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Newsletter 12

Congratulations
to classes 2C, 3J and
4B
for 100% attendance
this week.
Whole school
attendance is 91.4%

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to
Toby in class 2R
and Michael in
class 3C for
winning the £25
voucher for 100%
attendance for the
term. Well done!

Upcoming Events

- 22.04.25 - School opens for Summer term
- 24.04.25 - Year 11 DofE Residential to Borwick Hall
- 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 Waddecarr
- 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

Once again as we close for the Easter holidays, we have a lot to be proud of and to celebrate as a school. Throughout the term we have had a host of sporting successes including golf, multi skills, new age curling, swimming and football. Our band, choir and dancers have performed across the town as well as 3C who were absolutely brilliant when they performed "The Tempest" on the stage at the Grand Theatre last month. We have also raised over £1000 for charity, through our Comic Relief, Odd Socks for Down Syndrome and Fair-Trade events. We celebrated a love of reading through our World Book Day activities. We have been visited by the Music Bus, a fire engine and a local business group who led a Dragon's Den day with our year 5 and 6 pupils. Our children have had their work displayed at the Young Seaside art exhibition, whilst at the Oracle, their business enterprise "Dough on the Go" has proved extremely popular with families and pupils alike. We look forward to them supporting the catering at our upcoming spring fair on the 16th May (please note change of date).

On site, work has continued on our fantastic new sports hall and hopefully after Easter this will officially be handed over to us. This will be a fantastic space for children, not only to enjoy PE lessons, but also for the school to come together for assemblies and also a performance space. We look forward to inviting you to attend our Summer show in there in July.

The term has ended this week with a whole host of exciting activities including our termly rewards day, Easter activities and our Easter assembly where we were able to celebrate excellent attendance across the term. It was also an absolute delight to watch our fashion show on Wednesday. The children all walked down the catwalk with such pride, confidence and enjoyment wearing their fantastic "Trashion" outfits.

Of course, all this has taken place alongside our academic curriculum. Our children and young people continue to make good progress towards their individual targets and I strongly feel that the positive impact that our wider curriculum offer has on our children's self-esteem and confidence, significantly supports the progress that they make across their learning. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated and hard-working staff team at PCA for the way in which they support our children and young people. Next term will see a number of residential and trips, which also demonstrate the dedication of the PCA staff.

Thank you as always for working so closely with us as families and I wish you a very happy Easter from all the team at PCA.
Mrs Hughes



School Holidays

Please can I remind all families that the school no longer has the ability to authorise holidays during term time. Unfortunately the Government legislation does not allow the fact that a child has a high level of special educational needs to be an exceptional circumstance. This decision is out of the schools hands and we do not have the option to authorise these holidays. Thank you.

Manchester to Blackpool Charity Bike ride.

Mr and Mrs Ligertwood are raising money for Friends of PCA on July 13th 2025. They will be undertaking the Manchester to Blackpool (100km/60mile) bike ride from Media City on the Salford Quays all the way to the Giant Glitter Ball on South Promenade, Blackpool.



Friends of PCA is a registered charity that supports Park Community Academy's children and families.

They help provide valuable resources to the children via subsidised residential experiences, school mini buses, sensory rooms and equipment amongst a multitude of other things..

To donate please use the link: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/caroline-ligertwood?utm_medium=CR&utm_source=CL

Success Stories

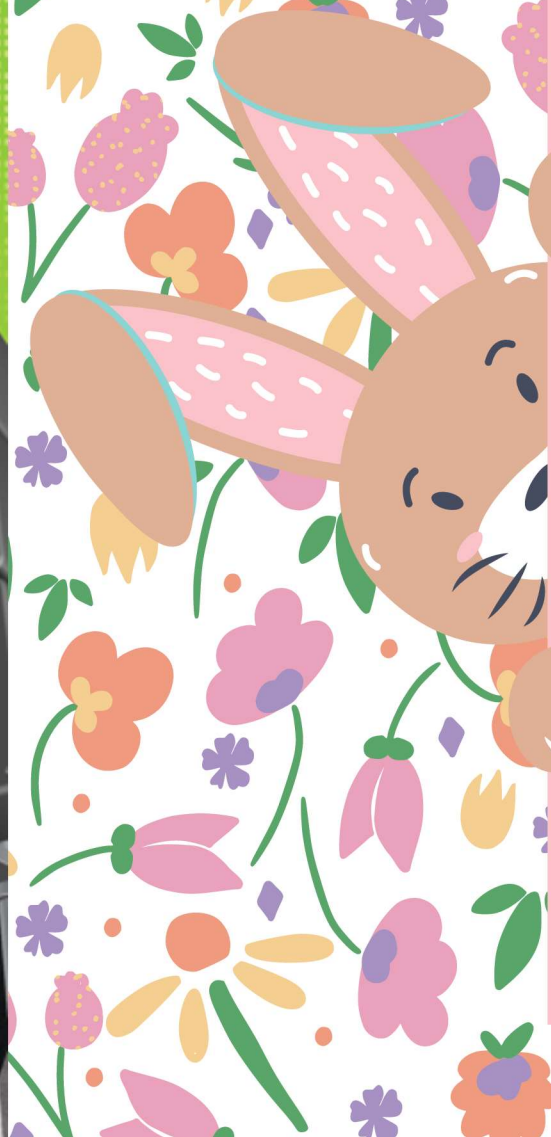
Congratulations!

