



PARKLANDS BULLETIN

13 June - 17 June 2022 : Week 2



Headteacher's Message

Dear parents, carers and students,

Today was Year 11 students' final day in school, although their GCSE exams continue for the next two weeks. In order to support our 11s as best we could following all the COVID disruption, we kept them for this additional week, which will hopefully have been beneficial to everyone. While we still have their Leavers' Assembly and Prom to look forward to, it is only right for me to state how proud I am of this year group. Despite the turmoil of the past couple of years, their preparation for their GCSE exams has been fantastic throughout this whole academic year, so I hope their positive attitude and dedication will pay off this summer. Year 11s will now only need to attend - in full uniform - for their remaining exams. Please also refer for the letter Mrs Aspinall has sent for any other information (see Year 11 Messages on the next page).

Blazers

As the weather has finally improved, classrooms have finally warmed up. From Monday the wearing of blazers is therefore optional. Should the weather get even warmer, then I shall contact you again to offer pupils the option of wearing their PE kit for school, as we did prior to COVID, so that learning in classrooms is more comfortable. Please wait for this notification from me and do not allow your child to come to school in PE kit until I have sent confirmation.

Uniform Donations

If you have any items of uniform you could donate to school, please ask your child to give the items to their Form Tutor. I told the Year 11s this week in their assembly to attend their Leavers' Assembly in non-uniform so they could bring in their uniform to donate. This would be very much appreciated. We will then contact parents/carers later this half-term regarding an opportunity to come into school to swap or get items for their child for September.

Meet the Tutor Evenings

Next week we shall be welcoming our new Year 7s and their parents/carers into school. We look forward to meeting them and giving them the opportunity to meet their Form Tutor and some members of their form group. This year we were inundated with applications for places at Parklands and we have had over 40 appeal hearings, so high is the demand for our school. Thank you in advance to our current students who will be supporting us next week and helping with the transition programme.

Have a lovely weekend,
Mr Mitchell



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Year 7 Messages

Year 7 will be having a Respect day about Physical Health and first aid on Thursday next week. They will be learning how to do CPR and basic first aid as well as learning about cardiovascular health.

Please send all Year 7 pupils to school in their full PE kit on Thursday so they can part in these activities.

Year 8 Messages

HPV catch-up sessions are taking place next Wednesday. Parents have been informed if this affects your child.

Year 9 Messages

HPV catch-up sessions are taking place next Wednesday. Parents have been informed if this affects your child.

Year 10 Messages

Work Experience paperwork is all on the school website - or available from the Top Office. Please ensure this is returned as soon as possible so that insurance and contact details can be checked in good time before WEX week! Thank you to those who have already returned their paperwork.

Year 11 Messages

Levels of anxiety or stress may be higher for you right now due to exams and assessments, with some of you finding it hard to deal with the pressure these can bring. Once exams are over, you can look forward to the summer holidays – but while they offer a break from exams and school work, they can also mean that you no longer have your normal routine or access to some of your usual support systems. Click [here](#) for some information that supports healthy coping strategies, including self-care techniques and ways to manage emotions. In the toolkit, the information helps young people build healthy coping strategies, as well as resources to learn more about unhealthy coping strategies and how to manage them. You are nearly at the end of your journey with us at Parklands. Stick with it and good luck!!

Mrs Fairhurst

See the Careers section at the end of this bulletin! There are apprenticeships available if you're interested.

With effect from Monday 13th June Year 11s only need to attend school for their exams. They can come into school to revise for their remaining exams if they wish. Please refer to attached letter for details. Letter [here](#). Mrs Aspinall

Hello everyone,

Today and this weekend the students undertaking Duke of Edinburgh (myself included) have set off on our qualification weekend. As part of building myself up as a person even more I have set off on my Silver award. I am nervous and will be pleased with myself to have completed it. I'm sure everyone will do too. Thank you to all the staff who give up their time to help us gain the skills during this amazing opportunity, and thanks to Miss Greaves (DoE Leader) for putting up with me over the many practice days and email.

Also next week is Meet the Tutor Evening for our new year 7s who will be joining our amazing school in September. I hope they will enjoy meeting our lovely staff and students and hopefully they will enjoy meeting their Form Tutors. As part of this I will create a passionate speech about why South America is the best House and how Miss Burrill is a supportive, loving HAL. Besides that all the Houses are amazing and all the HALs are supportive in pupils' times of crisis.

Enjoy your restful weekend while we enjoy our DofE adventure!

Alannah.

