



Dates For Your Diary

Monday 26th June – Friday 30th June – Year 10 and Year 12 Mocks

Monday 3rd July – Year 12 Work Experience Begins

Monday 17th July – Year 10 Work Experience Begins

Friday 21st July – Term Ends for Students



Park Hall Academy continues to be a good school.

We have recently received our Ofsted report, following the inspection in May 2023. We would like to share some of the fantastic elements from the report that is available to read on the school website.

Pupils are proud to be a part of this vibrant and inclusive school.

Staff have high expectations for pupils, and put their interests at the heart of all that they do.

They feel safe in school and know who to speak to if they have any worries.

There is a range of extra-curricular activities for pupils to take part in.

The interests of all pupils are taken into account.



Pupils are well mannered and behave well.

Staff know their pupils well and quickly report any concerns they may have.

raising standards
improving lives



FOOD NEWS

It has been a busy week of practical lessons. Here are a selection of year 7, 9, and 10 dishes. Students are really improving their presentation skills. Well done to all.

Tom Palmer Visits Park Hall

On **Friday 16th June**, Park Hall was extremely lucky to have a visit from award winning author Tom Palmer. There was huge anticipation from Year 7 who have been reading his latest book, *Resist*, which shines a light on the American actress Audrey Hepburn's involvement with the Dutch resistance in Nazi occupied Holland during WW2.

Tom did not disappoint! Year 7 were mesmerised as they learnt that Tom didn't enjoy reading when he was younger and how he brought together his two loves: football and history to become a best-selling children's author. Tom showed us his planning process when writing a book, told us some fascinating stories of the real-life heroes and animals his books are based on, and signed books and bookmarks for students.

In a reward workshop afterwards, Tom spoke to students from all four schools from the Academy Trust. All Park Hall's Millionaire readers, those who were nominated for academy reading colours and commendations, and those working hard with reading intervention in form were invited.

Tom chose the winner and runner up of our bookmark competition (Alexa Donohoe) and commented on how engaged students were in his sessions, 'there's definitely a reading buzz about the place,' he commented.

Find the series of Tom's Historical fiction books in the library now.



What is Eid al Adha?

Eid al Adha is one of the most significant holidays on the Islamic calendar, and is celebrated by millions of Muslims worldwide.

Eid al Adha commemorates the completion of hajj — a pilgrimage to Mecca and its surrounding sites. Every year, in the final month of the Islamic calendar, selected Muslims from around the world travel to Mecca, Saudi Arabia in order to make the hajj.

The hajj is one of the five pillars of Islam, meaning it's one of the top five things a practicing Muslim should do in order to have a connection with God. Hajj is obligatory for every Muslim who can afford to take on the travel expenses for it.

To all those who are celebrating,

Wishing you a blessed Eid al Adha!

From everyone at Park Hall Academy



Windrush Day

National Windrush Day 2023, (22 June) marks 75 years since the MV Empire Windrush arrived in the UK, marking a seminal moment in our shared history.

The Windrush generation - those original pioneers who came from across the Caribbean - helped to rebuild the nation following the Second World War, and they and their descendants continue to contribute to all aspects of British life such as:

- NHS
- Caribbean culture
- Arts
- Sports
- Traditions



What's Happening in SE This Week

WB: Monday 19th June 2023
WHOLE SCHOOL PSHE FOCUS



The wider world			Extremism	Last week
Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Hate Crime	Teenagers in the media	Multiculturalism	Human Trafficking	PSHE Quiz