Michael has worked really hard over the last few weeks to successfully complete Independent Travel Training in record time!



Well done, we are very proud of you! 👍

The Travel Trainers



Star of the Week

1C - All of 1C for a fantastic half term for following the class routines and showing great independence.

1P - Karen for performing on stage in the fashion show and sitting sensibly to watch other classes perform. Great work Karen!

1B - Alicia for communicating with an adult that she would like a different book and waiting patiently whilst the adult helped her choose. We are so proud of you!

1A - Jack for helping to create an outfit for the Fashion show as well as braving the crowds to stand on stage with fantastic confidence. Well done Jack.

1H - All of class 1H for working so hard on communication and positive relationships during Spring Term - Well Done!

2E - Rupert for demonstrating great retrieval skills and working independently in Maths!

2C - Corey for being helpful, holding doors for people around school.

2M - Sterling for his all-round fantastic attitude to his learning and wearing his costume with pride in the Fashion show.

2R - Shaniya for making good choices and completing daily jobs in class.

2W - Logan for communicating his needs and coping well with change.

2G - All of 2G for outstanding attendance & a wonderful performance in the Fashion Show.

2A - Brentley for working hard on his attention and answering questions in class.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Achiever of the Week

3J - Sienna for performing with great confidence at the Trashion show this week.

3H - River for a super positive week, you have impressed us all!

3L - Bentley, Bradley, Broydon and Archie for performing in the Trashion Show with confidence.

3C - Gabe for making sure his uniform always looks smart and working very hard in lessons this week

3R - All of 3R for doing so well in the Trashion show and to Michael for passing his travel training in record time.

3S - Tia for an amazing week following the PCA Way.

3T - Kudzwashe for working really well during a matching activity.

3B - Alfie and Ryley for excellent teamwork during cooking.

4M - Samuel for demonstrating fantastic independence and initiative in the kitchen.

4W - Rhys for taking responsibility for his actions.

4J - Jack for being the best he can be completing work with increased independence.

4H - All of 4H for all their hard work this term in their Entry Levels work.

4B - Madison, Mickey and Courtney, for being involved the fashion show .

5J - All of 5J for a great term.

5TG - Aimee for her enthusiasm when taking part in activities and supporting her peers

5I - Bethany for being assertive and confident in her answers when asked.

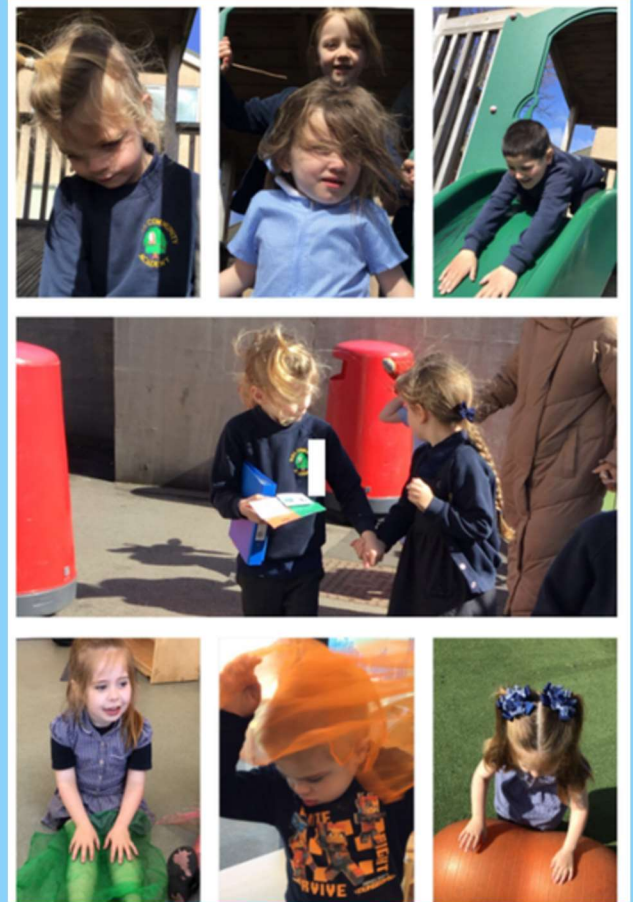
5M - Kyle for always helping staff and peers.

