

Park Community Academy



19 March 2021

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Family and Individual Photographs

Tempest Photographers are coming into school next **Monday 22nd March** to take pupil photographs. You will be given the opportunity to purchase these photographs from Tempest through school at a reasonable cost. Can you please ensure your child is wearing correct uniform and smart in their appearance.



Walking Challenge

The Secondary department are taking part in a walking competition, thanks to Bernard Kennedy at 'Living Streets'.



Every child who takes part will go into a draw for the chance to win one of the 5 X £10 vouchers (results next week). If you want to be in with an even better chance - get your name put into the draw twice by completing one of the activities suggested on the poster and sending a photo to us at admin@park.blackpool.sch.uk

Comic Relief - Thank you to all the pupils, parents/carers and staff who helped PCA raise over **£1700** for Comic Relief. Everyone had a fantastic day dressed up as superheroes and taking part in the dance-a-thon.

School Uniform - A reminder that pupils need to wear full school uniform, including shoes, except for on PE days when they can wear their PE kit.

Upper Primary

2C have been learning about mandala artwork for Arts Award. This week they learned about the sand mandalas made by Tibetan monks - they are carefully made over several days then swept away. The pupils carefully made their own mandalas using physical objects before 'sweeping' them up - luckily we took some photos before the mandalas disappeared!



Easter Raffle - £1 for a strip of tickets for the chance of winning this fabulous hamper! All proceeds will go to Friends of Park Community Academy. The raffle will be drawn during our Assembly on Friday.

Lower Primary

1P have been reading Jack and the Beanstalk. Through this story they have been learning about length, size and height. The children measured their feet and hands to find out who had the longest & biggest hands and feet in class, and stood in size order so they could find out who was the tallest & shortest person in class. They also tried on some large items of clothing and acted out being the giant from the story.



Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

- 1B - Robbie for a huge step forward in his personal care skills.
- 1P - Harry-blu for amazing progress with his writing since the start of the year.
- 1C - Jaxon for being a kind and caring friend to others.
- 2B - Leland C for being brave and trying new foods.
- 2HD - Karina for her impressive problem solving in Maths.
- 2M - Joshua for his phonic recognition and spelling.
- 2HY - Bethany for settling into school really well.
- 2H - Trey for improvement in all areas of school life.
- 2C - Sophie R for always being a kind and considerate friend.

Managing Behaviour at Home - A family zoom question & answer session on Managing Behaviour at Home on **Wednesday 24th March, 10-11am**. The link will be sent out to all parents & carers beforehand.

Key Stage 4

As part of their Environmental Awareness Entry Level PSD studies, 4W have been thinking of ways they could help our local environment.

They decided to do a litter pick in the school grounds, but Mr Jones & Mr Latham are so efficient that they struggled to find hardly any! They have all vowed to use less electricity as another way to help the environment. Mr Miller & Miss Pilkington have been really proud of 4W this week and all of the excellent pieces of work they have produced.



Key Stage 3

3J have been learning about the recent trend where classic and famous pieces of art are being recreated.



They used PowerPoint to edit their photographs and insert them onto paintings. They then used the formatting functions to edit the image to help it blend into the original.

Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

3G - Tamara for being brave and resilient, and also developing her confidence in reading, improving her reading level.

3T - Daniel K for being very mature on his return to school.

3W - Adam for trying hard in everything and making great contributions in lessons.

3S - Ryan for improving his side step turns in 'Move It Groove It'.

3GR - James for settling into his new class & making new friends.

3J - Jenna and Imogen M for making some mature choices this week, we are very proud of them.

KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

4H - Adrian for all-round great effort in lessons.

4W - Josh E for trying so hard this week, he has taken everything in his stride and completed all of his work.

4M - Jack for being considerate to others this week.

4I - Dylan E for settling into 4I so well and having a fantastic start to life at PCA.

5T - Jack P for being very kind to a younger pupil.

5C - Tiffany for offering extensive contributions during BTEC Work Skills lessons.

5P - Steven for continually offering input in class and for willingly helping others.

5B - Nat for being very helpful and kind to his friends & teachers.

Science Principles

PCA has updated our Science principles after considering the opinions of pupils, parents / carers, Governors & staff in our whole school survey. The buzz words you identified included 'fun', 'hands on', 'exciting', and 'inclusive'. These principles form the IMPLEMENTATION of Science at PCA and drive Science teaching every lesson! Thank you for taking part. We will revisit this again next year.

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Science Principles

Science is best when.....
It is **practical** and **fun** and all pupils are **actively engaged** in **educationally relevant** content.
Activities are differentiated to **include everyone** no matter what their ability.
Children have opportunity to **explore** and **natural curiosity** is encouraged.
There is a range of **stimulating** and **high quality resources** for all.
Science is enhanced by embracing **opportunities to learn outside** the classroom, both within the school grounds and beyond.
The whole school participates in science events which foster a **sense of local community** and **global citizenship**.

Sign of the Week

This week's sign is 'laughter/funny' for Comic Relief.

What makes you laugh?



Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Students in KS5 have been talking about and making healthier choices. Beach group have been making Free From pizzas and looking at healthy sandwich fillings.



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 24 March, 10-11am- Managing Behaviour at Home Zoom session

Friday 26 March - School closes for Easter

Monday 12 April - School opens for the Summer term

Tuesday 13 April, 10.30-11.30am - SENDIASS session for parents & carers