



Park Life

December 2024



The Park Vale Academy Newsletter



The new academic year couldn't have started any better. Fresh off the back of our **"Good"** judgement from OFSTED last year, this summer the students in Year 11 secured the best ever results again for the academy. Unsurprisingly, there were many happy faces on results day as students received the good news that secured their plans for the following year. For example, **5** separate students achieved Grade 9's in all three of their sciences as well as securing top grades in many of their other subjects. For the girls, Kulansa Amarasekara achieved a grand total of 5 grade 9's, two grade 8's and two grade 7's. On the boys' side, Kai Gawrychowski managed 5 grade 9's, two grade 7's and a Level 2 Distinction in iMedia.

For the academy as a whole, all of this means that on **Progress 8** (the key performance measure for the Department for Education) students at Park Vale on average achieved almost $\frac{3}{4}$ of a grade higher in every GCSE compared to 2018 (see the table below: **-0.7** in 2018 rising to **0** this year). I fully expect this upwards trajectory to continue and given the mature and focussed way the new Year 11 are currently approaching their mock exams I think it is a fairly safe bet that I will be proved right.

On a very different note, those of you who live close to the school may have noticed that we have finally been able to open up the grass area at the front of the main building to the students. We have equipped the space with lots of picnic tables in order to create a calm and relaxing environment for groups of like-minded students to sit and eat their lunch together. It has been great to see so many of our students making good use of this additional facility, particularly during warmer weather. We have also had a massive push on litter recently and again, the students have responded so well that the site is now virtually spotless at the end of break and lunch. All of this means that the school environment is looking fantastic.

In signing off, can I wish you and all your family a lovely Christmas. I hope you make lots of special memories together.

Mr Bowhay

Exam Year	2018	2019	COVID	2023	2024
Progress 8	-0.7	-0.3	N/A	-0.1	0

Year 9 and 10 Maths Trip to Disneyland Paris

A Magical Learning Experience

From November 17th to 20th, 47 excited Year 9 and 10 students embarked on an unforgettable maths trip to Disneyland Paris. This unique educational adventure combined the thrill of theme park rides with the practical application of mathematical concepts.

The trip consisted of a Maths seminar where students delved into the science behind rollercoasters. They learned about the engineering principles involved in constructing these rides, the formula used to calculate wait times, and the financial aspects of running a theme park. This seminar provided a real-world context to the Maths they study in school, making the subject more engaging and relevant.

Students were then challenged to design and build their own rollercoasters using tubing and ball bearings. This activity not only tested their creativity and engineering skills but also required them to calculate the speed of the ball bearings as they travelled through their custom-built tracks. It was a fantastic opportunity for students to apply their mathematical knowledge in a fun and interactive way.

Of course, no trip to Disneyland Paris would be complete without experiencing the magic of the parks themselves. Students had the chance to explore both Disneyland Park and Walt Disney Studios Park, where they eagerly rode all the rollercoasters and enjoyed the various attractions. The trip culminated in a spectacular fireworks display, leaving everyone with memories to cherish.

This Maths trip to Disneyland Paris was not just about learning; it was about inspiring students to see the world through a mathematical lens and showing them that Maths can be found in the most unexpected places. The combination of education and entertainment made this trip a resounding success, and we look forward to more such enriching experiences in the future.



Christmas comes early for Year 7!

Christmas came early this year for all Year 7s in Park Vale Academy thanks to Book Buzz. This programme for secondary schools has been developed by Book Trust to encourage young people to get reading. Book Buzz gives students the opportunity to choose and keep a book they'll love from a collection of 16 titles, selected each year by a panel of Book Trust reading experts, teachers and school librarians. During library lessons, every Year 7 student chose a book, selected from a range of fiction and non-fiction titles, guided by their English teachers. Last week the lucky students received their chosen book for free, just in time to enjoy over the Christmas break!



 **BookTrust**
Bookbuzz

Fright Club

Throughout the year we run competitions from the Young Writers website for all our students to take part in. Once entered, students have the chance to win a £25 national book voucher and become a published writer! The latest competition entitled 'Fright Club' required our young writers to create the tension, suspense and atmosphere of a ghost story in only 250 words! We had a record number of entries, with the students letting their imaginations run wild, resulting in the following pupils becoming published writers:

Abigail Baahova, Caylen Wilkinson-Weekes, Chigozie Onuoha, Codey Moss, Connie Ashton, Dylan Watkin, Envi Barnes, Kacey Walker, Kaitlyn Ashton, Kyron Bernard, Michael Adam, Michelle Adike, Miriam Lende, Muhammed Fatty, Nyile Yates, Olivia Sekyere, Sekou Sanoh, Shalom Somoye and Sophie McLaughlin. Well done to all, we have copies in the library and copies can be purchased on the Young Writers website.

