



# PARENT BULLETIN

## 13 May - 17 May 2019: Week 2



### Whole School Messages

Every Wednesday the Achievement team offer a drop in service at the Asda cafe in Chorley. Please feel free to pop in to meet with one of us, should you have a concern or worry you may wish to discuss.

School Nurse Drop-In available every Thursday 1.00 pm - 2.30 pm.

Click [here](#) to see a flier from the Parenting Team at Virgin Care Limited regarding a free 6-week course entitled *Surviving Teenagers* at Woodlands in Chorley.

**PARKLANDS CHILLI AND QUIZ!**

Parents, carers and friends of Parklands High School come and

Take part in the Parklands vs Parents curry and quiz night  
in aid of Alder Hey Hospital.

*Friday 24th May 2019 7.30 - 10pm*

We have a vegetarian option available too.

It is £5 a person with a cash prize for the winning team and who will win overall on the night Parklands or Parents?

Get a team of **no more than 6** together and send in your reply slip. If you are happy to put into a random team just bring back your reply slip and we will ensure you are added to a team.

On this evening you can also bring your own refreshments, this includes alcohol/non alcoholic drinks and snacks.

Click [here](#) for May's music tuition timetables.

The local authority are striving to improve their services and have invited all parents of children with special educational needs to give feedback on the provision, therefore please can parents of pupils who have SEND support complete the survey for the local authority via this [link](#).

Many thanks  
Ms Williams SENCo

The latest **ACHIEVEMENT NEWS** can be viewed [here](#)!

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Duke of Edinburgh parents: the next session is Saturday 18th May 2019, meet before 9am at Rivington Primary school, you can park along Horrobin Lane (the road in-between the reservoir). Pupils should be in walking boots not trainers, they will require drinks and snacks but no other equipment. If your child CANNOT attend please email [ngreaves@parklandsacademy.co.uk](mailto:ngreaves@parklandsacademy.co.uk). Please note this is part of your child's training for the expeditions to ensure that they are in the best position possible to achieve the Bronze award. They should also be well on to completing their 3 sections; failure to complete the sections as mentioned in the original letter will mean they cannot do the expedition. The pupils are all aware of this.

**Stagecoach buses proposed strike action** - Strikes on certain services may result in reduced staff numbers and a reduction in service frequency. Since this will be taking place during the GCSE exams we advise parents/students to consider this in planning travel, particularly the 109 and 125 services on the 14th May. This link has more information:

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/merseyside-and-south-lancashire/potential-strike-action>

Eco Focus Week 13th-17th May: Please be aware that there will be various activities next week especially in form time and around the canteen area. Our Eco champions will also have a stall on Thursday lunchtime. In form these will include; information, discussion, making eco bricks and house challenges. All teachers have been challenged to deliver a carbon neutral lesson next week...they will not be able to use electricity or photocopying resources. We will be challenging school to keep all lights switched off where possible. In the canteen, it is **Meat Free Monday** (menu on Facebook and Instagram). We are also dispensing of disposable cutlery and encouraging students to use plates with metal cutlery. Our 'Litter Champions' will also be visible around school at lunchtime picking up litter. Looking forward, we will be adding more water fountains around school and removing the (single-use plastic) vending machines. Where possible, please encourage your child to walk to school or use public transport. If we all help with the little things then together we will make a big difference. Please check out our Eco Instagram page *parklandseco* for lots of info about Eco issues today.

## Year 7 Messages

Click [here](#) for the timetable of the Year 7 to Year 10 end of year exams.

BfL reports were issued on Thursday. Huge congratulations go to the following pupils for continuing to achieve the perfect 3 since September! **Isobel Ashworth, Tegan McKeever, Verity Robathan, Anna Lee, Evie Roby, Laura Cocker, Lewis Elliott, Jasmine Beech, Mia Goodhew, Catherine Moyano-Taylor and Lily Westland.**

