



PARENT BULLETIN

10 June - 14 June 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.

School Nurse Drop-In available every Thursday 1.00 pm - 2.30 pm.

Please download the new school app, Edulink One, which will be used for all school contact from 3rd June 2019. The app is available on [Android](#) and [iOS](#) from your usual app store.

The information can also be accessed via PC or laptop at <https://www.edulinkone.com>

You should have received your log in details during w/c 20/05/19; the school id is **parklands**.

Please email me at lpilkington@parklandsacademy.co.uk if you have any problems.



Edulink One

Search 'Edulink One' in your app store

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You will receive a log in code via email during w/c 20th May

Please download our new school app

Edulink One is our new school communication system, and allows you to view and monitor your child's:

- Trackers and BfL reports
- Attendance
- Catering balance and purchase history
- Exam entries
- Timetable
- Detentions and sanctions
- Rewards

You will also be able to

- Receive and send messages from staff
- Update contact information
- Complete consent and medical forms
- Report absences

From June 3rd all school communication will be made via the app



Ten girls from Years 8 to 10 are taking part in a Girls into Engineering session at Training 2000 in Blackburn on Monday. This will give them a real insight into the careers available to them within the engineering sector.

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POWAR the council for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities have created a survey for young people with SEND to share what they think is the top issue for them. Once the results are in, POWAR will create a campaign to raise awareness of and tackle the issue. POWAR would like to hear the voice of children through this survey:

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/EmPOWAR. For more information about the POWAR council please visit <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/youthzone/need-to-know/power-participation-group/> and get in contact if your child would like to get involved. New members are always welcome!

The latest newsletter for parents and carers of, and professionals working with, children/young people with SEND can be accessed [here](#).

The **Happier Lancashire** movement aims to boost happiness and increase awareness of the 5 ways to wellbeing. In a previous message I mentioned **CONNECTING** and how bolstering positive relationships with our children and students can enhance our emotional wellbeing.

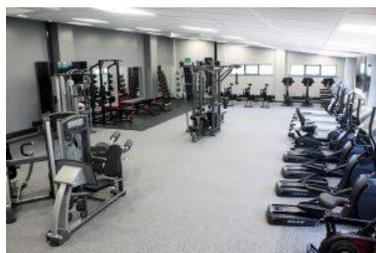
The second thing we can do to help our emotional health is to **BE ACTIVE**.

Exercise not only keeps our bodies healthy, it makes us feel good too. Incorporate low-impact physical activity into daily life. Getting out and about or simply moving more will boost your mood.

- Do some stretches or go for a walk with your child
- Join a rambling group or running club
- Organise a group sporting activity
- Chorley Couch to 5k runs free courses from Astley Park on Monday & Wednesday at 6.30pm and Saturday at 10am. Park near Astley Hall and find a group helper who will welcome you. By next year you too could be running the Chorley 10k!

From Mr Pilling

Parklands is proud to open a new facility within the PE department. The new gym is a wonderful addition to our school facilities and a resource that all our pupils and staff will benefit from.



Year 7 Messages

Cricket fixtures have been rearranged: year 7 are away at Birkdale High School on Tuesday.

Year 8 Messages

Cricket fixtures have been rearranged: year 8 are away at Bolton School on Monday.

Our Industrial Cadets in Year 8 had a really interesting visit to Recycling Lives in Preston earlier this week, where they saw what happens to waste materials, from cars to TVs, cans to computers. They also saw the charitable side of the business, as they work with prisoners to get them ready for work after their sentence, thereby reducing the reoffending rate. Our Cadets are now getting ready to present their project to judges at a graduation ceremony in July - look out for more details closer to the event!

Year 9 Messages

All Year 9 pupils are required to complete a speaking and listening presentation as part of their GCSE English Language course. The Speaking and Listening unit is a non-weighted **compulsory** element. This means that although the marks the pupils receive don't go towards the GCSE exam scores, if they do not pass the Speaking and Listening element, they will not receive a GCSE grade for English Language. It is, therefore, vital that all pupils complete and perform well on this task. The grades available for this unit are: Fail, Pass, Merit and Distinction. The assessments will begin on 1st July. All specific and additional information has been shared with students via their school email. There is a Google Slides presentation with details regarding topics and timings etc...If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to contact Mr Banks: dbanks@parklandsacademy.co.uk.

RS Oxford revision guides are available from the RS department for £7 (£4 for PP). Please send the correct money to school. Guides can be purchased from the class teacher. Miss Rhodes.

Cricket fixtures have been rearranged: year 9 are away at Charnock Richard CC against Birkdale High School on Wednesday.

Year 10 Messages

RS Oxford revision guides are available from the RS department for £7 (£4 for PP). Please send the correct money to school. Guides can be purchased from the class teacher. Miss Rhodes.

Work Experience is now about 5 weeks away. A number of Year 10s have not chosen a placement or been to see me yet - the WEX company need time to conduct risk assessments and check that everything is in order before a pupil can go on work experience. If your child is struggling to find a placement - they **MUST** let me know. If they have a placement sorted but have not yet submitted the details on Connect, please remind them to do this as soon as possible.

Taster Days to two colleges are coming up soon for Year 10s. They have chosen their subjects and will be given their timetables before they go. These visits are free of charge and lunch and transport will be provided. More details to follow in the next few weeks.

Year 11 Messages

Keep on revising! They're doing really well. We are really proud of how fantastic our 11s have been throughout this exam period. Not long now until it's all over!

Careers

Check out this week's career - Interpreter.