

PARKLANDS BULLETIN 18th - 22nd September 2023 Week 1



Principal's Message

This week was our first full week back in school and it has been lovely to see all the students, especially our new Year 7s, working well and embracing all of the opportunities of the new school year. We have had a strong start to the year with extra-curricular activities and we are really pleased to see so many students getting involved in clubs, both at lunchtime and after school. Tonight we have the cross country after school, and we are hoping for a big turnout from both students and staff.

We have also launched Class Charts this year, and many of you will have received emails this week to tell you about the positive points that have been awarded to your children in school. We received some lovely emails from parents whose children had been awarded Pupil of the Week, and we hope that many more of you will receive these emails over the course of the year. You should be very proud of your children for all the positive work that they are doing.

We have also had our first house assemblies of the year this week. The House Achievement Leaders welcomed back years 8 to 11, and also welcomed the new Year 7s into their houses. The HALs are very competitive when it comes to house competitions, so they are ensuring from the start that the students have a very strong loyalty to their houses!

Year 7 Messages

On Wednesday Year 7 will have their first respect day. Over the last few years Parklands has done a lot of work surrounding anti-racist, anti-sexism and disability education. On their Respect day, Year 7 will be able to find out why this is so important to our school community and what our expectations are. When your child has joined the Secure Google Classroom, you will be able to view all resources used on the day if you would like to discuss these topics further with your child.

Year 7 students will change some classes with effect from Monday 18th September. Having previously completed their SATs and, since starting Parklands, the Cognitive Abilities Tests (CATs) and subject baseline assessments, the results will be used to determine the new classes. The results help us to create classes with students of similar abilities, decide about the pace of learning and whether additional support or challenge is needed. We have separate sets for maths and English, with all remaining subjects being grouped together as a combined subject set. All sets will be stretched and challenged. We have the highest expectations of all groups and ensure they work to the best of their ability. The changes will be explained to Year 7s during an assembly on Monday and the sets will be regularly reviewed.

Year 9, 10 and 11

Next week students in Yr9 and above will be asked to give their photo permissions for the year ahead in line with the Data Protection Law 2018.

These photo permissions are in the following categories:

- *Displays around school
- *External media outlets (e.g. local newspaper)
- *School newsletter
- *Publicity and marketing materials to promote school
- *Parklands High School website YES/NO
- *Social Media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram)
- *Year 11 group picture

If you have any concerns, please discuss these with your child over the weekend.

Whole School messages

Parent Forum - We have a parent forum at Parklands. Please email shaslam@parklandsacademy.co.uk if you are interested in taking part. I will be circulating dates next week. It is always after school and we have 3 across the academic year. Thank you!

Secure - All year groups - Next week forms will be choosing their new form captains for this year. This is an opportunity for all pupils to develop their leadership qualities.

Classcharts - 443 pupils now have a parent/carer accessing their Classcharts account! Please remember to ask your child for the letter with your "Parent Access Code" so that you can see their points and any teacher comments as well as their timetable and other scheduled events. Thank you!

Mrs Wilkinson

Attendance matters!

Overall school attendance since September 95.6% Overall school attendance for the week 95.3%

Attendance by House since September:

Europe 95.6%
South America 94.9%
Africa 96.3%
Asia 97%
Australasia 96.2%

Attendance by House since last week:

Europe 95.2%
South America 94.4%
Australasia 95.7%
Asia 97.1%
Africa 95.9%

Highest form attendance per House for the week:

Europe - Sweden 98.3%
Australasia - Australia 98.1%
South America - Peru 97.9%
Asia - South Korea 100%
Africa - Botswana 99%

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: 209 pupils Year 8: 158 pupils Year 9: 162 pupils Year 10: 136 students Year 11: 147 students All: 812 students

How many had the perfect 3 in the previous

week?

Year 7: 221 pupils Year 8: 195 pupils Year 9: 190 pupils Year 10: 162 students Year 11:185 students

All: 953 students

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

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



Head Students' Page

Hello everyone!

I hope you've had a great first full week back at school!

Last week we enjoyed our first house competition of the year - the year 7 basketball House competition. Extra curricular clubs have started again this week, so make sure you get involved with all that school has to offer! It's a new year so try out as many new clubs as you want.

ClassCharts is a new achievement point system at Parklands which will hopefully encourage students to work hard in lessons, so they can reap the rewards. There are many prizes to be won so make sure you work extremely hard and be a great example to others!

Grace:)



Prefect Teams



OPEN EVENING 27th September

ALL RED TIES and Prefects MUST attend.



SSLT APPLICATIONS (19) 23/24









OPEN NOW!

PE Fixtures this week

There has been a lot happening since the start of this term.

Our year 8-9 girls football team won 9-2 away at Holy Family Catholic high school.

