



COLNE PARK
HIGH SCHOOL



Parents@Park

December has joined us as has Paul the Elf. Students are now on the look out for Paul who manages to find some super hiding places around school site!

Last week, **Parents@Park** made reference to our focus on helping students to understand the best ways in which their brains can retain learning and our daily lesson by lesson **recall and retrieval practice**. In addition to supporting knowledge retention, we are just about to fully launch the expectations of our Prepared for Learning (learning habit). To begin the launch, next week's daily intrinsic PD will be explaining 'the why' behind the launch of this learning habit. The daily message share will ensure all students understand and become clear in our expectations.

The expectations of the **Prepared for Learning habit will include students bringing** (and having for every lesson):

- Pen
- Pencil
- Ruler
- Contact book
- Knowledge Organiser and knowledge organiser exercise book

Therefore, with Christmas just around the corner and letters being written to Santa (!) please may we ask **parents to support this learning habit, and add stationary to Christmas stockings....**

Should Santa fail to bring stationary or items go missing, we now **have a fully equipped stationary shop available via student services** for the purchase of items to ensure students meet the **expectations of being prepared for learning.**

For every lesson, the expectation is as below:





Our Learning Habits

Present and punctual
Perfect uniform
Prepared for learning
Actively engaged
Respect: First time every time

Ambition Respect Collaboration

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Notices

- An invitation to **Year 11 Parents Evening Thursday 7th December 2023** [can be found here](#) with [instructions for how to attend](#) video calls and [booking guidance here](#)

The Attendance Team write:

- **We have a new text service in school for reporting absence.**

We understand how busy lives are and this text service will enable you to quickly inform school if is absent from school. The text number is: **07860 054 530**.

Please add this number to your contacts. The text must come from one or the parental contacts we have on our system for it to work. This is so students cannot use it! Please can you text the school with:

- Your child's name.
- Reason of absence
- When you think they will be back in school.

It is important that you text the school before 8.30 in the morning so we can update our records and we don't need to phone you later in the day. Can you also please make sure you text every morning of

absence, to give the school an update on your child's absence. Good attendance is fundamental to success at school and getting your child back into school as soon as possible is vital so they can carry on learning.

- Uniform reminders. Can we advise parents that students wearing skirts can wear thick tights with their uniform, but they cannot wear leggings as they are not part of the uniform policy. Black school trousers are allowed instead of a skirt. In addition, students can wear the school V-neck jumper, available in uniform shops, under their blazer, however no other tops can be worn below their blazer. [Full uniform policy can be found here.](#)
- **Coat help!!** If your child has a Canada Zavetti coat in black, please can we ask you to check it - there has been an accidental coat swap and two coats are currently with the wrong owners. The missing coat is named and has a furry hood - please can you check coats - they are needed in this weather and we would like to be able to match coats back to their original owners!



- Christmas Jumper Day on 7th December 2023 is Save the Children's annual event which raises money for the children who need it most. This year, we once again will be supporting this charity event to do our bit to support those in need:

£1 donation in return for wearing a Christmas Jumper instead of a blazer.

The £1 donation will be collected during Form time by the form Leaders.

All donations will be given to the Save the Children Charity.

Any additional donations can be made via the MCAS app.

Every December, millions of people across the United Kingdom (and beyond!) put on a festive knit at their workplace, school or with friends and make a donation to help give children the magical future they deserve. By wearing a festive jumper you'll be helping children facing serious issues like war, hunger and poverty. [Find out more about the children you'll be helping.](#) Christmas Jumper Day has raised over £35 million for children in the UK and around the world since it began in 2012!

- Lost property is currently home to many many coats - please do encourage students to visit student services if they have lost their coat. We would very much like to get coats back to owners! Any left over lost property items will be donated to charity at the end of term.
- Date change: Year 11 photos will now be on Wednesday 20th December, not the 21st as previously advertised.

Super Scientists!



Huge congratulations to our Year 7 specialised cell model winners. **Anna won the teachers vote with Joseph and Ava taking second and third respectively** and **Amelia won the student vote with Jacob and Ava taking second and third**. Aside from the models themselves, what was equally as impressive was the students communication skills when articulating to the class about their designs. Speaking and listening skills are vital to success in life beyond the school walls and this activity provided a perfect opportunity to practise presenting to an audience.

