



WEEKLY PARENT BULLETIN

23 Apr - 26 Apr 2019: Week 1



Whole School Messages

Every Wednesday the Achievement team offer a drop in service at the Asda cafe in Chorley. Please feel free to pop in to meet with one of us, should you have a concern or worry you may wish to discuss

We return to school after the Easter holidays on Tuesday, 23 April.

There is a survey regarding Lancashire's Local Offer for SEND [here](#). Lancashire is seeking your views in order to improve its offer. The latest news from the Lancashire SEND Partnership can be read [here](#).

Junior Bake Off 2019! Click [here](#) to see details regarding this fantastic competition and below is an extract from the email received in school about it. If your child is interested in participating, please encourage them to speak with Mrs Brookes or Miss Flight.

"I am contacting you from the television production company Love Productions- the team behind the UK's much loved baking show *The Great British Bake Off* and *The Great British Sewing Bee*. We are delighted to announce that a 5th Series of **JUNIOR BAKE OFF IS COMING BACK** and applications are now open for this new Channel 4 show! We are looking for talented young bakers between **9 -15 years old**. Filming would take place from late July 2019 and our **applications close Monday 6th May 2019**. It would be very much appreciated if you could help us spread the word!"

Rounders starts after Easter with years 9 & 10 on Mondays, years 7 & 8 Thursdays.

We still have some spaces on this year's Watersports PGL. If interested please email Miss Greaves. The trip runs from 1st August - 9th August 2019.

On Wednesday we hosted the annual Chorley schools' dance competition. We entered 5 pieces and we are thrilled to announce that all 5 placed high within their categories. In the U16 solo category we placed second, in the U14 groups we placed first and third, then finally in the U16 category we placed 1st and 2nd. Our U14 winners were also the highest scoring team of the night and will therefore go forward to represent Chorley at the Lancashire schools' competition. The next round will be on 1st May at Preston Charter Theatre. Spectator tickets are available directly from the theatre should you wish to come and support them.

A few places are left for the ski trip to Italy departing in the Easter holidays of 2020. If you would be interested in your child attending or would like any further information regarding this trip please contact Miss Marr.

Music tuition timetables can be found on the school website or by following this [link](#).

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One place has become available on the Italian Food Tour flying to Naples during half term 27th-30th October 2019. This is open to years 7-10. Please contact Mrs Brookes or Mrs Haslam/Mr Snell if you are interested and require further details.

The Sandcastle reward trip takes place on Wednesday, 23rd April.

POLITE MESSAGE REGARDING PARKING: please be careful when dropping off and picking up your child. Whilst we appreciate parking space is minimal, the safety of all our students is paramount. Last week a child was almost knocked over by one of our parents whose speed was far too dangerous. Your support is essential, please.

Couch to 5k

Your child may have received an invite for the Couch to 5k club we are running at school on a Friday after Easter. If so, please encourage them to participate as it may be the first extra curricular activity your child is getting involved in at Parklands, which would be fantastic and we are sure it will be very successful. If you would still like your child to be involved, please email ngreaves@parklandsacademy.co.uk We held our first meeting with some participants today but have space for a few more. The club starts after Easter on Friday 26th April at 3.15pm.

Year 7 Messages

Y7 trackers have been issued and the following students have continued to achieve the perfect 3 for BfL. Huge well done to them for their magnificent attitude to learning.

Isobel Ashworth, Verity Robathan, Sally Cornes, Anna Lee, Evie Roby, Laura Cocker, Lewis Elliott, Jasmine Beech, Ethan Dashti-Burslam, Mia Goodhew, Catherine Morano-Taylor, Alex Todd, Lily Westland.

Please [click](#) here to see details about another TV cooking show opportunity!

Year 8 Messages

Year 8 options. We have been working hard to try to ensure that all students can have their first choices. We have not yet finalised our model but aim to be able to confirm to students in the first week back after Easter.

Year 9 Messages

SSLT (Red tie) application window opens on Friday 5th April. This will close on Friday 3rd May. Prefects that are interested in applying and want to discuss their application please speak to their HAL or Miss Burrill or Miss Greaves

There will be a Camps International assembly for year 9 and 10 on 23rd of April. There will also be a Camps International parents evening on 30th of April in the hall at 6:30pm. All parents of years 9 and 10 are welcome to attend this to find out more information about the upcoming trip to Costa Rica in 2020. If you have any questions prior to this date please contact ahoskins@parklandsacademy.co.uk or eflight@parklandsacademy.co.uk.

Y9 Parents Evening is on 2nd May. Please book your appointments via our website. Go to the home page, scroll down and follow the link.

Year 10 Messages

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Battlefields trip: if you want to follow along on Twitter, it is @PHSHistory1

There will be an assembly on Wednesday, 24th April regarding careers at sea. And on Friday there is an assembly about their day at Wigan & Leigh college.

Review Day and Parents Evening take place on Thursday, 25th April. Please book your appointments via our website. Go to the home page, scroll down and follow the link.

Year 11 Messages

Year 11 Revision Room - is now open every evening from 3-4pm. It is a quiet, supervised space where students can work on any subject with access to computers, equipment etc. Revision sessions for all subjects, this year, require that students come prepared having attempted practice questions or specific tasks in advance. This is a perfect time and place in which to complete this work.

MFL GCSE speaking times will be given to your child either Thursday 4th/Friday 5th. They are [here](#) for reference.

GCSE Art exam takes place on Thursday & Friday.

Please be reminded that pupils on the Blood Brothers trip should meet on the concourse (access through the main entrance - **not** through pupil entrance) at 12.30pm promptly on Thursday 11th April. Late arrivals may miss the production - so please discuss this with your child. We will return to school at approximately 6pm. Pupils may dress in non-uniform but this should be appropriate. Pupils will be advised when we are 10 minutes away from school should they need to communicate with you regarding collection arrangements. Miss Rose.

Careers

Career of the Week is Engineering Maintenance Technician, currently ranked in the Top 5 in-demand jobs in the north west. Find out more about the role and the kind of career you could have - check out the website!

Apprenticeship Notifications

Apprenticeship session for anyone considering an apprenticeship in engineering, business or childcare. Alliance Learning are running a registration and advice session Tuesday 23 April, 2-3pm. See Miss Berry for more details.

Infrastructure Technician Apprenticeship £156 pw Dr. Oetker, Leyland	VAC001520813
Customer Service Apprenticeship £192 pw Dnata Travel Careers, Leyland	VAC001518804
Finance and Business Admin Apprentice £187 pw Wildlife Trust, Cuerden Valley	VAC001517514
Ford Car Technician Apprenticeship £156 pw Evans Halshaw, Chorley	VAC 001180400
Apprentice Hairdresser £117 pw Tracey Beesley, House Hair Co., Chorley	VAC001518508

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Mechanical Engineering Apprentice £156 pw Weir Street Light Engineering Co Ltd, Blackburn	VAC 001509910
Apprentice Mechanical Engineer £146 pw Apeks Marine Equipment Ltd	VAC001513657
Business Administration Apprenticeship £151 pw Professional Search Services Ltd, Chorley	VAC001516482
Apprentice Autocare Technician £163 pw National Tyres Service Ltd, Leyland	VAC001514899
Apprentice Mortgage Administrator £136 pw Carma UK Ltd., Chorley	VAC001437319

As always, go to www.gov.uk for the above vacancies:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch>

For some useful advice, including how to write a CV and cover letter

<https://www.reed.co.uk/career-advice/apprenticeships-how-to-get-started/>