

Park Community Academy



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As we come to the end of a very busy and challenging year, I would once again like to say how proud I am of the whole PCA community for the resilience, determination, hard work and dedication that they have shown throughout this time. I am sure you will agree that the PCA staff, supported throughout by our families, the Governors and the Trust, have shown such creativity in the way they have continued to meet the needs of our children and young people with a broad range of events and activities taking place to ensure our pupils safely access the very best opportunities possible. Our young people and our families have shown such resilience and have worked closely with us and supported us when at times we have had to make difficult decisions. Never before has the "community" element of our name been more appropriate as we have pulled together for the benefit of our pupils. So I would like to say a very big thank you to all our families for the ongoing support that you have given to the staff at PCA and wish you a very happy summer holiday.

The time has also come to say farewell to some young people and staff. At our Year 11 leavers assembly we said goodbye to Mo, Connor and Lewis who are all moving onto Blackpool and the Fylde College and today 13 of our sixth formers are leaving us to embark on the next exciting stage of their lives. We wish them all the very best in the future and look forward to hearing about their new adventures.

Mrs Bridges is also leaving us today to take up the position of Family Support Worker at Roseacre School. Mrs Bridges has worked at PCA for 5 years as a HLTA and has done a fantastic job, not only supporting our pupils with their learning, but also supporting their mental health and wellbeing. Mrs Bridges has also run many after school clubs and led on the Summer Scheme for a number of years. Roseacre are very lucky to have her and we know that she will do an amazing job. We will all miss her very much.

Today, we also enjoyed a celebration assembly to look back over the 31 years that Mr Bradford has worked at PCA as he starts his retirement. Mr Bradford joined PCA in 1990 and since then has been a Maths teacher, Band

leader, ICT coordinator, as well as being responsible for the day to day organisation of the school, the timetable, after school clubs, Summer Scheme, Youth Club, work experience and College to name a few. Mr Bradford also served as a Governor at PCA for a number of years as well as being an active member of

FOPCA. Mr Bradford's calm approach, wealth of experience, and ability to solve any problem put before him will be very much missed. We hope that he has enjoyed his celebrations this week, which included a 'staff v sixth form' football match refereed by Mr Berry and wish him, along with Mrs Bradford a very long and happy retirement.





Mrs Hughes

Looking for things to do over the summer holidays? Look on <u>www.fyidirectory.co.uk</u> and search for holiday activities.

Uniform Orders

Uniform that has been ordered will be available for collection from the school office from <u>Tuesday 31st</u>

<u>August - Friday 3rd September.</u> The school re-opens to pupils on Monday 6th September.

Attendance 2020-21

Given the extraordinary year we have all experienced, we still managed to record a whole year attendance of 90.4%. This has been exceptional in the circumstances. Despite this, 32 pupils have managed to achieve 100% attendance across the school year and they will receive a small token to celebrate this.

KS3&4 Summer Production

To ensure we end the academic year on a high, this year's Key Stage 3 & 4 Summer Production has



been put together in just three short weeks. The pupils have worked incredibly hard and have shown resilience and professionalism beyond their years in order to learn, rehearse and perform this year's show 'Magnificent Musicals'. The show was professionally pre-recorded



and can be accessed via the web link sent out to parents & carers. This is a huge achievement for all pupils involved, you should be very proud of yourselves!

Lower Primary

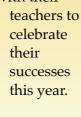
Lower Primary have had a fantastic year despite all the challenges that COVID has posed. For all their hard work the pupils





thoroughly enjoyed their Rewards Day trip visiting Stanley Park.

The pupils isolating at home also enjoyed a zoom call with their





Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

- 1B All of 1B for a fantastic year and for working really hard with their home learning this week.
- 1P Dante for being kind, helpful and caring towards his friends.
- 1C All of 1C for super hard work this year and being a joy to teach.
- 2B All of 2B for working so hard over the year and for always being kind & helpful.
- 2HD Everyone for working so hard all year.
- 2M The whole of 2M for a fantastic year and being very resilient.
- 2HY Michael L for being super sensible at Turbary Woods.
- 2H Everyone in 2H for an amazing year.
- 2C Everyone for their brilliant performance in the leavers' assembly.

Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Thank you to Hannah in Year 14 who brought in this fantastic cake for Sixth Form to enjoy ahead of their leavers assembly.

We wish them all the best of luck for the future.



Big Bright Tomorrow!

Tramshed theatre company are holding a one-off performance workshop for SEND children. It's on Saturday 21st August at Woodlands School.

Tickets are free via EventBrite.

Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

- 3G The whole class for a wonderful Year 7.
- 3T Jordan G for most improved 2020-21.
- 3W Everyone for showing great resilience and having a fantastic vear.
- 3S All of 3S for being a wonderful team.
- 3GR All of 3GR for all their hard work and the laughs they have had over the past year.
- 3J Everyone for their hard work, determination and resilience throughout the year.

Upper Primary

It has been a busy week in Upper Primary! The week began with our Year 6 Leavers assembly and a visit from an ice cream van to congratulate our Year 6 pupils as they transition into the Secondary department. Then, pupils enjoyed a range of activities as



part of their end of year rewards. To celebrate all their hard work this year, pupils enjoyed baking, arts & crafts, visiting local parks, a trip to Turbary Woods and even a party bus! The pupils have demonstrated resilience in



the face of the ongoing pandemic and we are so proud of them all.

Well done!

Sign of the Week

This week's sign is 'proud'. We are proud of everyone's resilience this year and how everyone has coped with the various changes. Well done PCA!



KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

- 4H Everyone for having a fantastic last week in school.
- 4W The whole class & Miss Pilkington for looking after Mr Miller during his first year at PCA. You are all superstars.
- 4M & 4I Everyone for being so helpful and responsible in the last week.
- 5T Everyone for a fantastic year and wishing our leavers all the very best for the future.
- 5C Connor for his brilliant team spirit in the WSFC football match against PCA staff.
- 5P Everyone for having an amazing year and always being kind to each other.
- 5B Nat for all his hard work and determination at WSFC. He has been an outstanding role model and will be missed by all his friends at PCA. Good luck with your new adventures Nat.