



PARKLANDS BULLETIN

22nd - 26th July 2024

Week 2



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of this half term, I would like to thank you for all your continued support as we work together as a school, raising standards and transforming young peoples' lives.

We have had a great half term that has been a wonderful finale to an extremely successful year. The end of term is a time to look back on a wonderful year but also forward to a new start in September. A few reminders for the September start.

- Return to school:
 - Year 7 and 11 8.35am Tuesday 3rd Sept
 - All year groups back 8.35am Wednesday 4th Sept
- A high standard of personal appearance is expected of all Parklands students. We expect all our students to look smart and tidy whilst wearing our uniform. Our uniform promotes our school ethos, provides a sense of belonging to the Parklands community, and it sets an appropriate tone for the education your child will receive at our school. We believe our uniform is a social leveller as it creates a common identity amongst all our students, regardless of their background. Our uniform expectations are in line with the national guidance from November 2021. Please follow this link to see our further detailed information about our uniform and standards. <https://parklandsacademy.co.uk/school-information/uniform>
- We have been impressed as a whole with our pupils engagement with the new phone rule 'off and out of sight at all times'. This approach will continue in September.
- It is particularly important that all pupils have reusable water bottles with them in September as we will no longer be selling sugary drinks or juices.

We also bid farewell and express our gratitude to the following staff members for their dedication and hard work during their time at Parklands. We wish them every success in their future endeavors and hope they will always feel a part of Team Parklands:

- Miss O'Dolan
- Mrs. Ward
- Miss El Ayadi
- Mr. Madagan
- Mrs. Gaukroger
- Mr. Johnson
- Mr. Morton
- Mrs. Fish
- Mrs. Curtis



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Safeguarding Over the Summer: If you have any concerns or need support during the summer break, please visit our website for useful contact numbers and advice.

Finally, I wish all our parents, carers, and pupils a very happy and safe summer holiday. Thank you for your support throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming all our students back in September.

Warm regards,

Mrs. Batson
Principal

GCSE RESULTS DAY 2024

THURSDAY 22nd AUGUST

2024

9 AM TO 10:30 AM

IN THE MAIN HALL



Head Students' Page

Hi everyone

It's finally the end of the year!

I hope that everyone has enjoyed their last few weeks, and for year 7, 8 and 9 I hope you had a great Learning Challenge Week.

We've had lots of fun these last few days with the big picnic where I loved seeing people getting involved in the zumba and having fun.

We also had the Blackpool trip and our House Shield assembly! I wish you all a great summer and make sure you have a good rest ready for next year!

- Matilda



An incredible £948.95 was raised last week for Derian House Children's Hospice. We took part in their £50 Junior enterprise challenge by selling American themed goodies and performed a cheerleading routine at the learning challenge week festival day.

Derian House provides respite and end-of-life care to more than 400 babies, children and young people across the North West.

They do this 24 hours a day, seven days a week, they are never closed to those who need them. The care they provide is free for families, but services cost over £6 million to run every year with under 30% of funding coming from the government.

Thank you to everyone who supported this event.

Weekly Learning Support Board

There is no Weekly Learning Support Board this week. We'll be back in N17 on 3rd September if you need any help.

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

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?

Perfect 3s

Yr	To Date
7	38
8	31
9	29
10	24
11	50
All	172

Whole School Messages

Big well done to all of Australasia House for winning the House Shield this year!! Blood sweat and tears were needed however it was a fantastic group effort and you should all be so proud of yourselves. Here's to 2024/2025 !!!!!

Also I want to say a massive thank you to Mr Madigan, Guam Form, who is leaving us (on a high) this time and Miss Law, New Caledonia, who is taking some time off to welcome her new baba into the world some time soon.

Wishing you all a safe and happy summer
Mrs Dewhurst xxxxxxxxxxxx

winners



Whole School Messages

Europe House

As we approach the end of another fruitful academic year, we take this moment to reflect on the journey we've shared and to celebrate the milestones achieved by our students.



Farewell to Year 11:

To my Year 11 students, it is with mixed emotions that I say goodbye. You have been an amazing year group, and I am immensely proud of each one of you. Your hard work, resilience, and determination have brought you to this significant point in your lives. As you embark on your next adventure, whatever it may be, remember, the foundation you have built here will serve you well in whatever path you choose. Keep striving for excellence, and don't forget to cherish the memories and friendships you have made during your time with us. Good luck, and may your future be bright and fulfilling!

