



Park Life

Christmas 2025



Welcome to the Christmas edition of Park Life.

The main piece of good news I want to share with you from this first term is the improvement in attendance we are starting to see across the academy. Like most schools, we have experienced challenges in this area post-Covid but now the dial is definitely beginning to move in the right direction. We had already seen some improvements last year but since September the increase has been quite dramatic: as I write for example, our new Year 7 – who have made a fantastic start in general – have the best attendance of any year group out of all 10 secondary schools in the Redhill Academy Trust!

Then again, why wouldn't they want to be in school every day?! Aside from the main issue of furthering their education and making sure they make progress towards a good set of GCSE results, there is so much more that school has to offer which they miss out on when they are not here. There is the co-curricular offer (the various teams, clubs and activities at lunchtime and after school) which so many of our youngsters participate in. There is the vast array of trips and visits throughout the year which are only open to students with good attendance in the first place. There are special, themed lunchtime menus on offer from the catering staff which are so popular they create queues the length of the school building (see above) and just this week we have had a visiting theatre group in school performing a production of "A Christmas Carol" to Year 10.

On a related note I wanted to mention what a pleasure it was to go on MY first ever school trip with Park Vale: visiting the Battlefields and Commonwealth cemeteries in Belgium with Year 8. The students were superb and extremely respectful of everything they witnessed, the highlight being our participation in the nightly ceremony at The Menin Gate in Ypres and laying a wreath of poppies on behalf of the school (see above).

In signing off, I would like to pass on my best wishes to you and your extended families for a lovely, peaceful time together over the festive period. Merry Christmas from all the staff at Park Vale Academy.

S. Bowhay

Make Your Best Move!



Our chess club continues to go from strength to strength. We now have 30 members with over 20 students attending each session. It really is a joy to see so many students from across the year groups enjoying playing chess, socialising and supporting each other.

For the first time, we have a similar number of boys and girls making moves and checking their mates, whilst various members of staff have also dipped their toes into the chess pool. We will move towards creating a chess ladder, followed by tournaments after Christmas. Come and join us in F16 every Tuesday lunchtime.

Mr Scott

Year 8's Memorable Trip to Ypres

Last month, some of our Year 8 students embarked on a moving and educational journey to Ypres, Belgium—a place steeped in history and remembrance. The trip offered a unique opportunity to learn about the First World War beyond the classroom, visiting key sites that shaped the course of history.

