



PARKLANDS BULLETIN

WEEK 2

24th - 28th November 2025



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been another busy week at school, as we begin to approach Christmas.

This week was particularly special as we had the privilege of hosting our annual Presentation Evening last night. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the fantastic achievements of our former Year 11 students as they collected their well-deserved GCSE certificates. Seeing them return, happy and thriving in their lives after Parklands, was a true testament to their hard work and the dedication of our staff. Thank you to all the students, parents, and staff who made the evening such a success! We look forward to hearing of their continued successes.

Next week is another busy one, with a focus on both literacy development and preparations for our older students. The English department is hosting a valuable Reading Evening on Tuesday for our KS3 students and their families. This is a fantastic chance to get tips and strategies to help foster a love of reading at home. I strongly encourage all KS3 parents/carers to attend. Last year the evening was a great success, and we are hoping for even better this year.

A key stage in the year begins on Wednesday as our Year 11 students start their mock examinations. This is a crucial opportunity for students to practice their exam technique, identify areas for improvement, and get used to the pressures of the exam environment. Please encourage your children to be getting on with their revision now. Organisation and focused work in the next few days will make a huge difference to their confidence and performance next week. Good luck, Year 11.

Regards,
Mrs. Batson
Headteacher

Family Reading Evening
Tuesday 2nd December
5:30 - 6:30PM

There will also be a book fair and the opportunity to buy book-themed Christmas gifts.

Whole School Messages

Key Dates - November and December 2025

- **Tuesday 2nd December** – KS3 Reading Evening, 5:30–6:30pm (*more information to follow*)
- **Wednesday 3rd December** – Flu Vaccinations (Years 7–11) and Year 11 Mock Exams begin
- **Thursday 11th December** – Year 7 Christmas Disco
- **Friday 12th December** – Christmas Jumper Day
- **Tuesday 16th December** – Year 11 Mock Exams finish
- **Thursday 18th December** – Year 7 Christmas Cinema Reward Trip and Years 8–11 Christmas Trip to the Trafford Centre.
- **Friday 19th December** – It's CHRISTMAS! School finishes at 1:00pm
- **School reopens Tuesday 6th January for pupils.**

Head Lice Notice for Parents/Guardians:

We've had a few reports of head lice within school. This is a common issue in all schools, but early action really helps prevent it from spreading further:

We kindly ask all parents and guardians to:

- Check your child's hair regularly over the next few days.
- Carry out proper treatment and removal if head lice or eggs (nits) are found.
- Use recommended preventative measures, such as tying long hair back, using preventative sprays, and regular combing with a fine-toothed nit comb.

Head lice are nothing to be embarrassed about, they can affect anyone. Quick action and consistent checking make a big difference for everyone.

Year 11:

Mock exams start this week on **Wednesday 3rd December** with English. Please be fully prepared for all the exams over this period. The timetable is attached [here](#) for reference. Good luck!

Mr Metcalfe

Wellbeing Update

We have recently noticed an increase in cases of **colds, flu, and stomach bugs** within the school community. To help keep everyone healthy and reduce the spread of illness, we kindly ask that all pupils are reminded to **wash their hands regularly**, especially:

- After using the toilet
- Before eating
- After sneezing or blowing your nose

Regular **hand washing** is one of the simplest and most effective ways to prevent germs from spreading.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school community healthy and safe.

Whole School Messages

Immunisation

Dear Parents/Carers, we would like to remind you that the Immunisation Team are in school on Wednesday 3rd December for the annual Flu immunisation programme. This is for Years 7-11. If you have any questions or concerns please contact the Immunisation Team on 03333 583 397 option 2 or email team.lancashire@intrahealth.co.uk School does not hold any immunisation details.

Many thanks.

School Menus:

To see our school menus, please click [here](#). Next week will be week **1**.

Price Increase:

Breakfast item	Lunch Item
Sausage/bacon barm- £1.60	Main meal- £2.60 Meal Deal- £2.80
Bacon wrap-£1.60	Chicken wrap- £2.00
Waffle- 90p	Burger- £2.00
Pain au choc-£1.00	Panini-£2.00
Hash brown- £1.00	Potato item- £1.60
Cheese & toast-£1.00	Pizza- £1.60
Toastie-£1.60	Pizzini- £2.20
Toast/crumpet-50p	Sausage roll- £1.60
	Chicken strips £1.60

PP Behaviour and Attendance Survey!

