



# THE PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

## Weekly Parent Bulletin

Week Commencing 9th July, 2018 - Week 1

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event
Mon 9th July	Year 7 Science "We Are Curious Trip" Be at school for 8.00am meet in the Sports Hall - return at 4.30pm - See more info below
	Year 8 Business Links
Weds 11th July	Year 8 Geography Olympiad
	Dance Show 7pm - School Hall
Thurs 12th July	MusicFest and Summer Fayre 3.30pm Top Field
Sat 14th July	New York Trip departs - meet at 11.45pm in the Park and Ride. (leaves 12.30am on Sunday)

### [FOOD AT PARK](#)

Find this week's delicious canteen menu and prices on our [website food page](#).

Main meals are £1.80, and 2 courses are £2.30. Breakfast club opens 8.15am-8.45am.

### HEADTEACHER UPDATES

We are now approaching the final weeks of term and have been spending the last couple of weeks reflecting and celebrating the efforts and positive attitudes of our students. Last week we held the Key Stage 3 Awards Evening, which was a fantastic evening, my thanks to the award winners and also the parents/carers that came along to celebrate this event. Last week we also welcomed the parents of students joining us in Year 7 from September. We were oversubscribed for September 2018 and it was great to see the School Hall full of existing and new parents. The feedback we received from parents was extremely positive, thank you.

This week we have been involved in five mornings of House Assemblies to present Attitude to Learning awards for students that have received A or B's for Attitude to Learning in their monitoring. It has been wonderful to see so many students receiving their awards. It was equally pleasing that so many parents/carers could join these celebrations and then take time to chat with staff and children afterwards. Our guest speakers have provided words of wisdom and hopefully motivated students to consider a different career path.

Last night saw our annual Sports Presentation Evening, another busy evening to celebrate our wonderful student 'sporting stars' of the present and future. This was the last presentation evening for Mr Marsh and Miss Markham. What a way for them to sign off with a record number of North Devon and County Champions.

Tonight is the Year 11 Prom, held at the Barnstaple Hotel, we expect another special evening as we say thank you and farewell to the Year 11 students. If you get the opportunity to come along and see the students arrive, it is well worth the effort.

We are expecting another warm week of weather, we have told students no blazers or ties are needed on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday. We will review early next week and update parents.

Don't forget our slightly earlier finish on the last day of term. See below for more information.

## EARLY FINISH ON FRIDAY 20TH JULY

Students will finish school at an earlier time on the final day of term (Friday 20th July). For students, school will close at 12:50pm. Where possible, we have arranged for early transport to collect students from school.

Travel arrangements at the end of the school day will be as follows:-

### **Services confirmed as running early to collect students at 12:50pm on Friday 20th July:**

Park 001 Taw & Torridge  
Park 003 B Line Taxis  
Park 005 Quay cars  
Park 011 Streets  
Park 015 Streets  
Park 037 Streets  
Park 502 All Area

### **Students will need to walk to the bus station to catch the following buses:**

Park 021 Stagecoach  
Park 155 (from bus station or Portland Street)

If any parent would like their son/daughter supervised in school until the normal finish time of 3:20pm on this day, please contact the relevant Head of House by **Friday 13th July**.

*Park Community School presents...*

# *Lights, Camera Dance!*

**Wednesday 11th July 2018**  
**School Hall 7.00-9.00pm**  
**Adults: £3      Child: £1**  
**(Refreshments available during interval)**

*The 2018 Summer Dance Show*

### **SUMMER DANCE SHOW**

Tickets are available from our school office for the Dance Show, on Wednesday 11th July in our School Hall.

This year we have over 50 dancers taking part. The students are amazing: we promise you a fantastic performance for all the family. Adults £3 - Children £1.

Refreshments will be available during the interval.

## **MUSICFEST & SUMMER FAYRE**

**THURSDAY 12TH JULY**  
**PARK SCHOOL TOP FIELD**  
**3.30PM - 6PM**

- BBQ
- BOUNCY CASTLE
- CANDY FLOSS
- STALLS
- LIVE MUSIC
- TOMBOLA
- PRIMARY SCHOOL CHOIR
- CAKES
- REFRESHMENTS
- RAFFLE GRAND DRAW
- AND LOTS MORE



**We hope to see you at our annual MusicFest and Summer Fayre - with this glorious weather, we are sure it will be a wonderful event - not to miss!**

We will be holding the Summer Raffle Draw at the Fayre.

Please could you return sold and unsold tickets to the school by Monday 9th July.

Many thanks for your support

## GASTROENTERITIS NOTICE

There have been some cases reported in and around the community of possible gastroenteritis.

If your child is affected with any symptoms that may suggest gastroenteritis, please inform the school and keep your child at home until they have been symptom free for 48 hours.

