



PARKLANDS BULLETIN

28th July 2023



Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of this school year, I would like to extend my gratitude for your support and commitment in working together as a community to provide the best possible quality of education and school experience for pupils.

I want to take this opportunity to wish all our parents, carers, and pupils a happy and safe summer holiday. Thank you for your support throughout this year. We eagerly await the return of all our students in September as we embark on another year of learning, growth, and success.

Finally, I'd like to end with a personal thank you to all the wonderful Parklands staff, they are the heart of the school and ensure that it is a truly wonderful community. As we close at 1pm please be aware that all staff will be enjoying a well-earned break, and all communications will be responded to on our return in September.

With warm regards,

Mrs. Batson
Principal

Please see the [attached](#) letter for important information for September.

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: 20 pupils since September
Year 8: 24 pupils since September
Year 9: 17 pupils since September
Year 10: 43 students since September
All: 104 students since September

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: 126 pupils
Year 8: 90 pupils
Year 9: 67 pupils
Year 10: 115 students
All: 398 students

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](#)



Learning Support Board
Week Commencing
31st July 2023

"Some of the very best of memories
are made in flip-flops or sliders."
KELLIE ELMORE



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

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?
Well that's it, there is no more. After 190 days or almost 39 weeks we have reached the end of the 2022/23 school year. All of us in Learning Support wish you a safe and happy summer holiday. We'll all be back in N17 on 5th September if you need any help.
Learningsupport@parklandsacademy.co.uk



What does this UK road sign mean?
30
Last time's answer: Narrow-shoulder-type



Job of the Week
Which insects can tell the time?
CLOCK-roaches!

**THE SCHOOL
BELL RINGS
LOUD AND CLEAR,
SCHOOL'S OVER,
THE HOLIDAY'S HERE.**



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Useful Links

- [ADDitude Magazine](#)
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- [Autism Parenting Magazine](#)
- [British Dyslexia Association](#)
- [The Communication Trust](#)
- [FIND Newsletter](#)
- [GOV.UK Covid-19 Information](#)
- [Headspace \(Meditation & Sleep\)](#)
- [KOOOTH Mental Health Support](#)
- [Local Offer](#)
- [NHS Urgent Mental Health Helpline](#)
- [Witherslack Group](#)

Whole School Messages

Thank you to everybody who came to the Celebration Breakfast for EAL students. It was wonderful to see so many parents in school to celebrate the fantastic progress the children have made this year. Have a wonderful summer!



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I just wanted to say a massive well done to all of Europe House. I am so proud of you all and coming 2nd from the bottom of the leaderboards was no mean feat.

Well done everyone!

And to leave you with a little quote for summer

"Summer is the perfect time to slow down, take it easy, and enjoy the beauty of the world around us."

Love from Mrs Fox



Year 6 D&T day with Gillibrand Primary school

On the 30th June, the D&T department at Parklands were joined by the year 6 pupils of Gillibrand Primary school. Pupils developed their CAD/CAM and electronics skills to produce a 'light up' door sign.



Head Students' Page

Last one of the year!

Hello everyone, well done to all of you for all of your hard work and perseverance throughout this year.

The last few weeks have been fantastic and I hope you have all thoroughly enjoyed yourselves!

Last week years 7-9 participated in learning challenge getting involved in a variety of fun activities and developing new skills, collaborating with different people outside of their year group.

Year 10 spent their second to last week of term completing their work experience, from the feedback I received their have been mixed reviews. Based on this, I advise the incoming year tens (current year 9) to find a placement as early as you can to ensure your week is spent working somewhere relevant and enjoyable to you.

Today we found out the winner of the house cup....!?

Well done to Asia House. Mrs O'Keefe is very proud of you all. Big thanks to the head of houses Freya M, Olivia B and Alex S! Thankyou to all students who have engaged in the House Competitions and supported their house throughout the year

And Finally have a wonderful summer and make sure you enjoy your 5 weeks off. See you all in September.

**Goodbye for now!
From Ebony.**

The pupil with the most achievement
points this year is
Sophie A
Year 7



LEARN RESPECT ASPIRE **ACHIEVE**

And again...



EUROPE
have the most
points as a house



LEARN RESPECT ASPIRE **ACHIEVE**



Well done to everyone who has earned achievement points this academic year. Remember every point adds to your personal total, your year group total, AND the house totals. Bring on more points next year!!
Have a lovely Summer break everyone.

LEARN RESPECT ASPIRE **ACHIEVE**



PARKLANDS
HIGH SCHOOL

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Business Support Officer (Reception) **Part time (Monday and Tuesday only) Term time - 15 hours per week** **Grade 3, pt 4 £7263.47 (£21189 FTE)**

Required from September 2023 or as soon as possible.

Parklands High School is looking to appoint a reliable, flexible and well-motivated individual to join our existing office team as a business support officer / receptionist. The main duty of the role is to oversee the main and student receptions as well as working as part of the busy school support team. You will be a main point of contact for visitors in person and on the phone, and responsible for ensuring a good first impression of the school.

