

Park Community Academy



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Welcome back to the final half term of the year. It is certainly going to be a busy one as we look to celebrate the end of the year in a COVID secure way. We are pleased that we have been able to restart some off site and residential opportunities and plans are fully underway for the 2 week Summer Scheme. All requests for places at the Summer Scheme should now have been returned to school. We will be organising a range of sporting events as well as producing our annual Summer play. There will also be a Rewards Day where we celebrate the effort and achievement of our pupils throughout this challenging year.

Please can I remind all families, however, that the message from Public Health Blackpool is that COVID is not over yet. We must all continue to play our part by maintaining social distance and wearing masks when in and around the school site. Please reinforce the "HANDS, FACE, SPACE AND FRESH AIR" message with your children and we would strongly encourage all families to actively engage in the vaccine and testing programmes across the town.

Mrs Hughes Headteacher

Thank you Mr Berry

We were delighted when Mr Berry visited school before half term. As well as chatting with pupils, he also watched the installation of the latest addition to our Forest School located in the new Outdoor Learning area. A big thank you Mr Berry for commissioning James Shelliker from Acorn Woodcraft to create this carving



badge of our school.

It looks amazing and will be a focal point for our new forest area.

Upper Primary

2C have finished their 'Trashion' projects for Arts Award. Inspired by the artist Vicky Myers, pupils used crisp packets to create hats, t-shirts and waistcoats.







The Best Class Attendance of the Week CONGRATULATIONS

to classes 1P, 1B and 2B who had 100% attendance this week.

<u>Weekly Attendance</u> - The average weekly attendance this week is **94.7**%

<u>Lower Primary</u>

The children in 1P were very lucky to be the first class to try out our amazing new sensory room. They thought it was amazing and over the next few weeks it will be open to more

classes and individual students as staff training is rolled out across the school.



Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

- 1B Archie for fantastic drawing and writing this week.
- 1P Logan H for his amazing efforts with completing his homework.
- 1C Tyler for always completing his homework and for all the great work he has done over the holidays from counting quantities to matching numbers to number names.
- 2B Callum for being so confident in the swimming pool.
- 2HD Caitlin for her fantastic direction work in Maths.
- 2M Logan P for being very polite and having good manners.
- 2HY Will for being responsible on the football pitch.
- 2H Alex for adjusting well to change this week.
- 2C Harry for superb effort in singing.

Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Well done to all the 6th Form students and staff who enjoyed a 2 night camp & expedition around Rivington Pike. All pupils have successfully completed their silver DofE award. Here are some of the pupil's highlights: -

Joe - "Sitting in a 1940's classic replica car".

Adam - "The scenery was proper nice".

Jack - "Loved the greenery & I took lots of photographs"

Chloe - "Toasting marshmallows on the campfire".

Jake - "Great adventure with my friends".

Robert - "I enjoyed walking over Rivington Pike and getting lots of fresh air".



Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

- 3G Cameron J for amazing contributions during Humanities class discussions.
- 3T Alfie for amazing reading.
- 3W Ruby for being a kind and helpful member of the class.
- 3S Hannah for a great improvement in positive friendships in class.
- 3GR Reece W for his mature attitude in class this week.
- 3J Cameron G for some detailed & neat writing and an excellent attitude to school work.

School Lunch Menu - Please see our lunch menu on the PCA website: - www.park.blackpool.sch.uk/students/lunchtime-menu. Next week is week 1.

Key Stage 4

In Science, the pupils are learning about the needs of animals and survival. For fun they made solar ovens out of pizza boxes. Using foil to reflect sunlight and black paper to absorb heat, they cooked their own Smores



using solar energy! Leah made us smile by spontaneously decorating hers with 'Science is Fun'!

Dates for your Diary

Friday 25 June - Year 11 leavers date

Friday 16th July, 2pm - School closes for the Summer holidays

Well Done Daisy

Daisy has been working extremely hard at school as she worked towards her first therapy training award. This week she was officially awarded her Bronze Level on the school therapy dog training programme. Well Done Daisy - next stop Silver!



KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

- 4H Scott for asking good questions during the careers lesson.
- 4W Ryan for amazing work with spellings during his phonics lesson.
- 4M Connor for demonstrating great entrepreneurial potential when completing the class Subway project.
- 4I Kaiyl for his fantastic efforts in reading resulting in him going up 3 levels.
- 5T Chloe for initiating a conversation with Mrs Hobbs about the holidays.
- 5C Joe for a fantastic few days on work experience as a Site Supervisor.
- 5P Isabell and Kelsey for having brilliant work experience placements. They have made a fantastic contribution to their classes.
- 5B Ryan for working independently at home to complete ICT work.

Sign of the Week

This week's sign is '**bin**' to celebrate the Big Spring Clean Up!

How can you recycle and clean up?



Key Stage 3

As part of PSHE this week, 3W have been looking at climate change and how it is affecting the planet. The class





were shocked at the effects we have started to see and Freddie was keen to come up with ideas of what we can do as a class to take action. The pupils discussed how we can recycle and plant more trees as well as swapping one meal a week to a meat free option. Sophie noted that we do this already at PCA with our pasta and jacket potato options. Our next steps are to make some pledges as a class and look where we can plant more around the school to help reduce our carbon footprint.