Please reiterate to your child the importance of maintaining hygiene with thorough handwashing. The best way to reduce the chances of contracting gastroenteritis is to wash hands thoroughly with soap and running water for at least 10 seconds, particularly after using the toilet and before preparing and eating food.

Thank you for your co-operation.

**Mr G Roscoe - Headteacher**

### NEW YORK TRIP

Students need to meet at the Park and Ride on Saturday 14th at 11.45pm, with the coach departing at 12.30am on Sunday.

We are aiming to return at approx. 3.30pm on Friday 20th July, but students will phone parents when we are approx. 30 minutes from school.

Parents/carers can follow @ParkMaths on twitter for trip updates!

### MATHS PUZZLE OF THE WEEK

All Students: See your tutor or Maths teacher for the weekly Maths Puzzle of the Week Competition. Put your entry in the box in room 37 by the end of the week for a chance of winning the weekly prize.



Each week the winner is announced on the [@ParkMaths](#) twitter feed.

### BATTLEFIELDS TRIP

All students going on the Battlefields residential need to attend a meeting at 12.50pm in Room 66 on Monday 9th July to have their photo's taken for the collective passport.

### WE THE CURIOUS TRIP

We The Curious Trip on Monday 9th July:

Could all students arrive at school by 8:00am for an 8:30am departure. Please meet in the Sports Hall where you will be organised into your allotted coaches. Students are to wear school uniform (no blazers required). Phones for the purpose of contacting home in the event of a delay returning are permitted. Students needs to bring a packed lunch as they are not allowed in the restaurant area. We anticipate returning to school at 4.30pm to the park and ride car park.

## KS4 INFORMATION

### YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

- Students working in engineering, construction or a kitchen may need safety boots. These can be borrowed from school if students do not want to buy their own. Forms available from Pupil Reception
- Students working at any Brend hotel or restaurant then have an induction meeting in school next Wed 11 July 8.55 - 10.00 in Room 11. Students need to have returned the Brend/ Parent Permission agreement before that date.

### YEAR 11 PROM - SPECTATOR PARKING

The Barnstaple hotel have a certain amount of spaces around the hotel and an agreement with Superbowl (next to the hotel) & Devonshire House (opposite the rear-side exit of the hotel), to use their car park as an overflow.

The hotel operate and direct cars through a one way system so that the 'drop-off's can run smoothly. Spectators and teachers are directed to park in Superbowl or Devonshire House so that they keep space available for hotel residents yet to arrive.

### YEAR 11 REVISION GUIDE - DONATIONS

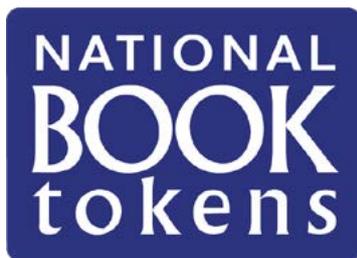
Year 11 students have now completed all their exams. We would appreciate any donations of revision guides to benefit our future students.

## CHARITY OF THE YEAR

'Everything Ellie' is the Park School charity of the Year. Please donate any 1p, 2p, 5p and old £1 coins – students can give them to their tutor, Mrs O'Callaghan or pupil reception. Also do you have any old, unwanted but usable shoes that you can donate to our shoe bank?

### NATIONAL BOOK TOKEN COMPETITION

It is that time of year again for everyone to vote for our school to try and win £5000 in tokens for our Library, enough to buy hundreds of new books!



Please visit the website (clicking the logo above): [www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools](http://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools) for details about this amazing offer and to fill in the voting slip, to give us a lucky chance of winning.

The more entries for our school the more chances of winning!

## SPORTS PRESENTATION EVENING

On Thursday 5th July, we held the 7th Sports Presentation Evening which celebrated the success of our extra-curricular clubs. Although a warm evening, the outcome was terrific with team captains delivering brave and confident speeches and awarding the talented students we have at Park.

The finale was the Ultimate Performer and Team of the Year awards. Well done to all the students who attended and a big thank you to all the parents who came and supported the evening.

### Ultimate Team Awards: (Pictured right in order)

Year 7 and Year 8 Girls: Year 8 Rounders Team

Year 7 and Year 8 Boys: Year 7 Athletics

Year 9 and Year 10 Girls: Year 9 Rounders Team

Year 9 and Year 10 Boys: Year 10 Rugby Team

### Ultimate Girls Awards:

Year 7 Maddison Phillips

Year 8 Caitlin Phillips

Year 9 Poppy Phillips

Year 10 Grace Dart

### Ultimate Boys Awards:

Year 7 Finn Phillips

Year 8 Jake McElfratrick

Year 9 Dan Mock

Year 10 Llewyn Jago

