

NEWSLETTER

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As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on all the wonderful achievements across our school community before we break up for Easter. There has been so much to celebrate, and we are incredibly proud of our pupils and staff.

Our new assessment and tracking system is already making a real impact, showing that a large proportion of our children are on track to reach—and in many cases exceed—their targets in every subject. Staff continue to capture this progress through our Evidence for Learning software, and you can also stay connected with classroom life through our social media pages and class blogs, where you can see the breadth of learning on offer through our curriculum at PCA.

This term has been full of memorable moments. We have enjoyed sporting successes, and our band, choir, and dancers have showcased their talents at events around the town. Class 3C impressed everyone with their involvement in the RSC project at the Grand Theatre. World Book Day was a celebration of reading, and through a variety of events—including Comic Relief, coffee mornings, and the Lions Annual Swimathon—we have raised an impressive amount for a range of charities.

We are also delighted to see our children's artwork featured in this year's Young Seaside Exhibition. Many of our pupils also got involved in the Young Engineer project, putting their STEM learning into practice with great enthusiasm. At the Oracle, our Dough on the Go enterprise continues to thrive; not only have they catered for several events, but their Wednesday pop-up pizza shop has become a weekly highlight for pupils, staff, and members of the public. If you haven't tried one yet, you're very welcome to pop in for a freshly made pizza! We're also looking forward to their involvement in catering at our Spring Fair on 24th April.

We are pleased to share that work has now begun on redeveloping the stables building. Once completed in October, this will provide our Key Stage 4 pupils with a purpose-built space within the main school site. In addition, we are taking meaningful steps towards becoming more environmentally responsible, having now installed air source heat pumps and solar panels to reduce our carbon footprint.

This final week has been especially busy, with well-being activities, reward events, a two-night residential, and of course all our Easter celebrations culminating in our Easter bonnet parade. Today we have had our Easter assembly where it was lovely to acknowledge pupils' excellent attendance this term.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to our dedicated staff team, whose hard work and commitment make such a difference every day. Next term includes an exciting calendar of trips and residential, further demonstrating their enthusiasm and dedication to our pupils.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and I wish you and your family a peaceful and happy Easter from everyone here at PCA.

Mrs Hughes



ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance for this week is 91.76%.

Well done to classes 1M
1N, 1W, 2B, 2R, 3H, 3J, 3P,
5J

this week with 100%
attendance.



Important Events

Friday 27th March – School closes

Monday 13th April – School Re-opens

Thursday 16th April – Year 11 Bronze DofE
trip

Friday 24th April – Spring Fair 4-6pm

EASTER PARADE

The weather held off just in time for our egg-stra special Easter Parade! Led by the PCA Easter Bunny, the parade hopped across the school as children showed off their egg-ceptional bonnets – from bold and bright to wonderfully wacky. The creativity was truly un-beatable! A huge well done to everyone who took part... it really was a cracking event!



This term we say goodbye to Mrs Murphy, one of our family support workers. Mrs Murphy has made a big impact in our family team in the short time she has been here. Our staff, children, young people and families will miss her. We thank Mrs Murphy for her hard work and wish her luck for her future!



We would like to say a fond farewell to Mrs Kelly, our receptionist at The Oracle, who will be leaving us at Easter. During her time here, Mrs Kelly has been a friendly and welcoming presence, making a positive impression on everyone she met. Her dedication and warm personality will be greatly missed by both colleagues, visitors and pupils. We thank her for all her hard work and contributions, and we wish her every success and happiness in her next chapter.



HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD CAMP

If your child attends a Blackpool school and receives benefit related FREE SCHOOL MEALS they can access our Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Camps during school holidays for free. We have HAF Camps for primary, secondary and SEND pupils.

Our action packed HAF Camp includes four hours of:

- Football
- Arts & Crafts
- Games Consoles
- Dodgeball
- Cricket
- Plus more activities!

MULTIPLE VENUES AND DATES

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFO OR TO BOOK A PLACE!

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HOUSE OF WINGZ HALF TERM 5-16 YRS

FROM 30TH MARCH 10.30 AM START

HOUSE OF WINGZ - UNIT 3 BACK READS RD - BLACKPOOL FY14QL

ACTIVITIES:
STREET ART
STREET DANCE
SKATEBOARDING
FASHION
MUSIC
FREE LUNCH

ENROL FOR YOUR PLACE

TEXT: 07856310094
WWW.HOUSEOFWINGZ.UK/HAF
FREE FOR CHILDREN ON

This week, Our sign and symbol is:

Easter



Star of the week

1B - Teddy for engaging and showing curiosity with our ball drop activity.

1M - Maya for holding a staff members hands and moving them to clap.

1W - Louie for super communication, using symbols around the classroom, body language and signing along to Shine!

1N - Elijah for fantastic participation during the Easter Bonnet Parade.

1H - Ellie-Grace for amazing maths skills with counting and shape sorting



2E - Trishan for beginning to use single words to communicate.

2M - Oliver for fabulous communication and requesting his needs.

2W - Skylar at the start of the week for her engagement and enthusiasm in lessons.

2P - Jahvonte for reading short stories from the RWI ditty books.

2R - Parker for showing excellent resilience with the changes in class.

2G - Eddie for his enthusiastic approach to all lessons & a superb memory with all his learning.

2B - Aliylah for her fantastic art and communication skills.