All pupils have been sent a link to a survey relating to attendance and behaviour in school. Please can you encourage your child to fill this survey in. We will be using their feedback to improve and guide our systems.

Many thanks, Mrs Haslam

PP Funding

Dear Parents and Guardians,

If your child qualifies for PP funding, you have been emailed the link to a survey. Please complete at your earliest convenience. Thank you to all who have completed this so far.

Kind Regards

Miss Rhodes

Is Your Child a Young Carer?

If you think your child may have young carer responsibilities, or if you'd like to make us aware, please get in touch.

Please email Miss Rhodes (Assistant Head) srhodes@parklandsacademy.co.uk with the following information:

- Child's name
- Year group
- Who they care for
- How frequently they provide care
- Anything else you would like us to know

While young carer status does not come with additional funding, it does ensure your child is recognised and supported in school.

Whole School Messages

Free School Meals and Pupil Premium

From January 2026, the school will be updating the trip subsidy for students eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) or the Pupil Premium (PP) grant.

We are proud to offer a generous subsidy for trips, much higher than many other schools, but to ensure it remains sustainable, the annual allowance per student will change as follows:

- FSM students: Reducing to £150 per academic year
- PP (non-FSM) students: Reducing to £100 per academic year

Important Details:

- Reward trips will remain 50% subsidised for both FSM and PP students.
- Curriculum trips that are compulsory as part of the course will continue to be fully funded.

Why this Change is Necessary:

- Adjusting the allowance enables us to support more students and offer a wider variety of trips.
- By reducing the allowance, we can maintain the quality of our trips year after year.
- This change also helps us adapt our interventions and provide alternative forms of support for our students.

Action for Outstanding Deposits:

If your child has a planned trip and the deposit has not yet been paid, please ensure it is submitted by **31 December 2025**. Deposits not received by this date will be subject to the new allowance rates in 2026

For any questions about trip funding or your child's allowance, please contact

pupilpremium@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Miss Rhodes

Pupil Premium Lead/Assistant Headteacher

Could Your Child be Eligible for Free School Meals?

Check **eligibility and apply** via Lancashire County Council:

[Free School Meals - Lancashire County Council Lancashire.gov.uk](https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/free-school-meals/)

If you do apply, please also email Miss Rhodes (Assistant Head) srhodes@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Y9, Y10 and Y11 same day detentions

Please be aware that if your child should receive a **BfL 1 or 0** they will be required to serve a same day detention after school from 3pm until 3.30pm. We hope this sanction may lead to an improved focus and better behaviour in lessons. We will endeavour to notify you by text message should your child need to attend the detention, however please be aware this may not always be possible depending on the time of day. For example, if your child receives a 1 or 0 during their P5 lesson we may not be able to notify you ahead of picking your child up at the end of the day. You can also monitor your child's BFL on the EduLink app under the 'Attendance' section.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Attendance

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 **293 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	87.9%	93.8%
ASA	90.2%	94.8%
EUR	89%	95.2%
SAM	89.7%	94.4%
AFR	89%	94.7%
Totals %	88.8%	94.1%

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**.

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: 108 pupils to date
Year 8: 82 pupils to date
Year 9: 88 pupils to date
Year 10: 92 students to date
Year 11: 85 students to date
All: 455 students

How many had the perfect 3 in the previous week?

Year 7: 175
Year 8: 143
Year 9: 153
Year 10: 161
Year 11: 172
All: 804

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: 172
Year 8: 133
Year 9: 136
Year 10: 130
Year 11: 141
All: 712

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

Parklands Pupil Bulletin

Find out what is happening in your school.....



Learning Support

Learning Support - Every Minute Counts: The Importance of Being in Lessons

We want every student to make the most of their learning time. Even a few minutes missed from each lesson can quickly add up and have a big impact on progress.