 **Bookbuzz**

UK Bebras Competition Challenge

PVA successfully entered Year 8 students for another year of the UK Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge 2024. This year, all year 8 students (10-12) studying Computer Science and IT courses were entered. The competition has been live from 4th November 2024 and the first round ends on 15th November 2024. The results of the first round are available on the week beginning 25th November. The second round (top 10%), called the "UK BEBRAS CODING CHALLENGE" starts on 14th to 28th March.

UK BEBRAS Computing Challenge



Careers Fair

A large number of providers from industry, HE, FE and charities, gave up their time to share their experience with all of our students. It was an incredible day full of information & guidance and our students engaged in lots of meaningful conversations about career pathways, training and education opportunities post-16. We want to express our sincere gratitude to all the providers who attended the event, engaging with our students and discussing a wide range of career paths they may not have explored previously. The event was a resounding success, and we hope that students left with newfound insight into potential career paths.



PwC visit

Year 10 students who study Business and Enterprise spent a wonderful day at PwC Derby offices. The day aimed to give the students an introduction to the world of professional work, and PwC as a firm. They were greeted by volunteers from across the business who facilitated their day, and lead them on a tour of the office.

Throughout the visit, students took part in engaging activities to help them understand the kind of work professionals at PwC might undertake. They gained experience in consultancy, financial literacy and recruitment - all set within an engaging, fun and relevant context. The sessions focused on developing the skills of "Listening", "Teamwork" and "Problem Solving" whilst incorporating many other employability skills.

After a break for lunch students heard about recruitment opportunities and routes into the firm. They heard from a variety of staff about the realities of professional work, and the different routes they have taken during their careers.



Ada Lovelace Day – 8th October 2024

Who was Ada Lovelace: Ada was the 19th century Mathematician who is considered the founder of Computer Science. She was the daughter of romantic poet Lord Byron.

15 Park Vale students took part in the Ada Lovelace Day celebrations held at MediCity Nottingham where, for a day, they took part in hands on activities, run by inspiring female scientists who are based at MediCity and work in the local STEM industry.



Tech We Can Virtual Live Workshops at PVA

Park Vale is actively working with a charity called Tech We Can. Together we are educating, equipping and inspiring young people, especially girls, to study technology subjects and choose a career in technology. Tech We Can – aim to inspire young adults – especially girls and women – to consider a future career in technology, by connecting them to relatable role models who have recently started their careers.

The first live workshop was delivered to two groups of Year 9 girls on 14th November 2024 who were looking at technology required for living in space. Several more workshops will take place across and November December.



OUR MISSION

Inspire more children, particularly girls, to see the possibility that a job in technology can bring.

Virtual Live Lessons

2024
NOV & DEC
VIRTUAL LIVE
LESSONS!



PVA – Food Bank Collection

At this time of year, as a school community, we like to support our local food bank. We have been consistently collecting for the Bestwood and Bulwell Food Bank at Christmas time for several years now and I know that the donations you make are greatly appreciated. We have been simply astonished at the supplies you have donated and wish to thank you for your efforts. Have a wonderful Christmas break.



Well Done to all Students
that have participated in
Co-Curricular activities this term.

Over 4400 positive house points
have been awarded to students
attending clubs at lunch and
after school.

Ensure you look out for the **new**
Co-Curricular timetable in 2025!

NFFC THINK BIG with Ideagen 10th September 2024

All Year 9 students were delivered an assembly on Tuesday 10th September that introduced the "Think Big" programme with NFFC and Ideagen. Year 9 students will undertake a number of workshops later this year. The aim of the programme is to use the power of football to get young people interested in technology-based jobs as a viable, exciting, and rewarding career path. As well as some technical skills, young people will be taught softer skills that will help with their employability longer term.

A partnership between Nottingham Forest Community Trust and Ideagen to promote the benefits of a career in tech for young people means that NFFC are at Park Vale Academy today to launch the Think Big Programme in an assembly. The Think Big programme will consist of an introductory film, workshops, access to role models and competitions. Visits to Ideagen HQ will introduce some student groups to the workplace where there will be an opportunity to take part in technology-based challenges.



PSHE

In PSHE this term we have been looking at the importance of citizenship and online safety. The students have delved into ideas about how to be a good role model and why we need a good role model, to guide us through life. Also, the importance of private accounts on social networking sites and other ways to protect ourselves from trolls and cyberbullies. Our topic next term will focus on forming healthy relationships and conflict resolution.

