



Park Hall Weekly News 2nd December 2022



Dates for your diary

Thursday 1st – Thursday 15th December – Year 11 mock exams
Monday 5th December – Christmas Concert
Monday 12th December – Presentation Evening
Wednesday 14th December – Christmas dinner
Thursday 15th December – Last day of term

Progress Checks

Pupils have completed their reflections upon the progress they have made, please can you complete page 46 in their planners with any comments regarding progress or attitude to learning.

Speak Out Challenge

On Wednesday 30th November 30 Year 10 students took part in an expert led, interactive workshop on public speaking. By the end of the workshop every student delivered a speech they created from scratch to each other. The Speak Out Challenge equips students with the tools they need to present themselves and their opinions with confidence. It helps students to develop skills that they will use for the rest of their lives and find confidence that they never knew they had.



SpeakersTrust
Speak and Be Heard



Numeracy at Park Hall

A calculator is an essential part of students everyday equipment, but having one is only the start. Knowing how to use it effectively is vital.



This week's calculator support focuses on how to reset your calculator.

Scan the QR code below to access vital calculator support.



Reset your calculator

How to reset your calculator ready for the exam.

Press **SHIFT** **CE** **(C)** to access the reset menu.

Press **3** **=** **AC** to reset your



Oddballs Assembly

This week we welcomed the Oddballs charity to Park Hall. All pupils had engaging, informative and thought-provoking assemblies to raise awareness of Testicular Cancer.

"I thought it was really **helpful and interesting** way to teach us about a serious issue" Sophie

"**Adding humour** made it a lot more comfortable to watch: Harry

"A good way of showing everyone how to **check and be more aware**" – Scarlett

"Inspiring, it made me realise the **severity of it**" – Michael

"I have heard about it and I now know more, **I am open to talk to others now**" – Destiny

"I didn't realise **someone so young** could get it" - Matthew



This week in PSHE all students have been studying the topic: **RELATIONSHIPS**



The Wider World – Prejudice and Discrimination

| Year 7 | Year 8 | Year 9 | Year 10 | Year 11 | Year 12 | Year 13 |
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| Racism | Religious Prejudice | Discrimination | Overt and Covert Racism | Sexism and Gender Prejudice | Prejudice | Prejudice |

Christmas Card Competition

Pupils were challenged to design the Park Hall Christmas card for 2022. Dr Close was thrilled with the amount of entries which really reflected the artistic talents we have at Park Hall Academy.

All entries were considered by a panel of judges and we are delighted to announce the winner as Ruby McCann in Year 10.



Congratulations to Leah Smith, Eliza Lewis, Kellie-Ann Philips, Lillianne Wilkes and Alice Heath who were the runner's up.

