



# Park Community Academy



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**Congratulations** to Mrs Parr and her husband Andy who were married during the Christmas holidays.

The happy couple had a wonderful Winter wedding day, and we wish them a long and prosperous life together!



**KS1&2 Christmas Production DVDs** are now available from reception for a small voluntary donation.

## Key Stage 2

A new Science topic is animals. This week, 2H have been learning about parts of a bird and their functions.



They also made some fluffy birds of their own!



## Key Stage 1

1R celebrated Khaleesi and Logan H's birthdays this week, and learnt about different ways we celebrate birthdays. They celebrated by wearing party hats, singing Happy Birthday and eating cake. One of the birthdays was extra special... it was PCA's first '4th birthday' for one of the nursery pupils.



**Schools Alive** - the PCA Brass Band and Dance Troop are performing at Schools Alive at The Grand Theatre on **Monday 5th February, 7pm** and BASSO are performing on **Tuesday 6th February, 7pm**. Tickets are available from The Grand Theatre box office.

## The Best Class Attendance of the Week

### CONGRATULATIONS

to 1R, 2G, 2C, 3T, 3W and 4M who had 100% attendance this week

**Weekly Attendance** - Our whole school attendance target for 2017-18 is 95.5%. The average weekly attendance this week is 95.6%



## KS1 & 2 Stars of the Week!

1R - Bentley for independently writing his name.

1H - Kenzie for settling into his new class and working hard with his reading.

2B - Connor, Laiba and Grace for settling in so well to their new classroom after moving from Lower Primary.

2HY - William, Samuel and Louise for a fantastic week settling into 2HY.

2H - Mason for a great first week on transport and great dancing in Music and Drama.

2N - Daniel for making a big improvement in his spellings and also moving up a level on his reading books.

2C - Sophie for using full stops when writing independently in our Topic lesson.

2G - Aaron for retaining information and much improved spelling and reading levels.

## Sign of the Week

A warm welcome to our new friends who have started at PCA this week.



**Key Stage 3** - Computing and Computer Science is introduced to children at Park using a coding package called 'Espresso Coding'. This term, our KS3 pupils will be creating simple games using Espresso Coding. There are 70+ step-by step lessons and tablet-friendly activities for pupils to create apps and games.

Pupils have been given open-ended challenges and their results can be accessed for all to see on the website gallery <http://www.espressocoding.co.uk> **username: student34542, password: park42.**



Congratulations to Dhruv who was selected by the Blackpool FC Community Trust sports leaders as 'Player of the Week' at after school Football Club... this was the first time he attended!

### Playground PALS

KS3 have been learning all about sports leadership and they got a thumbs up from KS2 pupils this week as they supported them



during lunchtime play. The PALS led some fantastic games and activities which encouraged inclusivity. KS2 are looking forward to seeing what other exciting

games they have in store this term.



### Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

3S - Dhruv for being 'Player of the Week' at after school Football Club.

3W - Ryan and Liam for settling well into 3W.

3T - Charlie M for great phonics work on Education City.

3I - Lexi for great dancing in 'Move It Groove It'.

3J - Jack for trying really hard and encouraging his classmates in PE.

3H - Charlie B for significant improvement in her observational drawing.

### KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

4M - Kieran for an excellent start to the new term.

4B - Adam for being super enthusiastic about a Shakespearean project he is going to be involved in.

4T - Reece for coming back with a positive attitude and having an input in all his lessons.

4BI - Shannon for excellent peer support this week and for a very positive attitude at the start of 2018. She also has a fab new haircut!!!

5S - Luca for overcoming anxieties on his work experience placement at Nibbles Cafe.

5J - Solomon for coming back for the new term with a positive attitude especially towards his work placement at a bike shop.

### Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

On Thursday evening, Year 12 students attended the Duke of Edinburgh



awards ceremony at Blackpool Sixth Form. They were presented with their Bronze award by English cruiserweight boxing champion, Matthew Askin. The students were a credit to themselves as they shared their thoughts and experiences during their D of E camping expedition with the audience.

### Key Stage 4

In Construction, Year 11 pupils are completing painting the frames for the trays they have made at college. The base of the tray will be a design of their choice.



### Dates for your Diary

**Friday 9 February** - School closes for half term

**Monday 19 February** - School re-opens after half term

**Tuesday 20 - Friday 23 February** - KS4 Bendrigg residential

**Friday 23 March** - School closes for Easter

**Monday 9 April** - Start of Summer Term