This will be supported by our external providers Equate, who will be delivering sessions on healthy relationships to our year 7 and 8 cohort.



History trip to the Civil War Museum

In October we took 76 year 8 students to the Civil War Museum in Newark. This rounded off our History unit on the Civil War in Nottingham nicely and the students enjoyed the various workshops on Civil War weaponry and Newark's role in the war.



Geography Field Trip

In the Autumn Term, five Year 10 Geography classes successfully collected their physical fieldwork data by studying the River Meden. Students carried out 7 experiments using technical equipment whilst stood in the actual river, to investigate how the river changes. Most students managed to keep their feet dry (see photo). In the afternoon we visited the beautiful Perlethorpe School which is next door to the Geography centre. It has been preserved since the 1800's. It was very interesting to see what education used to be like for our great grandparents.



The background features red curtains at the top and bottom, with a black stage area in the center. A spotlight shines down on the stage. At the top center, there is a small gold icon of two theater masks.

THE DRAMA COLLECTIVE

Professional acting workshops delivered by
Nottingham Playhouse

A cartoon illustration of a man and a woman on a stage. The woman is on the left, wearing a red beret, a white short-sleeved shirt under a dark blue vest, and a red skirt. She is holding a small red rose. The man is on the right, wearing a blue cap, a red scarf, a blue and white striped shirt, and blue trousers. He is holding a small red rose. They are standing on a white circular stage with a gold border.

Everyone
welcome,
every
Monday

JOIN US :



Mondays
3.15 - 4.15 pm



Main Hall



More information:
Miss Walden or
Miss Pownall

Clumber News

Hello from Clumber House,

What an amazing start to the school year we have had! Clumber welcomed the new year 7's in September and it has been lovely to see them settle and flourish here at Park Vale. We also welcomed some new students from all over the world and have enjoyed making them welcome here in Clumber House.

We began our annual charity event supporting the community through donations to The Bestwood and Bulwell Food Bank. We would like to thank you for all your donations and pass on the thanks of the team at the food bank for your kindness this winter.

This year we have introduced our House Values and launched these in September. We would like to introduce everyone at home, Clumber 2.0.

House Shield



House Values



House Motto



("Not only for school, but for life")

Our words to live by



The Clumber Way

Be like a tree. Stay grounded. Connect with your roots. Turn over a new leaf. Bend before you break. Enjoy your unique natural beauty. Keep growing.

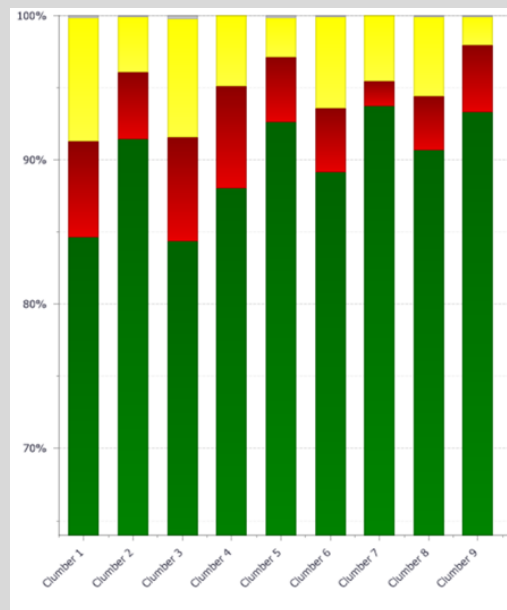
And introducing our new house mascot: Chilly the Snow Leopard



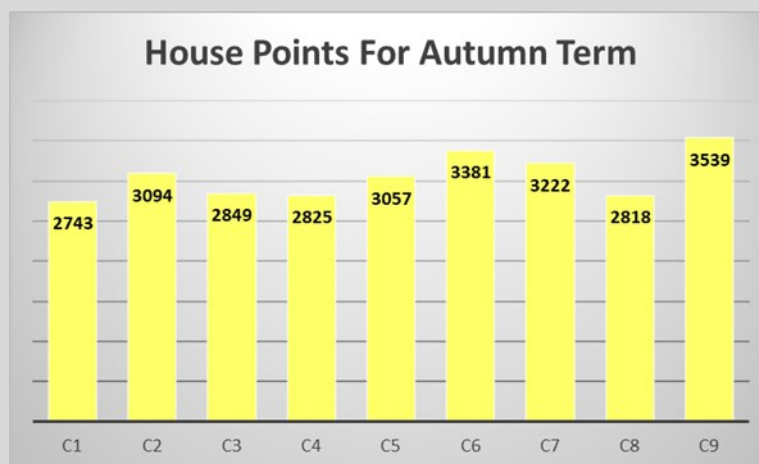
The Road to the House Cup.