Hours of work are 8.15am to 16.30pm Monday and Tuesday only, with a 45 minute lunch break.
Experience is desired but not essential as appropriate training will be given.

Parklands High School is a popular and high-achieving school located in extensive grounds close to Chorley town centre. It is easily accessed from across the region and is located just a few minutes' drive from the M6 motorway.

For more information about the role please email Mrs J Cunningham, Office Manager, via admin@parklandsacademy.co.uk. Candidates should complete an electronic application form, available from the 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 hr@aspirationalfutures.co.uk

Closing date for applications: 12 noon Monday 4th September 2023 with interviews to be held w/c 11th September 2023

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.

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A vacancy has arisen for a **CLEANER – 20 hours per week** **3.15pm – 7.15pm Mon- Fri, Term time only plus 3 weeks.**

Grade 3, SCP 4 £21,189 (£10449.03 pro rata). Start date September 2023 or as soon as possible.

Parklands High School is a popular, oversubscribed, forward thinking and high-achieving school which is part of the Aspirational Futures Multi Academy trust

We wish to appoint a reliable, flexible and self-motivated individual to join our existing Premises team. Under the direction and instruction of the Cleaning Supervisor, you will undertake the cleaning of designated areas within the School premises to ensure that they are kept in a clean and hygienic condition, to the agreed quality standards and be responsible for ensuring a consistent high standard of cleaning throughout. Experience is preferred but not essential as training can be given however a strong work ethic and to be able to work well in a team are crucial.

Parklands High School staff benefit from access to the UK's leading provider of healthcare insurance, entry into the LGPS pension scheme, UK healthcare, as well as out of hours access to our new gym facilities and our cycle to work scheme

For more information about the role and how to apply please email Carol Slater, Chief Operations Manager at COO@aspirationalfutures.co.uk. Candidates should complete an application form, available from the school website in which you outline your experience and suitability for the position. Electronic applications should be returned to the email address hr@aspirationalfutures.co.uk. Handwritten applications may be posted to HR Manager c/o Parklands High School, Southport Road, Chorley. PR7 1LL. Please clearly mark the envelope "Application for post of Cleaner"

Closing date for applications: 12 noon 05/09/2023 with interviews to be held the same week.

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Barcelona Dance Trip

Saturday 25th May – Friday 31st May 2024



Pupils in years 7-10 who dance inside and outside of school are welcome to attend!

- 4 professional coaching sessions
- Visit to Las Ramblas
- Visits to the Lloret De Mar Beach
- Bowling on one of the evenings
- Sightseeing in Barcelona
- All meals during the trip are included in the price. Breakfast, packed lunch and Tea.
- Waterpark Excursion on the final day.
- 2 x Tour tops.

Total Cost estimate £775.

Deposit of £100 required ASAP

NOW TAKING DEPOSITS VIA SCOPAY UNDER BARCELONA DANCE TRIP



Barcelona Football Tour

Saturday 25th May – Thursday 31st May 2024



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

- 2 professional coaching sessions
- Festival Matches against other schools
- A stadium tour and museum/shop visit.
 - Visit to Las Ramblas
- Visits to the Lloret 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.

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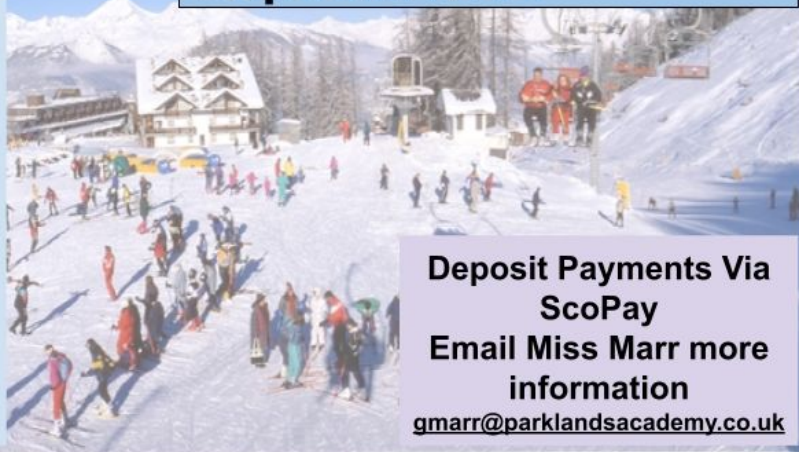
NOW TAKING DEPOSITS VIA SCOPAY



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.

15th February 2025
7 days
Total cost: £1350
Deposit: £100



**Deposit Payments Via
ScoPay**
**Email Miss Marr more
information**
gmarr@parklandsacademy.co.uk

Whole School Messages

Preston North End are offering a programme called Champions.

Champions supports young people aged 10-25 who live in or are in education in Lancashire, including Blackpool & Blackburn with Darwen; who have experience of offending behaviours or anti-social behaviour.

We offer mentoring support, signposting, activities in the community via the trust and liaison into activities provided by other local organisations. This will all be targeted around trying to find out what the young person's aspirations are, their goals and what they want to achieve.