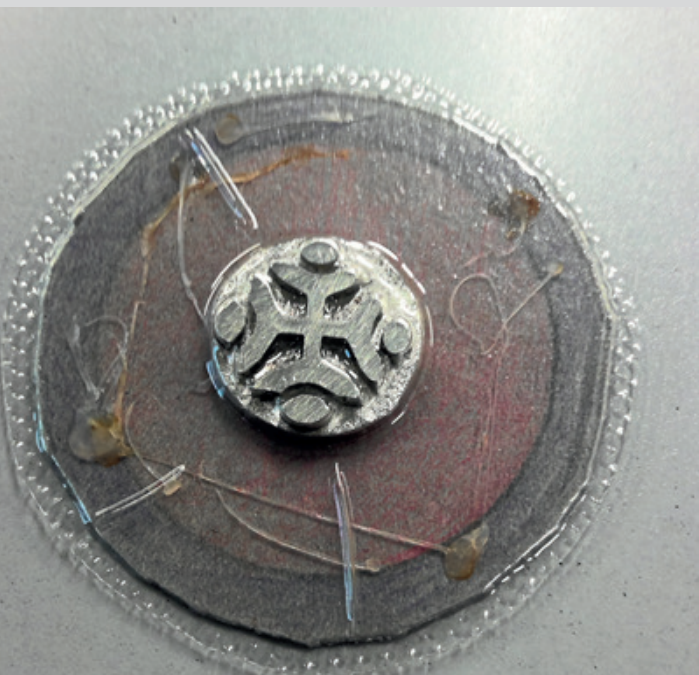
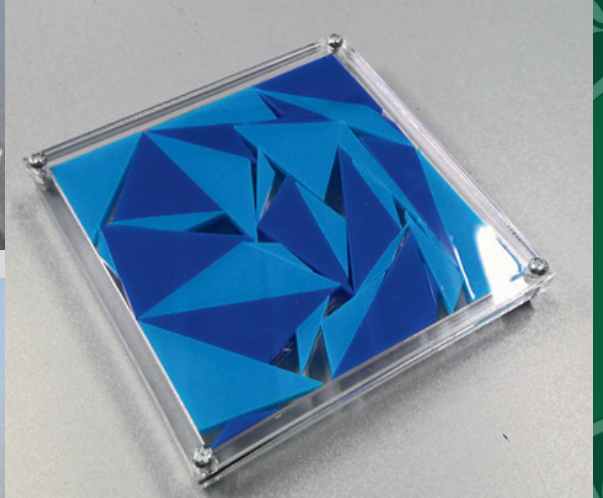
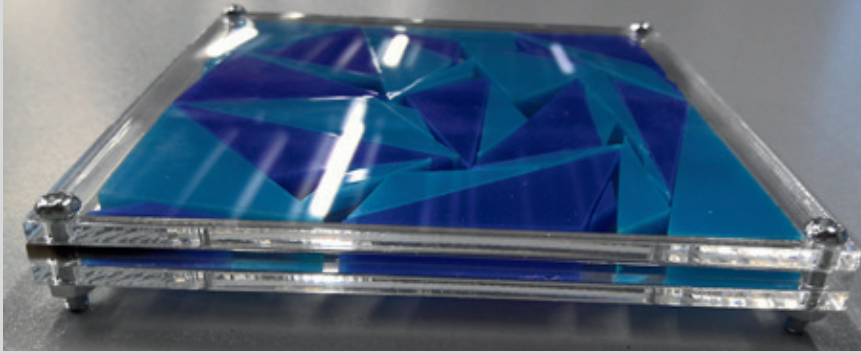
Students explored the preserved trenches, museums, and cemeteries, gaining a deeper understanding of the sacrifices made during the Great War. One of the most poignant moments came at the Menin Gate, where our group took part in the daily Last Post ceremony. In a solemn act of respect, Mason Knox & Corryn-Faith Mather laid a wreath on behalf of our school with Mr Bowhay, honouring those who gave their lives for our freedom.

The experience was both humbling and inspiring, reminding us of the importance of remembrance and peace. It's a trip that will stay with our Year 8s for years to come.



Mr Critchley

Y10 D&T - Coaster & Decorative Coin Designs



KPMG Opening Doors to Opportunities Y9 Visit

27th November 2025

The Opening Doors to Opportunities programme is designed to give students the insight, skills and confidence to thrive in the world of work. PVA Year 9 students visited their office to give them a chance to connect with professionals, gain skills, and receive feedback on Thursday 27th November 2025.

These career focused workshops, held at KPMG offices, were delivered by an experienced Talent Foundry facilitator and supported by KPMG colleagues. Students develop essential skills during the workshop while experiencing what it's like to work at KPMG.

- Provide students with an important insight into the world of work and allow them to engage with KPMG colleagues from different parts of the business
- Enable students to explore and learn about emerging and innovative technologies
- Link their curriculum learning to careers
- Have a guided office tour with KPMG colleagues
- Help students develop core transferable skills including communicating effectively, problem solving, thinking creatively, positivity, confidence, resilience, leadership and teamwork
- Provide encounters with employers and their staff and provide experience of their workplace

Price Waterhouse Coopers (PwC) 'Back to Schools Tour'

25th November 2025

The Year 10 trip to PwC in Birmingham was very inspiring and the students had a great time engaging in various both business and career/employability activities. Students also gave group presentations on their AI idea for a product to help students and teachers. Our students also had the opportunity to tour the beautiful offices and get a feel for the working environment and culture of PwC.



PwC staff shared details of their working lives and provided an insight into the career routes within PwC that are available for school leavers. PwC is one of the "leading professional services firms" and they provide business and tech services to other organisations in a variety of industries. They have over 22,000 employees in the UK and almost 328,000 around the world in over 152 countries.

