



**1st December  
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# Park Community Academy

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## Upcoming Events

- 07.12.2023 - Christmas Jumper Day
- 13.12.23 at 1.30-2.30pm - Lower Primary Christmas play
- 15.12.23 at 1.30-2.30pm - Upper Primary Christmas Play
- 18.12.23 - Winter Wonderland
- 18.12.23 - Sixth Form Christmas Dinner
- 19.12.23 - Primary Christmas Dinner
- 20.12.23 - Secondary Christmas Dinner
- 21.12.23 - Carol Service
- 21.12.23 at 2pm - School Closes for Christmas

## SIGN OF THE WEEK



This week's sign is 'money' to celebrate Enterprise! Well done to everyone's fantastic ideas to raise money.

## Transport and Housing

There are an increasing number of requests for support with Housing and Transport. Unfortunately we are unable to influence decisions made by these two teams.

Please contact Housing Options directly on 01253 477760.

The phone lines can be extremely busy.

Email: [housing.options@blackpool.gov.uk](mailto:housing.options@blackpool.gov.uk) or visit the office on Chapel Street

(Monday to Friday 1.00pm to 4.30pm)

Support with transport applications can be sought directly through your Local Authority.

Blackpool Council Transport 01253 476795

Lancashire County Council Transport 01772 537290



## Christmas Jumper day

Children are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers or T-shirts on Thursday 7th December. for a £1 donation to 'Save the children'

## Congratulations

to classes 1C + 4S for 100% attendance this week.

Whole school attendance is 91.3%



## Winter warm up Hubs - BFCC

Blackpool FC Community Trust and Blackpool Football Club are collaborating again to help tackle some of the cost-of-living challenges for the local community throughout the upcoming winter season.

With financial support from Blackpool Football Club and Blackpool Council, we will be operating FREE Winter Hubs to provide families and socially isolated and/or vulnerable members of our community with a place to keep warm and socialise with access to WIFI, refreshments, and hot food.

### FREE Pool Together Hubs:

When: Tuesday and Thursday – 1pm – 3pm

Where: Moretti Lounge, Bloomfield Road Stadium, Seaside Way, FY1 6JJ

Play table tennis, take part in chair-based exercises and other games, and enjoy a hot drink and some toast.

Anyone is welcome to attend.

### FREE Family Hubs:

When: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday – 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Where: Moretti Lounge, Bloomfield Road Stadium, Seaside Way, FY1 6JJ

Everyone will receive a hot meal and tea/coffee will be available throughout. Children can play games and take part in crafts with other children. Families can eat, spend time together, and talk about their day. Please note, these hubs are specifically for families with children.



# PCA's Christmas Enterprise Marketplace



Thank you to everyone that came to our Christmas Enterprise Marketplace. Well done to all the classes involved. The winning Primary class are 2M who made £99.

The Winning Secondary class are 4W who made £288. The total made by all classes was a whopping £1442.99.

'Jingles' was the name of the Elf which was won by Lucas in class 2R  
The winner of the huge teddy is Miss Gray.  
The winner of the BFC signed football is Michael in class 3J.





# Star of the Week

1C - Iqra for a fantastic Nativity practice.

1P - Sterling for engaging in play pushing a train along a track.

1S - Reggie for fantastic eye contact adults when communicating with different adults.

1B - Lilly for saying all the names of her class friends.

1H - Ellie for super singing in the Nativity rehearsals

2H - Koby for coping really well with change this week

2M - Logan for his fantastic help on 2M's stall and during Enterprise week.

2B - Leanne for trying really hard in reading this week

2R - Redowan for super communication.

2G - Shania for fabulous singing and participating during rehearsals.

2W - Alyssa for joining in with all of her work showing a 'can do' attitude.

2A - Archie for fantastic confidence and learning all his lines for the Christmas Nativity.

**WELL  
DONE!**



# Achiever of the Week

3T - Isaac for his increased communication and singing the 'Gruffalo Song' independently.

3J - Franklin for creating an amazing homemade stone keep castle!

3K - Isha-May for trying her best in all lessons and a fantastic performance in the football competition.

3S - Michael for showing enthusiasm and a high level of historical knowledge on our class trip.

3H - Tegan for showing resilience and perseverance all week.

3R - Leo for settling well into 3R and making really good choices.

3C - Sophie for always following the PCA Way and scoring 8 goals at the football tournament!

3A - Blake for completing his Maths work independently.

4H - Alice for settling into her new class so well.

4W - Tamara for all of her hard work at Enterprise.

4S - Paul for having a great week and settling into Park so well.

4J - Sophie for working independently in English.

4M - Kris for a great attitude and remembering key words in his Hair and Beauty course at college.

5J - Leah for trying a new sport of badminton at college.

