

# PARKLANDS BULLETIN 8th - 12th July 2024 Week 1



## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday night we had one of the highlights of our school calendar - the Year 11 Prom. It was a fantastic evening at Rivington Barn, and it was lovely to see our ex-Year 11s, along with their teachers and other staff who have supported them, celebrating their time at Parklands. It is something that the Year 11s look forward to for a long time, and they certainly deserved it after the hard work they all put in to their exams. They all looked amazing; please have a look at the photos on our school social media.

Next week is another highlight - Learning Challenge Week! All pupils in Years 7 - 9 will be completing a range of different challenges, all of which culminate in Festival Day on Friday. Friends and family are invited to attend school on Friday to see the end results of what is always a great week. Pupils will be able to wear non-uniform on Monday to Thursday, and we request a donation of £1 for this, which will be donated to charity. Pupils will need to wear full uniform on Friday.

On Thursday next week we are also holding our second annual Year 11 vs staff charity football match. This will take place from 3.30 - 5.00pm at Westway. There is a minimum £2 donation to watch the match; all funds will be donated to charity.

Regards,

Mrs.Batson

Principal



**Safety Video** - Due to increasing incidents of trespass on the railway near our school, we showed a 15 minute safety video to all pupils during form this week. If you would like to view this to discuss it with your child, please follow <u>the link</u> here. It is free to view but you will need to input your email address to access it.

Remember the rail network is all around us including rail depots and sidings which are extremely dangerous places for young people to play on.

**Learning Challenge Week dress code** - Reminder to all parents/carers that next week will be Learning Challenge Week and pupils will be in their **own clothes** on MONDAY, TUESDAY and THURSDAY. **PE kit** on WEDNESDAY for Alternative Sports Day and **uniform** for FRIDAY (unless their challenge specifies otherwise during the week).

We recommend you do not wear expensive or your best clothes as some of the challenges may get a bit dirty.

Please no short tops, short shorts, no midriffs out, no T-shirts with offensive/inappropriate text or logos, no hats indoors. Jewellery, makeup and nails/lashes rules still apply.

There is a £1 donation FOR THE WEEK to wear your own clothes and this will go to a charity that the school supports at the end of the week.

**Learning Challenge Week office request** - Please could we ask that your child is aware of the details of any appointments which require them to leave school early and know their after school arrangements (clubs, travel arrangements etc.) prior to coming into school. It will be difficult to retrieve pupils from the activities and could potentially cause a significant delay in them leaving. As per the mobile phone policy we will be unable to pass on non-urgent messages.

Any items that are dropped off will be at the office for pupils to collect and please remind your child to bring their locker key.

**Parklands Culture Fest** - We are about to start planning the inaugural Parklands Culture Fest! This will be a huge celebration of all of the cultures we have in school and our Parklands community. There will be stalls with food, dance, music, arts and crafts etc (I'm sure you will have some amazing ideas!).

I'm looking for volunteers to join a committee to help with planning this. We're hoping this will be a really fabulous event that will bring our whole school community together. If you would like to be involved, please send an email to <u>idonohue@parklandsacademy.co.uk</u>

I look forward to hearing from you!

**Colouring club** - Colouring club has now finished for the term, we will start again the second Monday back in september. Thank you!

**LOST PROPERTY** - Tables will be put out on the concourse next week with a collection of items which have been handed in throughout the school term.

Please encourage your child/ren to have a "rummage" through and hopefully some items will find their way back to their rightful owners. Any items unclaimed will be donated to charity.

#### **ATTENDANCE NOTICE - New information from the Government**

#### Dear Parent/Carer

We are writing regarding attendance and punctuality at school. This has become a national issue, and the Government is placing increased emphasis on this. We would like to work with our families to support you in ensuring that your child attends school every day.

As part of this increased emphasis, the Department for Education has announced national changes to the penalty notices which are issued for unauthorised absence and lateness in term time. Whilst these changes will come into effect on 19 August 2024, we would like to give you advance warning and to make you aware of what this will mean for our community.