The competition for the winner of the Autumn Term has been hotting up. In attendance there is the excitement of a tie between Miss Brown and C9, who were firm favourites but have been challenged by a last-minute run from Mr Brough and C7, who have taken the lead. In the House Points race, the runaway leaders are Miss Brown and C9. We cannot stress enough the link between attendance and those extra house points. After all, you can only win if you're in school and gaining those points. The challenge from Miss Adeyemi and C6 and Mr Brough and C7 will make the last few days of the competition for non-uniform days vital and every point and day in school will count.

At present the leaders of Clumber attendance are: Mr Brough and C7



At present the leaders for Clumber House Points are: Miss Brown and C9



Finally we would like to say a heartfelt thanks and goodbye to Mrs Whitmore, who has been the Clumber HAC since September. She has been a fantastic addition to the team and we wish her well at her new school.

As such we would like to introduce our new HAC, Mr Ellison, who joins the team in January. We look forward to all the fantastic additions he will bring to Clumber House.

We hope you all have a brilliant break.

Miss Dolan, Mrs Harvey-Taylor, Mrs Whitmore, and the whole Clumber Team.

Newstead News

Dear parents/carers of Newstead students,

This year has seen the Houses have a rebrand with all introducing a new shield, motto and values as well as the all-important House mascot!

I'm delighted to be able to share Newstead's with you all below:

House Shield



House Values



House Motto

Acta non Verba

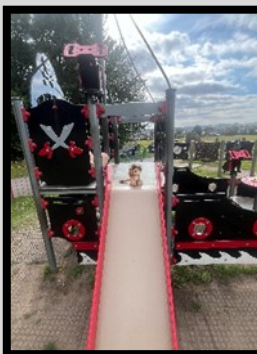
("Deeds, not words")

These were introduced to the students during our first House assembly

And introducing our new house mascot: Mighty Marlee!

back in September and represent what it means to be a Newstead student.

Each week a student is selected to be Star Student of the House. The lucky winner gets to take Mighty Marlee home for the weekend with the requirement they send me a picture of their adventures. See below some of the pictures showing the adventures our winners have taken them on so far this term!

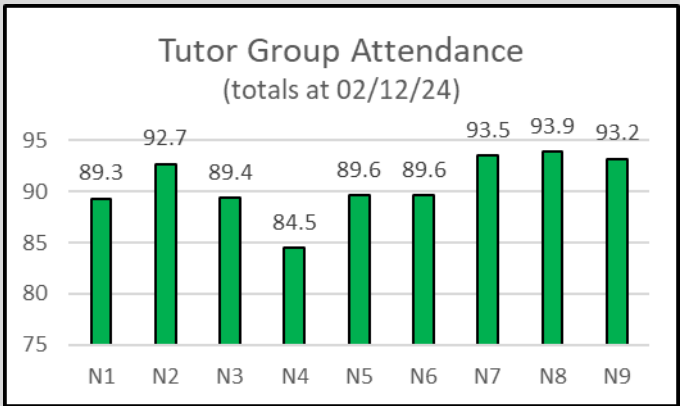
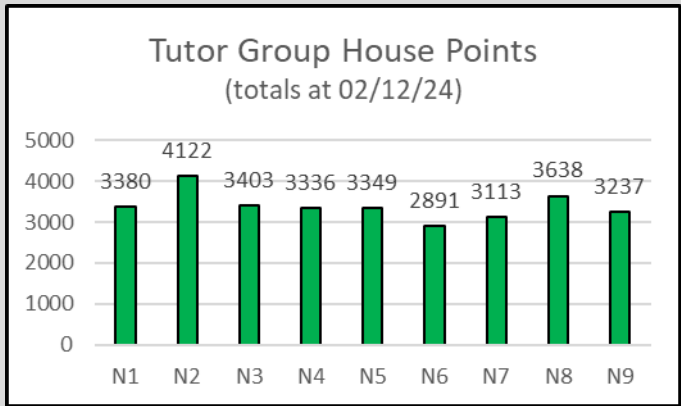


Well done to all of this term's Star Student's!

Our House student leadership team has been formed during this first term. I had a record number of applicants for House Captain this year, thank you to all that applied, congratulations go to Shalom and Kyron who were jointly appointed in the role. Our team of Sports/Inter-House Captains this year is made up of Maison, Corey, Daniel, Wiktorina and Layla. In addition to these roles each tutor group has elected tutor representatives that are responsible for a variety of roles within their tutor group. Thank you to all of them for making such valuable contributions to the House.

