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Another year, another World Book Day!

Once again the staff team fully embraced the event and got creative with outfits and characters. It is fair to say that when a round of Whitesides bacon sandwiches is up for grabs for the winning faculty, the competition gets fierce.... Students were almost as excited as staff!

Beyond the fancy dress...

The Why.

World Book Day serves as an ideal occasion to reignite our students' passion for reading, underlining its significance in fostering a love for learning. It's a moment to both entertain (!) enlighten, and remind them about the ongoing importance to prioritise and enhance reading skills. With the recent expansion of our literacy development team, we're now equipped to assist a broader array of students in improving aspects such as reading pace, comprehension, inference, and purposeful reading. In the forthcoming weeks and months, numerous students will benefit from the chance to hone these skills in small group settings. This initiative is another step toward aiding their academic advancement and preparing them for future achievements outside the classroom.























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Notices, news and updates

Dates for the Diary

- **Monday 10th March - Year 10 RS Mock**
- **Wednesday 12th March - Year 10 Online Parents Evening, please see email**
- **Tuesday 18th March - PD Day**
- **Wednesday 2nd April - Year 11 Parents Evening, email coming soon**
- **Friday 4th April - school finishes for Easter Holidays**

Reading focus: encouraging teenagers to read

The How- top tips!

Engaging reluctant (teenage) readers can be challenging. Here are some effective ways to encourage reluctant readers to dive into the world of books:

1. Find the Right Books: The key is to find books that match the reader's interests, however niche they may be. Whether it's sports, mysteries, fantasy, graphic novels, or comics, there's a book out there for everyone.

2. Use Technology and Multimedia: Incorporate e-books, audiobooks, and interactive reading apps. These formats can be especially appealing to reluctant readers and can make reading feel more accessible and engaging.

3. Create a Comfortable Reading Environment: a cozy, inviting space dedicated to reading.

4. Set an Example: Show your own enthusiasm for reading. When children see adults around them reading and enjoying it, they're more likely to want to read themselves.

5. Read Together: For younger readers, reading together can be a bonding experience that also allows you to assist with challenging words or concepts. For older readers, discussing books can spark interest and encourage them to explore new genres. **6. Let Them Choose:** Giving reluctant readers the autonomy to choose what they read empowers them and makes reading a personal choice rather than a chore.

7. Incorporate Reading into Daily Activities: Show how reading is a part of daily life. Reading menus, instructions, game rules, and even online articles counts towards building a reading habit.

8. Use Rewards and Challenges: Gentle incentives can motivate reluctant readers. Set up reading challenges with small rewards for reaching reading goals.

9. Connect Books to Interests or Activities: If the reader is interested in a particular hobby, sport, or topic, find books that tie into those interests. This can also extend to movies or video games with novelizations or related literature.

10. Start with Series or Graphic Novels: Books that are part of a series can keep the momentum going as readers look forward to the next instalment. Graphic novels, with their visual appeal, can also be less intimidating for hesitant readers.

Be Patient, Positive and persevere. Encourage effort and celebrate progress, no matter how small. Building a love for reading takes time, and positive reinforcement can make a big difference. Implementing these top tips requires patience and experimentation to find what works best. Make reading an enjoyable and rewarding experience, and fostering a lifelong love of books. Good Luck

Auditions -Monday March 17th



Park High school "West End Lights" musical variety show will be taking place on Monday June 30th. Any pupils wishing to take part in the show are invited to audition after school on Monday March 17th. We are looking for talented actors, singers, dancers, musicians, comedians and performers of all skills!

Careers Week



As part of National Careers Week, the career ambassadors and Miss Barker organised a variety of engaging activities for students to take part in during break time. These included games such as 'Match the teacher with their first job', 'Charades', 'Match the job to the correct salary' and also 'Career facts and Myths'. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the activities! Chocolate treats were given out as prizes.

PD Day 4 - Tuesday 18th March

Year 7 Holi festival

Pupils will be celebrating the Hindu Holi Festival. All year 7 pupils must wear their Park High School PE kit. Part of the day will include, learning about the festival, learning dances which will be done during the festival of Holi, designing Henna tattoos and participating in a colour run (throwing powdered paint at each other).

If you do not want your child to participate in the colour run - please fill in this Microsoft form: <https://forms.office.com/e/fsrLfqkRZP>

If you do not wish your child to have the henna design on their skin. Please fill in this Microsoft form: <https://forms.office.com/e/gqYDy1a639>

Year 8 Community Day /RSHE

Pupils in Year 8 will be out in the community which focuses on building relationships and supporting the development of local spaces/organisations. Griffin 8L and Phoenix 8A must wear their Park High PE kit, all other Year 8s must be in school uniform.