The AI Club – Curriculum Plus Activity
Tuesdays/Wednesdays 3.10 in S1

SPACE & ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

Design Satellites! See Drones! Learn AI!
Real tech. Real fun. Real future!

WHAT YOU'LL DO

DESIGN YOUR OWN SPACECRAFT
Work in teams to create a rover, satellite, or space probe

CHECK OUT A CUSTOM-BUILT DRONE
See real robotics tech up close and ask questions

DISCOVER AI IN ACTION
Learn how AI powers robots, satellites, and space missions

RUN BY UNIVERSITY EXPERTS!
Nottingham Space Society + RoboNotts
(The award-winning robotics competition team!)

WHY COME?

★ See how space tech is used in everyday life

★ Explore future careers in robotics & engineering

★ Work with real university students & tech

After school on Dec 3rd!

Students worked with the Nottingham University Space Society who delivered this exciting event on 3rd December 2025.

CAN YOU OUTSMART A MACHINE?

Join us at the AI Club!

Hey future tech wizards!

Think you can tell the difference between a human and AI? Can you spot when it's making things up? Now's your chance to find out!

Come join our interactive coding and AI workshops – they're run by real computer scientists from the University of Nottingham!

What you'll do:

Humans or AI?
Try and guess if images or text are made by humans

AI Hallucinations!
See how AI can get things hilariously wrong.

Train your own mini AI
Use your own photos to teach it emotions.

And much more!

When & Where:
After school
Twice a week!

The recently introduced AI club on a Tuesday & Wednesday after school recently delivered a Space & Robotics Workshop.

Park Life PE Autumn 25

As always, this first term has been really busy with lots of students representing the academy in both Trust and Citywide fixtures and events. Below is a list– well done to everyone who has attended we are really proud of you all!

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Boys Football Netball KS3 Winter Trust Games	Netball Boys Football KS3 Winter Trust Games	Boys Football Girls Football KS4 Winter Trust Games	Girls Football Boys Basketball KS4 Winter Trust Games	Boys Football Boys Basketball

Coming up next term

- Girls Active Mini Olympics Jan 12th
- England Handball qualifiers and City Handball Competitions
- Nottingham Forest Netball Coaching Clinic (Feb-Easter)
- Trust Rowing Cup – Jan 29th
- Year 7 Butlins Trip – Mar 27th

Girls Active Leadership Group

We opened up applications for our Girls Active Leadership group this year, and we were so impressed with the quality of those who applied. Well done the following who will join Chnika, Lily, Emily and Lucie from last year:

Abigail, Freya, Awa, Osa, Shamarna, Sky, Robyn, Hasibat and Jessica

They have been working really hard this half term to ensure girls' participation in physical activity improves. They have written and analysed surveys, started planning their Mini Olympics interhouse event for January, created posters and presentations to promote events and will be taking part in their own Inspiration Day at school before the Christmas break where they will take part in skateboarding and chair aerobics to help them develop their skills!

Option PE Loughborough University

We took out Year 10 Option PE groups to Loughborough University this term, where they took part in a tour of the campus, a nutrition workshop and the strength and conditioning session to help them with the content of their courses. The students represented the Academy really well with some impressive performances in the gym!



Cross Country

We ran our annual Cross-Country lessons during the year 11 mocks and we were so impressed with the attitude of all our students, in what must have been the coldest week this year! Special mentions to the following students who had the best times for their year group.

Y7 – Jayden and Mariah-Leah

Y8 – Olly and Mariama

Y9 – Ryan, George, Beth and Nevaeh

First Ever Sports Day!

Below are some pictures from our first ever Sports Day from the summer, what an amazing day we had! The students performed brilliantly, we can't wait to do it all again this summer. Congratulations to Clumber on taking the win.





LONDON THEATRE TRIP - JULY 2025!

Are you a Dance, Drama or Music student?

Come and join us in London!

Our magical trip includes....