Whole School Messages

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

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: 30 pupils since September
Year 8: 17 pupils since September
Year 9: 39 pupils since September
Year 10: 25 students since September
Year 11: 29 students since September

How many had the Perfect 3 in the previous week?

Years 7: 130 pupils
Year 8: 102 pupils
Year 9: 127 pupils
Year 10: 132 students
Year 11: 167 students

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

Sports Day

We are delighted to have Sports Day back on Friday 17th July.

Unbelievably this is the first Parklands Sports Day our Year 9 pupils have taken part in and the Year 10s have only ever done half a Sports Day due to the one in 2019 being rained off half way through.

The House teams are currently being picked by the HALs and Athletics Captains as every House tries to defeat Africa who have won Sports Day for the last 5 times.

All pupils can come to school in PE kit on that day to make the day run smoothly, even if they are not competing, as often the HALs will need to find last minute replacements for athletes who are absent.

We will publish the results of Sports Day on our social media so parents can follow the successes.
Mr Metcalf

WE WILL WE WILL ROCK YOU!

Quite a few Parklands Pupils are performing in this and it stars Eadie, Seb and Ebony!

Ensemble members are still required. Open to Year 6 pupils upwards. Contact info is on the poster.



YOUNG@PART

Thursday 6th—Saturday 8th October 2022

Bolton Little Theatre

Calling all budding young performers to be part of our ensemble in this amazing musical! Everyone is welcome!
(open to anyone current Year 6—18 yrs)

Rehearsals from Monday 23rd May 2022 7—9pm
BOLTON ARENA, BL6 6LB (west classroom, 2nd floor)

All Enquiries E-mail: emma@h-a-t-s.net

Whole School Messages

John Stroud

Sunday (June 12th) marks the 40th Anniversary of the death of one of our former pupils who was killed in the Falklands War. John was a steward on HMS Glamorgan and was killed with 13 of his colleagues 2 days before the end of the conflict. Although he was only 20 years old when he died John left a wife and young son.

This week in Form time the children have learnt a little bit about the Falklands War and heard John's story. He is remembered in our Remembrance Garden along with men who attended Chorley Grammar school and lost their lives in the First and Second World War as well as Jonathan Holland and David Markland who both lost their lives more recently in the Afghanistan War. This weekend John and his family will be in our thoughts. *'We will remember them.'*



Year 7,8 & 9 your house needs you!

Drama house competition starts next week, lunchtimes in E21:

Monday - EUR

Tuesday - SAM

Wednesday - AFR

Thursday - AUS

Friday - ASA

Your Drama ambassadors need performers AND helpers - Just turn up on your day for more information.

Attendance matters!

Overall school attendance since September 91.8%

Overall school attendance for the week 92%

Attendance by House since September:

Asia 91.6%

Australasia 92.5%

Africa 91.8%

Europe 91.7%

South America 93%

Attendance by House for the week:

Asia 91.8%

Australasia 92.7%

Africa 92.9%

Europe 90.8%

South America 91.8%

Highest form attendance per House for the week:

Asia - Hong Kong 96.3%

Australasia - Fiji 97.1%

Africa - Mauritius 96.3%

Europe - Sweden 97.1%

South America - Brazil 96.4%

Lancashire Mind Virtual CYP Coaching service

The Lancashire Mind Virtual CYP Coaching service is accessible for young people aged 10-18. We can accept referrals from parents, school staff and other agencies. Young people will work with a Wellbeing Coach over the course of six sessions, focusing on wellbeing goals and developing coping strategies for common mental health challenges. We are welcoming referrals to access the service from home over the summer holidays, so please get in touch!

Enquiries - cypcoaching@lancashiremind.org.uk

The **auditions** for the next school play, 'Wyrd Sisters' by Terry Pratchett, are on Tuesday next week, from 3-4.30pm in E21. This year will not be a musical, only acting ability is required. To get information about the audition pieces, please join the google classroom with the code '**gwcmmch7**'. All year groups are welcome.

Whole School Messages

Dear Parent/Carers,

We know that most schools/colleges are experiencing a higher percentage of students requiring referrals into mental health services and that many don't meet criteria for support, or that the waiting times are lengthy. Kooth can provide immediate counselling support accessible at the point of need for young people. Counsellors are online 365 days a year until 10pm each night.

Kooth encourages young people to take responsibility for their own mental health. It is self referral based, putting the onus on the individual to reach out for help and support.

There is a variety of support that can be accessed on Kooth, counselling is just one option. For the counselling chat sessions we conduct a three chat assessment to build a picture of need and presenting issues. Following this we can provide a named counsellor, offering weekly chat sessions.