Pupils will spend either a morning or afternoon offsite and the other half of the day looking at RSHE topic areas involving the risks of vaping, understanding types of families and mental health awareness.

Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh

In preparation for the DofE expedition in July students are taking part in a practice walk on Tuesday 18th March. Students need to ensure that they are suitably equipped for the walk, this includes sturdy shoes that potentially could end up covered in mud, a bag that can carry food and additional layers of clothing and they should be dressed appropriately for a day walking in the countryside.

Please can all Year 9 parents check their emails as you will have received a Microsoft Form to complete before the next PD Day on Tuesday 18th March.

Any questions or issues please contact Mr. Park on jpark@parkhigh.penninetrust.org

The link is below for your ease:

[Yr 9 DofE Form](#)

Year 10 Work place encounter/Careers

Year 10 will be on their work place encounter day. We have over 100 students who have found places to work at throughout the local area. For those coming into school we have five local and national employers coming in to talk to about work life and apprenticeships:

Royal Air Force

British Army

Media Village: Creative Marketing & Branding Agency

Eric Wright Construction

Morrisons (Woodhead Bros Meat Co

Year 11 Revision skills

Year 11 will be gaining revision study skills from Maths/English/Science teachers to help support their ongoing preparation for their GCSEs. Pupils will learn a variety of techniques on revision that they can take away and use at home. This day will also include pupils making revision timetables, local colleges will be on hand to discuss post- 16 studies and future pathways and we have the charity Mind Lancashire delivering exam stress workshops

Year 11 Leavers Hoodies

Calling all Year 11's, please click the link below for details of how to order your 2025 Leavers Hoody

[Leavers Hoody Information](#)

Year 11 External Examinations



Well, done Year 11

Two weeks of Mock Examinations completed

Students will be given results next week in class and then begin to work on areas of focus in these final months




**Year 11 French Listening and Reading
Mock examination
Tuesday 11th March**

YEAR 11

On Monday 10th March there are

33

school days left to **make a difference** in
your **Year 11** GCSE exams that start on
May 12th



 **Year 11 Intervention**



After School Intervention

Monday	English Priority Night
Tuesday	Maths Priority Night
Wednesday	Maths Target Group Night

On Monday and Tuesday English and Maths have priority for intervention with students. *Every subject has sessions after school* – please check with your individual teacher what night or lunch time they have a session for you to attend

GCSE exams start 12 May. Last exam 17 th June	Do you need a quiet space to revise? Year 11 Study Room for silent revision and homework Monday – Friday 3.15pm-4.15pm - Room 209
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Please find below the full GCSE exam timetable for this summer's exam season.

EXAMINATION TIMETABLE 2025		
DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Art Practical Examination		Submitted by 31 May 2025
Music Practical Examination		Submitted by 7 May 2025
Food Practical Examination		Submitted by 7 May 2025
Drama Practical Examination		Submitted by 15 May 2025
French Speaking Examination		Submitted by 17 May 2025
DATE	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Mon 12 May	English Literature p1 2hrs	Computer Science p1 1hr 30min
Tues 13 May	Engineering Design 1hr 15min	Biology p1 F & H 1hr 45min
Wed 14 May	Geography p1 1hr 30min	Trilogy Biology p1 F & H 1hr 15min
Thurs 15 May	Maths p1 F & H 1hr 30min	
Fri 16 May	History p1 1hr 20min	Business 1hr 30min
Mon 19 May	Chemistry p1 F & H 1hr 45min	
	Trilogy Chemistry p1 F & H 1hr 15min	
Tues 20 May	English Literature p2 2hrs 30min	Computer Science p2 1hr 30min
		Health & Fitness 1hr 30min
		Child Development 1hr 15min
Wed 21 May	French F p1/3 1hr 20min	
	French H p1/3 1hr 45min	
Thurs 22 May	Physics p1 F & H 1hr 45min	
	Trilogy Physics p1 F & H 1hr 15min	
Fri 23 May	English Language p1 1hrs 45min	
HALF TERM		
Mon 2 June		
Tues 3 June		
Wed 4 June	Maths p2 F & H 1hr 30min	
Thurs 5 June	History p2 1hr 50min	French F p4 1hr 15min
		French H p4 1hr 20min
Fri 6 June	English Language p2 2hrs	Geography p2 1hr 30min
Mon 9 June	Biology p2 F & H 1hr 45min	
	Trilogy Biology p2 F & H 1hr 15min	
Tues 10 June		History p3 1hr 30min
Wed 11 June	Maths p3 F & H 1hr 30min	
Thur 12 June	Geography p3 1hr 30min	
Fri 13 June	Chemistry p2 F & H 1hr 45min	
	Trilogy Chemistry p2 F & H 1hr 15min	
Mon 16 June	Physics p2 F & H 1hr 45min	Music 1hr 30min
	Trilogy Physics p2 F & H 1hr 15min	
Tues 17 June		Food Prep & Nutrition 1hr 45min
Wed 18 June		

