



# Parental Information Evening

Parkside Community School

8<sup>th</sup> September 2025



**PARKSIDE**  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
Small School • Strong Values • Great Experiences





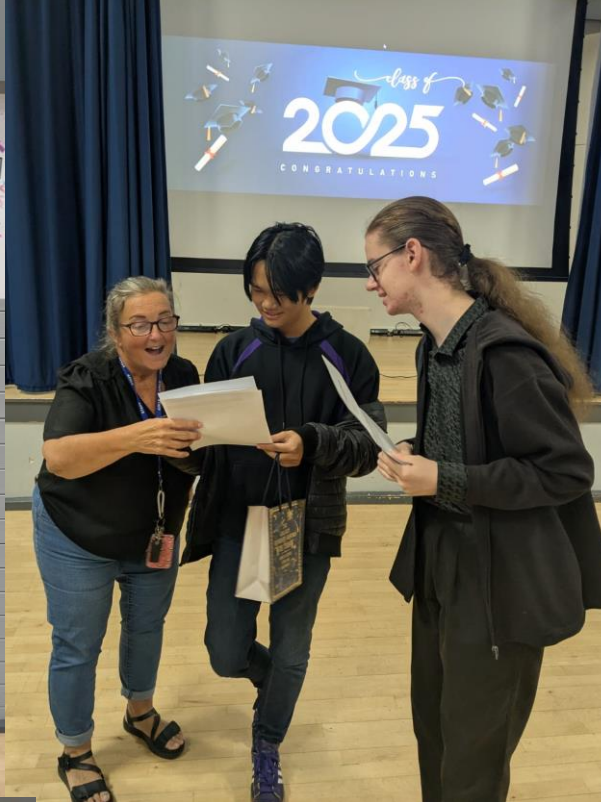
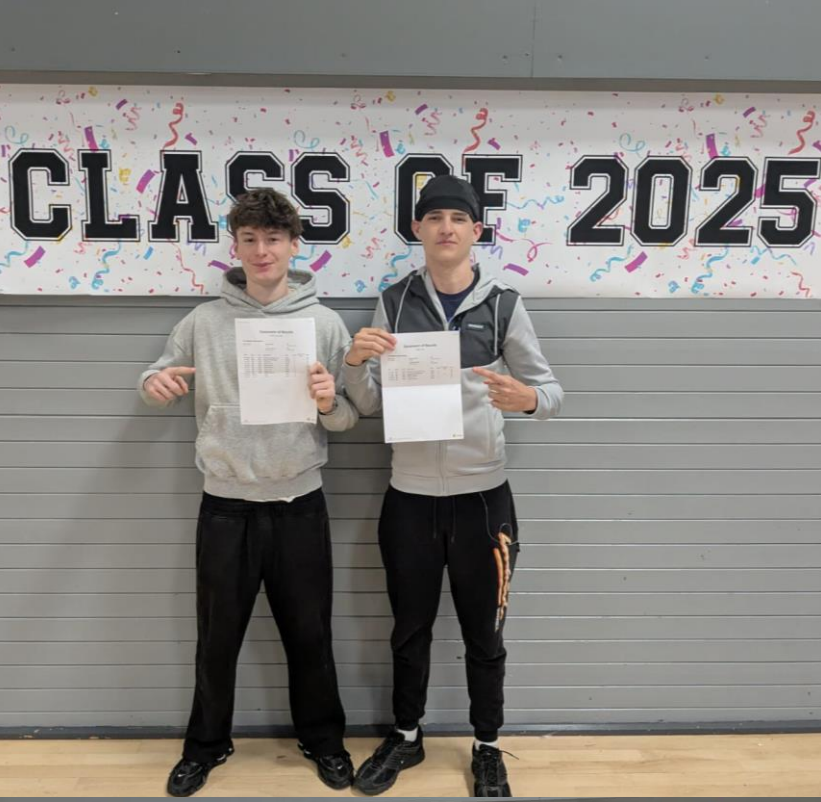
**WELCOME  
BACK**





Welcome to  
**Parkside Community School**

[Prospective Parent/Carers](#)