The charts below show the current standings between the tutor groups for attendance and house points.

Well done to N2 and Miss Cunningham for placing top for house points and N8 and Miss Walden for leading a close race for tutor attendance. Challenge is on to the other tutor groups to catch them!



Newstead House are current holders of the attendance cup for the academic year 2023/24 and I'm pleased to share we have started this year strong as we look to retain it. We are currently top for attendance across all four houses, but only just (by 0.5%!), so let's all keep working hard to be in and keep the green ribbons on the trophy!

Newstead are performing really well across the Houses for attendance at Curriculum Plus activities and Inter-House competitions. The tables below show our students have shown great commitment this term to accessing opportunities beyond the school day. A huge well done to those included in this, it would be great to see more of you staying and enjoying the variety of clubs on offer to you.

Curriculum Plus Sessions	
Newstead	1963
Wollaton	1713
Clumber	1544
Rufford	1398

Inter-House Points	
Newstead	7
Rufford	5
Clumber	5
Wollaton	4

Overall what a fantastic first term, I'm very proud to be your Head of House!

Mrs Harford-Smyth, Mr Harper and Mr Dean hope you all have a well-deserved break and look forward to seeing you all in 2025.

Wollaton News



Achievement update

Achievement across Wollaton so far this term has been steady with the house currently sitting in 3rd place in the overall standings, with a total of 28621 house points at the time of writing! As the winners of the house point trophy last year, we have a bit of a way to go to catch up to runaway leaders Rufford at this early stage, but with a combined and determined effort, it is certainly possible! From a tutor group point of view, our current leading tutor group in Wollaton is W3 with 3929 points so far; an incredible effort from Mr. Ribeiro's crew!

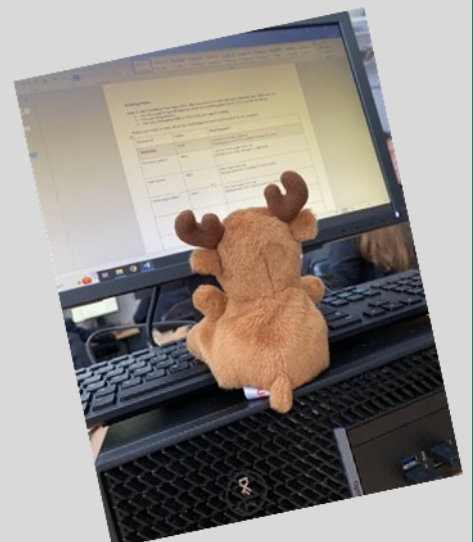
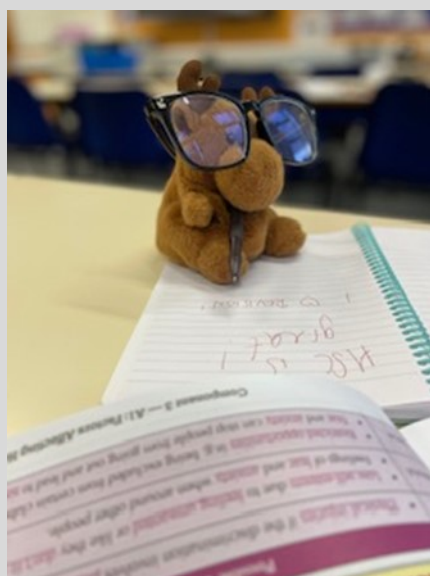
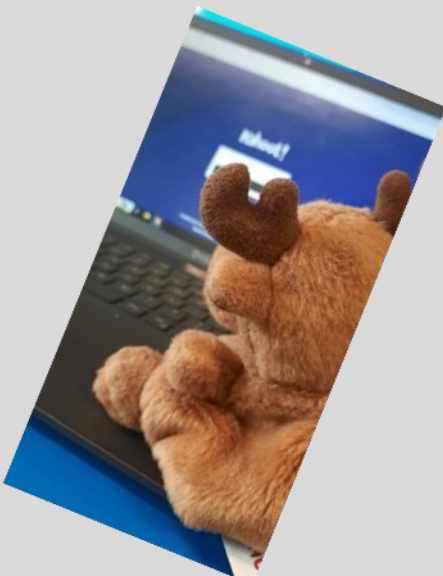
Individually, we have multiple students who are currently chasing their first certificate of the year, as they push closer to that 350 total for their Head of House award! As it currently stands, only one student; Hannah Koomullil has managed to surpass this number - a total of 356 which currently has her sitting in 2nd place when compared to the whole school, well done Hannah!

