



THE PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Weekly Parent Bulletin

Week Commencing 3rd June 2019 - Week 1

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event
Mon 3rd June	GCSE Exams continue
Tues 4th June	Rounders Match (Year 9) 3.30pm-6.30pm - At South Molton College
	8x Langar Event 1.40pm-3.20pm
	Parent Partnership Meeting 7-8pm
Weds 5th June	8y Langar Event 1.40pm-3.20pm
	Year 7 ND Schools Drama Event
Fri 7th June	North Devon Swimming Gala 12.30pm - 3.00pm
Sat 8th June	D of E Assessed Expedition Hartland
	Devon Schools' Athletics Champs

Check below to see if you have been sent a letter/email this week

Year	Topic
7	Chepstow Trip Email
10	London Art Trip Letters

HEADTEACHER UPDATE

A sigh of relief could be heard from our Year 11 students this week as they tick off another week in their formal GCSE exams; 14 examinations have been completed this week. The students have conducted themselves well during the exams and the sessions that I have visited before school, during period 4 prior to afternoon exams and the timetabled lessons have been extremely productive with students and staff working together in a calm and supportive environment. My thanks to Year 11 students, please take some time to get the balance right between revision and relaxing over the half term break.

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) continues within school. Most students have now signed off their volunteering element of the award and are gearing up to complete the expedition. A successful training walk was held this week.

I hope you have a relaxing half term break, when we return the end of year events will soon be upon us: Governors Tea, Summer Fayre, Sports Day, Sports Presentation Evening, Summer Concert, Year 9 Awards Evening and our Friends of Park Pig Racing Night! When we add in the variety of residentials and curriculum trips (DoE Hartland, Chepstow, Eden Project, London, Torquay, Barcelona & Normandy) the final half term will be a very busy one.

Enjoy the half term break, don't forget school returns on Monday June 3rd, this is a timetable week 1.

Gareth Roscoe - Headteacher

MEALTIME ASSISTANT REQUIRED

We have a position available for a Mealtime Assistant in our catering department, to start as soon as possible. If interested please visit our website '[Vacancies](#)' page for more information.

SCHOOL OF ROCK DVDS

Did you reserve a DVD for the School of Rock performance? We still have many DVDs that have not been collected from Pupil Reception. The cost of the DVD was £5.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THRIFT UNIFORM AND PE KIT

We would really appreciate any donations of good condition items e.g. blazers, jumpers, skirts, trousers, shirts and new style PE kit, to make available as Thrift.

OLD PE KIT FOR UGANDA

We would appreciate any donations of old style PE kit, that we can take to Uganda to help local schools in October this year.

CREATIVE WRITING AND ILLUSTRATION WORKSHOP

Could all students in years 7-10 who took part in the West Buckland Creative Writing and Illustration Workshops please return the exhibition attendance reply slip to Mrs Jones in Eng 10 by Monday 3rd June.

Thank you.

LOST PROPERTY - TIME LIMIT

The school has reviewed and amended our practice on the length of time the school will hold on to unclaimed lost property items. After 6 weeks if an un-named item is unclaimed, we will dispose/recycle/donate the item to charity.

PARENT PARTNERSHIP MEETING

On Tuesday 4th June, we are holding a Parent Partnership Meeting, we will review the year and finalise plans for next year's sessions.

PIG RACING NIGHT

FRIDAY 28TH JUNE
PIG RACING NIGHT
Park Community School - School Hall
Join us for a fun adult only evening
Doors open at 7pm
Racing from 7.30pm - 11pm

£5 per head includes a ploughmans
Licensed bar all night

Bet on a pig!
Own your own pig (For 1 night only!)

Place your bet on your favourite pig to win cash prizes

Book your tickets through our school office
Tel: 01271 373131 or admin@theparkschool.org.uk

Pay cash or cheque payable to 'The Park Community School'
Proceeds go to the Friends of Park

Back by popular demand is our exciting Pig Racing Night. Join us for a fun evening which involves betting on the races and if your fluffy pig wins you receive a prize! Tickets are available from our School Office, £5 per head. There will be a licensed bar and food is included in the ticket price. Come and support your school and Friends of Park.

You can book your tickets through our school office Tel: 373131 or email admin@theparkschool.org.uk

SCHOOL TRIPS

Please note all cheques should now be made payable to 'The Park Community School' and not 'Devon County Council'.