5B - Kamron for great leadership skills during group tasks.

5I - Aaron for patiently finishing his pompom picture. Well done.

5M - Daniel for his positive attitude towards his work and others.



# Classroom News

## KS1

Christmas has arrived in 1H this week and the pupils have enjoyed dressing up, decorating the Christmas tree, writing letters to Santa and writing lists of naughty and nice. Some of the teachers might be on the naughty list according to 1H elves!



CHRISTMAS HAS ARRIVED!



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## KS2

2B have been really busy this week preparing for Enterprise. They have been making Sock Snowmen to adopt. The children also thought of all the names for the Snowmen and have written their adoption certificates. It was a great success and 2B managed to sell them all!



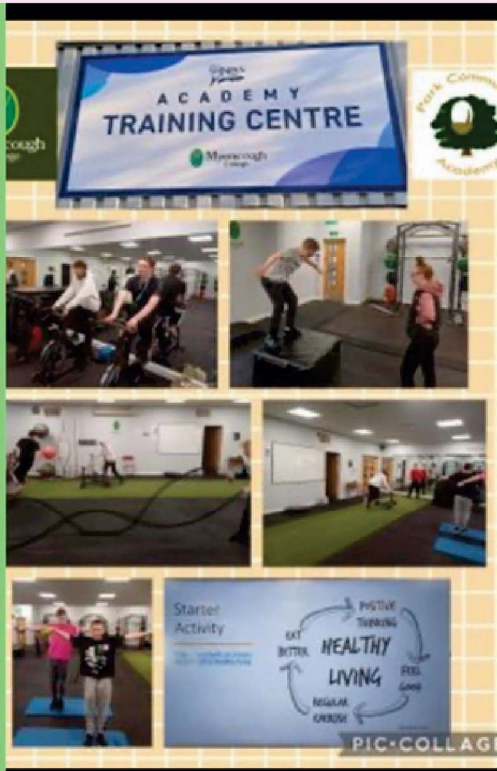
# Classroom News

## KS3

This term in Humanities we have been looking at features of a castle. KS3 enjoyed a trip to Skipton Castle on Tuesday, and were fascinated with exploring the castle and its features. The tour guides were impressed with their historical knowledge!



## KS4



This week at Myerscough Year 11 started with a classroom lesson on learning about Healthy Lifestyles. Pupils then took part in cardiovascular and conditioning training in the college's Sports Conditioning Room. They then finished off with a game of badminton.



## KS5

We have been learning about the dangers of smoking. 5I made posters to warn others about the health risks associated with smoking. Each student chose an illness that could be caused by smoking and made a warning label.



## About Time

Blackpool Sixth Form College Theatre, Blackpool, FY3 7LR  
Thu 14th December 2023 - Sat 16th December 2023

TramShed are an inclusive theatre company based in Blackpool. What started as a small grass roots charity 16 years ago, has now grown into a well-respected, dynamic and developed organisation. Driven by the voices of our community, we break down social barriers and social exclusions in all its forms. Unequivocally inclusive, TramShed is a place where differences are always accepted and actively celebrated

We are delighted to present a brand new original inclusive musical theatre performance  
- About Time!

This performance is a very special occasion for the TramShed members, their families and TramShed supporters, as it is the first time in over 4 years we have been able to showcase our full cast, in a LIVE face to face theatre space. We hope you enjoy the show.

Please visit our website to book tickets



## Tasty vegetarian chilli recipe

This veggie chilli is hot and spicy, easy to make in big batches and freezes brilliantly!

Prep: 10 mins      Cook: 30 mins      Serves 4



### Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 1 red chilli, deseeded and finely chopped
- 300g vegetarian mince
- 1 tin red kidney beans, in water (420g)
- 1 tin chopped tomatoes (400g)
- 200g rice (easy-cook long grain brown rice, if possible)  
Swappable or optional
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 carrot, finely chopped
- 2 peppers, any colour, deseeded and chopped
- 2 teaspoons tomato purée (optional)
- 100ml reduced-salt vegetable or chicken stock (optional)
- 1 pinch ground black pepper (optional)

### Method

Heat the vegetable oil in a large saucepan and add the onion. Fry gently for 2 to 3 minutes, then add the carrot, garlic, red chilli and peppers and fry for 2 to 3 more minutes, stirring often.

Add the frozen mince, beans, tomatoes, tomato purée and stock. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat and simmer, partially covered, for 25 to 30 minutes. At the same time, put the rice on to cook in plenty of gently boiling water - it will take 25 to 30 minutes.

Season the chilli with pepper, then serve in warm bowls with the cooked, drained rice.

### Information:

This works brilliantly served over a jacket potato. Leftovers also go great heated up and added to a wrap with a spoonful of plain low-fat yoghurt and a small grating of lower-fat cheddar.