

Park Community School

NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

As we approach the final week of this half term we would like to thank you for supporting us in getting all students back to school and focussed on their learning. Alongside learning in classrooms, we have also run our Much More Than carousels and reading interventions for over 30 students. Year 11 have begun careers interviews, attended college presentations and have also started their period 6 study sessions.

We have sent a second survey to all parents today asking for your feedback, please take a few minutes to complete this. This newsletter shares a few of the highlights from subjects and lessons over the past 7 weeks and celebrates student successes.

As half term approaches, we would like to wish you and your families a safe and restful break and look forward to seeing students back in school in November.



Free School Meals

Our school meal prices will be changing from 1st November in-line with Hampshire increases. This means the cost of a meal deal will go from £2.40 to £2.50

Greenpower

A great first event at Goodwood for the Greenpower Team this weekend. Practice went well with only a few minor problems that the team managed to solve quickly. Out of the 4 Races, once the students really got their rhythm up we came in at 8th overall.

A brilliant socially distanced day and great for racing to be happening again!

Weekly Update

16th October 2020

Students break up for half term on Wednesday 21st October and return to school on Monday 2nd November.

Congratulations to the Year 7 Students who have become Sports Ambassadors. Mrs Norman had an amazing three weeks of trials & all students were delighted to be selected!



Very proud to have been honoured with Best Community Contributor Award from Havant Constituency Small Business & Community Awards 2019/2020 for our MUNCH Project!



PLEASE KEEP READING ABOUT LEARNING FROM THIS HALF TERM!

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YEAR 7 *Learning*

PE Identity



Students have had an introductory half term exploring the core transferable skills within invasion games through their Endball sessions.

Within these sessions, students have developed an understanding for warming up, muscle locations and effects of exercise on body systems. Students have enhanced their ability to apply varying passes, principles of attack and defence as well as leadership within the sessions.

History Identity Homework



The first Stonehenge model is by George Ash in 7AGR and the second model by Brandon Winter in 7JCR. The history department are amazed by the creativity from both of them!

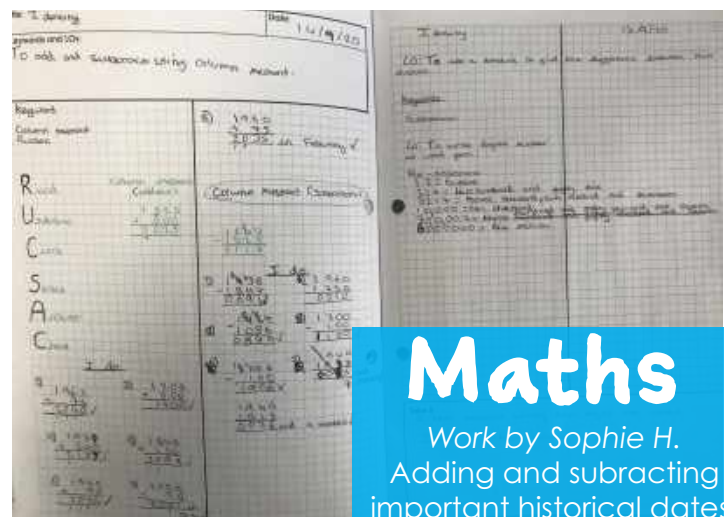
English



Students have been developing their reading comprehension and inference skills through the exploration of British myths and legends that have shaped the stories we tell today, before they move on to writing their own short stories.

Science

Year 7 have been learning about inheritance and why they look the way they do. They have enjoyed learning about environmental and inherited characteristics. The next step in our new 'identity' topic is moving on to fossils and evolution.



Maths

Work by Sophie H.
Adding and subtracting important historical dates.



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YEAR 8 *Learning*

Year 8 CORE PE Curriculum Map					
Date	Week	Competitive	Traditional 1	Traditional 2	Health related (HRE)
		c1/PE3	X	c1/PE1	c1/PE2
		JCH		LCV	CBP(3)/ARE(1)
		c2/PE3	c2/PE4	c2/PE1	c2/PE2
		SCA	ARE(2)/LCV(2)	ABI	CBP
07/03/2020	A	Basketball	Tag rugby	Rhythmic gymnastics	Netball
14/03/2020	B				
21/03/2020	A				
28/03/2020	B				
05/10/2020	A				
12/10/2020	B				
19/10/2020	A				
26/10/2020	Holiday				
02/11/2020	B	Badminton	Fitness	Netball	Zumba
09/11/2020	A				
16/11/2020	B				
23/11/2020	A				
30/11/2020	B				
07/12/2020	A				
14/12/2020	B				

Personalized Physical Education **PE**

The start of the year has seen students selecting their personalised physical education routeway, whether that be Competitive, Traditional or Health related. All students have furthered their understanding of the benefits of warming up, muscle locations and the immediate effects as well as long term adaptations caused by exercise. Students have been guided to make connections within their lessons, think hard and rehearse skills to then confidently apply them in a performance or competitive situation.