Please ensure that you keep up to date with paying the instalments for any trips that your child has signed up for.

YEAR 8 FIELD WORK

Last week an email was sent regarding the Geography field trip. Could parents/carers please respond to the email and complete the google form and medical form by the deadline of Monday 3rd June.

LONDON ART TRIP

Year 10 students going on the London Expressive Arts Trip on 21st June have been issued with the following documents, we also include a link to the documents here:

[Trip Itinerary](#)

[Kit List](#)

[Safety Letter](#)

[Behaviour Contract](#) - requires a signature from parent/carer

[Medical Form](#) - To be completed by parent/carer

YEAR 7 CHEPSTOW TRIP

This week an email was sent to all parents to let you know if your child was selected for the History Chepstow Trip. If your child was selected we also attached a google form and Medical Form, could you please complete and return them by the deadline of Monday 3rd June.

BARCELONA TRIP

Please ensure you return the completed trip forms as soon as possible, to pupil reception.

The final balance should now have been paid.

TORQUAY - All behaviour consent form and medical form should have been completed any returned.

The final balance should now be paid.

BUDE - The final balance should now be paid. Please ensure the medical forms are completed and returned as soon as possible. Copies of the forms can be found on our 'Letters Home' page via our website [link here](#).

NEW YORK JULY 2020

There is still time to apply for a place on this trip. A non-refundable deposit is required as soon as possible for £400. For those that missed the New York Information evening, please see link to the [New York 2020 Presentation](#) Students who are interested in the trip can pick up a letter from Miss Vidler or a link is provided here - [New York Letter](#)

FRIENDS OF PARK

We have a number of events coming up soon, and would really appreciate any donations of chocolates, toiletries, bottles of wine or services e.g. if you run an ironing business - a free basket of ironing, a gardening business - a free lawn cut, a car valet business - a free car clean, a garage business - a free MOT etc. Prizes can be handed into our reception; alternatively if you have a service to offer please kindly email: jocallaghan@theparkschool.org.uk.

CHARITY NEWS

GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND COLLECTION

If you have too much small change, please remember we are still collecting loose change e.g. 1p, 2p, 5p in the tutor Dog Kennels for Guide Dogs and the competition to name and meet the puppy is still running until the end of the year. Thank you.

Mrs O'Callaghan

KS4 INFORMATION

MATHS TOPIC LIST AND PRACTICE PAPERS LINK

The Maths department would like to share with our Year 11s a useful link to a topic list and practice papers for the next two maths papers coming up - very useful for revision.

[Corbett Maths - Unseen topics for papers 2 and 3](#)

YEAR 11 EXAM EQUIPMENT

Please remind your son/daughter to ensure they are fully equipped for exams (including calculators) which can be used in other exams, not just maths.

KS4 EXAM TIMETABLE LINKS

[Year 11 GCSE Exam Timetable - Summer 2019](#)

EXAM PREPARATION SESSIONS TIMETABLE

The exam timetable has been condensed this year. From the 13th May until 14th June there is an exam in every session with the exception of three afternoons.

Year 11s will be directed by their teachers and lessons will be more subject focussed until their exam has finished in that subject. To help support year 11s into their exams, subject teachers are putting on specific pre-exam sessions during P4 and some subjects are also putting on before and after school sessions. A detailed timetable will be emailed to parents/carers each week and included at the end of this bulletin.

YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE PLACEMENTS

No new employers can now be used as we have passed the deadline for booking new Duty of Care Checks. Placements must now be with an employer that has had a student on work experience within the last year. Students can access the database to look for placements used in the past: <http://devon.learnaboutwork.org> Log In Details: School Name: The Park Community School User Name: Park Student Password: 2121

YEAR 11 PHOTOS

If your child had their individual photo taken, they received a proof card, including online log in details. The deadline date has been extended to 1st June to place an order which includes free delivery to the school. **The free delivery option will appear within the deadline date only.** Prints delivered to the school will be available before your child leaves school on Friday 14th June.

There will also be an option to pay a postage charge for home delivery. After the deadline date parents/carers can still order online, this will be processed individually and sent to home addresses, a postage charge will be added automatically.

Year 11 Group Photo

Year 11s who did not have their individual photo taken have been able to collect a Year 11 group photo proof from Pupil Reception. You can also view the group photo on the Gillman & Soame website.

