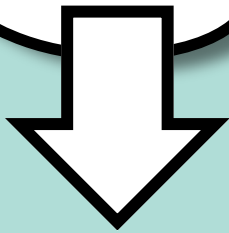




'Park House School is transformational for pupils who attend it'
Ofsted March 2023

**WE WELCOME THREE NEW MEMBERS OF STAFF TO PARK HOUSE:
JESS, KATHRYN & DAWN.**



MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER



What a great summer term we have had- successfully completing more exams than ever before, trips to Wimbledon and the donkey sanctuary and with a number of sporting achievements completed throughout the term.

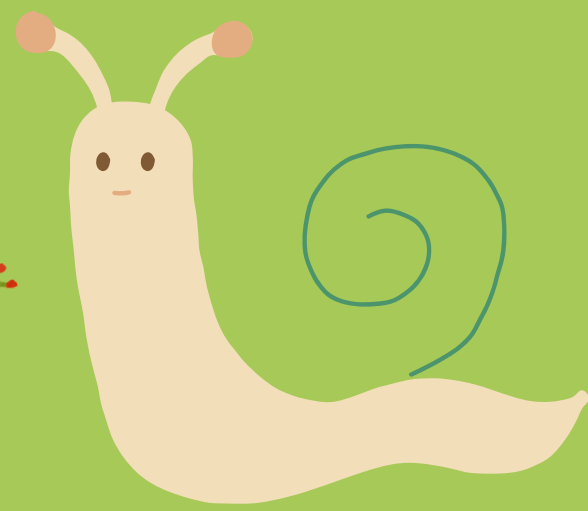
Plans are already underway for new and engaging activities for next term. Our dedicated staff is committed to providing an enriching educational experience, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to thrive both academically and personally.

As always, we encourage parents and guardians to stay engaged and involved, as your support is invaluable to our success. Together, we can continue to create a vibrant and inclusive community where everyone feels valued and inspired to reach their full potential.

Have a great summer break and we look forward to doing it all again in September.

THE KNIFE ANGEL MADE A VISIT TO TAUNTON THIS TERM. MOST OF THE STUDENTS WENT TO VISIT HER AND COMPLETED AN AQA UNIT WRD ON KNIFE CRIME.





POLYTUNNEL

We have been busy with our new polytunnel. We have planted tomatoes, peppers (both hot and sweet), cucumbers, peas (both sweet and edible), French beans, lettuces, sunflowers and lots of herbs like thyme, basil, parsley and lemon verbena (which smells like lemon candy). Outside we have raised beds with potatoes, sweet corn, more sunflowers and rhubarb. We also have a new pumpkin patch which should be ready to pick for Halloween. So, lots to do and soon, hopefully, lots to eat! A big thank you to all the students who helped with the building of the polytunnel and the planting of the produce!

As part of Kane's volunteering towards his Duke of Edinburgh award he has been helping in the polytunnel. He has helped clear the site, erect the polytunnel, turn the soil and most recently has worked to build a potting bench. Great work from Kane.



FOREST SCHOOL

This term at forest school we have cooked a variety of things on the fire, including cinnamon swirls, pan au chocolate and cheese toasties. Some of our students have been making bird feeders which have been dotted around our woodland, and one student made a bird table that has been put in the garden at Park House.



SPORTS & TRIPS



FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT & PRESENTATION

Eight of our pupils participated in three football tournaments at Strode College, organised by the Somerset Football Association. The results from all three tournaments contributed towards establishing a final league table. Our team consistently performed brilliantly and managed to achieve second place in the league table, narrowly missing out on becoming champions by a mere one goal!



- Ruby – Strongest tackler of the season
- James – Best team player of the season
- Mac – Top goal scorer of the season
- Leilan – Best defender of the season
- Brooklyn – Most dedicated player of the season
- Aaron – Golden gloves award – most clean sheets of the season
- Jayden – Best passer of the season
- Kane – Playmaker award – most assists of the season



GLASTONBURY TOR VISIT

Some of the students have been working on history projects on Glastonbury. They spent the day visiting the local town and walked to the top of Glastonbury Tor.



MORE EXCITING THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED....



We have had a few visits from the local PCSO this term. He has been talking to the students about knife crime, stealing and how to avoid getting into trouble with the police!



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh completed!



With our upcoming Duke of Edinburgh expedition close, 3 of our students have been out for a practice walk. We have been looking at healthy snacks to pack for the trip, the students worked together to make their own version of a flapjack recipe. We had lots of interesting ideas, one combination tried was mango and chocolate.