The Art Department have put on a display of students work about the Mexican Day of the Dead at the Portsmouth Creates event at the old Debenhams in Palmerston Road, Southsea. It's been very well received. It will be on display for the whole Halloween period so if you are in Southsea please take a look.

Maths

Work by Rosie S.
Powers and roots

What is the value of $\sqrt{64}$?

What I know:
you have to times something by itself to get a squared root.
my answer = 8
this is because $8 \times 8 = 64$ or $8^2 = 64$.

② Evaluate $\sqrt{64}$.

What I know:
Evaluate = answer.
my answer = 8
this is because $8 \times 8 = 64$ and.

③ work out $\sqrt{36}$.

my answer = 6
because $6 \times 6 = 36$.

English

Students have been developing their understanding of structural devices, as well as developing their inference skills, through the shared reading of John Steinbeck's novella Of Mice and Men, before they move on to writing their own narratives.



PE

Introduction to BTEC Sport

YEAR 9

Learning

C.1 – Observation check list

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Students have been developing their understanding of the conventions of tragic plays through the study of Euripides' *Medea* allowing them to build the foundation knowledge they require for their GCSE Literature study of *Macbeth* in Year 10.

YEAR 10

Learning

English

Students have been exploring George Orwell's novella *Animal Farm* as part of their GCSE Literature preparations. All students have been supplied with their own free copy of the text to support them with note taking, annotations and revision. This is something we have never done before and we are excited to be able to provide this for current year 10 students.

Strength 1 – Overhead clear.

When reviewing my performance in Badminton, I have rated myself as "very good" at performing the overhead clear shot. I know this is a strength of mine as I am able to demonstrate the power required to send the shuttle to the back of the court over my opponent's head. I can also often place the shuttle in the back corners of the court making it extremely difficult for the opponent to return. Because I am good at this skill within the game under pressure, I often win points, this is beneficial because it increases my chance of beating my opponent.

Make sure you –

- Identify the skill and the rating you have awarded it
- How you know it is a strength (give 2 examples/justifications)
- How this strength effects the game
- Write in paragraphs
- Justify in this format for EACH strength (so you finish with 3 paragraphs)

PE

PE BTEC Level 2 Award in Sport

Year 10 Students are connecting their practical application into theory, through analysis of performance in their chosen sport.

Maths

Work by Georgia F.





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YEAR II *Learning*

RPE Scale	Rate of Perceived Exertion
10	Max Effort Activity Even under impossible to keep going. Completely out of breath, unable to talk. Cannot maintain for more than a very short time.
9	Very Hard Activity Very difficult to maintain exercise intensity. Can barely breathe and speak only a few words.
7-8	Vigorous Activity Borderline uncomfortable. Short of breath, can speak a sentence.
4-6	Moderate Activity Breathing heavily, can hold short conversation. Still somewhat comfortable, but becoming noticeably more challenging.
2-3	Light Activity Feels like you can maintain for hours. Easy to breathe and carry a conversation.
1	Very Light Activity Hardly any exertion, but more than sleeping, watching TV etc.

PE

BTEC Level 2 Award in Sport

Students have begun their in-depth study into training for their personal fitness.

English

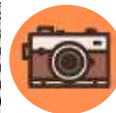
Students have been preparing for their GCSE English Language and Literature exams through the study of some brilliant dystopian short stories, alongside Literature revision. Students have been taking fortnightly mini mocks, producing some excellent pieces of creative writing and have recently sat their first full mock exam for Paper 1 of GCSE English Language.



Maths

Work by Ashley B.
Homework stats using Hegarty maths

No. of unique skills completed	42
No. of skills with scores of 100%	19
No. of skills with scores of 70-99%	17
No. of skills with scores of 0-69%	6
Total questions answered	785
Total questions answered correctly	667
Total hours of learning	6.9



Year II Photography Work



WALKTOBER

FIVE STEPS TO WELLBEING

We know that many people are struggling with their mental wellbeing lately so this weekend for WALKTOBER we are encouraging you to get out and enjoy the fresh air for a walk or jog, or cycle. Unwind with some calming yoga or meditation. Also, take some time out for some positive affirmations. Affirmations are positive statements that help to challenge negative thoughts and self sabotaging behaviors, when repeated often, and you start to believe, you can begin to make positive changes.

Connect. be active. keep learning. give to others and be mindful!



Nothing is impossible.
The word itself says
"I'm possible!"

AUDREY HEPBURN

I choose
TO BE KIND TO MYSELF

Tough times don't last,
but tough people do.

I Am Enough.