There are a further 38 pupils who have improved their BfL to achieve a perfect 3 this time, which is wonderful news! They are: **Derin Akgun, Jack Ashton, Jonny Barker, Skyla Betteridge, Abbie Bond, Sophie Cassidy, Eve Chadwick, Zoe Curtis, Luke Despard, Kara Dutson, Katherine Green, Charlie Harrison, Alannah Hatton, Oscar Hesketh, Lucy Horrocks, Charlotte Howarth, Abi Lang, Grace Lavery, Bethany Mackrael, Jazmin Miah, Charles Newman, Mohammed Noor, Claudia O'Neill, Lola Peel, Adam Pickering, Harvey Pomfret, Lily Roberts, Emily Stacey, Ellie Taylor, Abbie Thompson, Jasmine Thompson, Olivia Thompson, Aaliyah Townsend, Maisie Tune, Martha Wiggans, Hannah Williams, Bert Xu, Francesca Yates.**

The year 7 cricket match versus Archbishop Temple is taking place on Tuesday 14th May at Archbishop Temple High School, Preston. Pupils will be back at Parklands at approximately 5:00pm.

### **Language learning magazines for students to boost skills and grades**

Dear parents,

At Parklands High School, we always find that students learning languages engage more and perform more strongly in exams when they study topics that they want to watch, listen to or talk and write about. Students currently in Year 7 that study Spanish will continue studying the language in Year 8. As a result, we are happy to recommend Mary Glasgow Magazines for students learning Spanish

Packed with great vocabulary, comprehension and grammar tips, Mary Glasgow Magazines are vibrant, colourful and will engage teens at the exact level of the language they are learning, with topics that they'll love including school life, technology, friends, culture, sport, music, the environment and much more.

An annual subscription to Mary Glasgow Magazines costs just £9.50 and includes five printed issues (delivered to the school throughout the year) plus unlimited access to video, audio and online activities.

**We recommend the following magazines for your child:**

**Spanish: ¿Qué Tal?**

If you wish to place an order, please visit [www.maryglasgowplus.com/orders](http://www.maryglasgowplus.com/orders). Search for our school and then the group order name Mrs Wilkinson and you'll be able to browse magazines and pay online for your subscriptions.

**Please note that the closing date for ordering is 1st June 2019.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Wilkinson

## Year 8 Messages

Click [here](#) for the timetable of the Year 7 to Year 10 end of year exams.

BfL reports were issued on Thursday. Huge congratulations go to the following pupils for continuing to achieve the perfect 3 since September! **Riahanna Abukarsh, Ashleigh-Paige Cross, Eadie Gosling, Sarah Gratton, Mariam Hassouna, Ruby Johnson, Scarlett Kellett, Hannah Lane, Harry Locke, Willow Lowther, Philipa Marshall-Smith, Tyler Moroz, Delta Moss, Aimee Scarff, Milly Scott and Jack Walters.**

A further 10 pupils have improved their BfL to achieve a perfect 3 this time. Well done to the following: **Talya Arda, Megan Ashworth, Ruby Blacklidge, Ashton Cooper, Josie Delve, Freddie Forshaw, Jaydon Griffiths, Shannon Hampson, Finn Harty and Ellen Sawyer.**

## Year 9 Messages

Click [here](#) for the timetable of the Year 7 to Year 10 end of year exams.

## Year 10 Messages

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Work Experience reminder: please ensure that your child has downloaded the Connect Placement Manager app. There are a number of opportunities available if your child is struggling to find a placement - everything from dog grooming to supermarkets, hairdressing to tyre fitting! Please see Miss Berry to discuss any of the placements on offer. Deadline is rapidly approaching ...

## Year 11 Messages

**Year 11 Revision Room** - is now open every evening from 3-4pm. It is a quiet, supervised space where students can work on any subject with access to computers, equipment etc. Revision sessions for all subjects, this year, require that students come prepared having attempted practice questions or specific tasks in advance. This is a perfect time and place in which to complete this work.

GCSE exams start this week. Click [here](#) for details of the exams and when masterclasses and after-school revision sessions are scheduled. This will be placed on the school's website under Parents/GCSE Exams.

## Careers

Career of the Week is Environmental Consultant - links to Eco Focus week and reflecting our involvement in an environmental competition run by the EDT, which will result in a number of Year 8s being awarded Bronze Industrial Cadet honours.

## Apprenticeship Notifications

A number of apprenticeships available this week: Engineering, Optical, Traffic Telecoms, Printing, Admin, Vet assistant - more details from Miss Berry (top office)