



Park Community Academy



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Blackpool Council SEND Home to School Transport Consultation Process - As you will be aware the Local Authority are currently carrying out a transport consultation in relation to free home to school transport for pupils with Special Educational Needs. This is necessary because of the ongoing challenge of significant central government funding cuts to local Councils, such as Blackpool. All parents who currently receive transport will have received further information direct from Blackpool Council. To support the consultation process we will be hosting an open meeting for the parents/carers of pupils at PCA in the school hall on **Monday 15th May at 4.30pm**. Kim Wood, Integrated Commissioning Manager and Lynne Rowbottom, Transport Manager for Blackpool Council will lead the meeting. School staff and Governors will also be in attendance. This is an important opportunity to express your views on how home to school transport will operate in the future.

Key Stage 1 - In 1R this week, they have been learning about farm animals and enjoyed playing animal 'I spy' in the sensory room.



They have also talked about which farm animal is their favourite and why... Connor likes the chickens because they lay eggs, and Jake likes the cows because they eat grass. With a little help, they even wrote out their answers!

Afternoon Tea and Entertainment - Disability First invite you to the Nibbles Cafe on Friday 12th May at 1.30-3pm. There will be sandwiches, cakes and refreshments with the star cabaret singer, Jason Oliver. Tickets are £6, and are available from Blackpool Centre for Independent Living on Whitegate Drive (01253 476878).

The Best Class Attendance of the Week CONGRATULATIONS



to 3I and 3B who had 100% attendance this week.

Weekly Attendance - Our whole school attendance target for 2015-16 is 95%. The average weekly attendance this week is **95.6%**

The monthly attendance for April is **94.5%**

Key Stage 2

In Maths this week, KS2 pupils have been exploring measuring length. They have learned about



using 'tall' and 'short' to describe length, and used their hands and unifix cubes to measure how tall things are. Here are their Stick Men that they made after listening to the story. They compared their length to put them in order from the tallest Stick Man to the shortest.

Also, 2H have been settling in to their new topic all about the Seaside. They have discovered objects they might find in the sand, played in the water and purchased souvenirs from the class shop!



KS1 & 2 Stars of the Week!

- 1R - Kelsey for an excellent start to toilet training and eating new foods.
- 1H - Zahra for writing her name for the first time.
- 2H - Aiden for counting and matching objects to 20 in Maths.
- 2ST - Monty for always trying his best and having a smile on his face.
- 2N - Stann for fantastic independent writing in English.
- 2S - Jessica for asking us to listen to her read in school.
- 2G - Dylan for a mature attitude to life and improved reading and spelling.

THANK YOU!

Thanks to Joshua (2G) and his family for donating a microscope kit to school.



Key Stage 3

In Art, KS3 pupils have been using different techniques to create an 'Under the Sea' masterpiece.



They have used marbling for colour and sand for texture.

Key Stage 4

4JA have been busy this week making large scale dragon eye models using paper mache, modroc and wire. They had to research



and plan their design before making the final product. They are beginning to add the base colour before the detail is added.

We can't wait to see the finished product!

KS4/5 'Achiever of the Week'

4JA - Jack and Joshua for their hard work completing their long stories in English.

4J - Liam M for being a top lad and always trying his best.

4B - Anthony for doing well in his entry level PE practical examination.

5S - Damian for excellent work experience placement as a Site Supervisor Assistant.

5C - Callum for an excellent attitude to his work experience placement with the Site Manager and Site Supervisor.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 28 April - School closes for Bank Holiday Monday

Monday 1 May - School Closed (Bank Holiday)

Tuesday 2 May - School re-opens

Friday 26 May - School closes for half term

Monday 5 June - School re-opens after half term

Monday 19 June, 6pm - Celebration Evening

Monday 26 June, 7pm - Year 11 Prom, The Cliffs

Friday 30 June, 10am - Year 11 Leavers Assembly

Tuesday 4 July, 4-7pm - Summer Term Parents Evening

Thursday 13 July, 6pm - KS3&4 Summer Production

Friday 21 July - School closes for the end of Summer Term

Key Stage 3 'Achiever of the Week'

3T - Kaiyl for persistently good work in Art.

3M - Chloe C for being such a good friend.

3I - Charlie B for getting it right in school.

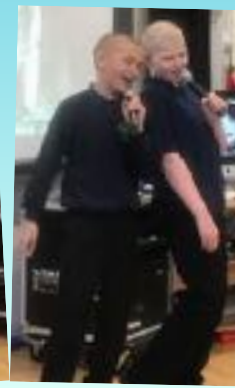
3F - Chloe M for coping incredibly well with changes in her classroom.

3TE - Jamie H for being a great friend.

3B - Bobby-Leigh for moving up a reading level and for putting lots of effort into her school work.

Arts Award

Key Stage 2 had an Arts Award assembly this week to celebrate all of the fabulous activities our pupils have taken part in this year. Our Year 6 pupils shared their favourite memories of the year, while the audience watched some of the animations they have produced.



Dylan and Connor also performed a lovely song.

Sign(s) of the Week

As we begin a new month, here are the signs for finish and begin.



Key Stage 5 (WSFC)

As part of sport and leisure, KS5 pupils are learning golf at North Shore Golf Club under the tutelage of Charlie, the assistant professional.



Also, here are 5C litter picking at Stanley Park as part of their voluntary work.