For example, if a child misses just 5 minutes from every lesson each day, that adds up to around 4 hours

of learning lost every week. Some students are missing as much as 16 minutes per day as they are arriving late and/or leaving early. That's the equivalent of over 7 hours of learning time lost every week.

We fully appreciate that sometimes students need time to reset, reflect, or take a short break and these

moments are important for wellbeing. However, we also want to highlight just how valuable lesson time is.

Every minute spent in the classroom contributes to a stronger understanding, better progress, and greater

confidence in learning.

It is our job to work together to make sure our students are present, ready, and making the most of every

learning opportunity.

Ms Williams

SENCo

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

**Learning Support Board**
Week Commencing
1st December 2025

**"Some cause happiness wherever they go;
others whenever they go."**

OSCAR WILDE

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

Have You Heard the News?

We may have reached Advent, with Christmas just around the corner, but this is a critical academic week for our year 11s. Their mock exams begin on Wednesday and continue until three days before we break up on the 19th December. Then, on the penultimate day of term, they have a Respect Day on 'Mature Relationships'. Finally, remember that there is always somebody available to talk to in N17 before school, break and lunchtime.

Learningsupport@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Joke of the Week

Now you see it, now you don't, now you see it, now you don't. What is it?
A white cat on a zebra crossing!

The Power of YET

I can't do this... **YET**
I'm not good at this... **YET**
I don't understand this... **YET**
This doesn't make sense... **YET**



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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

Whole School Messages

Shine for Sally

Last weekend our KS3 & 4 dance teams performed at Shine for Sally 5 in loving memory of past pupil Sally Cornes, raising funds for Milly's Smiles and Derian House Children's Hospice. They were amazing! #proudtobeparklands



This Week in KS3 Religious Studies

Students continue to explore big questions and ideas. To help spark meaningful conversations at home, here are some discussion questions you might like to explore with your child:

Year 7 – Ultimate Questions

- What do Christians and Hindus believe about how the world began?
- Why might some people use religious truths to explain how the world began?
- Which type of truth best answers the ultimate question about how the world began?



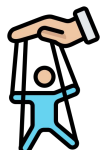
Year 8 – Prejudice and Discrimination

- What is the gender-pay gap, and why is it an issue?
- Do toys and advertising reinforce sexism?
- What laws were introduced to give more equal rights to women?



Year 9 – Human Rights and Social Justice

- What are examples of modern-day slavery?
- What is human trafficking, and why is it considered a form of exploitation?
- How does trafficking affect victims and communities?



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PE Update week beginning 24th November 2025

A great week in the PE department. The colder weather has well and truly arrived! Please remember to bring warm clothing with PE kit (PHS hoodie/PHS leggings/PHS joggers). You can also wear a long sleeved dark top UNDERNEATH a PHS t-shirt if you do not have a PHS hoodie. If you are unsure please ask a member of the PE staff.

Year 8&9 Netball Tournament This was played at Holy Cross against all other schools in the Chorley district. What a cold night! Both teams played some fantastic netball with Y8 securing 3rd place and year 9 coming 4th. Well done!



Year 7 Boys Football at home against Holy Cross. What a brilliant performance! The team played brilliantly against a very good team and won 1-0. Well done!



Year 8 Boys Football at home against Holy Cross. Some very tough competition and some good skill on display. Well done!

Year 10 Boys Football at home against St Michaels. The team had a fantastic first half but ran out of legs in the second half which resulted in an unfortunate loss. Well played.



Whole School Messages

TikTok Information

Among children – and especially teenagers – TikTok boasts approximately 220 million users, providing a near-endless reel of short clips intended to entertain, educate and more. However, along with its enormous userbase comes a significant number of possible risks: Ofcom have dubbed it the most likely app on which teen users would potentially suffer harm.

With the platform reaching astronomical levels of success among the younger generation, it's vitally important for parents and educators to understand the risks it poses. This guide lets you know about the most prominent potential dangers associated with TikTok and offers expert advice on how to safeguard youngsters who are navigating the site.