Well done year 7

The transition from primary can be both exciting and challenging, however you have thrown yourselves fully into the Europe House spirit. I can't wait to see all the wonderful contributions you will continue to make!

We also have to say farewell to Miss O'Dolan, Form Tutor of Germany Form. You have been an amazing Form tutor, and I will miss the support you gave to me and your Form. Good luck in your new post, we know you will be Fab!

We do however welcome Miss Hopewell who will take over Germany Form, and we look forward to welcoming her to the Best House!

To all Europe House students and parents thank you for your continued dedication and support throughout this year. Let's look forward to another year of learning, growth, and success.

Have a wonderful and safe summer break!

Mrs Fox



Whole School Message



The House Achievement team would like to shout out a massive thank you to Mr Chotard at **GXO/Waitrose** for the fantastic cakes we received Completely free of charge! They were bigger and better than we could have hoped for. The pupils had a marvellous time decorating and eating them



Another shout out goes to Mr & Mrs Fuller at **MY Compliance Management Ltd** for their very kind donation of £100.00 towards the cake decorations we were able to purchase for today's House Competition.



Parklands Peru Page

Parklands Peru Crew

We are the **Parklands Peru Crew**! We are so excited to introduce you to the group of students who are travelling to Peru in the summer of 2026 with Mrs Climpson and Mr Johnston. We are all current Year 8 students who will be in Year 10 when we go. We are going with Camps International, a company that specialises in sustainable and impactful projects in developing areas around the world. We will be working on community projects that have been specifically asked for by communities for example, building school rooms and sanitation blocks. After three weeks of project work, we are undertaking a 5 day trek along the Inca Trail to the ancient ruins of Machu Picchu. This is a 'once in a lifetime' opportunity for everyone and will take a huge amount of resilience and perseverance. We can't wait to go and then tell you all about it, in the meantime, we really need your support with fundraising. There will be lots of chances for you to get involved and help us on our way. We'll keep you up to date with any events we're holding and how our training is going. Mrs Cimpson, Mr Johnston and the Parklands Peru Crew.



Whole School Messages

LEARNING CHALLENGE WEEK - YEARS 8&9

Our penultimate week was a FABULOUS week for everyone! In years 8&9, pupils were put into challenge groups and they spent the week learning all kinds of new skills and everyone had such fun. There were challenges from Code Breaking, to Cheerleading to Bath Bombs and beyond and below are explanations about some of the challenges and what pupils got up to across the week. Everything culminated in the best Festival Day yet and a wonderful display of their work. I was so proud of all the year 8 & 9 pupils and all they achieved! They should be highly commended for their efforts and achievements!

