



Message from Associate Assistant Headteacher

As we dive into British Science Week, it's the perfect time to explore the amazing world of science and all the incredible possibilities it holds. Science is more than textbooks and experiments – it's the key to unlocking the future. Whether you're fascinated by space, the environment, technology, or chemistry, there's a whole universe of ideas waiting for you to discover.

Remember, every great scientist started with **curiosity** and the **integrity** to ask questions. So don't be afraid to dream big, challenge the unknown, and believe in your potential to make a difference. This week, let science inspire you, ignite your imagination, and remind you that the world is yours to change. Keep asking, keep learning and who knows? You might just be the next person to spark a breakthrough that changes the world!

Keep your eyes peeled as there are lots of exciting science pop-ups happening around the school this week and our very popular science fair happening in the hall on **Friday 14th of March**. I look forward to celebrating British Science Week with you all. Happy British Science Week!
Ms. Selva

This Week

Key Dates:

British Science Week- ALL WEEK

- Monday:** Year 10 Trip to Eton
Yr 11 History Workshop
- Tuesday:** Yr 7 History St Alban's Trip
- Wednesday:** Yr 9 Parent's Eve A-E
- Thursday:** New Year 7 intake Open Event (September 2025)
- Friday:** Yr 7 History St Alban's Trip
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British Science Week Agenda

British Science Week at Park High School

Monday

Pop-up: Elephant toothpaste
When: Monday lunchtime
Where: Maths Quad

Wednesday

Pop-up: The Great Science Scavenger Hunt
When: Wednesday lunchtime
Where: Foyer (outside Ms O'Dwyer's office)

Pop-up: 1, 2, 3, Blast-off
When: Wednesday lunchtime
Where: Grassy knoll (playground)

Tuesday

Pop-up: Magical solutions
When: Tuesday breaktime
Where: Outside S9

Pop-up: Fire balls
When: Tuesday lunchtime
Where: S5

Pop-up: Giant bubbles
When: Tuesday lunchtime
Where: Playground

Thursday

Pop-up: Superheroes unlimited
When: Thursday lunchtime
Where: Maths quad

Pop-up: Electrifying science
When: Thursday lunchtime
Where: S2



Are you
ready for Red
Nose Day –
21 March?



Resilience . Integrity . Curiosity . Teamwork . Compassion

Letter from the Director of Education to Park High

Our school recently welcomed Emma Harkin, Harrow Director of Education, for a visit to the school. Ms. Harkin was really impressed by you, our students, and has taken the time to let us all know about how much she enjoyed her recent visit. We are really pleased that important visitors to our school can see the positive atmosphere created and the hard work of both our students and staff.

Please take the time to read Ms. Harkin's letter to our school about her recent visit:

I wanted to take a moment to share how much I enjoyed my visit to Park High School today. It was a pleasure to see the school in action and experience first-hand the high-quality teaching, engaged learners, and welcoming atmosphere that truly define the school community.

From the moment I arrived, it was evident that the school's values are deeply embedded in every aspect of school life. The pupils I spoke with were able to articulate these values clearly and, more importantly, were living them in their interactions, attitudes, and approach to learning. There was a strong sense of respect, responsibility, and ambition, which is a real credit to the leadership, staff, and students alike.

I was particularly impressed by the quality of teaching and the high expectations for all pupils. Classrooms were calm, focused, and full of energy, with teachers engaging students in meaningful learning experiences. The way in which staff supported and challenged students to reach their full potential was fantastic to see, and it was clear that there is a relentless focus on ensuring every pupil achieves their best.

Beyond the academic standards, the pastoral care at Park High stood out as a real strength. The school has created an environment where every child feels supported, valued, and encouraged to thrive. It was evident that staff know their students well and are committed to their well-being, personal growth, and success. This holistic approach ensures that pupils not only achieve academically but also develop into confident, well-rounded young people.

Another aspect that stood out was the school's strong emphasis on preparation for adulthood and careers education. It was great to see how this work starts early, helping pupils to develop the skills, confidence, and aspirations they need for the future. Ensuring that young people have access to high-quality careers guidance and opportunities to explore their next steps is crucial, and Park High is clearly committed to getting this right.

The school also had a wonderful sense of inclusivity—a place where every pupil, regardless of background or ability, is supported to succeed. The diversity and richness of the school community were evident, and it was fantastic to see how this is celebrated and embedded within the school culture.

Thank you again for such a warm welcome. It was a privilege to visit Park High and to see the incredible work taking place. I look forward to staying connected and continuing to support the school in any way I can.

