



THE PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Weekly Parent Bulletin

Week Commencing 17th September, 2018 - Week 1

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Date	Event
Tues 17th Sept	Y8 girls' HPV vaccinations
	Parent Partnership Session 2 - Supporting your child's learning at Park 7pm in Room ICT3 (See below for more info)
	Year 7 & 9 Football @Great Torrington School 3.30-5.30pm
Thurs 20th Sept	Open Evening 5.45-8.15pm
Friday 21st Sept	Jeans For Genes Day - See details below
Sat 22nd Sept	Ten Tors 1

[FOOD AT PARK](#)

The Autumn terms menu's have been added to our website on our [website food page.](#)

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

WELCOME BACK TO ALL OUR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

At the end of the second week back it is pleasing to note the positive atmosphere in and around the school. The students are getting to grips with the new room numbers; I am sure the staff will follow their lead and catch up, myself included!

It is great to see the start of the extra curricular clubs and activities, several sports teams have started to meet after school, rehearsals for School of Rock have begun as have various lunchtimes clubs and groups. Please look at our website for full details of lunchtime and after school activities and encourage your son/daughter to get involved in these. [Link to Clubs List](#)

At the start of the new term can I ask parents who drop off / pick up at school to remain considerate of the needs of our immediate neighbours. I appreciate the difficulties the 'school run' can bring but please remember that some areas around the school are resident only parking. Furthermore, we have new students who may be walking or cycling to school for the first time and therefore drivers will need to pay particular care and attention when in or near the school grounds.

Our Open Evening is being held next Thursday and I know that many students have already agreed to stay behind and help with this event. Our students are the best feature of the school and they do a wonderful job as guides, speakers, helpers, etc. They rise to the challenge of added responsibility and really demonstrate our core values. If you have a friend or neighbour with a child in year 5 or 6 please remind them of our Open Evening on Thursday 20th September from 5.45pm.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Gareth Roscoe - Headteacher

CLASS CHARTS



ClassCharts

All Year 7 parents/carers should have received their login codes via email this week to login to Class Charts. You can login via the internet on a computer, smart phone or tablet either using a web browser or through the app which can be downloaded.

Parents can see what homework has been set for each child, how many merits they have received and if they have any behaviour points.

Mr Tamlyn - Deputy Headteacher

OTHER CLUBS AND NOTICES

AUTUMN TERM CLUB LIST

A comprehensive Autumn Term clubs lists has been published on our website. It can be found under the "Students" menu, "Clubs and Activities," "Full club List". Direct link here

Y7 Netball - starts Monday 24th Sept - 3.20pm - 4.30pm on the Netball courts.

Change in the sports hall and meet Mrs Farr on the courts. Bring your school bags out with you. This session is for all abilities and an opportunity for lots of game play. Email Mrs Farr if you have any questions using cfarr@theparkschool.org.uk

Mrs Farr

Y8/9 Sports Leaders - For those who are interested in developing their netball umpiring skills in preparation for the Primary School Tournaments in the Spring Term, Y7 Netball starts on Monday 24th Sept, on the courts, after school. Please email Mrs Farr to register your interest and turn up on 24th with your trainers.

Mrs Farr

'Everything Ellie' - Park School Charity of the Year - Please donate any 1p, 2p, 5p and old £1 coins – please give them either to your tutor, Mrs O'Callaghan or pupil reception. Also, please ask at home if there are any old, unwanted but usable shoes that you can donate to our shoe bank.



Join us in supporting Jeans For Genes Day on Friday 21st September.

We would like students and staff to wear appropriate, full length jeans any colour, with their normal school uniform. Students can wear suitable footwear that you would wear with jeans. (Full uniform for those not wearing jeans)

A voluntary donation of any size to support the charity would be appreciated. Your child can bring in cash to donate, alternatively you can donate using our [Jeans For Genes Just Giving Page](#).

The school and Jeans For Genes appreciate any support given.

NEW PARENT/CARER WEEKLY SESSIONS
DON'T MISS THE SECOND SESSION ON TUESDAY 18TH SEPT 7PM - 8PM IN ROOM ICT3

At the start of the new school year, weekly sessions are arranged to offer our new parents/carers helpful information and advice on various topics - please see a copy of this year's flyer below for more information about the sessions.

When you arrive for a session, you can park your car in the staff car park and a member of staff will meet you at our old reception entrance at the North block and show you where to go. Look out for the signs!