ACHIEVER OF THE WEEK

3H - Summer, Riley and Alfie for displaying independence and representing their class and selves well during their residential.

3B - Max for representing the school so proudly at his first band performance.

3T - Sean and Isaac for their amazing independence on their residential.

3R - Dastan for working hard in every lesson and always providing detailed answers



3P - Addison for settling back in well and following the PCA way.



3W - Finlay for putting his hand up independently to answer questions.



3J - Josh for always being helpful and kind to others.

3L - Sienna and Millie for working together so well during Easter activity day.

3C - Caitlin for improved communication skills with her peers.



4M - Connor for following instructions in cooking and making a fabulous meal.

5M - Keiron for his enthusiasm and hard work helping to prepare the allotment.

4S - Alex for spreading lots of positivity, smiles and laughs in class this week.



5B - Louis- for recognising the days of the week and putting them in order



4T - Leah for her positivity and resilience this week

5J - Sophie for all of her hard work during the easter coffee afternoon.

4H - Rebeca for giving 100% commitment to all her lessons this week.

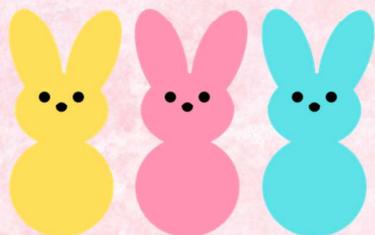
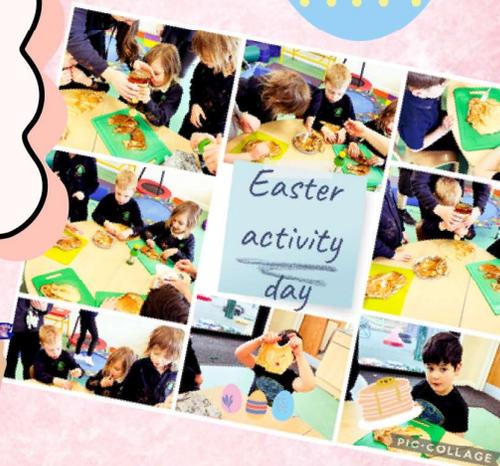


4W - Bethany for all her efforts when completing her GCSE art project.

5I - Aimee-Leigh because she volunteered to go to the allotment and worked really hard painting the planters and generally tidying up.

KS1

What a lot of fun we had for Easter activity day! We enjoyed using puffy paint to create Easter eggs for cards and loved decorating and eating pancakes. We also enjoyed our Easter themed tuff trays. What a fabulous end to this term!



KS2



This half term, pupils in 2P created their own spring river scenes. Focusing on a different part of the picture each week. They explored a range of tools and techniques, including painting, printing and mark-making, to build up their final pieces. They also spent time outdoors exploring flowers and nature, to help inspire their artwork. We are very proud of the finished pieces and the effort pupils have shown throughout this project!

KS3

3B loved exploring and learning all about Easter. They learnt about the Easter story and then created their own stained glass style crosses. Everyone loved working together to decorate their Easter bonnets for the parade. Pancakes were then the perfect way to finish their Easter themed week.



KS4



4H are playing an important role in looking after their school environment. In their Humanities Entry Level, they have been making posters to place around school to help encourage everyone to help create a cleaner and more welcoming place for everyone. Beyond the classroom, they are asking their peers to respect our school grounds by picking up litter and avoiding damage to trees, plants and play areas.



KS5



EASTER

Happy Easter

Our sixth formers planned, organised and ran the Easter coffee afternoon at the Oracle as part of their Enterprise and Volunteering pathways. Thank you to all the parents and Carers who came to join us.



PCA Band



Our amazing Brass Band performed beautifully this week at the Grand Hotel for the opening of the Parent Carers Forum. Pupils and Staff represented PCA with confidence, talent, and professionalism - we are incredibly proud of each and every one of them! A big thank you to everyone who supported and attended this special event.



Thank
you!



A huge thank you to Singleton & Smart Ltd our wonderful contractors for the Stables refurbishment, for their 'egg-stremely' generous crème egg donation for pupils and staff - we're very grateful!

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations!



Congratulations to Devante 4M and Riley 2W who have won the £25 100% attendance prizes this half term!



Year 9 Residential Trip



LET'S GO

ADVENTURE



Pupils from year 9 had a fantastic 3 days on their Hambleton residential. During the trip they had a day at Preston climbing wall, visited a local farm, enjoyed an icecream from Wallings and played bingo in the evening at the on-site restaurant. The pupils were a credit to the school and their families.



Cold Water Dangers



Cold Shock Reponse

- Rapid Breathing
- Increased Heart Rate



Loss of Breathing Control

- Cold water shock causes gasping
- Trouble catching your breath after initial breaths



Impaired Judgement

- Sudden immersion triggers panic and confusion
- Impaired Coordination and reactions



Hypothermia

- Dangerously low body temperature

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Free under 16's swim sessions

Moor Park

Monday 30 and Tuesday 31 April: 1:30pm – 3:00pm
Wednesday 1 April: 1:00pm – 2:30pm
Friday 3 April: 1:30pm – 3:00pm
Monday 6, Tuesday 7
1:30pm to 3:00pm
Wednesday 8 and Friday 10 April: 1:00pm – 2:30pm

Palatine

Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April
1:00pm – 2:30pm
Closed Friday 3 April



- Under 8's must be accompanied by an adult
- Unaccompanied juniors must have a valid leisure card

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