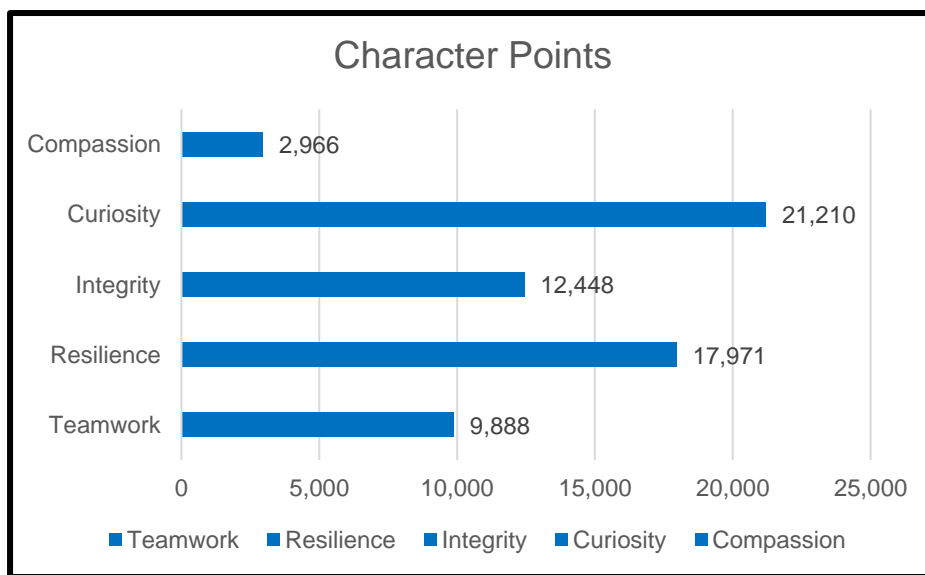
Emma Harkin – Director of Education

Character Points

At Park High School we believe that every child matters and that you can ALL achieve success. We proudly reward our students for their achievements. Character points are given by all staff to students inside and outside the classroom. They are awarded when a student demonstrates on (or more) of our 5 Character virtues. These points lead onto **bronze**, **silver**, **gold** and **platinum badges**, trip opportunities, recognition in Celebration assemblies and other rewards throughout the year. Some examples of how you can achieve these are below:

Virtues	Examples
Teamwork	Helping an adult or fellow student Collaborating with others Helping to problem-solve Actively listening to others
Compassion	Demonstrating kindness Encourage others Smile and motivate others Do not judge others
Curiosity	Ask reasonable and relevant questions Trying your best to aim high Reading around your subject Trying something new
Integrity	Be trustworthy and bring credit to yourself Be honest in your actions Do the right thing and make positive choices Treat others equally
Resilience	Learning from failure Taking responsibility for your actions Find support to cope with change Celebrate overcoming hurdles- even small ones!

Total so far, this academic year:



Set yourself a goal... How many are you aiming to get by the end of the academic year?

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Brilliant Club Graduation Ceremonies

Our Brilliant Club learners from year 8 and year 12 worked diligently throughout their tutorials with their PhD tutors. They asked questions, applied critical knowledge and in the end demonstrated their curiosity and resilience. It was an incredible opportunity to see them overcome obstacles and, in the end, celebrate their well-deserved success. Our whole school community is immensely proud of their achievements and eagerly wish for more to come! - Mr. Sandu



During the Winter term I was selected among other Year 12 students to take part in the Brilliant Club programme. Weekly we had a PhD tutor from Imperial College London who would come in, teach us, and guide our writing for our final essay involving biodiversity. Overall, I had a wonderful experience because we went on a trip to Wadham College in Oxford to celebrate our success. What impressed me the most was the new information I learnt, particularly recreating meat products in laboratories so that animals would not need to be slaughtered for our consumption. The main advice that I would give to future students who will be selected for the Brilliant Club is to attend your weekly sessions and when it comes to writing your final essay to avoid panicking since your PhD tutor will be there to help. Being a part of Brilliant Club gave me a clear understanding of how I need to present my essays when it comes to university studies.

By Edivana Brano- 12

Our trip to King's College was both fun and enriching! We learned so much about its rich history, stunning architecture, and academic legacy. The guided tour was insightful, and the campus offered a beautiful blend of tradition and innovation. It was a perfect blend of education and exploration. - By Rushi Tank- 8DB

The Brilliant Club programme represented a meaningful stepping stone towards my applications for university studies which made this a memorable experience. I remember feeling so enthusiastic walking through the campus of one of the best universities in the world and it made me feel incredibly special. We acted as ambassadors of Park High throughout the programme during which we studied core aspects of biodiversity and looked at solutions to stop biodiversity loss. This enabled us to access critical research about ecosystem preservation which further developed our ability to analyse and evaluate sources related to this topic.

