



PARK NEWS

SCHOOL UPDATE

Our School Competition
Weekly Update on Points & Attendance

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Important Dates!

Year 7 Parents Evening:
Thursday 22nd March
2018 (4:45pm to 7:00pm)

Year 11 Revision
Techniques Evening:
Monday 26th March 2018
(5 to 6pm)

*With a chance to win a tablet
computer just by attending!*

Last Day of Term:
Thursday 29th March
2018 – 12:45pm finish!

World Book Day

10 winners went to Rivers Academy to meet Nathaniel Tomlinson, an author behind the popular Bike Shed Bully Hunters series. He delivered a workshop called Up Level writing, helping students to learn the skills of an author, bringing stories that are in their minds to life on paper. It was appealing to see our students write even the most reluctant writers believed that they could do it and to those who already could, he challenged them to achieve even more. Each winner received a signed copy of the 1st book in the series of Bike Shed Bully Hunters and enjoyed an exclusive lunch with Nathaniel. We are hoping to do it again next year but here at Park Academy! Thanks to Ms Davis for organising this and taking our students!

Message from Mr Delgado – Principal

A fantastic well done to the Year 7 and 8 students on the Fresh Start programme that graduated on Wednesday after working diligently this year to improve their literacy. It was an amazing sight to see so many young people and their families witness them receiving their graduation certificate and to see them wearing their gowns. It gives a real insight into the bright future that awaits our students.

You will also be receiving a letter before we break up that will make reference to some changes to the school day in the morning and also reiterating the high uniform, attendance and punctuality expectations that we have. Can I urge you to read this carefully and to ensure that all our expectations are met. I would also like to take this opportunity to wish you a restful break and to thank you for your continued support.



Principal
Juan Delgado

Jamie's Farm Residential

During half term, 13 students from Years 7, 8 and 9 visited Jamie's Farm in Bath. Jamie's Farm gives students the opportunity to escape city life, and to run the working farm for the week. Students were involved in feeding and looking after the animals (including newly born baby lambs), moving sheep through miles of country lanes, cooking for large groups of people and spending quality time together on muddy walks across the countryside. Mr Taylor, Ms O'Connor and Ms Cox accompanied students on the trip and all saw how powerful the impact was on each and every student. Some highlights include Alicia Davis assisting with the birth of a lamb, Dillon Watson jumping in with all of the animals without any fear, David Bailey being a legendary log chopper for the fire wood and Rhyanna Howett expertly tending to orphan baby lambs. The residential does not allow mobile phones, sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks, but all students said how great they felt after a break from these things, that are usually so important in their day to day life. We look forward to taking another group of students away next year, to experience country life!



AEP Final

The second Aspirations Employability Portfolio Final will take place on Monday 26th March 2018 at Park Academy West London. Sixth Form teams from all of the Trust schools will come together and present their new products, hoping to impress the judges and walk away with the grand prize. Mr Harris, Employability Manager, said "I can not wait to see another fantastic team from park Academy present and hopefully win the final. All students who are taking part have been excellent and worked really well as a team". Watch this space for more news on the results of the event.

Contact Information

Can we please ask that all parents and carers ensure that the Academy has your up to date contact information in terms of telephone numbers, postal address and email addresses. This is vital in ensuring that we are able to contact parents when the situation arises. Thank you.

Student Hero of the Week

This week we congratulate **Flynn Withers** in Year 9, who has had a great start to the year. **Flynn** has gained lots of Achievement Points for her School and has 100% attendance and punctuality! An excellent role model to others! Keep it up **Flynn**!

Student Voice & Rucksack Success!

Student Voice have been meeting every 2 weeks and have made some excellent achievements in terms of having their voice heard. See a picture of them below! One big success is the introduction of a Park Academy rucksack which is now available on Brigade Uniform Website for £12.95 +VAT and delivery. Please note that we do not have any of these in stock at the Academy shop.

Fantastic Finance Results!

The business and computing team have had an outstanding set of results. 96% of students achieving grades A*-C. Students have exceeded expectations, they only started the course in September, they have shown excellent dedication to their course by attending Saturday school, after school and before school. These results have left the students with an excellent sense of achievement and a determination to achieve.

Fresh Start Graduation!

Wednesday 21st March saw our second Fresh Start Graduation! Congratulations to all students who graduated. Keep a look out in the next newsletter for more news!

Year 7 Parent's Evening

Thank you to all parents and students who attended Year 7 Parent's Evening on Thursday 22nd March – it was a great event!



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'To be able to dream about the future, while being inspired in the present to reach those dreams'

Russell J Quaglia