

Park Community Academy

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Summer **Newsletter 1**

Congratulations to classes IC, 2W, 3J & 4H

for 100% attendance this week. Whole school attendance is 94.5%



week

This week's sign is 'dragon' to celebrate St. Georges Day on Wednesday.

28.04.25-30.04.25 - Sixth Form London Residential

05.05.25 - School closed for Bank Holiday 07.05.25-09.05.25 - Yr 11 Bendrigg Residential 12.05.25 - Pupils school photos

14.05.25-16.05.25 - Sixth Form DofE to Waddecar 16.05.25 - Spring Fair - 4-6pm

22.05.25 - 23.05.25 - Yr 6 Tower Wood Group 1 12.06.25 - 13.06.25 - Yr 6 Tower Wood Group 2



Sadly this week we will be saying goodbye to Miss Cooper. We are sorry to see her go but she will be staying in education and moving onto new teaching and learning opportunities. We wish her all the best for the future.



We would like to welcome Mrs Kelly who has joined our administration team . Mrs Kelly will be mainly based at the Oracle but you may also see her on main site from time to time.

Spring Fair
Our Spring Fair is on Friday 16th May 4-6pm.

We are welcoming any donations towards our Spring Fair.

Please can we ask for tinned food, bottles, bric a brac and books to be brought into school. We will also have a second hand clothes stall, please make sure any items brought in are clean

Thank you for your support.

FAMILY TEAM DROP IN

Our next Family Team Drop In is on Friday 2nd May 10-11am With special quests: Lancashire Mind Come along and speak to them about support available.

Reminder

Please use the pedestrian gate when walking your child in and out of the school grounds

World Autism Acceptance Month

April is World Autism Acceptance Month! The goal of the month is to raise awareness, foste acceptance, and create a society where autistic people are understood and supported, as established by the National Autistic Society. Pupils across Park Community Academy have been celebrating World Autism Acceptance Month in lessons this week at school. In some a our Primary classes, pupils have watched 'Pablo' which features a 5-year-old-boy on the autism spectrum who creates incredible imaginary friends who come to life through his magic crayons. Pablo and his friends go on adventures and they even help him with situations that may make him anxious such as going to the supermarket.



Pupils thought about how they can help themselves and others in situations that might make them feel anxious. Pupils across school have also researched famous autistic individuals, recognising that using your personal strengths can result in amazing things! In the secondary department, 3J learnt about autism and how everyone is different. They then wrote on the cloud all the things which make them unique and each decorated a bird. These birds all fitted together to make something beautiful. Meanwhile, 3L wrote classroom pledges to make sure their class is welcoming and inclusive for

everyone.



The Independent Travel Training Team have been running a competition at Park Community Academy for students to design their own poster to promote Road Safety awareness in the community!

Congratulations to all the winners and a massive thank you to Active Blackpool and all the local attractions (The Sandcastle, Blackpool Zoo, Sea Life Centre, Winter Gardens, Air Hop and the Backlot Cinema) who kindly donated the fabulous prizes.













COMPETITION

STREET SMART AND HELP OTHERS

AY SAFE WHEN OUT AND ABOUT

TER OUR COMPETITION TO DESIGN

GET A CHANCE TO WIN GREAT PRIZES, INCLUDING LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

If you require any information regarding Independent Travel Training /Road Safety Training, please contact traveltraining@blackpool.gov.uk

Star of the Week

- 1C Lucius for his patience and determination for beginning to wear his glasses again.
- 1P Alfie for making requests in a 1-1 exchange with symbols.
- 1B Louis for using a fork to put food in his mouth independently. We are so proud of you Louis!
- 1A Faith for a very calm and settled week back in school.
- 1H -Lily for wonderful communication this week! Lily communicated 'your turn' whilst sharing an activity with her teachers without any prompting.

- 2E Parker for a great first week back with lots of resilience and self-regulation.
- 2C Kya for great resilience at swimming.
- 2M Noah for his fantastic personal independence and verbalising his needs!
- 2R Robbie for settling well this week after the holidays.
 - 2W Tyler for being so considerate of others in class.
- 2G Cameron for a great return to school and skipping into class.
 - 2A Lucas for being kind, caring and considerate of others.