Participation is voluntary and relies on a positive approach from both the mentor, the young person and others involved in their network.

Please see attached for referral form [here](#).

Please click [here](#) for this week's career news.

Career News

Virtual work experience - why it can help your child stand out

What is virtual work experience?

Virtual work experience (sometimes called online, remote or digital work experience) gives young people a chance to gain experience in the workplace, develop their skills, boost their employability and explore new industries and job roles.

It's a broad term covering anything which provides young people with an insight into what it's like to work in an industry or job role while at home. Most virtual work experiences range from half a day to one week, but some may last longer depending on the nature of the work experience and the age of your child.

Not all virtual work experience is the same. Some are open to everyone and provide a platform for students to discover more about the job, view pre-recorded videos on what it's like to work with the organisation, go on virtual tours and possibly take part in some live Q&A sessions. Others may require your child to go through an application process and offer regular online meetings with a supervisor, individual project work, networking sessions, training opportunities and video tutorials.

Keep up-to-date on all things teen related with The Parents' Guide free fortnightly newsletter
[Sign me up!](#)

What are the benefits of a virtual work placement?

Think global!

Virtual work placements are open to everyone and location does not need to be a limiting factor. This opens many possibilities for your child to explore new jobs and industries in areas that may not have been possible under face to face arrangements.

It's free

The majority of virtual work experience placements are free, although some employers charge for the opportunity: working from home will also mean your child will not incur any travel related costs.

Future proof

Remote working is likely to be important to many businesses in the future and learning how to conduct business and work online will develop extremely valuable skills for the modern workplace.

Transferable skills

It's not always easy working from home and taking part in virtual work experience placements will help your child develop those soft skills that all employers are seeking, such as organisation, time-management and self-motivation.

Knowing what's right (or what isn't)

Understanding what a job or a career entails might help your child make decisions about whether or not that role is right for them in the future.

Amazing Apprenticeships

Summer Break: Parent Perspective Podcast

The first two episodes of series 3 of The Parent Perspective Podcast have been Rachel Burden talking careers with the Metropolitan Police Service, NHS, Royal Opera House and RDO Services.

We'll be taking a short break over the summer but will be back in September with new amazing guests and exciting episodes. Listen to the first 2 episodes on your preferred platform or the button below.

LISTEN NOW

PARENT PERSPECTIVE
A careers podcast
BACK IN SEPTEMBER!

Watch Met Pol Engineering Webinar

Did you miss our webinar last week? Metropolitan Police's Operative Unit - providing vital technical equipment and expertise for policing for the Met?

Catch up now and learn about Engineering Apprenticeships can careers working on surveillance that help to keep people safe! about current vacancies in London.

Oxford Scholastica Academy

We've been so pleased to welcome hundreds of students from around the world to our programmes this summer, both in person in Oxford, and online.

As you learn more about their chosen subject, meet like-minded students from all over the world, and gain valuable academic experience, so as to book your place via our website.

Book Now

CAREER News

2023

Your weekly guide to careers information, advice and news from Parklands High School

Well, here we are at last - the end of term and the end of this school year. Year 10s have completed their work experience week - with some amazing success stories, and the rest of the school enjoyed Learning Challenge Week, picking up new skills and making new friends.

Lots of information and advice in this final edition of Career News:

- Open days and events at various colleges and at the hospital
- Updates from Ruislip College on enrolment days/travel
- News from the local NHS trust, including careers advice, competitions, work experience and more
- The Media Mentor family are offering a number of conferences and virtual work experience sessions, that all aspiring media, digital and video should be taking part in
- Virtual work experience is covered in depth with links to many organisations offering such programs - well worth looking into if you fancy an insight into a particular career
- Ruislip College have a virtual end of year art show - for anyone considering art & design at college, this is a must
- Oxford Scholastica Academy are offering online summer courses and internships
- Lots of apprenticeship vacancies this week

Plus much more...

Thank you to all the amazing employers who supported our students during Work Experience Week - students went to almost 200 different placements all over the country! Thanks also to parents/carers and the students themselves for taking part and representing themselves and the school so well. The feedback so far is fantastic - with much more still to come in.

Have a wonderful summer break and see you in September!

Summer holiday edition!

HOW TO ENJOY OUR END OF YEAR SHOW

School of Visual Arts

On your ticket, simply click the button of the show that you would like to see! You can view the show in the following ways:

- VR Headset**
Experience yourself in the 3D virtual exhibition. You will need a VR headset and the new 'Virtual Reality' mobile application.
- Computer/Laptop**
The buttons on the ticket will open our online virtual exhibition.
- Mobile/Tablet**
For optimum performance on a mobile device or tablet, download the new 'Virtual Reality' app from the Google Play store or App store.

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FREE ENTRY

ADMISSION TICKETS

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Final edition of Career News for this term - lots of useful information, articles, advice and events inside.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 10s with their Work Experience recently - feedback from employers has been overwhelmingly positive.