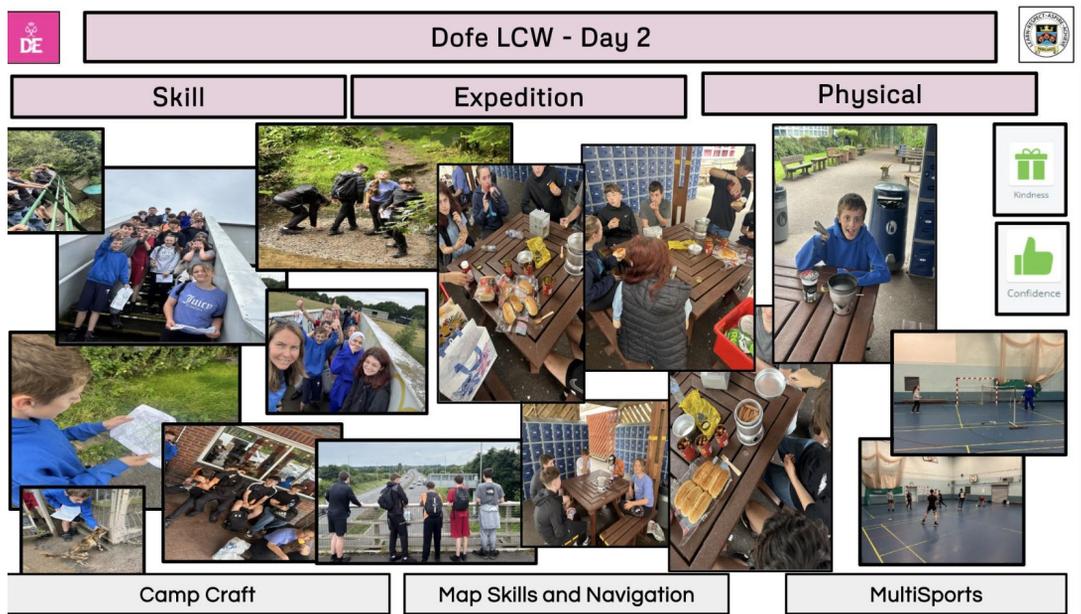
Code Breaking Challenge

Our Code Breakers spent the week researching the history of secret codes from Mary Queen of Scots right through to modern day and the Enigma machine of WWII. We discovered that it was actually Polish servicemen that broke the code and Alan Turing developed the machine to speed up the process. We created our own codes for breaking on Festival Day including a paper Enigma machine for encoding and decoding. We had a visit to the Manchester Museum of Science and Industry too.

Duke of Edinburgh Challenge

Our DofE group spent the week completing activities that covered the skill, physical, volunteering and expedition sections of the award. They did multi-sports over the week. We spent the morning lesson learning map skills and navigation. We then also incorporated litter picking in Astley Park into our week.

The most exciting part of our week was the number of walks we completed! Ranging from 4-7 miles over the 3 days. We also had some members of the challenge sleep over at Bibby's. We camped, cooked on the stoves and slept in tents!



Whole School Messages

Enterprise Challenge

Each Enterprise team rose to the challenge of developing their entrepreunering skills, they carried out market research, worked together on mapping exercises & designed products to create. Their practical skills developed further by using a range of different recycled materials and produced a pleasing variety of pieces.

Each team thought carefully about how they were to market their products and threw themself headfirst into the challenge of generating as much money as possible for the schools' charities. An awesome set of pupils!



Forensics and Crime Challenge

On Monday the group had an introduction to forensics science. They took part in an escape room exercise, researched some real life crimes that were solved by forensic Science and learnt the job description of a forensic scientist.

On Tuesday we visited ATACC at Rock N River. ATACC train the emergency services in First Aid. The focus of our training was life saving skills. We learnt how to deal with situations if we found someone at a crime scene whereby they had a major bleed, minor bleed or if they were found unconscious. The students enjoyed the extremely interactive session. Putting their fingers into (fake) wounds, being covered in fake blood, learning how to apply a tourniquet, learning how to patch up wounds, learning the CPR technique and the recovery position. All of their skills were put to the test in scenarios at the end of the session. All of the students passed!

On Thursday a couple of forensic scientists from Cellmark came into school to talk to us about the role of a forensic scientist and the techniques involved in solving crimes. We were talked through a scenario and watched videos of techniques used on different pieces of evidence. The students were brilliant at asking the forensic scientists questions about their day to day life in the role of a forensic scientist.

Going Elizabethan Challenge

Pupils participated in an Elizabethan deep dive with a twist. On Monday they got their hands (and W22!) dirty with a plaster casting workshop creating beautiful contemporary and modern plaster cast roundels. Tuesday was trip day and we went to Ordsall Hall to learn about the 800 year history of the incredible home of the Radclyffe family. Thursday saw things take an unusual turn as we started preparing for the 'Stylish Armada' parade on Friday. Pupils busied themselves making battleships in the shipyard and weapons in the armoury. Finally, after a long week the Stylish Armada set sail on Friday in an explosion of colour and music and no shortage of groovy dance moves.



Whole School Messages

Prehistoric Lancashire Challenge

Students had a very busy week learning about human history dating back over 8000 years. They had the opportunity to replicate and experience life during the Stone Age through creating fire, stone tools, cave art and rope from natural materials (nettles).



Parklands Pupils Challenge

LCW 2024 - I'm a Parklands Pupil Get Me Out Of Here.... This week the pupils were challenged to put themselves out of their comfort zone, and they all rose to the challenge. We started the week with team building activities, and then moved on to exploring the hidden gems of Astley Park. They ate weird and wonderful foods and picked critters out of gunk!