The 10-11 Girls Football team won away at Montgomery in Blackpool 7-3.

Our Year 8 boys lost 6-2 to Bishop Rawstorne.

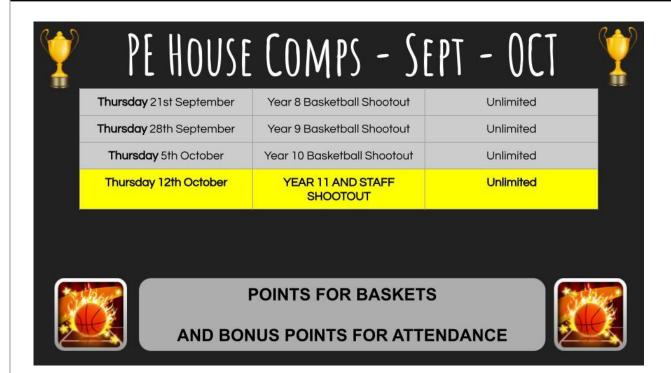
Our Year 11 Girls Netball team played many many fixtures in friendlies, no scores were ketp

Next week:

Year 10 Boys @ Home against Holy Cross District Cross Country @ Albany U13 girls Tag Rugby experience at Ormskirk Year 7-9 Girls Football House Competition

Like sport and PE but looking for a club to join? Click Here







HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL KIT SPONSORS

We want to say a huge thank you to all the company below who have sponsored a football kit. They are arriving in school and we will be getting the team photos shortly. Thank you for your support!



















Parklands Trips 2024



Please find on link <u>here</u> the following slides all the trips with spaces available and running this year.

Please note some trips may require payments ASAP to catch up.

Please contact the member of staff on the slide for the specific trip for further details.

All the trips are dependent on good behaviour and attendance and pupils can be removed once on a trip for poor behaviour and attendance.



Year 7 PGL Trip



The trip will take place between Friday 29th September & Sunday 1st October 2023.



I will be in touch in the coming weeks regarding the kit list and further details.

We have over 100 pupils attending this year which is fabulous!

A reminder that behaviour and attendance can affect their eligibility for the trip



PARKLANDS HIGH SCHOOL SKI TRIP

- 5 full days with ski instruction
- Ski or snowboard 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 7-10
The next trip will not go until 2027 so don't miss out!



The deadline to sign up for the ski trip is THIS MONTH, places are limited and the trip will not run again until 2027 so don't miss out!

Please click here for the weekly menu and additional information.









KS3 Dance Team auditions for Years 7, 8 and 9

Monday 18th September

from 4-5pm in the Pavilion

You will be taught two short routines at the audition then perform in groups. Rehearsals will commence on Wednesday $4^{\rm th}$ October 4-5pm and will be every Wednesday at that time. Full commitment will be required.

If you have any further queries, then please speak to Mrs Sullivan-Brown in the pavilion office at lunchtimes.



For more information on the vacancies please click here.





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Learn, Respect, Aspire, Achieve

We are currently seeking a dynamic and inspirational **Teacher of Computing & Media**Required from January 2024

Full time, permanent. Hours of work are as detailed in the School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document

We are seeking a teacher of Computing & Media to join our small but successful department. The position would suit an experienced practitioner but we would also welcome applications from ECTs / RQTs.

You will receive high quality, comprehensive CPD and support from your colleagues who will coach and guide you through any continued professional development. Parklands has a bespoke ECT/RQT programme in place and staff also benefit from access to the UK's leading provider of corporate healthcare cash plans provided by UK Healthcare and out of hours access to our gym facilities.

Parklands High School is a popular, over-subscribed and high-achieving school. This is an opportunity to work in a friendly, supportive, well-resourced and forward looking environment. If you wish to come and visit us or require more information regarding the role, please contact Andy Miller, Curriculum Leader, by telephone or email (amiller@parklandsacademy.co.uk)

Candidates should complete an electronic application form, available from the TES or our school website, along with a letter of no more than 2 sides of A4, in which you outline your experience and suitability for the position. Electronic applications should be returned to the email address admin@parklandsacademy.co.uk.

Closing date for applications: 12 noon 2nd October 2023 with interviews to be held w/c 19nd October 2023.

Parklands High School is part of the Aspirational Futures Multi Academy Trust. Please note, we reserve the right to withdraw this vacancy at any time and regret we are unable to contact individual applicants who may be unsuccessful. Parklands High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its staff and pupils and expects those working at the School to share this commitment. Applications from ethnic minority candidates and other diverse groups are welcomed. The successful candidate will be required to undertake a criminal record check via the Disclosure and Barring Service as well as qualification and reference checks. Online checks will also be conducted on shortlisted candidates. Copies of our Recruitment and Selection policy are available from hr@parklandsacademy.co.uk'

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Vacancies for Exam Invigilators

This is an opportunity to work as part of a team of invigilators at various dates throughout the school year, in particular around the external exam periods in May and June.