- Penalty notices issued for unauthorised absences will be charged at a new rate of £160 per parent per child. This is discounted to £80 if paid within 21 days.
- Any second penalty notice, issued to the same parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period, will be issued at the rate of £160. This is to be paid within 28 days with no option for a discounted rate.
- Each school day is made up of two 'sessions'; one in the morning and one in the afternoon.
- The threshold at which a penalty notice will be issued is set at 10 'sessions'.
- This includes 'sessions' which are missed as a result of arriving late after the register closes, either in the morning or in the afternoon.
- Ten 'sessions' is five days of absence and/or lateness within a rolling 10 school week period.
- A school week is any week in which the school is open to pupils at least once in that week.
- The 10-school week period can span different terms and school years.
- A maximum of two penalty notices will be issued to a parent for the same child within a rolling 3-year period. At the third (or subsequent) absence and/or lateness, another course of action will be used (such as prosecution).

The importance of your child attending school every day and on time cannot be underestimated. Absences can and do have a lasting effect on learning. For example, missing a week of school means your child will miss 25 lessons, as well as any other curriculum enhancing initiatives that take place during that week.

Whilst requests for absence can still be made using our appropriate form, it is only in the most exceptional of circumstances that any requested absence will be authorised. Please note that holidays will not be considered as exceptional circumstances.

We understand that, at times, it can be difficult for your child to achieve 100% attendance. However, we believe that school is always the best place for your child to learn. We will support families in all attendance matters, and we request open and honest communication so that we can work together to ensure that your child is successful at Parklands.





Well done to everybody for their contribution to sports day. It was so lovely so see everybody either representing their House or cheering people on.

Have a wonderful Learning Challenge week, and good luck to all year 10s on work experience !

Matilda





# Every school day matters!



#### 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

# ၂ £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.

# 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.

# 引 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.

# **1ST OFFENCE**

#### **2ND OFFENCE**

**3RD OFFENCE** 

#### 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: 38 pupils to date Year 8: 31 pupils to date Year 9: 29 pupils to date Year 10: 24 students to date All: 122 students How many had the perfect 3 in the previous week? Year 7: 165 pupils Year 8: 160 pupils Year 9: 151 pupils Year 10: 163 students All: 639 students

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: 142 pupils Year 8: 95 pupils Year 9: 101 pupils Year 10: 94 students All: 432 students

**Students**, please click the link to see what clubs, trips and activities are happening in school <u>Parklands Bulletin</u>

#### Weekly Learning Support Board - please click here



#### **Festival Day**



Join us for a day of experiences and products created by our students. It will be a day that is truly spectacular!



You are invited to our annual Learning Challenge Week

**FESTIVAL DAY** 

Friday 19th July 2024 10am - 12.30pm



Parklands High School

Learn Respect Aspire Achieve



Territory of the week



Socotra is an island located off the horn of Africa, owned by Yemen. It's an island with a unique species like the dragon blood tree. The island's long isolation has allowed these species to adapt, such as extending their canopy to reduce evaporation due to high humidity. Socotra is known as an 'eco holiday spot' because it strives to preserve its natural environment as much as possible.

**Current Unit - Life after death** 

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Enquiry Question - Is death the end?

What are NDE's & OBE's?

(Year 7) Weekly discussion questions from the RS Department. **Current Unit - Wealth & Poverty** Enquiry Question - Who is responsible for helping the poor?

(Year 8) Weekly discussion questions from the RS Department.

- 1. How did Marcus Rashford feel about the government's change in policy regarding free school meals?
- What was the government's initial response to providing free school meal vouchers outside of 2. term time?
- 3. Why is it important for public figures to engage with charitable activities?















#### PE Update week beginning 8th July 2024

With the school year coming to an end the activities in the PE department are slowing down. We did however have a big event last Friday!

**Parklands Sports Day** - the weather finally held off last friday and we were able to organise our 2024 sports day! All of the teams from Africa, Asia, Australasia, Europe and South America fought hard in the sprints, jumps and throws to add vital points towards their totals for the house cup! It was Asia house who came out victorious on the day taking the overall lead for the sports day win. But we don't know who is in the lead for this year's house cup...!