Sensory Shop Challenge

This week we learned all about child development from years 0-4, we specifically focussed on sensory activities for small children. We looked at small businesses that sell sensory activities and we came up with a logo and some themes to create our own sensory range.

We made playdough, dyed rice, painted pasta and created some sensory activity setups that we then took photos of and displayed on the last day for small children to come and enjoy during the festival. The activities were a big hit with all ages and all the students really enjoyed themselves.

Soap Box Derby Challenge

24 pupils were put into 6 teams and given the task of building a SoapBox Derby racer to best reflect their team sponsor (a local company). All Soapboxes were raced on the Friday and the best looking Kart was voted for. A great time was had by all involved!



Whole School Messages

Street Food Challenge

This week pupils had to come up with their own street food stall - this involved working together to choose a suitable dish, costing, cooking and serving. We had a little trip to Mackie Mayor on Tuesday to get some inspiration whilst enjoying a range of different foods on offer. All pupils worked really hard to produce their own street food stall; we had pancakes and milkshakes, popcorn chicken and loaded fries, acai bowls, hotdogs, cookies and chilli and nachos.



The Arcade Challenge

This week students changed W12 into an arcade filled with retro computer games. This allowed them to show off their amazing handmade retro controllers; including fight sticks and cardboard guitar controllers.



Wellbeing Retreat Challenge

During the week, pupils learnt about how their brain is developing and how stress affects them. They learnt strategies that help them cope with the challenges life may bring their way. These included meditation, journaling, mindful arts and crafts, yoga, exercise and being in nature. The pupils fully embraced all of the challenges of the week and we all felt very zen by the end!



July 2024



Encompass Parents Awareness Letter

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter is to inform you / remind you that our school is participating in Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is a unique Police and Education early intervention safeguarding partnership which ensures that a child/ young person's school/ college is informed, prior to the start of the next school day, that there has been an incident of **Domestic Abuse** or any incident to which the child/ young person has been exposed in which they are considered to be vulnerable to harm, and which might then have an impact on them in school/ college the following day.

Each school/ college is informed of all such incidents, not just those where an offence can be identified or those which are graded as high risk. The partnership recognises that all incidents of Domestic Abuse/ vulnerability can be harmful to children and young people.

This information will be shared throughout the year, **including holidays and weekends**. Information will only be shared with the school/ college by the police where it is identified that a young person was present, witnessed or was involved in a domestic abuse incident.

A nominated member of staff, known as a Key Adult, has been trained to liaise with the police. At *Parklands High School* our Key Adult is *Mrs Fairhurst/Mrs Haslam/Mrs Aspinall*. They will be able to use information that has been shared with them, in confidence, to ensure that the school makes provision for possible difficulties experienced by children or their families. The Key Adults will keep this information confidential, and will only share it on a need to know basis, for instance, to teaching staff for the child or young person. It will not be shared with other school students.

Operation Encompass was first introduced in Plymouth in February 2011, and has proved very effective in providing appropriate and timely support to young people affected by domestic abuse. This initiative has been implemented across the whole of the Lancashire Police area. If you would like some more information about it, you can view it online at www.operationencompass.org.

We are keen to offer the best support possible for our pupils and a recent review of Operation Encompass showed that it is beneficial and supportive for all those involved.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs N Fairhurst

Assistant Principal/Designated Safeguarding Lead

Click [here](#) for the guide.

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A guide for parents and carers



www.kooth.com

www.qwell.io



Share this free advice and support for parents and carers this summer

We've created the ultimate support pack to set parents, carers and families up for a summer of fun. Our pack includes creative workshops and classes, from fashion to cooking, science to sketching, we also have tips for going on holiday and a daily summer planner to prepare everyone for the day ahead.

[Explore The Pack](#)

Click [here](#) for more information.

Whole School Messages

Click [here](#) to see What's On - Chorley



What's On - Chorley

July/August 2024

Duke Street Family Hub
Duke Street, Chorley,
PR7 3DU

Highfield Family Hub
Wright Street (off Brown
Street), Chorley, PR6 0SL

Children and Family Wellbeing Service offer a wide range of

FREE groups.