Achiever of the Week

- 3J -Charlie for showing more confidence when answering questions in lesson.
- 3H Jason for helping his friends and following the PCA Way.
 - 3L Tyler P for working so hard when completing his exercises.
- 3C Adian for completing excellent artwork and having a great first week back.
- 3R Will for making improvements in his reading and reading out in front of the class.
- 3S Kelsey for showing excellent maturity and problem solving skills.
- 3T Aaron for having a good week back after the Easter holidays.
- 3B Lacey for being kind and having a mature attitude during lessons.

- 4M Jensen for demonstrating leadership in group work.
- 4W -Tegan for showing initiative and resilience.
- 4J Jack for the hard work and dedication he put into his GCSE English Spoken Assessment.
- 4H Alfie for his knowledge of Child Care in his PHSE Entry Level work.
- 4B Paul for having the confidence in lessons to share his thoughts and ideas.
 - 5J Sophie for her fire lighting skills on the Commando Rugby Day.
 - 5TG Jonathan for his enthusiasm in Maths.
- 51 Keiron for giving 100% on the Commando Rugby Day!
- 5M -Lilly, Harry and Elle H for taking part in the Commando Rugby day.

Classroom News







Pupils in 1P have had a fantastic first week back. Jumping straight into their new story "We're going on a bear hunt." They have enjoyed being immersed in Teddy Bear activities, going on a Teddy bears picnic, and carrying out their own bear hunt in the forest school.



KS2









2E have been learning to count in 2s, 5s and 10s this week. We've have been super at working out the answers to questions by counting in these





KS3



9 pupils from KS3 have been attending a bookclub twice a week during lunchtimes. We have read Spyfox and Agent Feathers. We have written letters to the author and also sent a book review to be published in

The Gazette, The Week Junior and Firstnews. We were all excited to be invited to Anchorsholme Primary Academy on 23rd April to take art in a meet and greet with the author Dermot O'Leary himself! It was a brilliant experience enjoyed by all.





KS4





Our Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh group have been on their 2 day expedition this week. They needed to spend 2 days and 1 night camping in a tent. Pupils have spent weeks building up to this challenge, learning how to put up and take down a tent and going on practice walks carrying their equipment.

All the students had a fantastic time and were pleased the weather was kind to them.



Year 12 students took part in a fantastic team-building day with Commando

Experience in collaboration with Blackpool Community Trust to celebrate the completion of their NCS qualification. The action-packed day included applying camouflage paint, tackling assault courses, rope climbing, building fires and rope swing. Pupils embraced the outdoors, loved being in nature and enjoyed exploring their surroundings. The experience pushed them out of their comfort zones, strengthened teamwork, and left them with no regrets—just great memories and a real sense of achievement.



WHITEHOLME YOUTH CENTRE & PATHWAY

WHAT'S ON AT THE BHW?

Timetable Running From: MONDAY 28th APRIL to FRIDAY 23rd MAY



MONDAY

TUESDAY

Senior Plus Seniors & **OPEN ACCESS**

3:00 - 4:30pm

MONTGOMERY YP

PW: UNIVERSAL

AGE 4 - YR 2 Infants

PW: UNIVERSAL

Seniors

7:00 - 9:00pm **7R 7, YR 8 & YR 9**

WEDNESDAY **OPEN ACCESS**

Seniors & Senior Plus

3:00 - 4:30pm MONTGOMERY YP

WHITEHOLME CLOSED

FRIDAY

THURSDAY

WHITEHOLME CLOSED

5:00 - 6:30pm

5:00 - 6:30pm

YR 3 & YR 4 Juniors

Seniors Plus YR 10 & YR 11

PW: UNIVERSAL

PW: UNIVERSAL

5:00 - 6:30pm YR 5 & YR 6

Junior Plus

PW: UNIVERSAL

7:00 - 9:00pm

OPEN ACCESS - MULTI-ACTIVITY SESSIONS

PATHWAY UNIVERSAL SESSIONS IN LINE WITH THE NATIONAL YOUTH AGENCY CURRICULUM

