



PARKLANDS BULLETIN

1 May - 5 May 2023: Week 2



Headteacher's Message

Dear parents, carers and students,

On Monday I held an assembly for all pupils in years 7 - 10 during which I talked about the changes to leadership at Parklands from September 2023, due to our successful approval to form our own Multi-Academy Trust, Aspirational Futures. From previous bulletins you may be aware that I shall be leading the Trust as CEO and Executive Headteacher of Parklands, but this change in role will mean I will be unable to lead Parklands as I have done since my appointment in September 2017. This week both Balshaw Lane and Highfield Community primary schools received confirmation that their applications to become academies and join our Trust have been approved, which we are clearly delighted about. It is, therefore, the right time for me to handover the day-to-day leadership of Parklands to Mrs Batson by the end of this term. Mrs Batson has worked alongside me on the Senior Leadership Team since I joined Parklands back in 2009; she is a strong, dynamic leader whose leadership of teaching and learning has contributed hugely to Parklands' improvement in GCSE outcomes, with last year's Progress 8 score being our school's best ever. As Executive Headteacher and CEO, I shall be based here at Parklands and will continue to work very closely with Mrs Batson to ensure our school remains at the forefront of teaching & learning and student support, and that Parklands students continue to attend what I always call **the best school in Chorley**.

The structure of the Senior Leadership Team will also change from September, as well as the titles of the roles.

- Mrs Batson - Principal
- Mrs Aspinall, Miss Partington & Miss Pilkington - Vice Principals
- Mr Galbraith - Assistant Principal
- Miss Cosgrove - Assistant Principal
- Mrs Haslam - Assistant Principal
- Mrs Fairhurst - Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Mrs Gray - Associate on the Teaching & Learning Team
- Mr Metcalf - Associate on the Senior Leadership Team

It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to lead our amazing school for the past 6 years. Our students are amazing, our staff always surprise me with their dedication and passion, and I am very grateful to all parents and carers who have provided such incredible support so that our school remains such a wonderful place to both learn and work.

Kind regards,
Mr Mitchell



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Year 7 Messages

You should return to school on Wednesday, 3rd May.

Reminder Y7 Progress Evening is on Thursday online.

Year 8 Messages

You should return to school on Wednesday, 3rd May.

Year 8 Respect day on Thursday the 4th of May will be an opportunity for pupils to explore the world of STEM. We have invited some local STEM employers into school and pupils will also get the chance to build some engineering structures themselves. It should be a fantastic day!

Year 9 Messages

You should return to school on Wednesday, 3rd May.

Year 10 Messages

You should return to school on Wednesday, 3rd May.

Year 11 Messages

We expect Year 11s to attend for supervised revision on Tuesday. Please see the email sent to parents/carers by Mrs Batson.

Hello everyone,

I hope you have all enjoyed your week! This Saturday some of our Year 9s will be doing their initial outdoor training for their bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. Best of luck to them. From what I recall, my entire experience was incredibly enjoyable and exhausting!

Next week we are only in school for three days due to the bank holiday and the ongoing strikes. Be sure to enjoy your four day weekend and make good use of this time.

Places for the colour run are filling up, please don't miss your chance to get involved with this fundraiser. It's a great chance to raise money for charity whilst also having lots of fun with friends.

Have an amazing weekend,

Ebony

Whole School Messages

School is closed on Monday for the Bank Holiday and only open to Year 11s on Tuesday.

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: 28 pupils since September
Year 8: 34 pupils since September
Year 9: 19 pupils since September
Year 10: 48 students since September
Year 11: 29 students since September

How many had the perfect 3 in the previous week?

Year 7: 170 pupils
Year 8: 144 pupils
Year 9: 105 pupils
Year 10: 151 students
Year 11: 118 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: 136 pupils
Year 8: 96 pupils
Year 9: 62 pupils
Year 10: 121 students
Year 11: 90 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
1st May 2023

*Life always offers you a second chance.
It's called tomorrow.*
STEPHEN KING



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

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?
Happy May Day bank holiday! The summer term continues apace and the Year 11 Revision Programme is nearly done. The first GCSE written exams are now just two weeks away. Year 9s and 10s both have Review Days this week. We hope that goes well. Remember, we're always in N17 if you need anything.
Learningsupport@parklandsacademy.co.uk



What was this building in Chorley used as before its closure in 2016?



Left: Sarah Jones, Right: Sarah Jones

Joke of the Week



What is a hedgehog's favourite snack?
PRICKLED onions!

**Every
NEW DAY
is a
SECOND
CHANCE**



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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

Attendance matters!

Overall school attendance since September 92.2%

Overall school attendance for the week 89.6%

National Average as at 13th March 89.9%

Attendance by House since September:

South America 93.2%

Europe 93.1%

Australasia 92.7%

Africa 92.8%

Asia 92.7%

Attendance by House for last week:

Europe 90.9%

Asia 89.2%

Australasia 90.5%

South America 90.6%

Africa 91.6%

Highest form attendance per House for the week:

Africa - Cabo Verde 95.7%

South America - Peru 93.6%

Australasia - New Caledonia 94.4%

Asia - Philippines 94.2%

Europe - Sweden 95.2%

Whole School Messages

(Year 7) Weekly discussion questions from the RS Department.

Current Unit - Judaism

Enquiry Question - What does it mean to be a Jew in the 21st century?

1. Can you give examples of items on the Seder plate and their symbolic meaning?
2. What is Hanukkah?
3. How long does Hanukkah last for?

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

Current Unit - The History of Christianity

Enquiry Question - Who was the real Jesus?

1. Who was Henry VIII? What do you know about him and his wives?
2. Why did Henry VIII fall out with the Pope?
3. What did Henry VIII do next?