KS3 attended an athletics event in Yeovil. The team took part in 60m, 100m, 200m, 4 x 60m relay, standing long jump, shot putt, foam javelin, discus, and speed bounce. They came second overall and won silver medals.

Well done everyone





DONKEY SANCTUARY



Two students raised a whopping £109.00 for the Donkey Sanctuary, they had a cake sale and an odd sock day! They were able to adopt three donkeys for a whole year. The donkeys were voted by everyone from Park House and they were Walter, Zena and Percy.



EXAMS

Currently, 39 exams have been sat at Park house.

From Entry level 1 to Level 2 In English and Maths functional skills

We have also had a student sitting GCSE in Maths.

All exams sat have been passed to date, we are awaiting the level 1 and 2 results for exams sat this week and the GCSE in August. Arts mark awards have been awarded and D of E bronze has now been completed.

To Jayden & Jack
Thank you for raising £108
to adopt
Zena, Percy & Walter



AQA's Unit Awards



Students have completed over 195 AQAs this year which is incredible!

From learning about the earth and space to helping with lambing and even making a cup of tea!

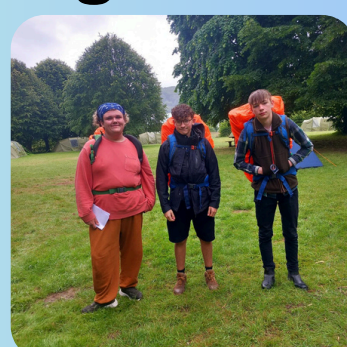
Great work everyone



Mini Olympics Day



Duke of Edinburgh Award



The boys had a brilliant time doing their Duke of Edinburgh, all passing and achieving their bronze awards. The boys had to walk to Wimbleball lake following a map by themselves. They enjoyed three hours of water sports in the afternoon before setting up camp for the night. They then had to cook their own meals for the duration of the trip. Everyone enjoyed the experience. The last day they walked 10 miles around Wimbleball lake using a map again where they were met by teachers at check points. All staff and students had a great time and we are extremely proud of them.

BOWLING

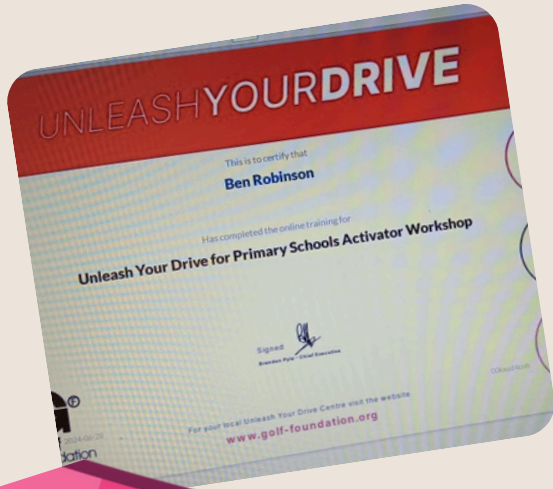


Nine of our students took part in a SASP bowling event. Our KS2 group managed to come an impressive 3rd place and pick up some awards for highest scores. The students enjoyed this so much and have agreed to take part in more events like these.



Park House School has been selected to receive a fully funded package as part of the Golf Foundation's Unleash Your Drive programme. This initiative aims to introduce golf to more children in a fun and engaging way and support children with their mental health and wellbeing: As a part of this fully funded package, we have received a FREE Golfway golf set worth £700 and Ben R can now deliver golf throughout the school

School Games Bronze Award
Park House School has achieved the School Games Bronze Award for 2024/25 This is awarded by the Youth Sport Trust in recognition of the school's commitment to the development of physical activity and competition across the school.







WIMBLEDON

A group of four students with 6 staff from PH visited Wimbledon. A fantastic day despite the downpours halting play all day. Everyone still managed to view centre court, the Lawn Tennis Museum and engaged in a range of activities in the Village before lunch on Henman Hill followed by strawberries and cream. It was not our day to watch any play on court two but a thoroughly enjoyable time was had by all.



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Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	Inset Days

Term dates summary:

Term 1:	03 September – 25 October 2024 (39 days)
Term 2:	04 November – 20 December 2024 (35 days)
Term 3:	06 January – 14 February 2025 (30 days)
Term 4:	24 February – 04 April 2025 (30 days)
Term 5:	22 April – 23 May 2025 (23 days)
Term 6:	02 June – 23 July 2025 (38 days)
TOTAL = 195	

Bank and public holidays 2024/25

Christmas Day	25 December 2024	Easter Monday	21 April 2025
Boxing Day	26 December 2024	May Day Bank Holiday	05 May 2025
New Year's Day	01 January 2025	Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025	Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.