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Classroom News

KS1

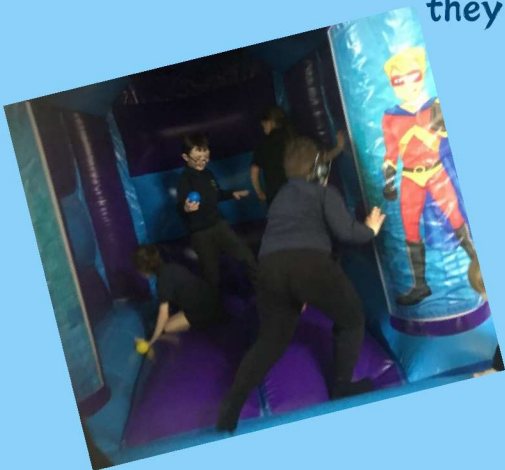
1C have had a fantastic week! We particularly enjoyed our 'Mini Movers' session, where dancing with colourful scarves to music was a highlight. We also took a walk to our onsite pirate ship, practicing how to hold hands with a friend, stay together as a class group, and walk sensibly to and from the ship.



KS2



2E enjoyed the bouncy castle / soft play for our reward day. This week we have also been busy making our Egyptian jewellery, they will be bringing this home for their family to see.





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KS3



Rewards Day fun at the farm! KS3 pupils enjoyed a wonderful day out at Ridgeway Farm. We learnt all about the different animals that live there, showed super confidence feeding lots of different animals, got to watch a Farrier in action and ask him lots of questions! Our favourite part of the day was getting to meet and stroke lambs which had been born at 6 o'clock that morning! We had the best day with Farmer Helen and all the animals!



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KS4

4W have been completing an entry level unit all about working as a team. As a group they planned and organised a pop up Pizza Shop for other classes in Key Stage 4, they took responsibility for researching, ordering and cooking the pizzas as well as serving them and washing up afterwards.

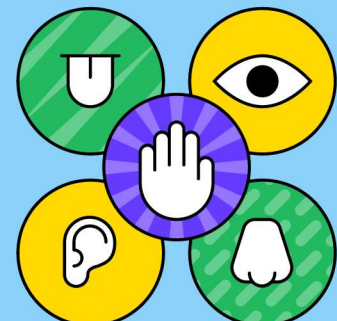


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KS5 Sensory Room

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5M have created their own sensory studio at The Oracle. We started by researching online and creating a wish list of the equipment we liked. We all decided what we wanted to buy and ordered it. We focused on colours, lights, sound and textures. We've had such positive feedback from students.



Cheats' pizza calzone recipe



Ingredients

4 soft flour tortillas (wholewheat, if possible)
4 tomatoes, chopped
80g hard cheese, grated (reduced-fat, if possible)

Swappable or optional

1 red pepper, deseeded and thinly sliced
1 yellow pepper, deseeded and thinly sliced
150g closed-cup mushrooms, sliced
4 handfuls mixed salad leaves
1 carrot, grated
2 celery sticks, chopped
3 teaspoons dried Italian mixed herbs (optional)
1 pinch ground black pepper (optional)

Method

Preheat the grill. Arrange the peppers and mushrooms on a baking sheet and grill them for 4 to 5 minutes, turning once. Add the tomatoes and herbs, then season with black pepper.

Keep warm.

Put a tortilla into a dry frying pan and sprinkle a quarter of the cheese over the top. Cook over a medium heat for about 30 to 40 seconds until melted.

Information:

You could use white flour tortillas, though they won't provide as much fibre as wholewheat ones.

Add a quarter of the vegetable mixture to one side of the tortilla, then fold it in half, over the filling. Cook for a few moments, then slide it onto a warm serving plate. Keep warm. Repeat with the remaining tortillas. Serve with the salad leaves, grated carrot and celery.

Information:

For a snack, just make 2 and cut them in half to serve 4 people.

HAPPY Easter

