



Park Community Academy



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Key Stage 1

Something exciting happened in 1R today... a special delivery from the North Pole arrived in class containing a magic elf! Santa Claus wrote the children a letter explaining that the elf will be watching them until Christmas

and telling Santa whether they have been good. Santa also warned that the elf can be a bit cheeky so keep your eyes peeled on 1R's blog to see what mischief the elf gets up to!

'Golden Days' Song - please vote today!

'Golden Days' has been shortlisted for the Last Choir Singing Songwriting Contest 2017/18. Please vote on the link <http://lastchoirsinging.co.uk/song-contest/> - the vote closes today!

KS1 & 2 Stars of the Week!

1R - Lacey for improved toileting skills.

1H - Leland for his determination to write the letter 'L' at the start of his name.

2B - Scott for trying really hard in Nativity rehearsals this week.

2HY - Jensen for understanding what an adjective is and using adjectives in his sentences.

2H - Mason for writing a whole story independently.

2N - Mickey for answering questions in class.

2C - Elisha for settling in brilliantly during her first week at PCA.

2G - Aaron L for being really kind and looking after a new boy in our class.

The Best Class Attendance of the Week CONGRATULATIONS



to 3S, 3I, 3T and 4B 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 **93.9%**

The monthly attendance for November is 95.1%

Christmas Tree Exhibition - A special thank you to all those who visited the Winter Gardens and supported the school. **WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT PCA WON THE BEST CHRISTMAS TREE 2017 IN THE SCHOOL CATEGORY!** We won a family ticket to see Peter Pan, which we have donated to the Christmas Fayre raffle.

PCA Brass Band - The PCA Brass Band gave their first two Christmas Concerts of the festive season this week. They performed at Revue Christmas Tree Lights Switch On on Monday, and at the Cliffs Hotel



on Tuesday for a Rotary charity Christmas fundraising event.

PCA Christmas Fayre - Key Stage 4 & 5 pupils will be hosting a Christmas Fayre in aid of **Trinity Hospice** on **Tuesday 5th December, 10am** at Westbury Sixth Form Centre. There will be a grand raffle with a bumper Christmas hamper as first prize and lots of other prizes. Please come along and support this very special event!

Key Stage 2

2G were fortunate enough to visit the Christmas Tree exhibition at the Winter Gardens, and of course vote for the PCA Pom-Pom Tree. They also got to meet Father Christmas! When they got back to school they wrote Christmas cards to their friends in South Korea and

looked at all the presents they had sent to PCA.



Blackpool Council Winter Family Guide 2017 - gives information on a range of Christmas activities across the town, and can be accessed at www.fyidirectory.co.uk or via the PCA website.

Football Fixtures - 18 pupils from across the school took part in the latest round of football fixtures in the Lancashire Special School's League held in Blackburn on Wednesday. All of the pupils played their games in a fantastic spirit!

A special mention to Lexi for scoring her first goal for the girls team!!!!



Autism Friendly Cinema Screenings - the Odeon and Vue cinemas host Autism friendly film screenings every month. The December screenings are: **Sunday 10th December, 10.15am at the Odeon for Paddington 2**, and **Sunday 24th December, 10.15am at the Vue for Paw Patrol: Big Screen Tails**.

Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

- 3S - Dhruv for settling in so well into his new class.
- 3W - Nathan for independently learning his spellings without being reminded.
- 3T - Alwin for trying his best to work independently.
- 3I - Olivia for singing the weather song in French.
- 3J - Megan for always being a great anti-bullying ambassador.
- 3H - Samuel for consistent good effort and behaviour.

Vote for TramShed Theatre Company

Please vote for Tramshed to receive funding from the Aviva Community Fund by following the link <https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-1503>. The link can also be accessed on PCA's Twitter page @ParkSchoolBPL.

Dates for your Diary

- Tuesday 5 December, 10am** - Christmas Fayre
- Thursday 14 December, 1.30pm** - Classes 1R, 1H and 2B Lower Primary Christmas Nativity
- Friday 15 December, 1.30pm** - Classes 2HY, 2H, 2N, 2C and 2G Upper Primary Christmas Production 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits'
- Friday 15 & Saturday 16 December** - Tramshed proudly presents 'COLOUR MY WORLD' at Blackpool 6th Theatre
- Wednesday 20 December** - Whole School Christmas Dinner for children and staff (more information to follow)
- Thursday 21 December, 10am** - Christmas Carol Service (parents/carers invited)
- Thursday 21 December, 2pm** - End of Autumn Term
- Tuesday 9 January** - Start of Spring Term

Key Stage 3

Technology Club have been working hard to complete their own unique bird boxes. They have learnt lots of design skills such as planning, measuring and construction, using different tools including a hammer and coping saw.



The bird boxes will be ready in time for Christmas and will make a lovely present for someone.

Key Stage 4

Gardening Club have been busy planting lettuce and spring onion seeds in the polytunnel - we are hoping for a harvest in Spring.

They have also done a great job of tidying up the School gardens for Winter.

Well done everyone!



KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

- 4M - Katie for being a superstar all week.
- 4B - Robert for having an excellent attitude to learning over the last two weeks.
- 4T - Reece C for his punctuality and a much improved attitude this week.
- 4BI - Courtney for excellent peer tutoring of classmates as to how to complete an application form.
- 5S - Chloe for an excellent work experience placement with the Office staff, and for taking part in the winning Football team at Blackburn on Wednesday.
- 5J - Damian for excellent attitude and achievement at Blackpool and the Fylde College during plumbing.

Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

David has been designing logos for potential future business ideas, as part of his work with Blackpool Football Club. The students learnt how important logos are as a business brand, as that's how people recognise them.