- Return transport to London by private coach and transport around London
- One night's accommodation in a central London hotel
- Tickets to the two the West End shows; 'Wicked' and 'Hercules' and a flight on the London Eye
- A visit to to Pineapple Studios to take part in a professional workshop led by the members of the cast of 'Wicked'
- Shopping, tour and a meal at Pizza Hut in Covent Garden

Come and speak to Mrs Goddard (in the Dance Studio) for more information



**DEPOSITS BEING
COLLECTED FROM
NOW UNTIL 16TH
JANUARY! GET THIS
FOR YOUR
CHRISTMAS PRESENT!**

Our Christmas Show

By Laraya Badder

I am doing many things in the show; singing, dancing, drama and playing the guitar!

I am looking forward to it because I love the feeling. I feel a rush of excitement and nerves mixed into one huge form. I love the feeling of uncertainty. I just love performing in general. Even though the show biz is stressful, it's so worth it when you walk onto the stage, under the lights. I enjoy all of it, love to see all of it even. I have loved it since birth and will continue to love it. I am so proud to show how I've grown during the years performing here at Park Vale!

Park Vale Performing Arts present...



'THE CHRISTMAS COLLECTION'



Thursday 11th December 2025
5.30pm – 7.00pm



PARK VALE DANCE ACADEMY



Park Vale Dance Academy

COME AND JOIN DANCE ACADEMY!

New dance pieces will be created in preparation for the Summer Shows and the Dance Academy tour.

Get fit, be creative, learn dances and make new friends!
COME AND TRY - YOUR FIRST TASTER SESSION IS FREE!!

Tuesdays - Primary Dance Academy - Years 4-6
3.30pm - 5.00pm

Tuesdays - Musical Theatre Dance Academy - Years 7-11
3.15pm - 4.30pm

Thursdays (Senior) Fridays (Junior) Dance Academy - Years 7 - 11
3.10pm - 4.30pm

£3 per class after the first lesson (costumes / tour included)

For more information, please call reception on 0115 8221244 or e-mail Mrs Goddard directly at a.goddard@parkvaleacademy.org.uk

Be part of something special!



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, in all year groups, 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.

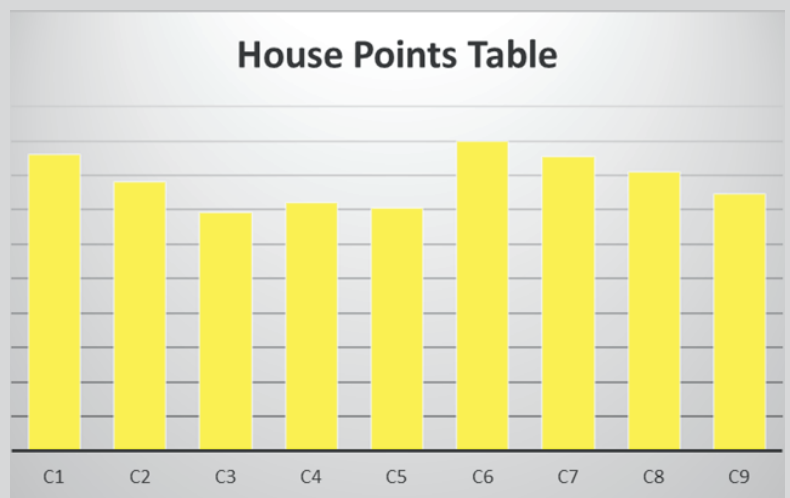
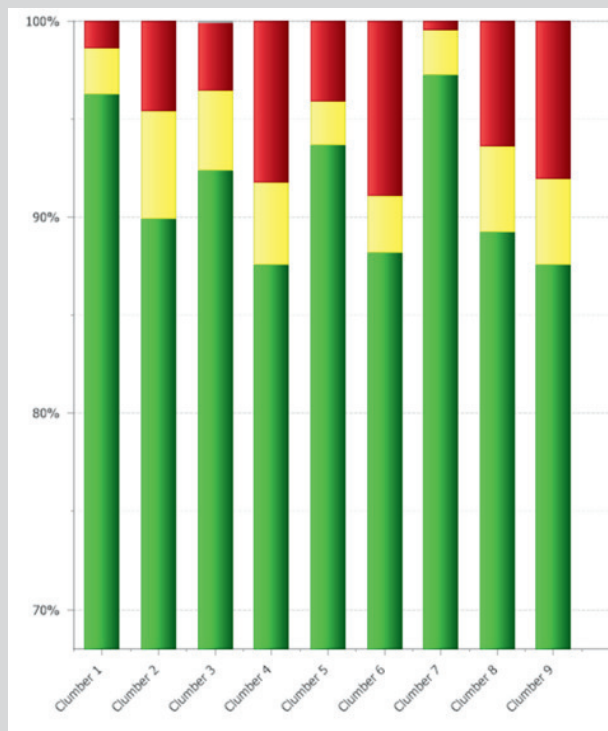
The Road to the House Cup

