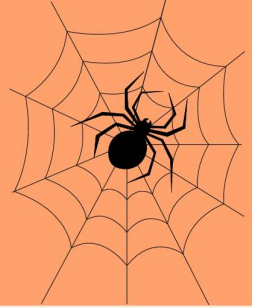


Newsletter

23rd October
2025



Successful Learners, Resilient Individuals, Responsible Citizens



Facebook; Park Community Academy
X: @PCABlackpool @PCAPrimary @PCASecundary @PCAOracle,
Website: www.park.blackpool.sch.uk



Reminders



Thursday 23rd October – School closes for half term (Re-opens Monday 3rd November)

Friday 7th November – Parent drop in. 10–11am.

Monday 10th November – Anti Bullying Day (Wear odd socks)

Tuesday 11th November – Remembrance Day, (Poppies will be on sale from Monday 20th October.)

Friday 14th November – Children in Need

Tuesday 25th November – Christmas Enterprise (10:30–11:30) Market in the sports hall.

Friday 19th December – School closes for Christmas at 2pm

Symbol of the week



Halloween



Tuesday 2nd
December 2025,
9:15–11am

Makaton Taster Session

With Miss Miller, Makaton Tutor

- A practical introduction to the Makaton Communication Programme
- Learn over 40 signs & symbols
- Certificate of attendance

Limited places available, please contact the office if you would like to attend.

Attendance

Well done to classes 2G + 3T with 100% attendance this week is Whole school attendance is 88.4%



Which is very disappointing after such a successful term, please do not forget..

Parent Drop in

Come and meet the Family Team, for a brew and a chat on Friday 7th November 10–11am. The drop in covers a range of issues including child behaviour, well-being, concerns, finances and any other questions or worries you may have.

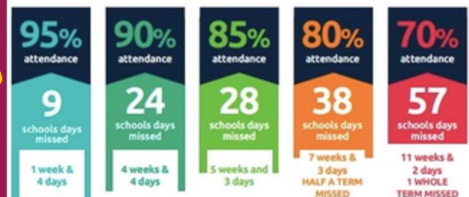


CONGRATS

Congratulations to Riley 2G and Jack 3R who have both received £20 gift vouchers as the winners of the half-termly 100% attendance prize draw.

Remember, good school attendance is important. Every day matters!

Every day in school counts...



and every minute counts...



STAR of the WEEK

1B - Arianna for sitting down at lunch times independently.

1M - Thomas for settling in beautifully this half term. Well done!

1W - Evie P for her amazing independent writing in phonics.

**1N - Corah for ordering numbers 1-10 independently.
This is fantastic progress Corah.**



2E - Skye for great listening and participation in activities.

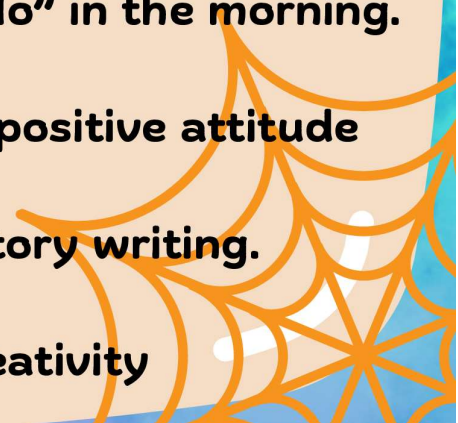
2M - Alicia for fantastic use of her new communication book!

2W - Henry for his continued enthusiasm in our class Novel on The Gruffalo. We've loved watching Henry thoroughly enjoying his learning this week.

2P - Jacob for copying an adult to say "Hello" in the morning.

2R - Parker for coming into school with a positive attitude

2G - Alfie for amazing independent story writing.



2B - Aliylah for her fantastic creativity

Achiever of the week

KS3

3H - Riley for having a mature attitude and working hard all week.

3B - Max, Byron, Tomos and Millie-May for showing confidence and enthusiasm in their talent show performances.

3T - Jacob for his improved communication.

3R - Tia for always following the PCA Way and consistently trying hard in all of her learning.

3P - Eliza for being a super helpful member of 3P and always supporting her peers.

3W - Jensen for completing his Maths work with enthusiasm.

3J - Shania for performing with confidence in the Talent Show and achieving her class target!

3L - James for hi fantastic answers during his Phonics lessons.

.....3C - Archie for settling back really well into school after being off

KS4

4M - Devante Saxton for a fantastic start to his time at PCA

4S - Aamaya for working hard during phonics and reading.

4T - Jensen for a superb effort with his Science work this week.

4H - Logan for his knowledge and understanding in Science of fire safety and the different extinguishers.

4W - Gabriel for his PowerPoint presentation in Humanities demonstrating the key features of environmental awareness



KS5

5M - Sarah for her mature attitude to changes in routine.

5J - Sophie for working hard in Enterprise, showing positivity and teamwork

5B - Aistis for his improved communication in lessons.

5I - Jamie for being a superstar.

SPIDER COOKIES



Ingredients

100g Salted butter, softened
50g Caster Sugar
1tsp Vanilla Extract
150g Self-raising Flour
100g Milk chocolate, chopped
Icing eyes
20 Maltesers OR Rolo's

This week, Lily decided we should make spooky Halloween biscuit treats! It was a fun and creative activity - perfect to do at home with your family during the holidays.



