



The
Birkenhead Park
School

NEWSLETTER

May 2023

The latest news and initiatives from The Birkenhead Park School

New Students

Our new Year 7 students, who will be joining us in September, visited the school last term to meet our teachers and see where they will be learning next year. They also got to choose a book to take home to start them on their reading and literacy path at The Birkenhead Park School.



i-KNOW revision programme

'I have found the programme really useful. Miss Clarke has been very helpful in motivating us through our revision.'

Our Year 11 i-Know programme has been really successful this year with over 50 of our students graduating from the SILVER programme. This has shown their commitment to going over and above to revise at home. Students have now signed up for the GOLD programme in that final push to prepare for their upcoming exams. We are really proud of their achievements and know that all of their hard work will pay off when it comes to their results in the summer.



Well done to our students who have finished their GOLD and earned a free Prom ticket!

Duke of Edinburgh Club

DofE club have been working hard after school, completing a range of activities, including first aid which was a popular session! They learned to complete basic first aid including bandaging wounds and injuries, and CPR.

We are looking forward to our expedition date in June.



Ambition **AND EXCELLENCE FOR ALL**

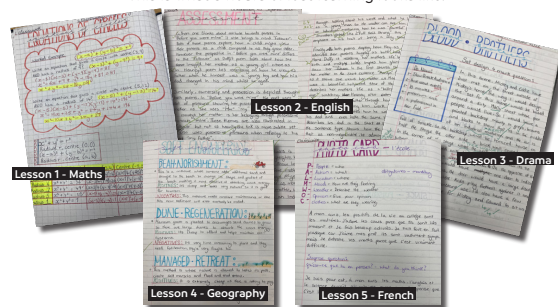
! Attendance Matters

The Birkenhead Park School is committed to ensuring that our students make the best progress they are capable of, therefore good attendance is essential.

For every day they are absent, they will miss 5 hours of learning, so we ask parents/carers to help us ensure our students attend every lesson, every day and on time.

! ATTENDANCE MATTERS !

1 day's absence = 5 hours of lost learning
This is what 5 hours of lost learning looks like:



Here Everyday Ready On time



Theatre Trips

Our Year 10 and 11 students visited the Empire Theatre in Liverpool to watch J.B. Priestly's classic thriller 'An Inspector Calls'. Watching live theatre is always an amazing experience, and all of our students clearly loved their night out.



Denmark's Kontiki School visit

We welcomed staff and students from the Kontiki school in Hillerød, Denmark, which is one of our partner schools. Each student was partnered with a 'BPS Buddy' for the duration of their stay and attended lessons with them, to introduce them to the English school experience. Everyone hugely enjoyed their visit.



Coronation Tea Party

We celebrated the King's Coronation with a splendid tea party - cakes, sandwiches, sausage rolls and our very own crowns! Students had a great time, and we hope everyone had a fantastic celebration over the Bank Holiday weekend.



TRFC & Merseyside Police Prevention Training

We have collaborated with Tranmere Rovers in the Community and Merseyside Police to both train and teach our Year 9 students about crime prevention, discussing matters on county lines, domestic violence and relationships through practical football workshops and classroom activities. This has been so successful and popular with our students, that we have expanded it to include Year 7 students.



▶▶ Looking ahead...

Events to look forward to:

- Anthony Walker Foundation talk
- Blackpool trip for Years 7-10 who meet criteria of 95% attendance and exceptional behaviour/school values (from 27th April)
- Year 9 and 10 Girls in Construction at Wirral Met College
- Year 7 TFRC and Merseyside Police Crime Prevention Talks
- Year 10 Girls in Maths
- Exams and interventions as our students take steps towards their futures

CAREERS SECTION!

Future Fridays

Peter Russell from Russell Taylor Construction has visited the school twice to talk to our students about a career in construction. Our students really appreciated the talk from Peter, with many contacting him afterwards to ask more questions about working in the industry. We are looking forward to talks from Airbus, Unilever and the Civil Service in the future.



Termly Online Safety Advice

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Oversharing

Children and young people can sometimes feel pressure to overshare online. Remind them that they shouldn't share private things, such as:

- personal information
- live or frequent locations
- other people's personal information
- links to join private group chats
- photos of themselves
- photos of their body, such as sexual photos or videos

Explain to your child that, if someone starts asking them other questions, or suggests that they speak on a different messaging platform, then they should come and tell you.