

# Parents@Park

# The story so far: May 2023

As the sun shines down on us to bring the half term to a close (and I am told is set to remain for the week ahead!), this week's Parents@Park provides us with an opportunity to bring our parents up to speed with recent feedback from our students and on on our journey through this school year.

The recent analysis of the Pennine Trust student survey revealed that **overwhelmingly our students feel safe in school**. Our number one priority.

Availability of staff during social times, toilet queue busting staff and monitoring of the toilets to ensure they remain used for the primary use and not as a social meeting point (!) have all had a positive impact in school. Many many students have thanked staff for helping reduce the wait times during break and lunches. In addition, the much talked about clocks have helped students to be in the right place at the right time and the beloved one way corridor systems are now well embedded and (almost) a habit for students .... even when not reminded by staff! Pace and Purpose is a frequently used phrase - students love that phrase ...!



Analysis of the feedback also revealed that **students know what to do and who to go to if they have a problem** - again contributing to them feeling safe. The channels of support are repeatedly communicated to all to ensure they know who to turn to for advice and guidance.



Students also fed back that **school encourages an awareness of emotional health and mental well being** and works hard to **maintain the profile of wellbeing**. Again for the majority of students completing the questionnaire, they also identified that they are **encouraged to develop resilience**.

The recent **expansion of our well being team and number of trained counsellors on site** has, without doubt, enabled **early identification and early help** for our students and families in need of

support. The wellbeing team are now established members of our school community and help so many to be able to access their learning with ease, regulated control and confidence.



Their impact has been recognised by our students, who whether in need of the help or not, appreciate the impact it can have on so many members of our school community.

Perhaps one of the most pleasing pieces of feedback from the questionnaire was the **students recognition** and **appreciation** of our Trust value Respect and indeed their awareness all three values: Collaboration, Ambition and Respect. Students reported that school encourages them to respect people from all backgrounds and to treat everyone equally.

Our Intrinsic PD programme is built around the Trust values and current affairs and our assembly themes reinforces both the content of the PD programme and our values.

Deliberate practice of our rules, routines and expectations ensure our students know what's expected of them and are given the foundations to excel in all areas.

Ambition. Collaboration. Respect.

#### **Year 11 GCSEs**

- This is a reminder that our Year 11 lesson timetable will be running throughout the exam period. When students are not in exams **important lessons are taking place**. It is essential that students are in school for these lessons for final revision sessions.
- Maths, English, Science, Geography and History lessons all take place in an afternoon and all these subjects have examinations in the final weeks. It is vital that students attend these lessons.
- This year the morning examination sessions are very busy and most days students are in the exam hall (timetable attached).

## Year 11 final two weeks of GCSE exams

DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON	
HALF TERM			
Mon 5 June		French F p4 1hr 15min	
	English Language p1 1hrs 45min	French H p4 1hr 20min	
Tues 6 June			
Wed 7 June	Maths p2 F & H 1hr 30min	History p2 1hr 45min	
Thurs 8 June			
Fri 9 June		Biology p2 F & H 1hr 4min	
	Geography p2 1hr 30min	Trilogy Biology p2 F & H 1hr 15mir	
Mon 12 June	English Language p2 2hrs	555555	
Tues 13 June	Chemistry p2 F & H 1hr 45min		
	Trilogy Chemistry p2 F & H 1hr 15min		
Wed 14 June	Maths p3 F & H 1hr 30min	Music 1hr 30min	
Thur 15 June	History p3 1hr 20min		
Fri 16 June	Physics p2 F & H 1hr 45min	Geography p3 1hr 15min	
	Trilogy Physics p2 F & H 1hr 15min		
Mon 19 June	LEAVERS ASSEMBLY		
Tues 20 June	Food Prep & Nutrition 1hr 45min		

It is important that Year 11 use this half term to **Rest** and **Recharge** for the final two weeks of **lessons** and **GCSE** examinations after half term. We have spoken to them about the importance of **resting**. **sleeping**, **being** healthy and **revising** to be fully prepared.

Besides the revision resources that students have with them each teacher has uploaded resources into their **Microsoft Team.** 

If students would prefer to study in school there are revision sessions taking place next week



Tues GJA Physics 9.30am—12.00pm

Weds JRW Food 10.00am-1.00pm

Fri SAN LHO ECH RHO English 10.00am – 12.00pm

LDE English 9.00am - 12.00pm

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## Year 10 mock exam timetable

DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Mon 5 June		
Tues 6 June	MOCK - English Literature 1	MOCK - Biology 1
Wed 7 June		
Thurs 8 June	MOCK - English Language 1	MOCK - Maths 2
Fri 9 June		
Mon 12 June		MOCK - History/Geog P,French B
Tues 13 June		MOCK - Chemistry 1
Wed 14 June		
Thur 15 June		MOCK - Maths 3
Fri 16 June		
Mon 19 June		MOCK - French P, His/Geog B, Op
Tues 20 June		MOCK - Physics 1
Weds 21st June	MOCK - Option 1	i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i
Thurs 22 June	MOCK - French L&R	

## **Notices**

# Attendance Update for Absences

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new "Attendance Text Service".