Our inter house campaign so far this year has seen us finish in 3rd place across two events so far - trampolining and the European Day of Languages quiz. This leaves us with plenty of work to do moving forwards in order to propel ourselves further up the standings to chase down our current leaders Newstead. With the upcoming events of rowing, our logic and photography challenges before Christmas, I am optimistic that we will close the gap as we bid to win back the trophy we failed to retain last year!

Our now annual charity event was a resounding success again! Once more we paired a cake sale with Macmillan Coffee Morning with a large number of Wollaton students leading the way again! Last year was a huge success, so much so we decided to set ourselves an ambitious target of over £300 this year. Miss Smyth lead the way with the staff cake sale, which when paired with the student cake sale saw us raise a grand total of £313.71 for cancer research! Once again, the bar has been set by our amazing students in Wollaton, setting us another big target to try to beat once again next year!

Adventures of Woolly

Well done to Matthew Blackham, Elleigh Gould, Eva Reed and Lexi Ellis for achieving star student of the week and being able to look after Woolly for the week this term. Keep up the hard work!



Star students....



W9

Neha Cuncheer
No negatives and sets
examples in the way
that she behaves.

W2

Caitlin Marson - Great
contribution during
tutor time, always on
time waiting outside
the door politely and
always willing to help.

W6

Lexi Ellis - Excellent effort in
school this year with
perfect attendance of 100%
and attends revision
sessions.

W3

Matthew Blackham - Outstanding
attitude to every tutor session, always
contributing and giving really good
opinions.

W7

Shamarna Morris for always
being a positive member of
the tutor group and super
supportive of the Y7s.

W5

Nuha Cuncheer -
positive mindset
towards mock exams,
always hard working
and polite.

W4

Hannah Koomullil
She is an amazing Tutor Rep, always
smiling, super helpful and extremely
polite.

W1

James Teixeira
Contributes well in tutor
time and always does the
right thing.

W8

Shawn Halgamu-Hewawasamge

A true credit to the Academy.
Shawn is the most polite and
respectful young man I have
ever met,
As well as being an exemplary
tutee and student, Shawn trains
4 sessions (2 hours each
session) a week at NOVA
Centurion - one of the UKs top
swimming clubs and aims to
swim for the nation!

Finally, we wanted to send you all our kindest regards. We wish you all a great Christmas holiday and we hope that you have a well-deserved break!

Best Wishes,
Miss Wright and Mr Ludlow.



Rufford News



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we joyfully approach the festive season, we are thrilled to share some updates and achievements from our Rufford community! Our House Captains Lili-Mai Shaw, Isabelle Barker and Ebony-Mae Mathers, along with the Deputy Head Boy, Henri Witts, have been overseeing Rufford and this term has been filled with remarkable accomplishments. We couldn't be prouder of our students and staff!

Charity Work

Our amazing charity ambassadors, Eman Khawaja, Lily Mai Green Broker, Lacie Blurton, Imogen Preston and Olivia Witts, have been working tirelessly to support our new charity this year, which is called The Tomorrow Project. It is a wonderful local East Midlands charity dedicated to preventing self-harm and suicide. To raise funds, we are excited to announce our Christmas Bake Sale! We always have an incredible turnout of bakers and buyers, so thank you in advance for your enthusiastic support. Additionally, we are collecting food items to help Miss Whitmore support the Bestwood and Bulwell Food Bank. Your generosity truly makes a difference, and we are grateful for your continued support in helping those in need during this festive season.

Sports and Inter-house Competitions

A huge shout-out to our sports captains, Mason Squires, Noah Barron, Muhammed Fatty, Ethan McDonald Loseby and Caylen Wilkinson-Weekes, who have led us to joint first place in the inter-house competitions! We had an amazing turnout of Rufford students for the European Day of Languages Quiz, and both winners of the European Day of Languages Bake Off were from Rufford! A huge well done to Hollie Bramante, Cerys Fox, Sky Watts and the winner with her Lotus Cheesecake, Ebony-Mae Mathers! We still have the rowing competition, the photography competition, and the Logic Challenge ahead of us this half term. With our talented and enthusiastic students, we are confident we can take the top position. Let's keep up the fantastic work and continue to support each other in these exciting events!

House Points and Attendance

We are over the moon to announce that we are leading in house points with an impressive 32,351 points since September. The tutor group with the highest points is R8, with a remarkable 4,138 points. Congratulations to R8 and their tutor Mr. Rayner-Mistry for this outstanding achievement! Across all the tutor groups we have examples of exceptional students: Aaliyah Rose with a whopping 278 positives; Alex Shooter (R3) with 270; Brooke Badder (R8) with 260; Amelia Hudson (R5) has 259; Isabelle Barker (R7) with 257 and Corryn-Faith Mather (R3) has 253! Your hard work and dedication are truly inspiring.