Click [here](#) for Annual Data Report & Click [here](#) for Ofcom

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.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TIKTOK

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Adults tend to associate online videos with YouTube – but among teens, TikTok is king. The app provides a stream of short clips tailored to users' interests, based on what they've already watched. Around half of British children use TikTok, and while much of the content is benign, Ofcom considers it the app where youngsters "were most likely to encounter a potential harm".

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

While TikTok's following feed only displays videos from familiar creators, For You is a collection based on a user's previously watched clips. Most of these videos will probably be inoffensive, but the app could potentially show something unsuitable. If children then engage with this content, more like it will follow. TikTok's guidelines prohibit the sharing of illegal or inappropriate content, but the huge number of uploads means that a small amount inevitably slips through.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

With more than 1.6 billion users globally, the potential for contact from strangers on TikTok is high – especially as accounts created by over-18s (or young people using a false date of birth) are set to public by default. This means that not only is someone's profile visible to everyone else on the app, it also suggests their videos to others and enables anyone to download or comment on them.

BODY IMAGE AND DANGEROUS CHALLENGES

According to Ofcom, most online harms for teens are body image related (for girls) (promoting unhealthy eating, body shaming and so on) and dangerous stunts for boys. Both are prevalent on TikTok. One extreme example of the latter was the "blackout" trend, which encouraged users to hold their breath until they passed out from a lack of oxygen. This led to two families filing lawsuits against TikTok over the tragic deaths of their children.

MISINFORMATION AND RADICALISATION

Although the short videos on TikTok tend to be more frivolous than the longer ones on YouTube, clips can still influence impressionable minds in a negative way. Not only is there plenty of dangerous misinformation on TikTok, but Ofcom reports that nearly a third of 12 to 15-year-olds use TikTok as a news source – so you should be wary of misogynistic, racist or conspiracy-themed material shaping how they see the world.

IN-APP SPENDING

TikTok is free, but users have the option to buy TikTok coins, which can be used to purchase gifts for content creators. Coin bundles range from £3.99 to an eye-watering £95, while that may not sound eye-opening, the app still generated £7.9 billion in user spending in 2023. TikTok's policy is that under-18s can't make in-app purchases, but it's possible to bypass this with a fake birth date.

ADDICTIVE DESIGN

With its constant stream of eye-catching videos, TikTok can be addictive to young brains. In 2024, UK children spent an average of 32 minutes per day on the app: that's twice as much as in 2020. Excessive use can interfere with young people's sleep patterns – often leading to irritability – and distract them from other, healthier activities. The instantly skippable nature of bite-size videos may also impact children's ability to maintain focus.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING

Family pairing allows parents to link their TikTok account to their child's, and control settings remotely. Parents can then turn on Restricted Mode (reducing the chances of a child seeing inappropriate content), set screen-time limits, make accounts private and manage whether their child can send messages – and if they can, to whom. Children can't alter these settings without parental approval.

BLOCK IN-APP SPENDING

If a child is using an iPhone or Android device to access TikTok, you can alter their settings to prevent them from making in-app purchases. We'd recommend enabling this feature, as it can be quite easy for a young person to spend a significant amount of real money buying TikTok coins to unlock more features of the app – sometimes without even realising.

DISCUSS THE DANGERS

If a child wants to use TikTok and you're happy for them to do so, it's good practice to discuss the potential risks. Ensure that they don't share any identifying personal information, and that they know to talk to a trusted adult if they're worried by interactions on the app. With more teens using TikTok for news, it's also worth talking about misinformation and propaganda, and how to identify it.

READ THE SIGNS

If you're concerned that a child is spending too much time on TikTok, or that they've been emotionally affected by something they've seen, it's important to know how to spot the signs. Increased irritability and a lack of concentration are potential red flags, as is failing to complete homework or skipping meals. Remember, the parental controls are there for a reason, and it's never too late to introduce limits.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard and The New Statesman.