This is a casual contract. No experience is necessary as full training will be given and successful applicants will always work with experienced invigilators.

A strong attention to detail and the ability to remain calm, with a pleasant demeanour is highly desirable.

You will be responsible for:

- Maintaining the security of the examination question papers at all times and conducting the examinations in accordance with examination board and JCQ regulations
- · Preparing the exam as required by the examination board
- · Ensuring that the candidates adhere to the exam rules at all times
- · Assisting with any issues that arise during the examination
- · Assisting with any persons needing to leave the examination hall

Parklands High school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and expects all staff to share this commitment.

The post will be subject to a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Please contact the school Exams Manager, Mrs S Adamson via sadamson@parklandsacademy.co.uk for further details. Application forms available from the vacancies section of school website.

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School Counsellor

Required as soon possible- 37 hrs per week, Term Time only. Grade 7 (SCP19-25) Salary £27,852 - £32,020 (£23,550.52 -£27,074.81 pro rata)

Pastoral care is at the centre of our school community, with the Achievement Team working tirelessly to support all students and ensure they have every opportunity to achieve academically and navigate life beyond the school. We recently received accreditation from the SSAT for transforming practice in wellbeing. This means that Parklands has met the highest standards of the Framework for Exceptional Education and our work in this area is amongst the most effective practice nationally.

To further enhance and develop the support we offer we now have an exciting opportunity for a qualified and experienced School Counsellor. We are seeking to recruit an excellent Counsellor to provide personal counselling to students for 37 hours per week. The successful candidate will have a proven track record of effective therapeutic work with children and young adults as well as dealing with a variety of issues that the modern world presents. You will be able to build and develop effective relationships with students and staff

We offer professional support and career development opportunities. We recognise and value continued professional development and as such, training opportunities will be made available to you throughout your career.

Parklands High School is a popular, oversubscribed, forward thinking and high-achieving school. Our last OFSTED inspection in May 2023 judged us to be "Good" quoting "pupils enjoy attending Parklands High School. They are happy. Leaders have high expectations for all pupils, including those with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Pupils have positive attitudes towards their learning.". Parkland's staff benefit from access to the UK's leading provider of corporate healthcare cash plans provided by UK Healthcare, we are part of the cycle to work scheme and staff have out of hours access to our brand new gym facilities.

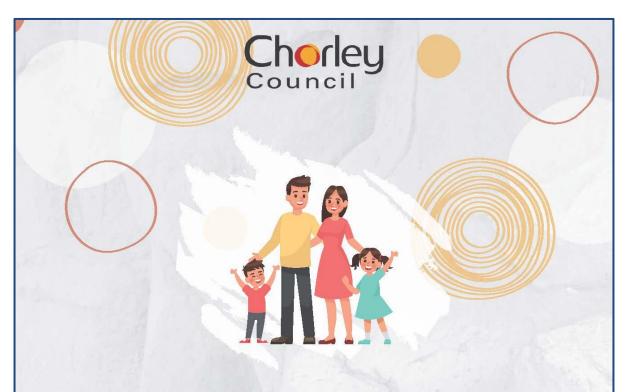
For further information about the role, please contact Natalie Fairhurst, Assistant Principal via telephone or email nfairhurst@parklandsacademy.co.uk. Candidates must complete an electronic application form, available from the school website (paper copies are available), along with a letter of no more than 2 sides of A4, in which you outline your experience and suitability for the position.

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Closing date for applications: 12 noon 9. October - interviews to be held 16. October 2023.

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Specialists will provide an overview of their area, then they will be available for 1:1, detailed discussions.

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27th September 2023



Lancastrian Suite Town Hall

Town Hall Chorley PR7 1AL



6pm - 8pm

For more information contact: communities@chorley.gov.uk or 01257 515151

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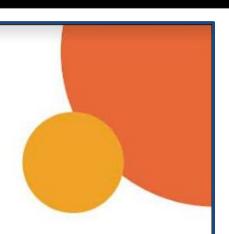
Go to: www.yourschoollottery.co.uk
And search for: Parklands











You are invited!

Duke Street Family Hub opens on Tuesday 26th September!

Drop in anytime from 10am-6pm to find out more about what's on offer at our Family Hub, and join in with some family friendly activities.

Welcoming speeches from 11am.

Duke Street, Chorley, PR7 3DU

Drinks and nibbles will be provided!

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Careers

Please click <u>here</u> for this week's career news.



Lots of useful information in this week's Career News - put your feet up, relax and have a read!

Careers Calendar will be on the website this weekend - check out all the dates for local college open days and make a note in your diaries. Some require you to book in advance, so don't miss out.