By Ashaz Ali Khan - 12BR



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Many of you may have younger siblings or family friends who will be receiving their secondary school places for September over the coming week. Please encourage anyone who wishes to know more about Park High to come and visit us on Thursday 13 March 2025. We are rightly proud of our school, and we are proud of you! It is our students who really make our school what it is- a school of character and opportunity. Please share this with any Year 6 families who may be interested.



Year 7
Open Evening
Thursday 13 March 2025
6-7 pm

Visit our school and find out what we have to offer.

Meet school leaders and have your questions answered.

Students can experience a High School lesson in our
Subject Taster Sessions across a range of subjects.

Book your place via the school website

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Free things to do for students and their families:

HOLI Festival by Siddhashram, Harrow Civic Centre **13.03.2025 7-9pm**

HOLIKA DAHAN is a Hindu festival in which a bonfire is lit to celebrate the burning of the demoness, Holika. Holi is a Hindu festival that celebrates spring, love, and new life. Some families hold religious ceremonies, but for many Holi is more a time for fun. It is a colourful festival, with dancing, singing, and throwing of powder paint and coloured water. Holi is also known as the "festival of colours".

The festival will be held at Harrow Civic Centre Car Park C.



National Careers Week

Park High celebrated National Careers Week with several events.

Year 12 had their Mock Interview Event on Wednesday 5 March which was attended by 16 external volunteers from a range of industry sectors. The interview focused on their future plans. The volunteers were extremely impressed with the students' maturity, focus and engagement.



On Thursday 6 March, Lasana Edwards from **University of Hertfordshire** delivered a student finance talk to Year 13.

Household Income	Home	Elsewhere	London
£25,000 & under	£8,876	£10,544	£13,761
£30,000	£8,131	£9,791	£12,996
£35,000	£7,385	£9,037	£12,230
£40,000	£6,639	£8,284	£11,464
£45,000	£5,893	£7,530	£10,697
£50,000	£5,147	£6,776	£9,932
£55,000	£4,401	£6,023	£9,166
£60,000	£3,657	£5,269	£8,400
£65,000	£2,907	£4,514	£7,634
£70,000 & over	£2,157	£3,760	£6,868

'Where do I see Myself'

On Tuesday 4 March, Year 7, 8 and 9 heard from Eric Griffiths, a Consultant Safety Engineer about his career journey and what his job involves. On Wednesday 5 March Year 10 and 11 heard from Elisha Bayram, a Cloud Systems Administrator.

Design a Careers Poster of your dream job or careers from your favourite subject.
Deadline for submission Monday 10 March.

Last Week's Round Up

Best Attendance

**7KL/8FL/
7MO**

Most Achievement Points

7JR

Best Punctuality

7AW

ACE Lottery Winners

1. Adam Laiche 9GS
2. Shanaiya Rahman 11TI

Year 7

Hello team Year 7! A quick reminder — what you say in online group chats on WhatsApp, Snapchat, or any app **can have lasting effects**. Even messages you delete can be screenshotted and shared. Unkind words, jokes, or sharing private information can hurt others and get you into trouble. Always ask yourself: Would I say this to someone's face? How would I feel if this message were shared with everyone?

Stay kind, stay safe, and **think before you type!**

This week, many of you will be attending the history trip to St Albans. Make sure you represent the school, Year 7, and yourselves to the best of your ability. Show **curiosity** by engaging with the history around you, demonstrate **teamwork** by supporting your peers, and uphold **integrity** by acting respectfully. Make the most of this opportunity to learn and enjoy the experience!

Progress Check reflection

Your progress check is a great opportunity to see how you are doing and where you can improve. Many of you showed strong understanding in key areas by applying your knowledge in the assessment.

Remember, it's never too late to make a difference in your learning! Focus on improving weaker areas by using active revision techniques and asking for help when needed. Keep putting in the effort and you will see the results. Your hard work will pay off Year 8.

Year 8

Poetry Slam

Congratulations to Antiona Nathan-Laville 8AY for winning the Poetry Slam competition last week.

Let's Celebrate

Have you done a piece of work you want to celebrate? If the answer is yes, then please come and show me next week in my office.

Year 9

It was wonderful to see the maturity you demonstrated during Preferences Evening. The night was buzzing with enthusiasm and thoughtful questions. Let's keep that momentum going by continuing to discuss the GCSE specifications with your class teachers and reflect on your strengths. These are important decisions you are about to embark on, ensure you are taking every opportunity to set yourself up for success. We will continue to support you through this process during PSHCEe and registration time.