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TRAFFORD CENTRE TRIP YR 8,9,10,11

OWN CLOTHES ON THE DAY
LEAVE AT 3:30PM- RETURN 9PM BACK
TO SCHOOL

18th
DEC

AT 3:00 PM
SCHOOL HALL FOR
COACH
INSTRUCTIONS

YOU NEED 6 TRIP
POINTS TO ATTEND



HOME ALONE MOVIE

Year 7 Christmas Trip

At Reel Cinema Chorley

***17th December
2:00pm - 5:00pm***

£5.00



Christmas Reward Trip Year 7

Dear Parents and Carers,

To celebrate and recognise the good behaviour, effort, and achievements of our Year 7 students this Autumn term, we are delighted to offer a trip to **Reel Cinema in Chorley to watch the Christmas movie - Home Alone.**

Date: Wednesday 17th December 2025

Cost: £5 per student. For pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium the cost will be £2.50

This payment covers cinema ticket only. Students may wish to bring additional spending money for popcorn or sweets.

Timings:

- Depart school at approximately 2:00 pm for a 3:00 pm start of the film
- Please collect your child from Reel Cinema at 5:00 pm or alternatively if they usually walk home, they may do so.

Dress code:

Students may come to school in appropriate non-school uniform for the day.

Payment details:

- **Deadline for payment: 3:00pm on Friday 12th December 2025**
- Payment link: <https://www.scopay.com/parklands-lancashire>
- Please note: Payments are non-refundable.
- By making payment, you are providing consent for your child to attend the trip.
- Please ensure your child's medical information on Edulink is up to date. If you need to update details, email: admin@parklandsacademy.co.uk
- Your child's place will only be secured once payment has been received.
- If you require online payment login details, please email your child's name and form to: admin@parklandsacademy.co.uk

There are 160 places available, and the trip will close once all places are filled.

Eligibility criteria:

As this is a trip organised through staff goodwill, it is open to students who have shown consistent good attendance, behaviour, effort, and progress.

We will use the Points system to determine eligibility. Students can earn up to 8 points during the Autumn term, and will need at least 6 points to qualify for the trip.

Christmas Reward Trip Year 7 cont'd....

Criteria	Requirement	Points
Behaviour for Learning (BfL)	2.95 or above	1
Attendance	95% or higher	1
Lates	0	1
Social Strikes	0	1

Each criterion is measured for both Autumn half-terms

Maximum 8 points

Behaviour expectations:

This trip is designed to be an enjoyable reward, but safety and conduct remain our top Priorities.

We ask that you remind your child of the importance of respectful and responsible behaviour throughout the trip.

The school reserves the right to withdraw a student's place at any point up to and including the day of the trip if behaviour, attitude, or attendance do not meet expectations. We appreciate your full support in this matter.

We look forward to what promises to be a fun and memorable afternoon for our students.

Warm regards,

The House Achievement Leaders

Click [here](#) for career news



Career News

Lots of useful information in this week's Career News. There is an article on how to become a psychologist - helpful reading for anyone considering a psychology degree (spoiler alert - there's a lot more to it than just getting the initial degree). There are conferences and virtual work experience schemes with Medic and Dental Mentor - absolutely vital for anyone in Year 10 or 11 planning a career in healthcare. Bolton Sixth Form has a series of new subjects on offer for September 2026, including A Level Textiles, which you can mix and match with other arts subjects such as Graphics, Photography or Media. The EDT, (patron King Charles III), is offering the Challenger Award. This is undertaken outside of school and shows future employers what you are capable of in the STEM field - very useful for university or apprenticeship applications to help you stand out.

Reminder to Year 11s to get their college applications in as soon as possible - preferably this weekend, before Mock Exams take over! So far only around 25% of pupils have submitted a college application - and interviews start in January. [Click here](#) for a link to all the college application pages - it will take around ten minutes to apply, so what are you waiting for? You can change your GCSE grades if you do well in your mocks, or change the subject(s) you have chosen if you change your mind - you are only **reserving a place** at college at this point.

Whole School Messages

CHECK OUT OUR
RESOURCE HUB:



Compass Bloom are the Mental Health Support Team in your school.
We provide free support for mild/moderate mental health concerns:



MILD TO
MODERATE
ANXIETY



LOW MOOD:
SADNESS, LOW
MOTIVATION



DIFFICULTY
MANAGING
EMOTIONS



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TO CHANGE AND
TRANSITION

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TAKE A LOOK AT
OUR WEBSITE:



Operation Encompass Parents Awareness Letter

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter is to inform you / remind you that our school/ college 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 **a domestic abuse, vulnerable child or missing incident** to which the child or young person has been exposed, 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 domestic abuse, vulnerable child and missing incidents can be harmful to children and young people.