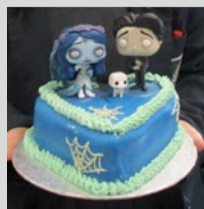
Attendance is crucial for academic success, and we are proud of all our students for their commitment to being present and engaged in their learning. R6, led by Miss Hudson, has the highest attendance for this term. R2 and R8 are close behind with just a 1% difference. It will be exciting to see who comes out on top by the last day of term!

As we look forward to the Christmas break, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all parents and carers for your unwavering support and involvement in our school community.

We wish you all a joyful and restful Christmas break filled with happiness and good health. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year, ready to embrace new challenges and opportunities.

Warmest regards,

Miss Lovett, Miss Baillie and Miss Delaney.



Calling all PVA students!

Park Vale Academy Curriculum Plus



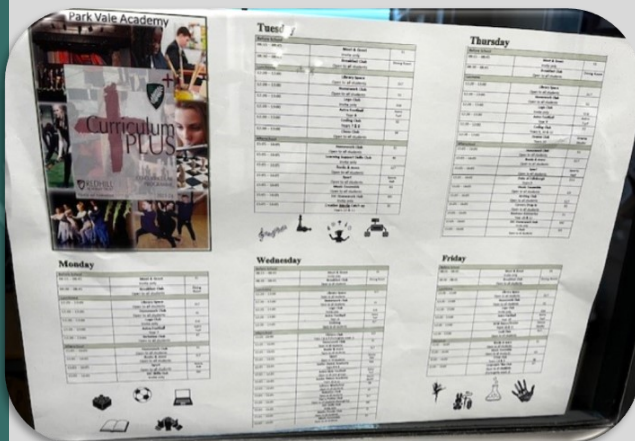
Students have access to all the Curriculum Plus offerings on the notice boards around the school and classrooms.

The timetable is available on the PVA website

<https://parkvaleacademy.org.uk/>

Student can also access details via the digital timetable via Class Charts

https://www.canva.com/design/DAF0QKGI32w/iAaa1ko5aY3iRK2CsZwVGQ/edit?utm_content=DAF0QKGI32w&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton



Privacy Notice

Please note that our student privacy notice can be found [here](#)

Park Vale Academy have a full-time Counsellor. Students and Families can find additional support and guidance on the following contact numbers or websites.

TextHealth is a new service from Nottingham CityCare, available Monday to Friday from 8:30am to 5pm (automatic bouncebacks respond to incoming messages out of hours). As our lives have changed over the last few months due to the coronavirus, it's more important than ever for young people to have easy access to support with their health.

The text number for this is [07480 635024]. Or visit www.chathealth.nhs.uk Text a nurse. Text Health.

Below are a range of resources to help young people with any problems they may be facing.

Childline – **I don't feel safe at home** – Tel: 0800 1111 (Free Call) www.childline.org.uk #Listen to your selfie

Barnardo's Young Minds –Find a service where you live; support for parents and carers; support for young people <https://www.barnardos.org.uk/>

KOOTH – **Your online mental wellbeing community** www.kooth.com

The Mix – **Essential support for under 25s** www.themix.org.uk

Mental health UK – **How to maintain good mental wellbeing during coronavirus** <https://mentalhealth-uk.org/blog/how-to-have-an-open-conversation-with-young-people-about-coronavirus/>

Children's bereavement centre – **Grief and loss** <http://www.childrensbereavementcentre.co.uk/>

SelfharmUK – **Recovery, insight and support** www.selfharm.co.uk

Calm- Campaign Against Living Miserably <https://www.thecalmzone.net/>

Nottingham Recovery Network – **Alcohol and drug support, advice and treatment** <https://www.nottinghamrecoverynetwork.com/>

GIDS – **Gender Identity Development services** <http://gids.nhs.uk/young-people>

SHARP – https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEn5_IkBX9bUd6SQIiAih3w

CAMHS – <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCF1QiK2WJByHpoUOoHB-Yg/featured>

BeSafeBeSound – <https://www.counterterrorism.police.uk/safetyadvice/>

NottAlone – <https://nottalone.org.uk/?a=yp>

Anxiety and Sleep- <https://teensleephub.org.uk/teens-young-people/>

Sleep-need some advice, want some information <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/information-support/children/>

Link for Children and Young Carers- <https://sidekick.actionforchildren.org.uk/>

Alternatively, if you feel that you need support in school, you can contact the safeguarding team: pvasafeguarding@parkvaleacademy.org.uk

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Refuel at School Bagel Breakfast Club

**Free to everyone
Monday – Friday
8.30-8.40am**

Main hall & dining hall

Dear parent/carer,

Please find below a letter from Kooth about wellbeing support for students during the holiday period.