**Pupil Spotlight** - Liam D. one of our Sports Captains and George J. have been selected for the U16 North England Handball team. Congratulations! This is a huge accomplishment.

Congratulations also to Izzy H., Lydia H. Thea P. and Macey M. who have all been successful for signing for Preston North End Football Club. Huge Congratulations! We're all very proud of you all for these achievements.













# **Parklands High School**

**Gold Award 2023-24** 



We are delighted to announce that we, Parklands High School, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:

- Extensive Extra-curricular opportunities for all
- High participation in Intra and Inter school competitions.
- More participation in SEND sporting events.
- Fantastic achievements across Girls Football this season.
- A wide number of pupils achieving in their own Sports and activities outside of school.

With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to:

The fabulous PE Staff and any member of staff who has helped run a club this year. We could not do it without you.

We look forward to applying once again in 2025!

**Miss Greaves** 

Curriculum Leader for PE





Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport Department of Health & Social Care





# **Parklands High School**

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has achieved the Gold School Games Mark award for their commitment, engagement in the School Games for 2023/24.





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# Charity Football Match Parklands Staff vs Former Year 11 pupils (2024 leavers)



Mr Metcalf is leading his team of fine teacher athletes into a charity football match once again against our former pupils!

Please come if you want to see the famous Mr Cross offside trap, Mr Rimmer rolling back the years and Mr Johnston flying up the wing.

Last year the staff came from a goal down to win 2-1 and we are very confident of another win!

This is to raise money for a very worthy cause that we will announce closer the time.

When: Thursday 18th July

Time: 15:30-17:00

<mark>Where:</mark> Westway

Donations: Minimum £2 cash per person to watch, this to be collected at Westway by staff.

Please click here for the weekly menu and additional information.





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#### Monday

Main Meal Chicken jalfrezi £1.90

Vegetarian option Chana masala £1.90

Jacket Potatoes with various fillings

Grab & Go Pizza twists £1.90 Chicken wrap £1.90 Wedges £1.50

#### Tuesday

Main Meal Lasagna £1.90

Vegetarian option Veggie lasagna £1.90

Jacket Potatoes with various fillings

Grab & Go Meat & Potato pie £1.15 Pizza £1.20 Sausage roll £1.15

#### Wednesday

Main Meal Chicken chow mein £1.90

Vegetarian option Curry noodles £1.90

Jacket Potatoes with various fillings

Grab & Go Panini £1.90 Chicken wrap £1.90 Herby potato cubes £1.50



#### Thursday

Main Meal Loaded burger £1.90

Vegetarian option Loaded veggle burger £1.90

Jacket Potatoes with various fillings

Grab & Go Pizza twist £1.90 Sausage roll £1.15 Chicken wings £1.50

#### Friday

Main Meal Buffalo chicken on flatbread Vegetarian option Pasta bake Jacket Potatoes with various fillings

> Grab & Go Panini £1.90 Chicken wrap £1.90 Wedges £1.50

# PAKALANDS JUNE MUSIC CONCERT

Monday 22nd July From **6pm £1** on the door

### Vacancies

#### Click here for for further information



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

An intimate image depicts sensitive – often sexual – content, and sharing these photos or videos is commonly known as 'sexting'. As of January 2024, it is a criminal offence to distribute any intimate images shared by a third party without consent, with offenders facing prison time. Naturally, misuse of intimate images can lead to emotional distress and reputational damage.

17:45

WARNING!

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#### **EMOTIONAL DISTRESS**

Victims of the misuse of intimate images and so-called 'sextortion' (blackmail involving sexual material) often experience significant emotional distess. The threat of having these photos or videos shared publicly can lead to anxiety, depression and a sense of helplessness. This emotional turmoil can affect daily life, academic performance and personal relationships.

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#### DAMAGE TO REPUTATION

Intimate images being made public can severely damage a person's reputation. This can lead to bullying, social ostracisation and long-term Impacts on personal and professional relationships. If a blackmailer gets their hand on any intimate Images, the fear of reputatio damage can also make a Voltm far more vulnerable to ongoing extortion.

