



Park Community Academy



15 November 2019

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Christmas Tree Festival

The annual Winter Gardens Christmas Tree Festival is open on **21st - 24th November**. Please spare the time to visit the exhibition, which is held in the Derham Lounge. We are delighted to have two entries from PCA, one from KS1-4 and the other from our 6th Form students. All pupils have worked extremely hard on making them so please show your support and vote for our trees. Public entry to the Festival is between **11am - 4pm - £1.50** per adult and children go free. Santa will be in his grotto in the Derham Lounge on both Saturday & Sunday (for a small additional cost). This event is 'pay on the door'.



Children In Need at PCA

Pupils & staff have been fantastic in supporting this worthwhile cause today! Some amazing 'Fancy' dress outfits were worn, and pupils could have their faces painted or glittered. The cake sale



was a huge hit, and there were laughs-a-plenty in assembly where we saw 'fancy footwork', 'fancy foods' and 'fancy words'. Thanks to all your generous donations we have raised almost **£600** - but please keep your donations coming in.

Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

- 1R - Joseph for playing nicely with his friends.
- 1B - Brentley for being so confident when acting as the 'Pen Police' on Wednesday.
- 1P - Shania and Millie for having a great first week in 1P and settling in really well.
- 2CR - Tyler for his fantastic attitude to work and trying his best with multiplication in Maths.
- 2H - Grace for singing her Christmas songs well and trying hard to be independent.
- 2B - Jaiden for great independent writing in English.
- 2HY - Tegan for excellent swimming this week.
- 2C - Mason for an improved attitude to lessons and some fantastic work in class this week.
- 2G - Macaulay for being very brave this week.

Upper Primary

2B have been using a range of materials to form letters. These ranged from blu-tack, cubes, whiteboard pens, magnetic letters, play dough and pencils, of course. The children enjoyed exploring

the different ways in which they could write. Madison used a whiteboard and magnetic letters to write cat and hat. Alex had a range of magnetic letters and challenged himself to see how many words he could make. Aaron used blu-tack to write his name, while Riley and Connor used the cubes. Great work 2B!



The Best Class Attendance of the Week

CONGRATULATIONS

to **1B, 2H and 2C** who had **100%** attendance this week.



Weekly Attendance - Our whole school attendance target for 2019-20 is 96%. The average weekly attendance this week is **95.3%**

Lower Primary

1P have been taking part in the Royal Mail write a letter to Santa, which they are very excited about! The pupils have already started by standing up in front of the class to talk about their favourite toys and have made their Christmas wish lists. Over the next few weeks they will be practicing their letter writing so that they can send their letters to Santa himself by 6th December. The children will be walking to the postbox to post their letters and they can't wait to receive their replies!



Forest School Tree Sculpture - Breaking News!

Our very own Stick Man has arrived in the woods at PCA! A big thank you to local craftsman, James Shelliker, who created and installed the artwork for us this week. We are delighted to have received such a



fantastic addition to our Forest School site.

Anyone who can think of a suitable name, please send all entries to Mr Hull. A winner will be announced in assembly next week.

Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

KS5 students are excited about their latest enterprise project!

Have you got your letter about their personalised Christmas photos yet?

Get in quick as spaces are limited!



KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

4W - Jack for answering lots of questions in lessons.

4B - Natasha for always being super helpful, getting it right and trying her best.

4A - Alicia for doing fabulous work in Maths.

4T - Jake M for fantastic work at College.

4M - Kaitlin for a mature attitude during her first week back in 4M, with College tutors even commenting on how good her behaviour was this week.

5T - Jack for improving his skills in the kitchen.

5P - Jade for trying really hard in her Phonics lesson.

5B - Nathaniel for getting his lunch independently at College.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 12 December, 1.30pm - Lower Primary Christmas Play

Friday 13 December, 1.30pm - Upper Primary Christmas Play

Monday 16 December - Primary Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 18 December - Secondary & 6th Form Christmas Dinner

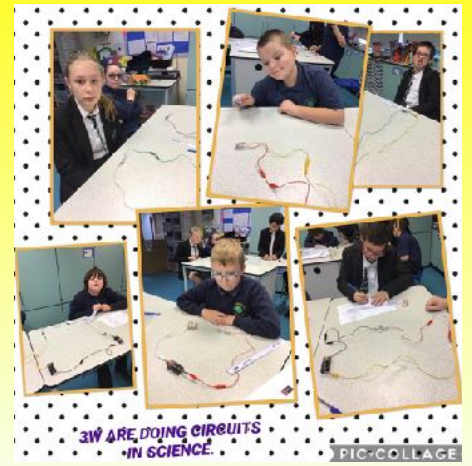
Thursday 19 December, 10am - Christmas Carol Service (parents/carers invited)

Thursday 19 December, 2pm - End of Autumn Term

Tuesday 7 January - Start of Spring Term

Key Stage 3

3W have been investigating circuits. They have learnt the Science symbols for components and have decoded diagrams to successfully build working series circuits.



Blackpool SENDIASS - Tea & Talk

Do you have a child/young person with SEN (Special Educational Needs), or do you feel that your child/young person is struggling with their education? Do you have questions about how your child should be supported in nursery, school or college? If so, why not go along to one of the informal SENDIASS 'Tea & Talk' information sessions to see how they can help! Dates & times are on their website - www.blackpool.gov.uk/sendiaass

Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

3GR - Harry for being a star reader.

3T - Jordan for getting it right all week.

3W - Leah for having more confidence and talking about her feelings.

3H - Sean for his excellent bike-riding in his PE lesson.

3I - Emma for trying her best in all of her lessons.

3S - Dylan for his mature behaviour this week.

Key Stage 4

On Wednesday, 4W & 4B visited Alston Observatory in Preston. The pupils



learned about both land and space based telescopes and took an interactive planetarium tour through the solar system. A highly recommended day out!

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