The competition for the winner of the Autumn Term has been hotting up. In attendance there is the excitement of Mr Brough and C7, who are firm favourites but have been challenged by the last-minute run by Mr Lewis and C1, who are chasing at their heels. In the House Points race, the runaway leaders are Miss Adeyemi and C6, however, they are being challenged by Mr Lewis and C1, who have the better attendance currently.

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 C1 and Mr Lewis will mean the last few days of the competition for non-uniform days will be 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 Adeyemi and C6



Finally we would like to say a heartfelt thanks to Mr Ludlow, who has been covering as Head of House since last Christmas, when Miss Dolan went on adoption leave. He has done a fantastic job and has now joined the Clumber team as the HAC. We look forward to all the fantastic additions he will continue to bring to Clumber House.

We hope you all have a brilliant break.

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

Newstead News

Dear parents/carers of Newstead students,

As we come to the end of the first term I want to take this opportunity to welcome our new yr7's that have joined us this year. What a great start they have had, I've been really impressed with their engagement and willingness to get involved with house roles and activities as well as a fantastic attitude to school.

I'd also like to share Newstead's shield, motto and values with you all below as a reminder of what it means to be a Newstead student:

Newstead Shield



Newstead Motto

Acta non Verba

'Deeds not words'

Newstead Values

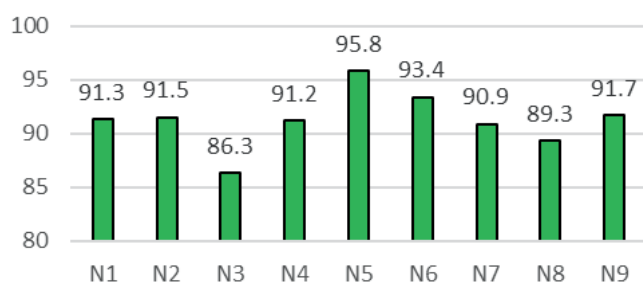


This term has seen us appoint our House student leadership team. Congratulations to Laraya and Othniel who have been appointed House Captains this year and have already been getting stuck in to their roles. Our team of Sports/Inter-House Captains this year is made up of Frankie, Dayshaun, Dexter, Millie T and Shayliece. In addition to these roles each tutor group has elected tutor representatives that are responsible for a variety of roles within their tutor group and have been attending school council meetings representing Newstead. Thank you to all of them for making such valuable contributions to the House.

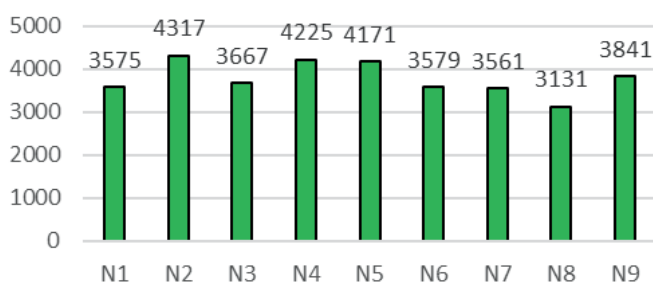
As well as these roles, students can participate in Charity fundraising activities throughout the year. In November, Newstead and Wollaton Houses combined to put on a bake sale to raise funds for Children in Need. The contribution from students in Newstead was amazing, from donating cakes, helping organise and run the event or simply just coming and supporting by buying a cake, the event was a huge success. Thanks to all, we managed to raise an incredible £195.80 😊

The charts below show the current standings between the tutor groups for attendance and house points. Well done to N5 and Miss Hardwick for placing top for attendance and N2 and Miss Cunningham for leading a close race for house points. Challenge is on to the other tutor groups to catch them!