#### PRIVACY VIOLATIONS

Once intimate images are shared online, it can be difficult to quickly control where they wind up and who else sees them. This loss of privacy can have lifelong repercussions, including identity

#### FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION

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Perpetrators of sextortion may demand money from victims under the threat of releasing their intimate images publicly. This can lead to severe financial problems for victims and their families, compounding their emotional and psychological distress.

#### LEGAL CONSEQUENCES

If a child or young person creates and/or sends intimate images to others – especially adults – this is considered a form of child abuse under UK low. Having to disclose this type of abuse, although necessary, can be harrowing, leading to further tranum. It's crucial for parents, carers and educators to understand the legal processes and be able to provide proper guidance and support.

#### **TRUST ISSUES**

Sharing of intimate images without consent can lead to long-term trust issues. Victims may find it difficult to trust otheres, impacting future relationships and their ability to form healthy, supportive connections. This erosion of trust can have profound effects on mental health and social wellbeing.

# **Advice for Parents & Educators**

#### FOSTER A CULTURE OF OPEN COMMUNICATION

It's vital to encourage open communication with children and young people about the dangers of sharing intimate images. Create a safe space where they feel comfortable discussing their online activities and any concerns they may have without fear of Judgement. Be sure to respond to any worrying information with an attitude of support and learning.

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#### EDUCATE CHILDREN ON THE RISKS



Children and young people often want to understand why certain rules are in place. Educate them about the risks of sharing intimate images online, explaining the reasons for monitoring and other security measures. Highlight the potential for misuse, including sextortion, and the long-term consequences that can arise from these actions.

#### **PROMOTE DIGITAL LITERACY**

Digital literacy is incredibly important for children and young people to understand how to protect their privacy online. Teach them about secure online practices, such as using strong passwords, enabling privacy settings and recognising suspicious behaviour. This empowers them to be proactive in terms of their own safety.

#### **PROVIDE SUPPORT RESOURCES**

Ensure that children and young people know where to seek help if they become victims of exstortion or any other online abuse. Help them identify in advance which adults they can turn to and provide them with information about trusted resources like helplines (e.g. Childline) that they can access if they need help.



Gabriella Russo is a safeguarding and neurodiversity consultant with over 30 years' experience working with children, families and adults in education, local authority and mental health settings in the UK and

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: what-parents-need-to-know-about-sharing-intimate-images

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# Have you lost a Mum, Dad or Sibling?

Are you under 18 years old and want to meet others in the same situation?

We know first hand how little support there is available, and how you feel, that nobody understands! We can't promise to make your situation easier, but we can offer support and an opportunity to listen and share experiences amongst people who have been through a similar thing to you.



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# Dads & Male Carers Brunch Club

Call

01257 516316

for more info

At Highfield Family Hub (Wrights St, Chorley, PR6 OSL)

Saturday 31st August Saturday 26th October 9.30am till 11.30am

**NO BOOKING NEEDED!** 

Quality time & FUN With your Children 0—11yrs

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#### Click here to see What's On - Chorley





# 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-ofabuse/neglect/



Lancashire Family Hubs



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



# Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

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

#### Aspris Children's Services

# **Autism Training**

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

9th September 2024 Throwing away the rule book – Parenting in Autism

7 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	PDA and High Anxiety in Autism
4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024	Autism and ADHD
2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2024	Sensory issues and Autism
13 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Maximising Educational opportunities
10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Organisations who support families
10 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	Behaviours that challenge
12 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Autism & Associated Conditions
9 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	The Future - beyond school age
7 <sup>th</sup> 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 <u>must</u> 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



### 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

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# Summer holidays

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# stay and play

# Fridays 10-12

# Starting 26/07/2024 to 30/08/2024

All ages

Crafts, Games, toys and a place welcome for your child to socialise and make friends during the summer holidays

Home Start Central Lancashire 112A Market Street Entrance on fleet street carpark Pr7 2sl



# ADULT ILLITERACY AND SAFEUARDING 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





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.