Year 11 Artists on tour!

Year 11 art students had a excellent time at N&CC attending some specialist art masterclasses. On their first visit they did some screen printing and then they developed these using embroidery on the sewing machines. Excellent results produced by all.



NELSON & COLNE
COLLEGE MASTERCLASS

PE Extra Curricular activities

After School activities next week

PE kit needed – get changed in the changing rooms at the end of school. Finish approximately 4.30pm

Day	Activity
Monday	Year 11 intervention – Health and Fitness U16 Basketball practice
Tuesday	Year 7/8 netball
Thursday	Badminton practice – all years
Friday	Basketball practice – all years



Creative & Performing Arts Extra-Curricular

Autumn 2023

Day	WHAT	WHERE	WHEN
Monday	Art club Sponge Bob - Performers@Park 	310 & 311 Dance studio	3.15-4.15 3.15-4.30
Tuesday	School Band 	111	3.15-4.00
Thursday	Sponge Bob - Performers@Park 	Dance studio	3.15-4.30



ASPIRE. PERFORM. ACHIEVE.

DEBATE CLUB

Chinese Blackburn

Come along to **FC or**

or Indian cuisine? Debate Club! Burnley? Open to all Year 9's

Every Thursday after school 3:15 – 4:00



No homework Room 205 Mobile for the rest of phones in the year? school?

Diary Dates

- **Thursday 7th December - Christmas Jumper Day 2023.**



- **Thursday 7th December - Year 11 Parents evening**

- **Tuesday 12th December** Year 11 Mock interview day

Mental Elf 2023 FESTIVE FUN RUN

Be a part of the county's best festive fun run experience and support people living with a mental health condition in Lancashire.



Witton Park, Blackburn
Sunday 3rd December
10am-2.30pm

- Tickets start from just £7
- 2k, 5k and 10k elf distances
- Surprise festive boosts at every kilometer
- Bespoke elf medal





Find out more via this QR code
or visit www.lancashiremind.org.uk:

All funds raised will support better mental health support & services for people living and working in Lancashire.






Registered charity
number 1081427





Want to know more about sleep?

ASK US THE
QUESTIONS YOU
WANT ANSWERS TO

 **03303 530 541**
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am



Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle
with your child's
bedtime?

Will your child
not sleep in
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

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Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am




01.12.2023




SCHOOL LIAISON
Weekly Update



Good Afternoon,
Please see below for the latest news and updates.

Melanie, Hayley & Becky

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APPRENTICESHIP CAREERS WEBINARS



'Amazing Apprenticeships' are running a series of webinars providing tips, advice, and information for teachers, careers advisors and parents.

Participants will be required to sign up before the session. If you or any of your staff/parents are interested, more info can be found on the link below this email.

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NEXT OPEN EVENTS FEBRUARY 2024



The next round of open events in February for our colleges will be an employer and apprenticeships event combined with an open event. Please encourage your pupils to visit and network with lots of local employers!



OPEN EVENING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



27TH FEBRUARY 24 SCHOOL LEAVER AND APPRENTICESHIPS
23RD APRIL 24 YEAR 8, 9 & 10 EVENT



20TH FEBRUARY 24 SCHOOL LEAVER AND APPRENTICESHIPS
17TH APRIL 24 YEAR 8, 9 & 10 EVENT

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T LEVEL DESIGN, SURVEYING AND PLANNING FOR CONSTRUCTION

A reminder that Accrington & Rossendale College have partnered with ISG- A global construction company, to offer a T Level qualification that is aimed at students interested in architecture and quantity surveyor roles.

There are still places on this T Level course, but there are a limited number of students they can accept. If you have any pupils considering this career path, please do encourage them to apply early and get in touch!



Travels around Trust

- Parents@LordStreet
- Parents@Blacko

Contact Us@

- [The link here](#) links to the school website where key staff and department contacts are listed as well as a flow diagram to support families in navigating to the correct team/staff member depending on the enquiry they have.

In the first instance the form tutor is the first point of contact to guide and advise.

School Holiday dates 2023-24

[Please click here to find the school holiday dates for 2023-24](#)