Method

1. Heat the oven to 180°C. Line a large baking tray with Baking paper.
2. Tip the butter and sugar into a bowl and beat, using an electric whisk or a normal Whisk for 315 minutes until soft and creamy.
3. Pour in the Vanilla and beat for 20 seconds, until well incorporated.
4. Add the flour and stir together using a spatula.
5. Once almost mixed in, bring together with your hands.
6. Divide into 18 - 20 balls
7. Bake for 12-15 Minutes, until pale golden around the edges and leave to cool.
8. Transfer to a rack for cooling.
9. Heat the chocolate in the microwave in short bursts.
10. Scrape into a piping bag and leave to cool slightly. pipe the legs onto each spider and stick a Rolo and two eyes on each one.
11. Leave to set and enjoy!

KS1

Diwali



In 1W this week we have celebrated the Hindu festival of light, Diwali by making beautiful rangoli paintings during our attention autism session. Everyone did such a good job waiting for their turn and we experienced throwing our powder paint on to a black piece of paper to make the colours really pop! What a wonderful celebration.

KS2



This week, 2B have been finding out how volcanoes are formed and what happens when they erupt. We used an augmented reality app to make our volcanoes come to life! We made our volcanoes erupt and watched the lava cascade down the side. We have also been busy designing and making our own very scary pumpkins for Halloween.



KS3



In 3P our empty milk bottles have really been put to new uses. A couple of weeks ago we used them in STEM to make mouse rockets, then last week we cut them up into Halloween decorations, Finally, This week we used the base of the bottle to fill with seeds and lard to make bird feeders.



Each child now has a bird feeder to take home ready for the wildlife to enjoy in their gardens. This was linked to their learning in English, as we have been studying a new book called 'The Lost Words' which is all about nature in England. We have also conducted a bird survey on our school site, identifying all different types of birds which will benefit from our feeders.

KS4



Pupils in 4H have been busy working on their Computing Entry Levels. They all worked independently on a presentation about Blackpool, following the information needed on the whiteboard. They all found some amazing facts especially that Blackpool was founded around the mid 1700s.



KS5

Share
the
Love



Our Sixth Form 'Dough on the Go' students visited the local community, sharing freshly made pizza's with local residents. The response was fantastic, with lots of positive feedback and support from the locals. A big thank you to everyone who welcomed us – we loved bringing a slice of joy to your day



NEURO NINJAS

Every Thursday at
Layton Methodist Church,
1 Westcliffe Drive, Blackpool, FY37DZ.
4.30-5.30pm

We are an exclusive Autism group for children with or awaiting diagnosis and their siblings. Children can enjoy different sensory play, activities, toys and games. We provide a safe, non judgemental environment for children and their families. This allows the children to be themselves and build friendship.

Book your place
Neuroninjasfylde@gmail.com

Follow us on FaceBook
www.facebook.co.uk/NeuroNinjasFylde

£3 per family.



FREE UNDER 16'S HOLIDAY SWIM

MOOR PARK
MONDAY 1:30-2:30PM
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY
1-2:30PM

PALATINE
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
1-2:30PM

All swimmers must bring their leisure card with them

Blackpool Council
ActiveBlackpool.co.uk



"Seeds of change" make a difference with your library

Get involved at
www.cilip.org.uk/GreenLibrariesWeek

27 Oct - 02 Nov 2025

Meet Your Climate Councillor
Palatine Library
Thursday 30th October
3:30pm-4:30pm

Meet Councillor Hugo, hear about her role as lead councillor for climate action, and ask her your questions. Afterwards we'll do a cooperative artwork to be displayed in the library. Free refreshments will be served. Suitable for ages 8+, but younger siblings are welcome. No booking necessary.
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27th October -
2nd November

Ecobrick Workshop

Learn what an Ecobrick is, how Ecobricks can reduce plastic waste and how to start building!

Moor Park Library
2.00pm - 3.00pm
The last Friday of the month

Free event, no need to book
Aimed at adults,

how to make an
ECOBRIK

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27 Oct - 02 Nov 2025

Free Bike Coding
Palatine Library
Tuesday 28th October
12pm - 2pm

Protect your bike from theft and get it coded. Blackpool and Fylde Police Cadets will be at Palatine Library to code your bikes for free between 12pm and 2pm. No need to book just drop in!

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28th October



STARS

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY
11AM - 3PM**

For children with a disability aged 7 to 18 from Blackpool, Fylde and Wyre.

Enjoy a variety of activities from sports, dance, gymnastics, arts & crafts, Lego, games room, and more!

Stars School Holiday Youth Group

For young adults with a disability aged 15 to 25 who are still in education.

To find out if you are eligible please get in touch.

LCC Break Time hours can be used here.
Concessions available.

 North Stand Community Hub
Bloomfield Road Stadium,
FY1 6JJ

To book or for more info:

 Email: info@bfcct.co.uk

 Call: 01253 348691



IMPORTANT

Important Notice: NHS Speech and Language Therapy Appointments

If your child receives speech and language therapy through the NHS, the support may include:

- Direct therapy – delivered one-to-one or in small groups
- Advice and training – for parents, carers, and school staff
- Therapy programmes – designed by NHS therapists and delivered by trained staff within your child's educational setting

If you are contacted by a speech therapist and offered a clinic-based 1:1 appointment or training course, please only agree to attend if you are able to commit. Due to high demand on the service, NHS policy states that if a parent agrees to attend but does not attend the session, their child will be discharged from the service.

Over the past four months, we have seen an increase in children who continue to require speech and language support being discharged due to missed appointments.

If you have received a discharge letter, you can re-refer your child for support using the following link: [Main_Form](#) Thank you for your continued support in ensuring children receive the services they need.

[Click here for link](#)