Parklands Wellbeing Podcast - Episode 12, listen here: <https://youtu.be/gSMiNb2ls9w>

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£ 675

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VISIT CITE DES SCIENCE
CRUISE ALONG THE RIVER SEINE
1 DAY AT DISNEYLAND PARIS

1st-4th APRIL 2024

BREAKFAST AND EVENING MEAL, (PACKED LUNCH ON THE DAY OF
THE MUSEUMS ONLY), TRANSPORT, TICKETS TO MUSEUM AND
DISNEYLAND PARIS INCLUDED

Sign up via and pay the deposit via Edulink app.



Click [here](#) slideshow

Whole School Messages

On Monday, we celebrated Eid in school with decorations in the dining hall and a wonderful meal of Bengali chicken, rice, samosas and Bombay potatoes for everybody to get a taste of this special time. Thank you to Mariam O and Raghad E who set up the decorations and the canteen staff who put on a fantastic spread! Eid Mubarak!



Come join us for our **UNITE** **youth groups**

A social group for young people with special educational needs and disabilities. We have groups in Chorley and South Ribble on Mondays 6:30-8:30pm

A group where you can make new friends and learn valuable social skills and just come to have FUN!

Providing a safe and welcoming environment for young people aged 12-25 years with special educational needs and disabilities. The group aims to work on life skills, improve communication skills, self-confidence & self-esteem in a group work setting.

(Parents/Carers are welcome to attend initial sessions)

****Please contact before coming to the group****

Contact us for more details on:
chorleysouthribble.TYS@lancashire.gov.uk



Aspris Children's Services



Oliver House, a specialist autism provision, are offering free training to parents. There will be two courses:

Sensory & Anxiety Issues in Autism – Monday 15th May

Pathological Demand Avoidance – Monday 26th June

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 **must** 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**

Whole School Messages

Spaces are filling up for our Colour Run Party Event which takes place on the school field after school on Thursday 11th May. You do not need to run! This is a fun party event. Raising money in memory of Sally Cornes for local charities such as Derian House Children's Hospice, Millys Smiles Childhood cancer charity and The Teenage Cancer Trust.

It's £6.50 which includes a pair of sunglasses. Don't miss out. You can pay via SCOPAY or pay cash to Mrs Sullivan-Brown in the pavilion office at break or lunch.

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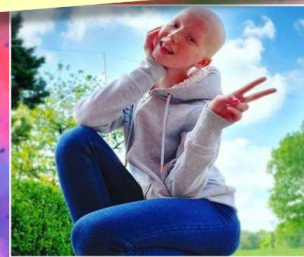
Colour Run Party

The BIGGEST event of the year

**£6.50pp - includes a
pair of sunglasses
(which must be worn).**

**Open to all year groups and
staff but there are limited
numbers, so book now
via Scopay to avoid
disappointment!**

**You can run, walk
or even dance
around the
field.**



All proceeds will go to 'Shine for Sally' in memory of Sally Cornes, raising money for local charities

**THURSDAY
11th May 2023
at 3.20pm
on the school field**



Email: lsullivanbrown@parklandsacademy.co.uk for more details

Whole School Messages

Click [here](#) to access the What's on guide from Lancashire County Council

Like our Facebook page for updates and news about sessions and courses:
Search for "Chorley Family Zone"

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DELIVERING EARLY HELP

Children and Family Wellbeing Service

Useful Numbers

NHS Dentist Helpline - 0300 311 2233	Mind matters - 01772 773437
Community Midwives - 01257 245116	Children's Social Care 0300 123 6720
Health Visitors - 0300 247 0040	Food Bank Chorley - 01257 260050
Royal Preston Hospital - 01772 716565	Woman's Centre Chorley - 01257 265342
Chorley Hospital - 01257 261222	Childline 0800 1111
Police Non-Emergency - 101	National Domestic Abuse Helpline
Medical Advice - 111	0808 2000 247
Need an NHS Dentist - 01772 325100	

Get advice and support

Age 0-19 (up to 25 for young people with learning difficulties or disabilities)

Someone to talk to
Problems at home/school
Jobs and training
Apprenticeships
Staying safe online
Sex and health
Relationships

Mental Health
Self Harm
Bullying
Drugs and alcohol
Things to do
Housing, rights and money
What age can I?

Text! 07786 511111
Talk online lancashire.gov.uk/youthzone
Call 0800 511111

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You can contact us 365 days a year
2pm to 10pm

What's on guide

Chorley CFW

Free!

Apr - July 2023

Lancashire
County Council

www.lancashire.gov.uk



Blackpool Pleasure Beach

Date: Thursday 27th July
Time: 9.30am - 7.30pm
Price: £27.00

**Limited Spaces
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T&C apply



You will have received an email via Edulink regarding the next reward trip. For any further details, please contact Mrs Fox (gfox@parklandsacademy.co.uk)



Please click [here](#) for this weeks Career News.

Bank Holiday edition of Career News this week! As always, loads of great opportunities, advice, information, events and experiences to get involved with.

Some really good apprenticeship vacancies on offer. Whether you are interested in finance, childcare, engineering, IT, hairdressing, recruitment ... there's something for everyone

Leyland Playscheme presented an assembly to some of the Year 10s this week - if anyone else is interested in the playscheme that runs over the summer holidays, please see Miss Berry for a leaflet or go to: www.playscheme.org/volunteer for more details and to register for the training day in July. This is a great way to boost your CV, whilst having fun and making new friends - what's not to like?

Congratulations - and good luck - to one of our ex-students, currently travelling to Venice to take part in an international cookery competition. Marley is a L3 Professional Cookery student at Wigan & Leigh College and has recently won a competition in the Greater Manchester Colleges Skills Competition, as well as undertaking a work experience placement at L'Enclume, a 3 starred Michelin restaurant!