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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**. 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.

This national 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.

Pan Lancashire Operation Encompass

The purpose of Operation Encompass is to safeguard and support children and young people who have been involved in or witness to a domestic abuse, vulnerable child or missing incident.

Operation Encompass has been created to address such situations that create a safeguarding risk to young people. It is the implementation of key partnership working between the police and schools/ colleges. The aim of sharing information with local schools/ colleges is to allow 'Key Adults' the opportunity of engaging with the child and to provide access to support that allows them to remain in a safe but secure familiar environment.

Following the report of a domestic abuse, vulnerable child or missing incident, by 9.00am on the next school/ college day the school's Key Adult will be informed of the child or young person's involvement. This knowledge, given to educational establishments through Operation Encompass, allows the provision of immediate early intervention through silent or overt support dependent upon the needs and wishes of the child/ young person.

The purpose and procedures in Operation Encompass have been shared with all parents and governors, is detailed as part of the school's Safeguarding Policy and published on our school website.

Mrs Fairhurst
Designated Safeguarding Lead



FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER

Jolly Christmas Jumper Party!

Grab your ugliest or most fabulous jumper and join us in supporting a worthy charity



**HOUSE POINTS FOR THE
HOUSE WITH THE MOST
JUMPERS**

LET'S SHAKE UP WINTER

WINTER IN LANCASHIRE:
EAT, PLAY, REPEAT! #HAF2025

app.holidayactivities.com/cgin

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#HAF2025



Lancashire
County
Council

Holiday Activities and Food
Programme Chorley presents:
Winter HAF

Are you between 12 – 16 years old,
living in Chorley, and receiving
free school meals? Don't miss out!
Secure your spot for our winter
activities using your HAF code.



Monday 22nd December Time: 12– 4pm– Christmas Movie Day

Location: Meet at Chorley Youth and Community Centre for food, then head to Chorley Little Theatre. It's the holidays, so let's have breakfast for lunch: bacon or sausage barm or beans on toast! Before we head out to enjoy a festive film– Elf. A cosy, chilled-out session perfect for getting into the Christmas spirit!



Tuesday 23rd December Time: 3–7pm– Christmas Dinner Party

Location: Chorley Youth and Community Centre

Get ready for a festive celebration! Join us for a warm Christmas dinner with all the trimmings, fun party games, and great music. A joyful afternoon to kick off the holidays with friends and laughter!



Monday 29th December Time: 3–7pm– New Year's Party

Location: Chorley Youth and Community Centre

Let's ring in the New Year together! Expect party vibes, games, delicious hot food, music, and a countdown celebration. We'll also be chatting about New Year's resolutions—what are you hoping for in 2026?



Tuesday 30th December Time: 10–3.30pm – Bowling & Food

Location: Redrose bowling, meet first at Chorley Youth and Community Centre

Strike into the New Year with a fun bowling trip followed by tasty food! A relaxed and active way to wrap up the Winter HAF sessions with friends and good times.

If you would like more information please email us
at Chorley.tys@lancashire.gov.uk

Parklands Parental drop in



BEE'S
COUNTRY
KITCHEN,
FLEET
STREET,
CHORLEY

FRIDAYS
9:15-
10:30AM



Family Reading Evening

Tuesday 2nd December
5:30 - 6:30PM



There will also be a book fair and the opportunity to buy book-themed Christmas gifts.



DECEMBER 4TH

AT BREAKTIME, OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY

CAKE SALE

CASH ONLY PLEASE

TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE PERU CREW

Year 7

Christmas Disco

Thursday 11th December

£2.00 entry fee

6pm-8pm

Tuck shop,

Music, dancing & games

A fun night guaranteed.



Christmas Cookie House comp!



Rules

You **must** evidence making and decorating your cookie plus your finished product.
(three pictures sent to Mrs K O'Reilly)

Final finished picture will be judged!