Tutor Group Attendance
(totals at 03/12/25)



Tutor Group House Points
(totals at 03/12/25)



Newstead House had a very successful year last year and are current holders of the House Attendance Cup. The challenge at the start of the year was to maintain our strong attendance. We've had a mixed start and are currently in third position overall. Plenty of time to improve this position before the end of the academic year, so a message of encouragement from me to you all, keep working hard on your attendance so we can see an improvement overall as a House and keep those green ribbons on the trophy 😊

Lastly, I want to share with you some pictures of our House mascot, Mighty Marlee. Each week a student gets to take Marlee home with the requirement they send me a picture of their adventures. See below some of the pictures showing the adventures Marlee has been on so far this term!



Mrs Harford-Smyth, Mr Harper and Mr Dean hope you all have a well-deserved break and look forward to seeing you all in 2026.

Wollaton News



What a wonderful Autumn Term we have had in the Wollaton house with our Charity Ambassadors. Our dedicated Wollaton students are enthusiastic about being part of a wider community.

Our Charity Ambassadors have been hard at work this Autumn term with helping raise funds for different charities. We started the academic year by raising fund for The Royal British Legion by selling poppies.

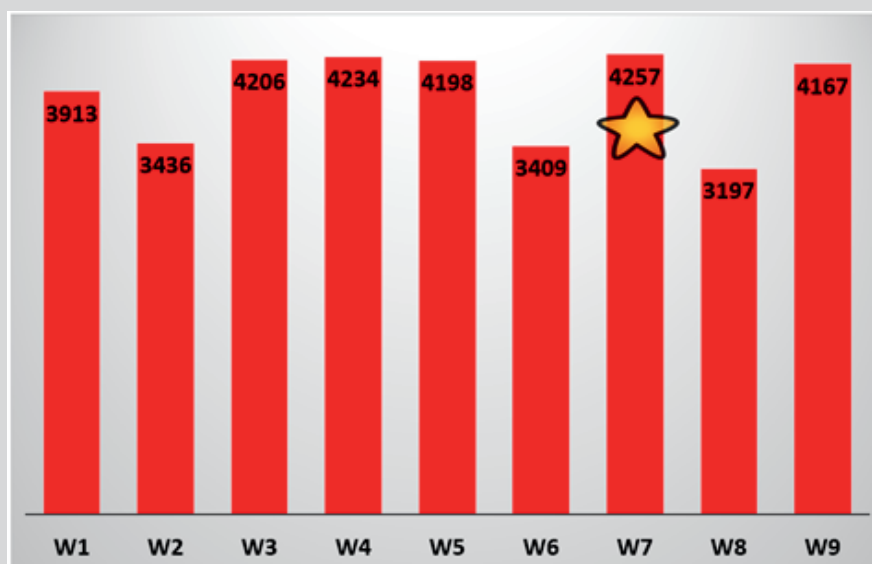
Our fantastic House Charity Ambassadors even decorated a couple of poppies with some red glitter to encourage more people to donate money for a good cause. Later in the term we were then challenged to do a bake sale for Children in Need. After much discussion on my poster design the House Charity Ambassadors decided I should leave that to them and they designed a wonderful poster. This bake sale became a joint event with Newstead House where both houses worked effectively together and at short notice due to wet weather. Wollaton and Newstead House raised a fantastic £195.80.

A massive thank you and well done to all those who have helped by selling cakes or donating them on the day as well as the staff who supported us on the day. One final thing from myself I just wanted to say a massive thank you to the Wollaton Charity Ambassadors. You have been amazing. Keep up the fantastic hard work! – Miss Thompson.