Find us on Facebook 'Chorley Family Hub'



Week 1 – Monday 22 - Friday 26 July

Monday 22nd

Baby and You (09:30am - 11:30am) with Healthy Family Practitioner on site (baby weighing clinic) @ Duke Street Family Hub

From birth to 12 months this is a session with activities, crafts, songs and nursery rhymes. Learn about your baby's development with opportunities to ask questions and share experiences. No need to book.

Mini Move and Groove (10am - 11:30am) @ Highfield Family Hub

For parents/carers and children under 5 this is a great session for children to build social skills, have fun together and make friends. No need to book.

Summertime Baby Messy Play (1pm - 2pm) @ Duke Street Family Hub

From birth to 12 months this session will allow babies to explore through a variety of mediums, sensory experiences. Prepare to get messy in nappies. Quiet area available too. Please bring a towel and change of clothes for baby. To book please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/events

Development Matters - Stay and Play (1pm - 2pm) @ Highfield Family Hub

For parents or carers and children under 5 a lovely session creating opportunities for your child to learn, play and socialise with other children. No need to book.

Wizards and Witches Crafty Activities (3pm - 4pm) @ Duke Street Family Hub

For 2-11 years. All things crafty with a Wizardry Theme. Come and join the fun and meet new friends over some spells! All children must be accompanied by an adult. To book please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/events

Tuesday 23rd July

Weigh, Stay and Play (9:30am - 11am) with Healthy Family Practitioner on site (baby weighing clinic) @ Clayton Brook Village Hall

For babies and toddlers this is a session with activities, crafts, songs and nursery rhymes. Learn about your baby's development with opportunities to ask questions and share experiences. No need to book.

Cooking for Fun!! with Jigsaw Homes (1pm - 3pm) @ Clayton Brook Village Hall

For 2-11 years. Come and learn how to become a 'Creative Chef' and create something wonderful to eat with new friends! All children must be accompanied by an adult. To book please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/events

lancashire.gov.uk



Click [here](#) for events and things to do for families over the summer.



ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD WHO MAY BE BEING NEGLECTED...



If you are a young person, you can contact 2-10pm, 365 days a year.
Phone on 0800 51 11 11
Text on 07786 51 11 11
Email: talkzone@lancashire.gov.uk



NSPCC

If you are an adult or professional,
call 0300 123 6720



For more information
www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/neglect/



Lancashire Family Hubs

For more information, scan the QR code or visit www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/family-hubs/



Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

For more information, scan the QR code or visit <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/school-holiday-activities/>

Autism Training

Oliver House, a specialist autism school, are offering free training to any parents. There will be ten courses:

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|---------------------------|--|
| 9th September 2024 | Throwing away the rule book – Parenting in Autism |
| 7th October 2024 | PDA and High Anxiety in Autism |
| 4th November 2024 | Autism and ADHD |
| 2nd December 2024 | Sensory issues and Autism |
| 13th January 2025 | Maximising Educational opportunities |
| 10th February 2025 | Organisations who support families |
| 10th March 2025 | Behaviours that challenge |
| 12th May 2025 | Autism & Associated Conditions |
| 9th June 2025 | The Future - beyond school age |
| 7th July 2025 | Transitions in Autism |

The courses will run from 10am to 12 noon and there are 80 places on each course. Tea & coffee will be provided.

Please note that if you wish to attend you **must** book on the courses. Please contact Jenny Powell at Oliver House School on 01257 220011 to book.

**Venue: Valley Church, Fourfields, Bamber Bridge,
Preston, PR5 6GS**



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- 🔍 **Is your child experiencing emotional, behavioural, or mental health challenges, and you are not too sure how to help?**
- 🔍 **Do you want to learn how to support your child to be resilient, and to deal with the challenges they may face?**

Home Start Central Lancashire are leading providers in therapeutic parenting training, which allows parents to gain a better understanding of the emotional and physical impact of trauma.

We all experience trauma within our lives, however how we are supported through challenging times can have a huge impact on our parenting styles, future life choices and wellbeing.

This course will allow parents to learn about brain development, the impact of stress on both adults and children, and how a trauma informed, therapeutic approach to parenting can have a positive impact on the whole family.

The course is delivered over 3 workshops that will take place at HSCL on...

