



Park Community Academy



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KS4 Bendrigg Residential

Bendrigg 2020 has been a fantastic success! We've had rain, hail, snow & sun and despite the cold temperatures our pupils have enjoyed every single minute. From walks in the Lake District, indoor & outdoor caving, zip wires, bikes, climbing, abseiling, ropes courses, toasting marshmallows, building snowmen and working as team, they have created lifelong memories & friendships and at the same time developed life skills & independence.

Our pupils truly are amazing and the staff at PCA and Bendrigg are bowled over by their resilience & determination, and most of all their attitude towards every new challenge they've been faced with.



Lower Primary

1P have been learning all about measurement in Maths. They have been learning how to use lots of different words relating to measurement, such as tall & short, tallest, shortest, length, height and the same. The pupils compared their heights to their classmates and stood in a height order line to show who is the tallest & shortest member of the class. They also used blocks to build tall & short towers and some of the children had a great idea to combine all the towers together to make the tallest tower they possibly could using all the blocks they had.



Parent Governor Election

You should have received a letter and nomination form for our Parent Governor vacancy this week.

Governors play a key role in the strategic leadership of the Academy and raising of standards including the appointment of key staff, overseeing the budget & monitoring progress in the curriculum. Being a Governor can be very rewarding and will provide you with the opportunity to work as part of a team & gain new skills. Don't worry if you have no experience as full training & support is available from the Local Authority and your colleagues on the Local Governing Body.

If you are interested in applying for the vacancy, please fill in the form and return it to school by Friday 6th March. If you would like further information about the role of Parent Governor, please contact Mrs Millard, Academy Business Leader in school.

Managing Challenging Behaviours Course

Letters have been sent home regarding the 'Managing Challenging Behaviours' course that is taking place for parents. It will be held on Tuesday 10th, 17th & 24th March at 10-12.30pm.

The Best Class Attendance of the Week **CONGRATULATIONS**



to 1R, 2C, 3T and 4B 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 **95.9%**

The monthly attendance for February is **95.7%**

Upper Primary

In Geography, 2H have been learning where the Fairtrade foods come from.



They have learned the names of different countries.

Fairtrade Coffee Morning

All welcome to the Fairtrade Coffee Morning at PCA's school hall on **Monday 2nd March at 10-11.30am**. The Eco Warriors will be selling Fairtrade, hot drinks, cakes and fruit. We aim to raise £350 for Fairtrade. You can also enter our Fairtrade raffle, tickets are £1 a strip: - 1st Prize - Fairtrade hamper; 2nd / 3rd Prize - bottle of Fairtrade wine; 4th/5th Prize - Fairtrade bouquet & 6th/7th Prize - Fairtrade Easter egg.



Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

- 3GR - Sophie and Keiron for a great Art lesson.
- 3T - Cody for producing fantastic work during English.
- 3W - Brendan for taking extra care with his handwriting.
- 3H - Imogen for having a fantastic week in school and being very helpful in class.
- 3I - Scott for always trying hard and contributing to lessons.
- 3S - Katrece for always being bright & cheerful and willing to help everyone.

Young Seaside Arts Exhibition



This a lovely opportunity to view some fabulous art work created by pupils around Blackpool.

The exhibition is taking place on the 2nd - 27th March at Blackpool & the Fylde College University Centre, Park Road.

KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

- 4W - Jermaine for a good first week settling in well.
- 4B - Corey for acting really mature during all the changes he's had to face this week.
- 4A - Alicia for coping so well with all the changes.
- 4T - Braden for returning to school after half term with a focused attitude to his learning.
- 4M - Jack P for the sensible questions and comments he asked/made during the SRE talk this week.
- 5T - Lewis B for working hard on his CV and applying for part time jobs.
- 5P - Everyone for a great first week back and being supportive of each other.
- 5B - Nathaniel for always being organised and having a positive attitude to his work.

Dates for your Diary

- Friday 6 March** - PCA World Book Day
- Wednesday 11 March, 10-2pm** - Blackpool Parent Forum at Blackpool Football Club
- Friday 3 April** - School closes for Easter
- Monday 20 April** - Start of Summer Term

Coronavirus

The Government have issued further public information for schools to help prevent any potential spread of Coronavirus dated 25th February 2020. If you have travelled to any of the following countries since 19th February, please contact the NHS 111 service to seek further advice - **even if you do not have any symptoms**. Northern Italy, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Iran, China, Thailand, Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Malaysia, Macau.

Please remember the general prevent the spread of infection guidelines: Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use sanitiser gel. Please encourage your child/ren to wash their hands and use tissues should they have a cough or cold.



Key Stage 3

KS3 pupils have been learning about Lent this week. They had a great time flipping pancakes on Tuesday. 3T decided to take part in 40 random acts of kindness for Lent. So far the pupils have smiled and said 'thank you' to someone, helped a friend and invited someone to play who looked like they were on their own.

Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

- 1R - Rio for enthusiastically joining in with the handwashing lesson.
- 1B - Amber for sitting on her row at the end of day.
- 1P - Shania for trying her best in all aspects of school life.
- 2CR - Logan T for fantastic work in Maths counting 1p & 2p coins.
- 2H - Michael for trying new foods at lunch.
- 2B - Aaron L for wonderful behaviour this week.
- 2HY - Jensen for always following instructions in class.
- 2C - Jacob S for helping to lead some playground games on the yard at lunchtime this week.
- 2G - Stuart for making sensible & mature choices, and trying hard joining in all his lessons.

Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Our Sixth Formers have been to Project Search to learn about their future employability pathway options. Luca said it was a great experience and said they help to teach you new skills and build your confidence through work placements & training. Another student said they offered great opportunities with a variety of employers. Jade said she was hoping to work with horses and dogs when she leaves. It's great that WSFC students have the exposure and information to aid their future goals. Thank you Project Search.