House Achievement

Well done to W7 who have taken the lead with house points and W3 who are closely following behind.



Star students....



W3

Ollie Slater-Gunn
255 House points. He's been brilliant this year settled in really well in Y8, 100% attendance and always a great attitude in tutor.

W2

Jaydan Hewes-Betts...most improved attitude.

W1

Zak Gould - huge improvement in his behaviour and attitude this year. He has really matured and this is reflected in amazing number of house points and drastically reduce negatives. Well done Zak!

W9

Sana Koomulil
Always pleasant and happy in tutor time. Sana will engage in every activity without delay, and will contribute to all activities, even those that nobody else wants to participate in! She's also one of our top scorers for House Points!

W8

Shawn Halgamu-Hewawasamge

Shawn is an outstanding member of our tutor group. He consistently demonstrates maturity, kindness, and a strong work ethic. He willingly volunteers for small jobs that keep tutor time running smoothly and always contributes enthusiastically to activities. He shows dedication to academic progress and growth and deserves Star Tutee recognition.

W4

Tommy
He has 100% attendance and almost the same for behaviour (1 negative) and is always happy and polite. He always volunteers to help in tutor and to present Votes for Schools. He volunteers for everything and tries to help whenever he can.

W5

Lewis Inger- For always being kind, considerate and helpful during tutor time. He contributes well to each session and is a pleasure to have in the tutor group.

W7

River Brown
For a super positive start to Year 7. Being on only 1 negative since the start of the year and being always engaged during tutor time and respectful of those around him.

W6

Kacey Walker- Pleasant to have in my tutor group. She's friendly, helpful and always smiling. Has worked really hard this year and constantly keeps improving. Very proud of her!

Rufford News



Dear Rufford parents and students,

December is the month of festive cheer and, furthermore, you get to hear about all the exciting activities that Rufford students have been working on since September. Students have been busy setting events and competitions into motion and we have lots of students in each tutor group who have already been getting involved.

Charity work:

Our Charity Ambassadors this year are Corryn-Faith Mather, Chnika Stephenson and Raed, and they are really excited about helping our chosen charity. Their latest charity fundraising was for the Poppy Appeal around Remembrance Day to support current veterans and remember those we have lost fighting for our country.

We are continuing to support 'Control the Bleed, Save a Life' and this charity aims to raise awareness of knife crime and the importance of bleeding control kits being available in public areas. They work closely with local government, community groups and businesses to get the kit into as many places as possible. We are also supporting Miss Dolan in Clumber house for our Food Bank appeal. With the cost of living crisis it is more important than ever to rally together and help those in our local community, especially around this Christmas which puts even more strain on household incomes.

Attendance and House points:

Notoriously R6 are usually the favourites for house points, however we have had some challengers this year in the form R8, headed by Mr Rayner-Mistry. R8 currently have 5545 with R6 in second place at 5395, in third place Miss Mills R3 have 5269. All to play for!

Rufford are also leading the other houses in terms of house points with a whopping 40307, our nearest competitor is Wollaton at 37869.

We can all appreciate the importance of attendance. There is a direct link between those who attend school consistently and the results they get in year 11. We do push a lot as a school in order to ensure students are in as much as possible. Parents and guardians are monumental in fostering a positive relationship between the school and the students which is necessary to keep attendance up.

With that said Rufford are leading the way in terms of attendance. Year to date we are standing at 93.28% with our nearest competitor Clumber at 91.84%. The Rufford tutor group in the lead is currently Mr Khans R9 at 96.48%, then R8 at 96.17% and in third R6 at 95.25%. It is all very close though and it could all change very quickly.

As school we have seen small gains over the last few years, our current year to date is 91.6% and for a time we had the best year 11 attendance in the Trust. With country wide issues around attendance, support from home has never been more important.

Inter-House Challenges

We are currently second in the inter-house cup. This term students have taken part in football, trampolining, logic challenge, darts and the European day of languages quiz. Getting involved is such a big part of students' school lives. We offer so many clubs and opportunities to students to push themselves and break out of their comfort zones. A massive thank you to all those students who take part consistently and represent the house and themselves. Coming up next term we have rowing, history challenge and the very popular science escape room.