Parent Teacher Consultations are beginning this week, use this time to reflect on your behaviour, engagement, completion of Home Learning and have meaningful conversations with your class teachers. Are you happy with the effort you have put in so far? What can you do now to improve? Year 9 is the building blocks for GCSE's, the work you put in now will pay in dividends when you sit your exams in little over two years!

Bookings for 9F-I Parents evenings open tomorrow the 11th of March at 12pm

Tutor group highlights:

Most Character points: 9WN

Best Punctuality: 9HC

Best attendance: 9GS

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Last Week's Round Up

Year 10

A big congratulations to the students receiving the top behaviour and engagement grades in PC1. Also, we were very proud to see our year 10s representing departments at the year 9 Preferences Evening. Thank you for serving the school community in such a professional way.

We are excited to announce our next Articulate inter-form competition – a chance for you to represent your form and use your words to win! Let the games begin!

Proactive engagement is our focus for this half term – I will be sharing more about how we will achieve this in assembly.

INTER-FORM ARTICULATE COMPETITION

Round 1 Tue 11 Mar	Round 2 Thur 13 Mar	Week 3 Tues 18 Mar
JE	AG	SW
AK	LP	AD
MK	NK	LY



Location R2, 3.15 to 4.15
Max. 12 and min. 5 students per team.

PCI BEST BEHAVIOUR

1	Bligh Olarte, Nicolas	10JE	1.00
2	Raguram, Nikhelram	10JE	1.08
3	Circiu, Levi Emanuel	10LY	1.08
4	Shah, Harsh	10LP	1.08
5	Shah, Diya	10LY	1.08
6	Christian, Adam	10AD	1.08
7	Karsan, Liya	10JE	1.09
8	Patel, Kajal	10JE	1.09
9	Mistry, Mahi	10JE	1.10
10	Nadeem, Anamta	10AK	1.10
11	Seghani, Sienna	10AG	1.10
12	Ogundipe, Dorcas	10AD	1.10
13	Pankhania, Jia	10AK	1.10
14	Paranirroopasingam, Adsaja	10LP	1.15
15	Modi, Stasha	10AD	1.17
16	Vithyaruban, Vikas	10NK	1.17
17	Kerai, Rithik	10SW	1.18
18	Gudhka, Aadi	10SW	1.18
19	Alawandi, Inaya	10NK	1.18
20	Hutanu, Jessica	10AK	1.20

Congratulations!

PCI BEST ENGAGEMENT

1	Circiu, Levi Emanuel	10LY	1.17
2	Shah, Harsh	10LP	1.17
3	Karsan, Liya	10JE	1.18
4	Kerai, Rithik	10SW	1.18
5	Shah, Aanya	10AG	1.20
6	Patel, Dhruv	10AG	1.23
7	Mistry, Mahi	10JE	1.30
8	Bligh Olarte, Nicolas	10JE	1.33
9	Terziyska, Katrin	10LY	1.33
10	Avinash, Diya	10AG	1.36
11	Nadeem, Anamta	10AK	1.40
12	Hutanu, Jessica	10AK	1.40
13	Patel, Urvi	10AK	1.40
14	Mahwies, Lina	10AG	1.40
15	Kara, Anay	10JE	1.40
16	Omar Saad, Dani	10AG	1.40
17	Jesani, Dayaan	10LP	1.42
18	Gor, Shourya	10AK	1.42
19	Shah, Diya	10LY	1.50
20	Chudasama, Vidhisha	10LP	1.50

Congratulations!

Year 11

As celebration assembly is around the corner, there is no better time to reflect on our achievements. A huge congratulations to the boy's football team for winning their quarter final 4-0 on Wednesday. Some exceptional performances including Christiano, JJ and Callum for scoring and if I don't mention Ibrahims save, I don't think he will ever forgive me! What really stood out to me though, was the huge crowd of supporters which was amazing to see. Another step towards the final and another piece of silverware for the HOY office. I would also like to highlight our Senior Prefects and the dedication they have shown recently, giving up their time to help with school events and leading by example within the year group. Continue to be the best versions of yourself and I am looking forward to our last ever Celebration Assembly! 😊

Sixth Form

We are really proud of the feedback received from the external interviewers on how our Year 12s performed in the mock interview event!

Our visitors highlighted how some of our students spoke so articulately, as if they were in their 30s! They were taken aback by how many enrichment activities our students had undertaken and are actively looking to whether our students could be offered work experience opportunities over the coming months!

Advice given was to celebrate yourselves even more!

A massive well done to you all for making the most of this fantastic and worthwhile opportunity.