STARTS MONDAY 8TH DECEMBER – ENDS SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER.

WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY 15TH DECEMBER.

PRIZES FOR 1ST 2ND AND 3RD PLACE. CLASS CHARTS POINTS FOR ALL WHO ENTER.



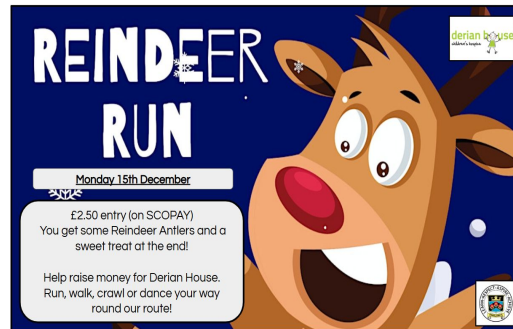
Whole School Messages




🎄 Reindeer Run for Derian House 🎄



After school on Monday 15th December, we will be walking to Derian House Children's Hospice in Astley Village and back to help raise money and awareness for this wonderful charity. Everyone will be wearing festive reindeer antlers and spreading plenty of Christmas cheer along the way! Each participant will also receive a little Christmas treat. The cost to take part is £2.50, which should be paid via Scopay by Monday 1st December. Thank you for your support in helping us make a difference this Christmas!



 UK Health Security Agency

Norovirus

How to protect yourself and others

After using the toilet and before preparing food, **wash your hands regularly with soap and warm water.**



Alcohol gels won't kill norovirus

5 Ways to Protect Yourself from Norovirus Spreads



Always Keep Your Hands Washed

- ✓ Wash your hands with soap and clean water for at least 20 seconds.
- ✗ Alcohol-based hand sanitizers cannot kill norovirus.



Avoid Touching Your Face, Especially in Public Areas

- ✓ Use tissue paper or a handkerchief when touching your face to prevent infection.



Clean and Disinfect Shared Surfaces

- ✓ Clean frequently touched surfaces, such as doorknobs.
- ✓ Pay special attention to high-touch surfaces in your home or workplace.



Be Careful with Food and Water Consumption

- ✓ Eat freshly cooked food.
- ✓ Drink clean water that has been filtered.
- ✓ Avoid sharing plates, spoons, or glasses with others.



Isolate and Provide Proper Care for the Patient

- ✓ Clean the patient's clothing and bedding.
- ✓ Wear gloves and a mask when caring for the patient.

IF YOU EXPERIENCE SEVERE DIARRHEA OR VOMITING, SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY FOR DIAGNOSIS.

IF DIAGNOSED WITH NOROVIRUS, AVOID LEAVING THE HOUSE 2-5 DAYS AFTER INFECTION.





COME TO THE BOOK FAIR

and earn **FREE BOOKS** for our school®

26th November - 3th December. On the Concourse outside The Library





PE Reminders/Cold Weather



The weather has changed significantly and pupils do still have lessons outside. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for PE. As they will still do the lesson outside unless it is deemed unfit by myself.

We have spare hoodies available if your child does not own one. I am happy to trade a hoodie permanently for a small donation.

We encourage the purchase of the leggings or pants from our suppliers

You can also wear your own base layers, white, black or blue. Underneath their PE t shirts.

Pupils should arrive at PE and change into the PE kit in the changing rooms.

Pupils who are struggling with an injury/medical ailment, please email pe@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Pupils will be expected to be involved unless there is medical note excluding them from the activity.

Our uniform can be purchased from both below.

<https://jadauniforms.co.uk/product-category/phs-parklands/>

<https://www.nuuniforms.com/index.php?route=product/category&path=60>





Duke Street Family Hub



WARM & Welcome

**MONDAYS
AFTER SCHOOL**

**Starting 20th October
3.30pm - 5pm**

JOIN US FOR FREE
ARTS & CRAFTS
WARM DRINKS &
CREATE YOUR OWN
PIZZA!



Parklands Preloved uniform

Pass it on, don't throw away,
A uniform's here to save the day!
Keep it going, let it flow,
Helping pupils as they grow.

Please send any preloved uniform into school
to Mrs.K O'Reilly.

Thank you.