To view the group photo and to place an order use the login details as follows:

Website: www.gillmanandsoame.co.uk

Proof card login: 353986

Proof card password: 465364

Remember to be eligible for free delivery, please place your order by 1st June.

CAREERS ADVICE

YEAR 10 AND 11 RUSSELLGROUP UNIVERSITIES

Choosing the right post 16 Courses for University Applications

The Russell Group of Universities have created a new website where students in Years 10 and 11 can test out different combinations of post 16 subjects to see which degrees they may open up.

This web site replaces the advice on facilitating subjects for university.

www.informedchoices.ac.uk

Year 11 students can use this site to check the courses they have already selected for college to see what Higher Education courses they could lead to.

NHS CAREERS

The following NHS Careers Guides are available from the Careers section in the library. Ask the Librarian Mrs Veale or see Mrs Thomas.

- Careers in Allied Health Professions
- Careers in the Ambulance Service
- Careers in Dental Care
- Careers in Health Informatics in the NHS
- Careers in Healthcare Science
- Careers in Management
- Careers in Medicine
- Careers in Midwifery
- Careers in Nursing
- Careers in Pharmacy
- Careers in Psychological Therapies
- Careers in Public Health

CAREER PILOT

www.careerpilot.org.uk

Career Pilot is an impartial website that will help parents/carers and students to explore further study and work options. There is helpful information when choosing options at 14 such as GCSE choices, exploring job sectors, identifying skills and creating a profile. All Year 9 students have used this website as part of the careers module leading up to their option choices.

Year 11 students have used this website to look at their options at 16, subjects and the jobs they may lead to. Information about Higher Education is helping students make choices between BTECs, A levels or Apprenticeship routes.

A Parent Zone section exists on the website to answer parents' questions about the choices available at 14, 16 and 18. Careerpilot has been developed by the University of Bath and is free to use.

www.parentzone.careerpilot.org.uk/parent

Exam preparation 2019.

Dear Year 11,

Well done, most of you are halfway there and we are so proud of the way you have been approaching your exams. Please make sure you get a chance to have a break and refresh next week alongside revision; it is important you are ready to go for another busy couple of weeks.

Remember, your leaving day is on 14th June. It is really important you are in school so you can keep the structures and patterns you are used to and make the most of the specialist revision and preparation lessons you are getting. Your teachers really are the experts in unpicking exam papers and making sure you know how to tackle them successfully.

You have survived everything that has been thrown at you so far; aim high, work hard and you will succeed!

Best of luck for week three!

The Park School Staff

		After School Sessions				
	Revision Breakfast Information	Morning Exams	P4 Session	Afternoon Exams	Subject Who and Where	Subject Who and Where
Week 3 Mon 3rd June	History Exam Breakfast from 7.30 am. Please go to your normal history room and teacher.	History: 9.10 am	N/A	English Revision Session P5&6 to prep for tomorrow's exam: Please go to your normal English classroom.	English Language All year 11 English teachers in English rooms	Music

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Tue 4th June	English Pre- School session in the English department at 8.00 am - please go to your normal classroom.	English Language: 8.50 am	Music Revision with Mr Addy: Please go to music 2.	Music: 1.40 pm	Spanish HU MFL2	Geography PG/RL/SR Geo3/2	
Wed 5th June	Spanish Pre- School session in MFL dept at 8.00 am	Spanish: 9.10 am	Geography Revision: Please go to Geography 1/2/3	Geography: 1.40 pm	Maths KV-Ma6/SP- Ma9/JL-Ma8/GR- Ma2/LK- Ma10/MR-Ma7	History MB/MN/ER Hi1/Hi2/Hi4	
Thu 6th June	Maths - Pre- School session in your normal maths classroom from 8.00 am.	Maths: 9.10 am	History Revision Session: Please go to your normal history classroom and teacher.	History: 1.30 pm	English Language All year 11 English teachers in English rooms	Biology - TSc2 and we'll sort from there.	Combined Science - TSc2 and we'll sort from there.
Friday 7th June	English Pre- School session in the English department at 8.00 am - please go to your normal classroom.	English Language: 8.50 am	Science Revision: Please go to Top Science 2 to find out where to go	Science / Biology: 1.30 pm	Food Preparation and Nutrition CK Food 2	Child Development GW Food 1	