[KOOOTH.com](https://www.kooth.com) is still here to support young people during the Christmas holidays!

Over the last academic year, an Engagement Lead for Kooth has worked closely with staff in school to deliver training on all aspects of how Kooth works and supports your child. As well as all students having the opportunity to hear much more about Kooth, a range of physical and digital promotional resources are being used around school to promote the service & remind students Kooth is here to help 24/7 365 days of the year.

Kooth offers free, safe and anonymous access to online wellbeing support and advice for children and young people aged 11 to 25. The registration process is quick, anonymous and safe. Using non-identifiable information, Children and Young People can access support, simply by registering at www.kooth.com.

With no thresholds, waiting lists or referrals required, young people can access support for ANY issues they may be experiencing. These may include; body image, self-esteem, bereavement, academic pressures, anger, anxiety, suicidal thoughts, self harm, friendships, sexuality, transition from primary to secondary school etc.

Kooth's BACP (British Association for Counselling & Psychotherapy) qualified therapists are online 365 days a year. Monday to Friday, from midday until 10pm and on weekends, 6pm until 10pm. Users can also message the team 24 hours a day and receive a next day response.

Young people can access fully-moderated support forums, self-help tools, and online magazine articles (written by our professional team and other users across the UK) covering topics ranging from health and wellbeing, sport, technology, fashion etc. alongside social, emotional and wellbeing support. Everything on www.kooth.com is pre-moderated before going 'live' on the site, allowing for young people to offer and receive peer support in a safe and secure online environment.

Kooth delivers 1000's of online wellbeing sessions each year in Local Authorities across the UK. As 50% of referrals to CAMHS are unfortunately deemed inappropriate to their criteria, Kooth gives schools, professionals and families an alternative way of ensuring children and young people can access free support when they need it, in a way that they find comfortable to access, via any web-enabled devices.

Please find a selection of Parent/Carer resources that can be accessed using this link: [Parents/Carers resources](#) and If you have any questions or would like to discuss what [Kooth.com](https://www.kooth.com) can offer, please, simply email parents@kooth.com.

Kind Regards

NO EXCUSE FOR ABUSE!

We strive to create a safe and secure environment for pupils and staff alike.

We will
not tolerate
behaviour
that is:



We will take action
when necessary.

Y10 WORK EXPERIENCE 14TH-18TH JULY 2025

**** DEADLINE** FOR SUBMITTING COMPLETED
PLACEMENT FORMS **24TH FEBRUARY**



Work
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IMPORTANT DATES 2024-2025

December

Monday 2	INSET Day
Friday 20	End Of Term
Monday 23 - Tuesday 31	Christmas Holiday

January 2025

Wednesday 1 - Friday 3	Christmas Holiday
Monday 6	Start of Term
Wednesday 8	Year 11: Parents Evening
Monday 13	Year 7: Review Week School Closes Early: 2:10pm
Monday 20	Year 10: Review Week
Thursday 23	Year 11: Poetry Live School Closes Early: 2:10pm
Monday 27	Year 9: Exams
Friday 31	Year 11: Science Live

February

Monday 3	Year 8: Reading Tests
Tuesday 4	Year 11: Photos
Wednesday 5	Year 8: - Year 10: Paris Trip Ex Year 11: Presentation Evening
Monday 10	Staff Meeting Year 11: Walking/Talking Mock – English/Maths
Thursday 13	Year 10: Mock Interviews
Monday 17 - Friday 21	Half Term
Wednesday 26	Year 7-11: SEN Reviews Year 9: DTP Vaccines

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IMPORTANT DATES 2024-2025

March

Monday 3 - Friday 7	Year 11: Mock Exams
Thursday 6	World Book Day
Monday 10 - Friday 14	Year 11: Mock Exams
Wednesday 12	Year 9: Parents Evening
Friday 14	Redhill Academy Book Awards
Monday 17 - Friday 21	Year 7: Exams
Wednesday 19	Year 9: Options Evening
Friday 21	Year 11: Mock Results Day 2
Wednesday 26	Year 10: SEND – Construction Taster

April

Wednesday 2	Trust Handball Cup
Friday 4 - Saturday 12	Year 7-11: Ski Trip
Monday 7 – Monday 21	Easter Holidays
Tuesday 22	Start of Spring Term