Year 10 Religious Studies Exam

Year 10

Religious Studies Mock Examination Monday morning

Students to go straight to the sports hall or room 130/CEC at 8.40am

This mock examination is in preparation for the GCSE Religious Studies examination on May 13th

Good luck Year 10

YEAR 10

On Monday 10th March there are

34

school days to make a difference
in your **Year 10 GCSE Religious
Studies Exam**

Celebrating Success



Computing and ICT

Well done. You are this month's ICT and Computing elite.
Your ICT teachers have recognised all your hard work and effort. Keep
up the great work. ❤️

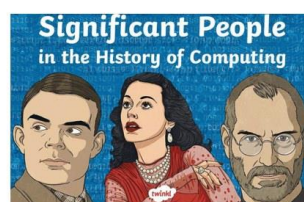
Y7 - Connor Brockman and Madison Holmes

Y8 - Louie Stephenson and Lyndon Foulkes

Y9 - Krzysztof Lebek and Charlie Pratt

Y10 - Samuel Van Essen and Bailey Cuttriss

Y11 - Kyran Denton and Amber Hawkins





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Daisy Beveridge**



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Olivia Graham**



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Pupil of the Week

Awarded to – Adam Fryer





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Pupil of the Week

Awarded to- Ashleigh Cardwell



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Pupil of the Week

Awarded to- Owen Birtwistle





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Pupil of the Week

Awarded to- *Katie Mitchell*




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Pupil of the Week

Awarded to- *Joshua Monighan*











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Pupil of the Week






Awarded to– Martha Pearson

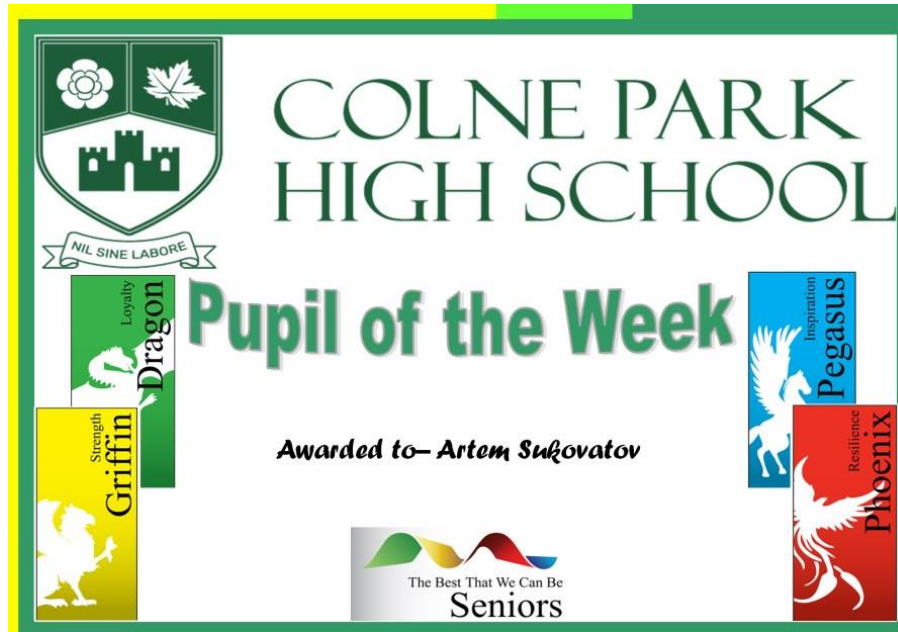


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Pupil of the Week

Awarded to– Olivia Stanworth





Community Round-Up

[Raising awareness of the Curlew and protecting its habitat in East Lancashire | The National Lottery Heritage Fund](#)

Travels around Trust

- Parents@LordSt
- 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 2024-25

[Colne Park High School - Term Dates \(park-high.co.uk\)](http://park-high.co.uk)