



Park Community Academy

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Upcoming Events

- 07.02.25 - Family Drop in morning 10-11am
- 14.02.25 - School closes for half term
- 24.02.25 - School opens
- 21.03.25 - Comic Relief day
- 04.04.25 - School closes for Easter
- 22.04.25 - School opens for Summer term

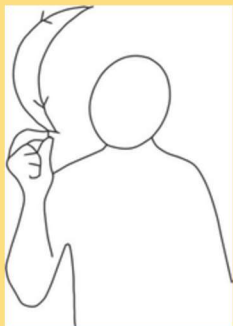
Congratulations
to class 3J
for 100% attendance
this week.
Whole school
attendance is 91.9%

FOPCA

Our next FOPCA is on
Tuesday 28th January
at 1.30pm

This group work
tirelessly to raise
funds for the school
and new members
are welcome.

Sign of the Week



This week's
sign is 'moon'
or 'lunar', to
celebrate the
Lunar New
Year, next
Wednesday.

We are noticing a lot of litter
and dog poo on the path
between Westbury and main
school. Please could we ask
that you help us by keeping
this as clean and tidy as
possible.



Sports Hall

The Sports hall is nearing completion and we are hoping that it will be ready to use at the end of February. This will be an amazing space for PE lessons, performances, school assemblies and events.



Hearty Beef Stew

We all love a hearty stew to warm us up in the colder months. Serve with bread or roasted root vegetables. Everything is cooked in one pot, so there is less washing up!

Ingredients

- 1 large potato
- 1 large onion
- 2 carrots
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 x 15ml spoon vegetable oil
- 400g diced casserole beef
(you can use braising or stewing steak but this may take longer than an hour to cook)
- 1 x 400g can chopped tomatoes
- 1 x 15ml spoon tomato purée
- 1 x 400g can cooked chickpeas
- 300ml water
- 1 x 5ml spoon dried mixed herbs
- Black pepper (optional)
- Sprig of fresh rosemary
- 1 bay leaf

Instructions

Preheat the oven to 180°C/160°C fan or gas mark 4. Wash and peel the potato and carrots. Chop the carrots into 1cm slices and the potato into 2cm pieces.

Peel and finely chop the onion.

Crush the garlic cloves. Finely chop the rosemary.

Heat the oil in the large saucepan and add the crushed garlic and chopped onion.

Add the diced beef and stir until the beef is brown. Add the chopped potato and carrots and cook for 5–10 minutes stirring regularly.

Add the chopped tomatoes, tomato purée, drained chickpeas, water, black pepper to taste (if using) and herbs.

Bring to the boil. Place the lid on the saucepan and place in the middle shelf of the oven for 1 hour. Stir occasionally.



★ Star of the Week

1C - Maya for great listening to our sensory Billy Goats Gruff story and engagement in feeding the goat's grass.

1P - Hela for copying an adult blowing the straw house down when reading The Three Little Pigs.

1B - Kaylee for saying "thank you" when she took an apple from Red Riding Hood's basket. Kaylee was able to match each of the items in the basket to the symbols, and say "apple".

1A - Kai for a fantastic and very positive start to his toilet training journey. We are all so proud of you!

1H - Jack for using his communication boards this week.

2E - Logan for a great swimming lesson.

2C - Leo for being resilient in class with his new desk resources.

2M - Renzo for fantastic engagement in Science, exploring body parts.

2R - Shaniya for writing a sentence independently and staying on the line.

2W - Redowan for signing "help" and for communicating his needs in class.

2G - Joseph for amazing work in Maths and coping so well looking after his new hearing aids.

2A - Lucas for a fantastic week and for his lovely writing.

well ★ done

Achiever of the Week

3J - Izzy for always being so helpful in class.

3H - Lucas for being a kind and considerate friend.

3L - Connor for a sensible and mature attitude towards his work.

3C - Miley for showing resilience and keeping calm.

3R - Hollie for consistently following the PCA Way and trying her best.

3S - Dastan for showing his classmates great table etiquette at lunchtime.

3T - Sean for allowing an adult to cut his hair.

3B - Riley for showing maturity and handling change well.

4M - Leah for her fantastic attitude and taking the opportunity to explore during a careers day event.

4J - Cameron for always being the best he can be.

4W - Tegan for her independent travel training.

4H - Lee for pushing himself out of his comfort zone in sports and Myerscough College.

4B - Louis for engaging in the life skills lesson, trying his best while working in a group.

5J - All of 5J for arranging and cooking the pizzas for the 'Dough on the go' experience.

5TG - Jamie for good behaviours choices.

5I - Ruby for presenting a mature attitude towards everyday situations, and also supporting her peers.

5M - Luca for excellent mathematics this week.



Classroom News



Pupils in 1P are enjoying the classic tale of "The Three Little Pigs." Our interactive story time brought the story to life, with a highlight being when the wolf huffed and puffed to blow the "straw houses" down which the children loved recreating through role-play. Pupils have also enjoyed making character masks and taking part in construction activities using a variety of materials.

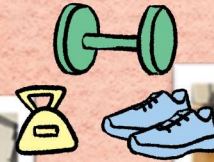
KS2

In English, 2M are looking at fables and stories. We have been learning about 'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'. The pupils have engaged with a sensory story, re-enacted with both puppets and wooden characters and role played each character. We loved roaring and stamping like the angry troll and tiptoeing like the smallest goat. The children have now started to explore 'who' and 'what like' to write character descriptions and use colourful semantics to sequence their sentences! Who's trip-trapping over my bridge?!



KS3

In PE this week, 3J went on a visit to the oracle to use the gym facilities with Mr Johnson. They had the opportunity to learn about the different equipment and how to use them safely. 3J had lots of fun and are looking forward to using them again next week.



KS4

On Wednesday, 4M attended The Fylde Coast Careers Fair where they fully immersed themselves in the experience by exploring the different career opportunities on offer. They were all interested in learning about their potential future and approached new opportunities with enthusiasm and maturity.

Robbie said "This was so worth coming to, I have a lot more ideas on what I might like to do when I leave school"

William said "Wow there was so much to look at and so many people to speak to, I was nervous at first, but I loved it"

Well-done 4M, for your positive mindset and eagerness to learn.



KS5



This week commenced with the new college placements for KS5. Students enjoyed learning about SFX makeup in Hair and Beauty. Life skills students freshened up The Oracle by cleaning the gym and theatre. Cookery students made an aromatic Chinese curry with fried rice. Lastly in Photography students learnt about cameras and their functions. A great start to the college placements!



New college groups



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