This system will make it easier for you to notify school when you child is absent, and for school to notify parents if their child has been marked absent from school.

From **5th June 2023** if your child is absent from school, you will be able to notify us via text message on **07860 054 530**.

When sending a message to this number please state

- · Your Child's full name
- Form group
- · Reasons for absences

If you prefer to speak to someone about your child's absence you can still call the attendance team on 01282 865 200 (option 1)

Please note the attendance email inbox [attendance@parkhigh.co.uk] is for parents to send medical evidence/ appointment evidence not for notifying school of absences. From 5th June 2023 if you email child absences to this address this may not be picked up.



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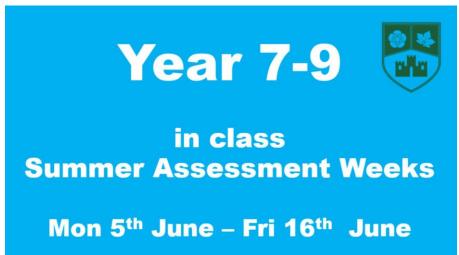
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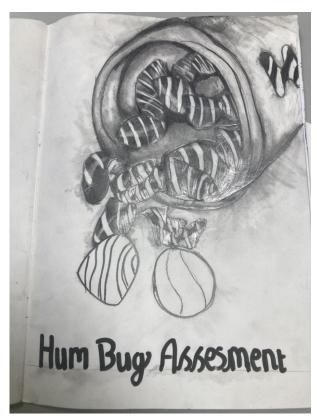
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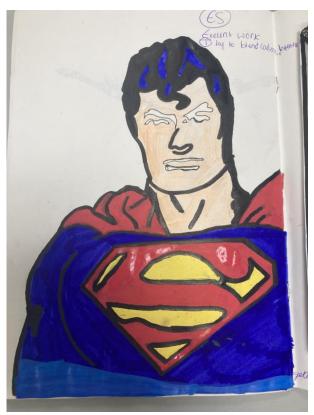




## **Amazing Art**

Mrs Eulert was blown away on a recent learning walk around school this week - the engagement in KS3 Art was exceptional and students were so eager to share their work. Proud students!







## The Sanctuary@Park

Mrs Bebe, a member of our SEND and support team shares an update on the Sanctuary - a quiet space away from the hustle and bustle for some of our students to reflect, regain composure and take some time out:

"Pupils of the SEND department and pupils on the ASDAN Gardening Course have been working hard over the past couple of weeks getting 'The Sanctuary' ready for the summer month. Garden maintenance has included lots of weeding, planting, sweeping, raking and sowing of grass seeds. Different areas of the garden are being transformed into attractive habitats for wildlife. The pupils have made their own fat balls to attract more birds to the garden. If you listen closely, a lovely jingle can be heard as pupil-made windchimes sing in the breeze. The pupils have explored using upcycled materials as planters including an old toilet! The allotment area is starting to take shape! The pupils' green fingers are being put to the test as they wait in anticipation for potatoes, strawberries and carrots to grow. They have also sown their own sunflowers, nasturtium, lupin and cosmos seeds in Learning Support's greenhouse! We will be self sufficient in fruit and veg in no time... watch this space!

















## **Gold Leaders: Golf**

8 Year 8 and 9 pupils went to The prairie in Burnley on Thursday to take part in an hour of golf leader training. They were each given a different activity to set up and organise, that they then had to teach to the primary pupils. After the initial training, competition time meant the pupils and the leaders could showcase their new skills. The leaders all loved learning a new activity and showed their excellent leadership skills making it a fun and successful competition for all the primary schools involved.

Well done to Hannah Beebe, Phoebe Law, Lottie Hesketh, Imogen Taylor, Maisie Warren-Beck, Jessica Oldham, Max Belshaw and Alfie Hartley.



#### **Travels around the Trust**

## **Tag Rugby Tournament**

Park Primary, Blacko, Coates Lane and Trawden all brought teams to Park this week for a primary Tag tournament. The weather was beautiful and all the primary pupils were warmed up ready to play by fantastic leaders; Megan Wheeler, Ruby Terry, Jessica Oldham and Hannah Beebe.

Trawden and Blacko were the strongest teams and battled it out to come joint winners. Park primary and Coates Lane showed amazing improvement throughout each game and were helped along by Hannah and Ruby! It was great to see so many primary pupils involved and so many parents there to support. The sports leaders were again recognised for being so knowledgable, helpful and all round super stars!



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