We hope that all new parents have received a copy of this Flyer. The full printable version is available on our website on the Parent Partnership page under the "Parents" menu, or click the following link. [Parent Partnership Flyer 2018](#)

<p>5 STEPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS</p> <p>We really hope you can make all or some of these evenings. Previous attendees felt a lot more relaxed and more able to help their child with this important stage of their education.</p> <p>You'll come away feeling that you're not alone; that you are doing a great job as a parent/carer and remembering that knowledge is power!</p> <p>Please just turn up on the night, if you have any questions please contact the school on Tel: 01271 373131.</p>	<p>A Parent's Induction Into The Park Community School</p> <p>Tues 11th Sept, 6.45pm - 8.00pm in Room ICT3</p> <p>The session will begin with a tour of the school. We will then return to room ICT3 to discuss all of those everyday issues: communication, homework, merits, discipline, clubs, the house system, who is who and anything else you wish to find out about.</p> <p>Staff (including senior team members and governors) and members of the Parent Partnership will be available to chat and share their knowledge of the school with you.</p>	<p>Supporting Your Child's Learning at Park</p> <p>Tues 18th Sept, 7pm - 8pm in Room ICT3</p> <p>This is an opportunity to learn about the school systems which support your child's learning and progress, as well as the chance to find out what you can do to continue this learning at home.</p> <p>There will be information from the Progress Leaders, who track your child's academic progress, and from the SENCO who co-ordinates a range of support for students at Park School.</p> <p>SENCO - Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Co-ordinator.</p>
<p>My Child and the Internet - What do I need to know?</p> <p>Tues 25th Sept, 7pm - 8pm in Room ICT3</p> <p>This session is hosted by our Head of Computing - Mr Williams.</p> <p>Life is very different from when you were at school!</p> <p>Learn how computers can be your child's greatest friend and education aid, but also about the risks that the online world can pose.</p>	<p>Pastoral System & PSHEE</p> <p>Tues 2nd Oct, 7pm - 8pm in Room ICT3</p> <p>This session will explain the pastoral system and what it means to be part of the house system at Park. Members of the house teams will present information and take questions.</p> <p>Our PSHEE coordinator will explain the content of your child's PSHEE lessons and what they will learn in this subject.</p> <p>PSHEE = Personal, Social, Health & Emotional Education.</p>	<p>What's Happening To My Little Darling?</p> <p>Tues 9th Oct, 7pm - 8pm in Room ICT3</p> <p>This support session is one you really don't want to miss.</p> <p>As your child moves in to adolescence you will leave feeling empowered and, maybe have a bit more understanding of your child's behaviour and needs.</p>

PLEASE REMIND FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF OUR OPEN DAY EVENTS FOR YEAR 5/6 PUPILS



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"You won't regret your choice to join Park. The academic, personal, musical and sporting opportunities are unbelievable!" Year 11 Leaver.

Visit our Open Events 20th-27th September to see Park in action.

Open Evening

Thursday 20th September at 5.45pm

A Park School Showcase for all the family – visit, tour, experience. Headteacher Talks at 6.15pm and 7.00pm.

Open Days

24th-27th September Daily 9.10am - 11.10am

Park School in Action – join Park lessons for a morning and meet students and staff.

For year 5 & 6 pupils and parents/carers.



The Park Community School is part of the Tarka Learning Partnership

KS4 INFORMATION

YEAR 11 CAREER EVENTS

Upcoming career events:-

- October 4th **Options at 16+ Evening** - for all Year 11 Students and Parents at Park.
- October 10th **Petroc Open Evening**
- October 18th **Apprenticeship Information Evening** - for any Year 11 Students and Parents who want to know more about apprenticeships at Park.

Year 11 Careers Interviews start again on Wednesday 12th Sept. If any parent feels their child would benefit from a Careers interview with Careers South West, please email Mrs Thomas sthomas@theparkschool.org.uk

18th-20th February 2019 - **Babcock International Routes into STEM Plymouth** - Click the attached [flyer link](#) for more information. There are only 30 spaces so don't delay if interested in applying.



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VISIT US AT ONE OF OUR OPEN DAYS...

WEDNESDAY 10 OCTOBER 2018	5PM - 8PM
THURSDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2018	5PM - 8PM
TUESDAY 22 JANUARY 2019	5PM - 7:30PM
SATURDAY 9 MARCH 2019	10AM - 2PM

North Devon Campus
Old Stickpath Hill, Barnstaple, Devon EX31 2BQ
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WORK PERMITS

Students of school age who have part-time jobs must have a Work Permit. Failure to obtain one can lead to prosecution of the Parents/Carer as well as the Employer.

Work Permits can be collected from Pupil Reception. Once completed they should be returned to Pupil Reception for the attention of Mr Sloman.

Details of the hours that students can work are with the Work Permit form.

YEAR 10 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

We held the Year 10 Parent Information Transition Evening on Thursday and would like to thank the parents and students who attended.

Topics covered were high expectations, standards, the pressure of GCSE's, the importance of working hard to get the grades you deserve and home/school communication.

Please see link to the powerpoint presentation shown during the event.

[Year 10 Parent Information evening Powerpoint](#)



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