Thank you for your continued support this year, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
Mrs Meeks, Miss Baillie and Miss Anderson

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:

THREATENING!

VI*LENT

ABUSIVE

We will take action
when necessary.

Calling all PVA students!

Park Vale Academy Curriculum Plus



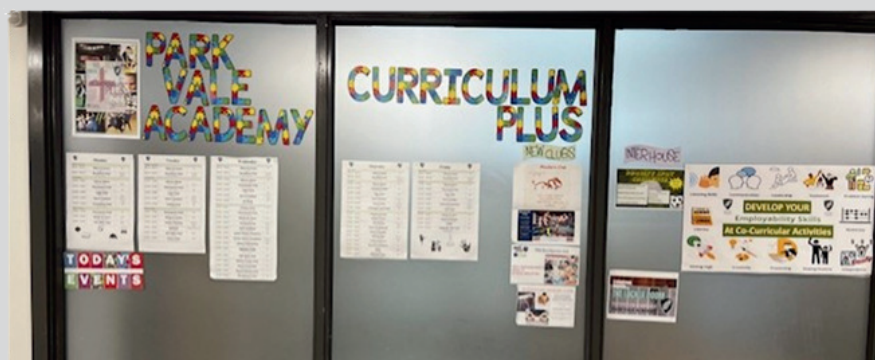
Students have access to all the Curriculum Plus offerings on the notice boards around the school and classrooms.

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 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 bounce backs 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/>

SHARP –

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCEn5_lkBX9bUd6SQliAih3w

CAMHS –

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFf1QiK2WJByHpoUOoHB-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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**Free breakfast for
all students
Monday – Friday
8.30-8.40am
Dining hall**

Dear parent/carer,

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

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 can offer, please, simply email parents@kooth.com.

Kind Regards

IMPORTANT DATES SPRING TERM 2026

January

Monday 5	Spring Term Starts
Wednesday 7	Year 11 Parent's Evening
Monday 12	Year 7 Review Week
Tuesday 13	Year 11 MFL Speaking Mock
Wednesday 14	Year 11 MFL Speaking Mock
Thursday 15	Year 11 MFL Speaking Mock
Friday 16	Year 11 MFL Speaking Mock School closes early - 2.10pm
Monday 19	Year 10 Review Week
Thursday 22	School closes early - 2.10pm

February

Monday 2	Year 8 Reading Tests all week Year 11 Poetry Live Trip
Tuesday 3	Year 11 Photos
Wednesday 4	Ex-Year 11 Presentation Evening
Tuesday 10	Year 11 Hospitality & Catering Exam
Wednesday 11	Year 11 Hospitality & Catering Exam
Monday 16 - Friday 20	Half Term
Monday 23	Year 11 Walking/Talking Mock Science
Tuesday 24	Year 11 Final Duet Dance Exam Year 10 Textiles Trip
Wednesday 26	Year 9 Vaccinations Year 10 Mock Interview Day
Thursday 26	Year 10 Walking/Talking Mock English/Maths
Friday 27	Year 10 Walking/Talking Mock English/Maths

March

Monday 2	Year 11 Mocks 2 (all week)
Tuesday 3	Science Live Trip
Wednesday 4	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Monday 9	Year 11 Mocks 2 (all week)
Tuesday 10	Year 10 Hospitality & Catering Mock
Wednesday 11	Year 10 Derby Theatre Trip
Monday 16	Year 7 Exams
Wednesday 18	Year 9 Options Evening
Friday 20	Year 11 Mock Results Day 2
Monday 23	Year 11 NEA Choreography Dance Show
Tuesday 24	Year 7 SEND Crazy Golf
Wednesday 25	Year 10 SEND Construction Day Year 11 Final Choreography Exam
Friday 27	Year 7 Butlins Trip
Monday 30	Easter Holidays Start Year 11 Easter School
Tuesday 31	Year 11 Easter School

April

Friday 10	Easter Holidays End
Monday 13	Summer Term Starts