pupil entrance and be signed in at the Top Office.**

PARKLANDS PRESENTS

# ATTENDANCE DOUBLE POINTS

Double points for 100% attendance in the week of.....

College taster days (Y10)

Work experience (Y10)

Sports day (all years)

All points contribute to Reward trips and Prom