**Kooth is here, year round.
Even when schools are out.**

Click [here](#) and [here](#) for more information about Kooth's services.

Well done to our year 10 triple science students who took part in the National Scientific Thinking Challenge. 70 schools and 4475 year 10 students across the country took part in this challenge.

Congratulations to the following students who received the following awards:

Gold award (top 10%)

Catherine M-T

Silver award (top 25%)

Lily W

Bronze award (top 40%)

Mason L

Callum D

Lewis E

Scott E

Lia G

Charlie H

Verity R



Parklands High School Alumni

It is our aim that Parklands pupils, after five happy and challenging productive years with us, should leave our school as well-qualified young adults who have a broad outlook, a concern and respect for others, and a self-confidence which will enable them to be successful in achieving their goals and fulfilling their ambitions, and to play a valuable part in the future of their world.

We as a school are excited to hear about what goals and ambitions you have achieved since leaving us. We hope to inspire our present pupils and really celebrate the former pupils that walked down the Parklands' corridors once upon a time.

If you would like to be a part of our Alumni, all we need to begin with is an email letting us know the year you left, what you are doing now and how you got there. We know already there have been a wide range of routes taken by our students before reaching their destination and we really look forward to hearing yours.

If you are interested please email phsalumni@parklandsacademy.co.uk and we will put your details on file. Don't worry. You will not be inundated with emails. We will just keep you up-to-date with events and invitations should you wish to come back and visit.

Wherever you are now, and whatever you are doing at this stage in your life, we hope you will take some time to reflect on what Parklands High School has meant to you.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Parklands High School Alumni

ONLY 10 PLACES
LEFT - FIRST COME
FIRST SERVED

SCIENCE DISNEYLAND PARIS TRIP 2023

£ 515

OPEN TO YEAR 7,8, 9 & 10

VISIT CITE DES SCIENCE AND THE MARIE CURIE MUSEUM
CRUISE ALONG THE RIVER SEINE
1 DAY AT DISNEYLAND PARIS

3rd-6th APRIL 2023

BREAKFAST AND EVENING MEAL, TRANSPORT, TICKETS TO
MUSEUMS AND DISNEYLAND INCLUDED

Letters have been emailed from Mr Madigan to parents
via edulink app.



Email amadigan@parklandsacademy.co.uk



If you are interested in this trip please sign up and pay the deposit via Scopay.



Barcelona Football Tour



Saturday 27th (Sunday 28th) May - (Thursday 1st June) Friday 2nd June 2023

Pupils in years 7-9 who play and attend school football club are welcome to attend!

- 2 professional coaching sessions
- Festival Matches against other schools
- Nou Camp stadium tour and museum/shop visit.
 - Visit to Las Ramblas
 - Visits to the L'Laure 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 including 1 x football top for matches.

Total Cost estimate £725.

Deposit of £100 required by 1st JULY 2022

NOW TAKING DEPOSITS VIA SCOPAY



32 PLACES GONE!

To see the video of this year's trip and another advertising video please click [here](#).

Come join us for our **UNITE** **youth groups**

A social group for young people with special educational needs and disabilities. We have groups in Chorley and South Ribble on Mondays 6:30-8:30pm

A group where you can make new friends and learn valuable social skills and just come to have FUN!

Providing a safe and welcoming environment for young people aged 12-25 years with special educational needs and disabilities. The group aims to work on life skills, improve communication skills, self-confidence & self-esteem in a group work setting.

(Parents/Carers are welcome to attend)

****Please contact before coming to the group****

For more details contact on:
chorleysouthribble.TYS@lancashire.gov.uk



Relaunch of this popular reading group



**Make
friends
through
reading**

Join the Reading Friends Experience

- ARE YOU INTERESTED IN MAKING FRIENDS THROUGH READING?
- A PRACTICAL APPRECIATION OF LITERATURE AND ITS SOCIAL VALUE?
- IMPROVE COMMUNICATION SKILLS?
- GAIN CONFIDENCE IN READING ALOUD?

Come and join us on **Monday 9th May 2022** (First Monday of Every Month)

Venue: **Adlington Library, Railway Road , Adlington, Chorley, PR6 9RG**

Time: **2pm – 3.30pm**

For more information call in to Adlington Library or email cad@lsfct.nhs.uk



CHORLEY #1

GOOD FOOD CLUB

Over 2 million tonnes of good food goes
to landfill **EACH YEAR...**

Join The Club! Help Divert That Food from Landfill!

