



30 Years much more than just a school



February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

I am writing to you at the end of a very busy half term to share just some of the many successes over the past few weeks and ask for your continued support in ensuring our students achieve the best possible standards at Park.

Full stories on some of the items below will feature in the end of term Park Post in April, but I have summarised just some of the things that make us Proud to be part of Park from this half term as they are worthy of repetition!

Proud to be part of Park:

- Rock Challenge: 75 students performed at the Guildhall this week. All have worked tirelessly with Mrs Carter, Mrs Dare, Miss Chilvers, Mr Chapman, Mr Pennington and Miss McIntosh.
- Sports Ambassadors have worked in primary schools across Havant.
- Congratulations to our winners of Havant Borough Council Sports Association Awards. Jasmine Bone was announced as winner of 'Junior Volunteer of the Year' and Lily Moore 'Junior Official of the Year'. Well done to them both. Our Sports Ambassadors also won 'Team of the Year'.
- Year 9 students visited Euro Disney, Paris last week.
- 37 Year 11 students jet off to New York next week with various staff members.
- Year 10 students visited Southampton University.
- Park hosted Oxbridge event for local schools organised by Alan Mak, MP.
- Year 9 students attended Oxbridge workshops.
- 25 Year 9 linguists enjoyed an evening of Tango and Tapas in central London with Miss Dermey, Mrs Clarke, Mr Chapman and Mrs Munoz.
- Year 10 linguists visited Oxford University.
- Year 11 linguists attended revision sessions at Portsmouth University.
- Year 11 debating team have reached the regional finals.
- Year 7 students have visited the school farm and our print shop to develop enterprise projects.
- Food Ambassadors have been developing their skills.
- 15 students have participated in our Yes! Project on Saturdays, broadening their experiences and building cultural capital.
- Visit by the Secretary of State for Education.

Next half term sees the final few months of exam preparation for Year 11 students and Year 10 students who are taking at least two full GCSEs this summer. Many students will be in school over half term attending study clubs to support their preparation for these exams.

In addition, in March Year 8 will be attending Futures Evening and selecting options for GCSE study and Year 10 will prepare for their work experience.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICES

**Punctuality** - We have noticed some students arriving late to school each day and a number of these also arrive to lessons late. Not only is punctuality an important life skill for success in the future, but missing time from the school day means missed learning and interruptions to the learning of others.

***A student who is 5 minutes late on 10 occasions in one week, misses a full hour of learning and over a year misses 30 hours. That's the equivalent to a full week or 1/3 of all English lessons.***

After half term, any student arriving late to school will be issued with a C4 recall slip and will be expected to report to the Lecture Theatre at the end of the day to complete their recall. Failure to do so will result in a C5 early morning detention (7.30-8.30).

In addition, any student arriving late to more than one lesson on the same day will be expected to complete a C5 early morning or after school detention the following day. If this happens, students will be issued with a C5 slip and a text will be sent to parents. It is students' responsibility to rearrange any detention if they have a genuine reason for not being able to attend. Please make sure students who have a legitimate reason bring a note to school and, in case of a medical appointment, either an appointment letter or an appointment card.

Lates after 9.30am may be recorded as an unauthorised absence and can lead to a fine after a number of similar incidents.

**Uniform** - A number of students have not been wearing uniform school shoes. Shoes must be entirely black with no coloured markings. If a student arrives to school without the correct uniform, they will not be permitted to attend lessons. We may choose to send the student home to change before admitting them to lessons for the day. If students do not have appropriate shoes to change into, they are welcome to borrow a pair of black plimsolls which we have recently purchased to support those who have temporary issues with shoes. No student will be permitted to wear non-uniform shoes in lessons.

I have taken students through this process in assembly this week.

We look forward to seeing students back in school on Monday, 25 February.

Yours faithfully

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Head of School