#### Newsletter 12 Autumn 2019



#### **29 November 2019**

Gazette Education Awards

We all enjoyed celebrating the success of our Primary department at the Gazette Education Awards on Monday, hosted at Blackpool Tower when we were awarded **'Primary School of the Year 2019'** winners. Now in its 10th year, one of the many advantages of the Gazette Awards, is that it gave the whole of our school community - pupils, parents/carers, staff and Governors alike, the chance to share in the celebrations 'LIVE'.



We certainly did that in style when over 50 of us invaded the stage when the award was announced!!!! It was a great evening!

### **Sports Achievements**

The school was delighted to win the Lancashire PE **'Secondary School of the Year'** at this year's Lancashire Sports Awards. The award recognises PCA's commitment to providing pupils with opportunities to lead healthy lifestyles &



take part in competitive sports. Well done to everyone.

Also, a massive well done to the swimming team who took part in the Panathlon National Swimming



Championships in London this week. Competing in the Olympic pool certainly brought out the best in our pupils and they finished in the Bronze medal position. A fantastic achievement!

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

to **2C**, **3T** and **3W** who had **100**% attendance this week.

<u>Weekly Attendance</u> - Our whole school attendance target for 2019-20 is 96%. The average weekly attendance this week is <u>93.6%</u>

The monthly attendance for November is <u>94.6%</u>

#### Staffing Update

We have appointed a new Receptionist, Mrs Docherty, who comes to Park with a wealth of Reception / Administration experience and has previously worked at Happy Tots Nursery. Mrs Docherty has settled in so well, please say hello when you're next in school!



THE SEA VIEW

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#### <u>Christmas Tree Festival</u>

Thank you to everyone who went down to the Winter Gardens and voted for the PCA Christmas tree. I'm



delighted to announce that we WON! This is a great achievement as it is voted by the public. The school won a family ticket to watch this year's Christmas show - Horrible Christmas. The Arts Award group have donated the ticket to the Christmas Fair raffle, which is being held on Friday 6th December.

#### **Christmas Coffee Morning**

Parents & carers are invited to our annual Christmas Coffee Morning on **Friday 6th December, 10-11.30am** at Westbury Sixth Form Centre. There will be homemade Christmas gifts, cakes and a luxury raffle all in aid of Brian House, Trinity Hospice. Please come along.

# **Lower Primary**

1B thoroughly enjoyed the 'Big Switch Off' event this week. The pupils learnt about how even just the small things we do



individually can make a big difference. They sorted plastic out of things found on the beach and used recycled plastic to make beautiful artwork.

### Lower & Upper Primary Stars of the Week!

1R - Leanne for having a fantastic first week in 1R.

1B - Leland for amazing singing and signing in Nativity rehearsals.

1P - Logan A for beautiful writing.

2CR - Franklin for fantastic effort in all his work and showing support to his friends always.

2H - Leland for good talking.

2B - Connor for fantastic contributions to the 'Big Switch Off' saving our planet.

2HY - Louise for her positive attitude and perseverance in her work.

2C - Mickey for working hard and approaching all activities with a smile.

2G - Sevannah for being a brilliant member of the class, always doing her very best.

# <u>Key Stage 4</u>

Pupils in 4T have been using base ten blocks to show



how to double 2 and 3 digit numbers in Maths.

# Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

3GR - Harry for his super glitter artwork.

3T - Jasmine for having a really good week.

3W - Christina for having a great attitude & always helping.

3H - Tori-Lea for making positive choices & listening to staff.

3I - Nathan B for representing PCA in the swimming competition in London.

3S - Ged for going to London and representing our school in the swimming competition.

### **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

Thursday 19 December, 2pm - End of Autumn Term

Tuesday 7 January - Start of Spring Term

## Christmas Carol Service

Can we please make you aware that for health and safety reasons due to restricted space, we are unfortunately not able to invite parents & carers to our Carol Service this year. We will however share lots of pictures and video clips on our Twitter feed. Thank you for your understanding on this matter. *Mr Berry* 



# **Upper Primary**

2C have been writing letters to Santa this week.

They researched their favourite toys online and thought about what they have done to be on the good list this year.

The pupils then enjoyed posting their letters in the special PCA post box.

## KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

4W - Josh S and Kerrie-Louise for their outstanding sporting performances.

4B - Rebecca for being helpful towards her peers.

4A - Ryan for excellent work and effort in Art.

4T - Braden for showing he can be more mature and responsible this week.

4M - Joseph H for asking such sensible questions on the Science trip this week.

5T - Hannah for an excellent work experience placement in the PCA kitchen.

5P - Lewis C for helping with the school's Football Team.

5B - Nickayla for exceptional teamwork in Catering at Blackpool & Fylde College.

# <u>Key Stage 3</u>

3GR have been designing jigsaws in Technology.

Last week

they cut up the pieces, and this week they have been painting them with their designs.