Student finance

Our year 13s had their PSHCEe session this week on student finance, with a guest speaker from the University of Hertfordshire.

For more information on student finance, look at the website here: <https://studentfinance.campaign.gov.uk/>

You can sign up to this website too, so you can be kept fully up to date on student finance and when you can start your applications.



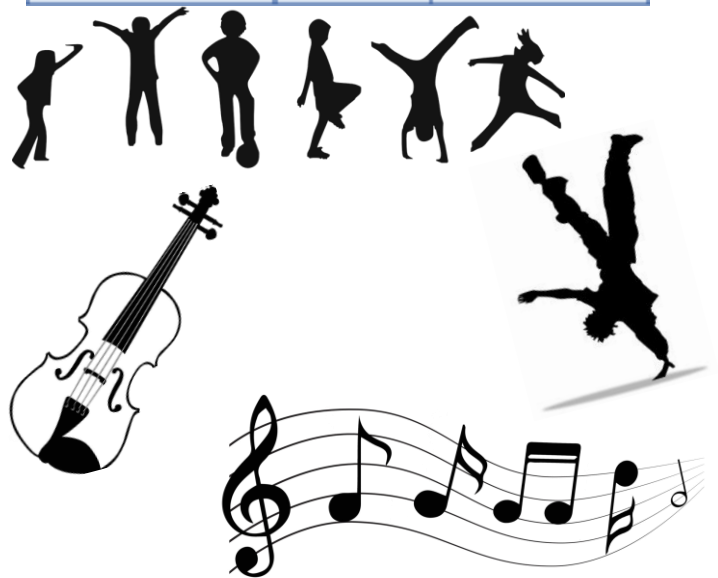
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Monday

Activity	Time	Location
Basketball*	Before school	Sports Hall
Basketball*	Breaktime	Sports Hall
BAFTA Game Designer	Lunchtime	T4
Choir*	Lunchtime	P1
Y7 Girls Netball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall
Y7-9 Dance club	Lunchtime	Dance Studio
Y10-11 Basketball Coaching	After school	Sports Hall

Tuesday

Activity	Time	Location
Badminton Coaching**	Before school	Sports Hall
Basketball*	Breaktime	Sports Hall
Debate Club*	Lunchtime	R3
Keyboard club*	Lunchtime	P1
Y8-9 Girls Netball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall
Y7-10 Environmental Awareness	Lunchtime	S2
Y7-11 The Literary Lounge	Lunchtime	B4
Y10 Photography Club	Lunchtime	P9
Badminton*	After school	Sports Hall
Y9 Brilliant club**	After school	Sixth Form
DofE**	After school	G2

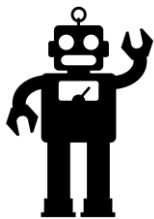


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Spring Term 2 Clubs

Wednesday

Activity	Time	Location
Volleyball Coaching **	Before school	Sports Hall
Basketball*	Breaktime	Sports Hall
Band*	Lunchtime	P1
Careers club*	Lunchtime	T2
French conversation	Lunchtime	L4
Y7-8 Board games cafe	Lunchtime	G2
Y7-10 Robotics club	Lunchtime	T12
Y10-11 Girls Netball	Lunchtime	Sports Hall
Grease**	After school	D1
Y7 Home learning club	After school	T2
Y8 Home learning club	After school	T1
Y9 Home learning club	After school	T4
Y10 Home learning club	After school	T3
Y7-9 Basketball Coaching*	After school 3.30-5.30pm	Sports Hall



Thursday

Activity	Time	Location
Basketball*	Before school	Sports Hall
Table Tennis Coaching**	Before school	Main Hall
Basketball*	Breaktime	Sports Hall
Girls Badminton	Lunchtime	Sports Hall
Xianxia club*	Lunchtime	R3
Y7-9 Spoken Word Power	Lunchtime	P2
Y7-9 Product Design	Lunchtime	T11
Y7-9 Science Club	Lunchtime	S4
Girls Netball	After school	Playground
Handwriting Club**	After school	L1
Y7 Table Tennis	After school	Main Hall
Grease**	After school	D1

Friday

Activity	Time	Location
Badminton Squad**	Before school	Sports Hall
Basketball*	Breaktime	Sports Hall
German conversation	Lunchtime	L4
Girls Volleyball	Lunchtime 1-1.25pm	Sports Hall
MFL Library*	Lunchtime	L3
Spanish conversation	Lunchtime	L2
Y7-8 Girls Science club	Lunchtime	S4
Volleyball*	After school	Sports Hall
Table Tennis*	After school	Main Hall