



# Park Community Academy



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## It's been a busy and festive week at PCA!

Pupils have had a fun filled 4 days of Christmas activities, including a trip to the Tower Circus to watch the Christmas Pantomime. A big thank you to the kitchen and welfare staff who prepared a scrumptious Christmas dinner for the whole school on Wednesday, whilst the Sixth Form students had a carvery at The Squirrel pub. We have finished the week with our traditional Carol Service - PCA style! With something for everyone. **From all the pupils and staff at PCA, we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year!**



## Key Stage 1&2 Party

On Monday, Key Stage 1&2 pupils had lots of fun at their Christmas party. They had a visit from Santa, a disco and played party games.

Thank you to all the parents/carers for their donations of party food.



## There is a Christmas wedding at PCA this year!

We would like to wish Miss Brown and her husband to be, Andy, our very best wishes for their forthcoming wedding during the Christmas holidays. The children gave Miss Brown a lovely send off in our Carol Service today, and on her return in January, will be known as Mrs Parr.



## PE and Artsmark Award

To mark the end of a very busy term, we were delighted to receive 2 highly prestigious awards last week. For the 3rd time, we have been accredited AFPE Quality Mark Distinction in PE & Sport. Having previously had Gold Artsmark Award standard, we were proud to have our high level performance in the Arts & Cultural Education endorsed by Arts Council England, and have been awarded -



**ARTSMARK PLATINUM STANDARD.**



## KS1 & 2 Stars of the Week!

- 1R - The whole of 1R for all their hard work this term.
- 1H - All of 1H for the effort and progress they have made this term.
- 2B - William, Sam and Louise for being fantastic during their time in class 2B. Good luck in your new classes.
- 2HY - Alexis for always trying her best and working hard.
- 2H - Liam for fantastic singing on the microphone in the play.
- 2N - Ruby for being an absolute superstar ALL the time.
- 2C - Jamie-Lee for trying hard to improve his behaviour at home and at school.
- 2G - Stann for getting into the Christmas spirit and trying new food.

## The Best Class Attendance of the Week

### CONGRATULATIONS



to 1R, 2B, 2N and 3I 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 **94.9%**

The monthly attendance for December is **94.6%**

**We have all got to work hard to improve our attendance in the Spring Term.**

### Key Stage 3&4

The Secondary Christmas disco gave the senior pupils the opportunity to show their latest moves on the dancefloor.



We had a new DJ 'in the house' with Miss G taking over the prestigious position and spinning the decks!



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

3S - Tyler P for helping his friends with their Christmas crafts.

3W - Scott for being really thoughtful and kind towards others.

3T - Kerrie-Louise for completing her independent travel training.

3I - Alicia for her good behaviour all term.

3J - Kristen for putting 100% effort into all the Christmas activities this week.

3H - Aiden for being a valued member of the class.

**PCA Band** - On Monday, the PCA band played at the Independent Living Centre to an audience of young people and adults. In the audience were numerous past pupils, including Ellie and Liam who were previous members of the band.



### Dates for your Diary

**Tuesday 9 January** - Start of Spring Term 2018 (please note the school is closed to pupils on Monday 8 January)

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

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

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

### Key Stage 3

Pupils in Art this week have been learning how to make 3D snowflakes using some origami techniques. Well done to Kieran (3T) who put in some extra effort during break time and lunch to get his finished!



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

4M - Marco for being responsible and helping his classmates and teachers.

4B - Lewis B for his dedication to the school band over Christmas.

4T - Brandan for using lovely manners whilst representing PCA at the Tower Circus.

4BI - All of 4BI for their effort and enthusiasm towards learning this half term.

5S - Jess for great work this week and having a great attitude to all aspects of life as a 6th former.

5J - Sophie for helping her friends and trying her best this week.

### Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

Here are the Sixth Form choir practising their song 'Rockin around the Christmas Tree', accompanied by Mr Shanagher on his guitar, ready for the Carol Concert today.



### THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Helen from Style Studio Hairdressers who very kindly has donated her guitar and guitar book to PCA music department for Christmas. Several pupils are very keen on learning how to play it.