*For £3 per week, you will receive up to £25
of food, of your choice.*

Yes, you read that correctly!

**JOIN US AT BUTTERMERE COMMUNITY CENTRE
TO SEE WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!**

CALL 01257 542 367 FOR MORE INFORMATION



SVP Chorley Buddies
We're Helping

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OPENING
23RD MARCH
10:30AM - 12:30PM



CHORLEY #2

GOOD FOOD CLUB

Over 2 million tonnes of good food goes
to landfill **EACH YEAR...**

Join The Club! Help Divert That Food from Landfill!

*For £4 per week, you will receive up to £25 of food,
of your choice. Annual Membership £10*

Yes, you read that correctly!

**JOIN US AT COPPULL METHODIST HALL
TO SEE WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!**

CALL 01257 542 367 FOR MORE INFORMATION



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1 OF 5
£100
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SUPPORT US
Through Thick & Thin

- Please help give our fundraising a much-needed boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- Win up to £25,000!

To support your school, go to:
yourschoollottery.co.uk/play
and search for: **Parklands**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 25th June 2022. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).



HEALTHY *Relationships*

Six weekly group sessions, for couples experiencing challenges in their relationships

The programme is suitable for all forms of parenting couples who want to improve their communication and gain skills and strategies, to better support each other and their children

**Highfield Neighbourhood Centre
Wright Street
Chorley
PR6 0SL**

**CALL 01257 516316/516466
for more information or to book
your place**



**MOVING ON
UP TO
HIGH SCHOOL**

Friendships ~ Social Media Safety ~
Confidence Building ~ Independant
Travel ~ Responsibilities ~ & more...

**Starts 15th June
6 weeks course
4:00 - 5:00pm**

**Year 6 leavers 2022
Duke Street
Neighbourhood Centre
01257 516316/516466
Call to Book**



Whole School Messages



Message from Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service regarding recent arson attacks

Dear parent/carer,

Over the last two weeks, there have been a number of serious fires in Preston City Centre. You may have seen in the local news the fires at the old Odeon Cinema/Evoque nightclub and at the old orphanage on Mount Street. These fires have caused significant damage and disruption in Preston, and it is fortunate that no one has been injured. It has taken Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service's firefighters hundreds of hours to extinguish and involved numerous resources which reduces the available cover for response to further emergency incidents, putting further lives at risk.

Following a joint police and fire investigation, the causes of these fires have been recorded as deliberate and 3 juveniles have been arrested and have been bailed pending further enquiries. A fourth juvenile was interviewed under caution and released under investigation pending further investigation.

Over the school holidays, please make sure you know where your children are; if they are near other children or adults who are deliberately setting fire to property, they risk being seriously injured or prosecuted.

If you think your child has developed a fascination with fire and who have exposed themselves or others to the risk, you can book a place for your child on the Fire Intervention Response Education Scheme (FIRES) by visiting our website: <https://www.lancsfireandrescue.org.uk/education/secondary/>

Kind regards,

Group Manager Phil Jones
Community Protection for Central Area
Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service



[Link to this week's edition of Careers News](#) As always, loads of great opportunities in Career News. Put your feet up and have a look through - there are events, webinars, taster days, residentials, games, job vacancies, conferences, magazines ... covering everything from air traffic control to veterinary medicine!

Don't forget to check out the apprenticeship vacancies page at the back of Career News (and at Training 2000 and Alliance Learning). Of particular note this week are a number of Level 3 Business Admin vacancies at NIS Ltd, Accounting vacancies with the NHS Trust and Domestic Service Engineer vacancies with Baxi Heating UK. Level 3 is A level standard and can lead to Higher and Degree apprenticeships.

Training 2000 are still offering their Aspiring Clubs for Years 10 and 11. These are 3 hour taster workshops in different career areas - ideal if you are considering an apprenticeship in the future, but not quite sure in which sector. On offer are: Business, Dental Nursing, Optical and Healthcare, Accountancy and Automotive Technician. Email: info@t2000.co.uk or visit www.training2000.co.uk/aspiring-clubs for more details and to book your place.

WEC Group in Darwen are currently recruiting for Apprentice Plate Welders and are looking for 18 in total! They are one of the North West's leading engineering companies and are offering Level 3 apprenticeships. They work in the nuclear, aerospace, oil and gas, defence, rail and marine industries and have been in business for over 40 years. This is definitely one to apply for if you are leaving school this year. Go to <https://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship> and type in VAC001829612 to go straight to the job page.