Thursday 19th September
09:30-14:30

Thursday 26th September
09:30-14:30

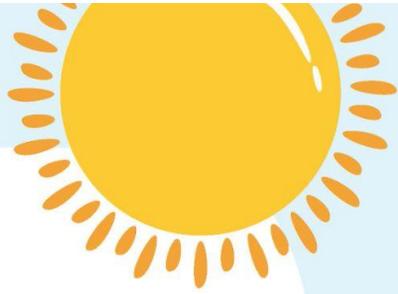
Thursday 3rd October
09:30-14:30



To book your space please call:



01257 241636



Summer holidays stay and play

Fridays 10-12

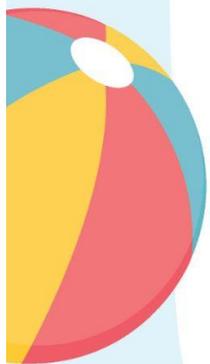
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to 30/08/2024**



**All ages
welcome**

Crafts, Games, toys and a place
for your child to socialise and make
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Pr7 2sl





TRAINING EVENT



ADULT ILLITERACY AND SAFEWARDING IMPLICATIONS

Breaking the Silence –
Addressing Adult Illiteracy
and Its Safeguarding
Implications

WHEN

August 5th
12pm – 3pm

WHERE

**Home-Start Central
Lancashire**

112a Market Street, Chorley PR7 2SL

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

- UNDERSTAND THE PREVALENCE AND IMPACT OF ADULT ILLITERACY IN THE UK.
- IDENTIFY SIGNS OF ILLITERACY CHALLENGES IN VULNERABLE ADULTS.
- DEVELOP STRATEGIES FOR EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATING INFORMATION TO THOSE WITH LOW LITERACY SKILLS.
- ADVOCATE FOR INCLUSIVE POLICIES THAT CONSIDER THE NEEDS OF ADULTS WITH LITERACY CHALLENGES TO ENSURE THEIR SAFETY AND WELLBEING.

Places are limited, so book now by –

 admin@homestartcentrallancs.org.uk or

 Jen on 01257 241636

**FOR ANYONE
WORKING WITH
ADULTS AND/OR
FAMILIES**

TOPICS COVERED

- Defining Adult Illiteracy
- Impact of Adult Illiteracy
- Causes of Adult Illiteracy
- Addressing Adult Illiteracy
- Role of Support Workers

Explore the crucial role support workers play in advocating for adult illiteracy and safeguarding vulnerable individuals

This Course is delivered by Donna Hussain on behalf of Home-Start Central Lancashire

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PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The new National Framework for Penalty Notices

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after 19th August 2024.

Per Parent, Per Child

Penalty Notice Fines will now be issued to each parent, for each child that is absent.

For example, 2 siblings with unauthorised absence during term time may result in each parent being issued with one penalty notice per child.

10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions (5 days) of unauthorised absence in a 10 week period.

1 £160 pp, pc

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance, the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child, paid within 28 days.

Reduced to £80 per parent, per child, if paid within 21 days.

1ST OFFENCE

2 £160 pp, pc

(within 3 years from the date of issue of the first penalty notice)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance, the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child, paid within 28 days.

2ND OFFENCE

3 Up to £2500

(within 3 years from the date of issue of the first penalty notice)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or Irregular Attendance, a penalty notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child.

This is a criminal offence and a parent may end up with a criminal record.

3RD OFFENCE

Do you know
about...



Free
school meals

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If your child qualifies for free school meals,
they will have a free meal every school day

It's easy to find out if you qualify –

Lancashire

Website: <https://lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/>

Pupil
Premium

Is **additional funding** for our school to
ensure we can support pupils
to **achieve their full potential**

Whole School Messages

Please get back involved. We have had lots of ticket sale disappear and we need to get them back up to 250 tickets

£1 a week, the weekly prize fund is currently at around £70 a week! There is a draw every week for Parklands and you are also entered in all of the bigger prizes.

Enter our **Super Draw** **Nintendo Switch Bundle**

OR £1,000 CASH PRIZE



- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Chance to win up to £25,000
- Play weekly, or just play the Super Draw!
- Win an amazing gaming bundle!



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