

# Park Community Academy



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## Staffing Update

Today we say a fond farewell to Miss Hudson. She has been a member of PCA's Welfare Staff since October 2013 and leaves us today to join Heyhouses Primary School. We are thankful to Miss Hudson for all of her hard work and dedication to PCA over the last 8 years - we will miss you and wish you the very best of luck in your new job!



**Parent Partnership Award** - We are working towards achieving the Leading Parent Partnership Award. The Award is a nationally recognised award achievable by schools who work very closely with the families of their pupils. The assessment is made by an external advisor. We will work towards meeting 9 different objectives before we can achieve the award.

We have emailed you a short questionnaire and would appreciate it if you could complete this by **Friday 28th May** to help us further develop our work with families. Thank you.

## Upper Primary

2HD had a Victorian school day and workhouse experience as part of their learning in Topic this week. They were able to experience what life may have been like for Oliver Twist, which they are reading in English.



The children dressed up in Victorian clothing and had to complete work on a chalk board. They explored Victorian toys and made their own peg dolls and spinners. As they had to earn their snack by completing chores in the workhouse, they cleaned the floors and tables to earn a slice of Victoria sponge.



## Mental Health Awareness Week

During Mental Health Awareness week, some of the pupils have been speaking and learning about mental health and 'connecting to nature'. They have found positive quotes outside, made their own mindfulness trees & butterflies and walked our therapy dog, Daisy.



## Lower Primary

1P have been learning about money. The children have enjoyed playing shops, recognising 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p coins and using 1p coins to make different quantities up to 10p.



## Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

- 1B - Eddie for super writing in Phonics this week.
- 1P - Logan G for being an excellent friend and for trying his best at all times.
- 1C - Amber for trying something new each day in her packed lunch box, including bananas, apples and grapes. Well done.
- 2B - River-Leigh for working really hard to perfect her letter formation.
- 2HD - Patrick for his fantastic recalling of Oliver Twist.
- 2M - Ronay for recognising coins and notes in Maths, using them to make different amounts.
- 2HY - Jake T for his excellent use of time conjunctions in his sentences in English.
- 2H - Madison for putting her hand up in lessons.
- 2C - Chloey for working so hard towards riding a 2-wheeled bike in PE.

## The Best Class Attendance of the Week

### CONGRATULATIONS

to class 3G who had 100% attendance this week.

**Weekly Attendance** - The average weekly attendance this week is **96.2%**

## Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Today, Mr and Mrs Rice from FOPCA presented the school with the converted trailer for enterprise projects.



The Sixth Form students have been selling drinks & cakes to Secondary pupils, parents & staff from the trailer to raise money for FOPCA and Aiming Higher. Another group of sixth formers have also been working hard washing cars. All accompanied by our wonderful Brass Band!



Raffle tickets will still be on sale during registration time, ready for the draw on Thursday 20th May.

## KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

- 4H - Ellie for being more helpful at home.
- 4W - Brittany for trying really hard and being a good friend.
- 4M - Michael for making mature decisions.
- 4I - Hannah for having a really positive week.
- 5T - Christian for sharing with the class that he walked independently from the Sports Centre.
- 5C - Jake M for playing an active role in the preparation of a charity cake sale for his Level 1 BTEC.
- 5P - Bethany for being super positive and spreading happiness in class.
- 5B - Ryan for having determination and not giving up, even when things get tricky. Well done Ryan.

## KS2 Science

The Science Department are committed to increasing science and cultural capital through 'retrieval practice'. This means our pupils are given the opportunity to revisit their learning and recall knowledge from the past. Here are some photos of the pupils in 2M playing 'sound bingo' - they were all able to name a variety of animals and recognise their related sounds.



## Key Stage 3

3S have really enjoyed learning a new skill in music. They have learnt how to play a recorder. They are now able to play the



notes B, A and G and have been recognising what the notes look like when written down on a piece of music. The skill of reading music notes has proved difficult, but with perseverance they have achieved this target and can now also recognise the value of each note. A super well done to 'The Class 3S orchestra!'

## Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

- 3G - Imogen G for always getting it right and putting her hand up to answer lots of questions.
- 3T - Jordan G for making his paper helicopter fly a really long distance.
- 3W - Sophie for showing a more mature attitude and being helpful in class.
- 3S - Hannah for being much more focused in all of her lessons.
- 3GR - Jorja for her contributions in every English lesson by answering many questions, and her hard work on her fact file.
- 3J - Kyle K for his excellent & enthusiastic Shakespeare work.

## Sign of the Week

This week's sign is 'how are you?'

To support mental health awareness week, you can cheer someone up by asking how they are.



## Key Stage 4

After learning all about Hedgehogs last week, 4H were interested to find out what animal visitors we may get in the Forest School. They set-up a motion camera to record activity at night and will be watching the footage closely to investigate....



## Date for your Diary

**Friday 28 May** - School closes for half term

**Monday 7 June** - School opens after half term

**Tuesday 8 June, 10.30-11.30am** - SENDIASS session for parents & carers