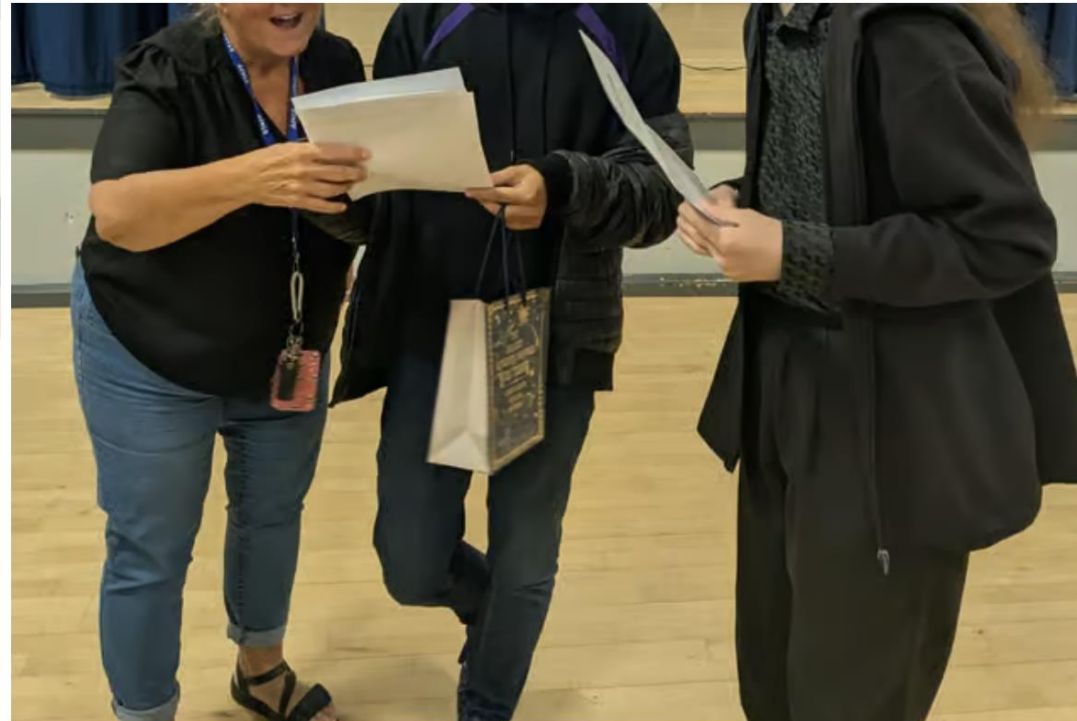


# Derbyshire TIMES

## Parkside Community School Celebrates GCSE Results

Parkside Community School is today celebrating another year of success as students received their GCSE results.

This year's outcomes show a strong improvement on the previous year, reflecting the dedication, resilience and hard work of pupils and staff alike.



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# A warm welcome to our new staff

## Teaching Staff

- Miss Rose: Head of physical education, health and vocational studies
- Mr Elliott: Teacher of technology
- Miss Payne: Teacher of science

## Support Staff

- Miss Bates: TA

## Internal staff role changes from September 2025:

- Mr Bentley: DofE lead
- Mr Siviter: DofE deputy lead

# Aims of the evening

- To share the expectations and vision for our school
- To share elements of the Parkside offer available for you and your child this new academic year
- To share how parents/carers can support their child at Parkside Community School





# RESILIENCE

The ability to recover quickly from difficult conditions and succeed.



# RESPECT

Showing consideration and positive regard for others.



# RESPONSIBILITY

The act of being accountable for actions and being in charge of learning.



# COMMUNITY

Working together for great educational experiences.

# SCHOOL VALUES WHO WE ARE







**CARING**  
ABOUT THE  
**CHOICES**  
THAT WILL SHAPE YOUR  
**FUTURE**



# My educational beliefs

Schools have the power to transform lives and must:

Be truly inclusive and focus on the wellbeing and progress of every child to unlock potential.

Remove all barriers to social mobility so no doors are closed.

Enable students to make the most of their talents and live life in all its fullness.

Enable young people to be aspirational and give them the tools to surpass their personal and academic targets.

And most importantly...

The school's offer must be good  
enough my children.

Excellence is  
the standard.

# The School's Leadership Team

Mr Kelly: Headteacher

Mrs Asher: Deputy Headteacher

Mr Mills: Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Bover: Assistant Headteacher

Mrs Machent: Business Manager

Mrs Welsh: Senior Leader – Student Behaviour and Attitudes

Mr Hoben: Senior Leader – Personal Development and EBacc

Mr Kawalek: Senior Leader – English and Whole School Literacy

Miss Raynes: Head of Year 6 transition and Year 7

Miss Huddleston: Head of Year 8 and 9

Mr Gould: Head of Year 10 and 11

Mr Boden: Attendance manager

Curriculum and pastoral leaders

# Points of contact

- Your child's mentor
- Your child's Assistant Head of Year
  - Miss Harrison Y7
  - Mr Bentley Y8/9
  - Mrs Phipps Y10/11
- Telephone: (01246) 273458
- Email: [info@parkside.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:info@parkside.derbyshire.sch.uk)

# Capital investment

- New roof on A block 2024/25
- New school reception 2025/26
- Future potential projects include: Canteen, PE changing rooms, classrooms in A block, student toilets, food technology room



# New year, fresh start, new opportunities

welcome  
TO NEW  
SCHOOL  
★ YEAR ★

# High standards and high expectations

Excellent schools need high expectations and clear boundaries for students to be successful. Parents/carers can play a vital role in ensuring their child achieves at Parkside; we are on the same side - **we need your support!**

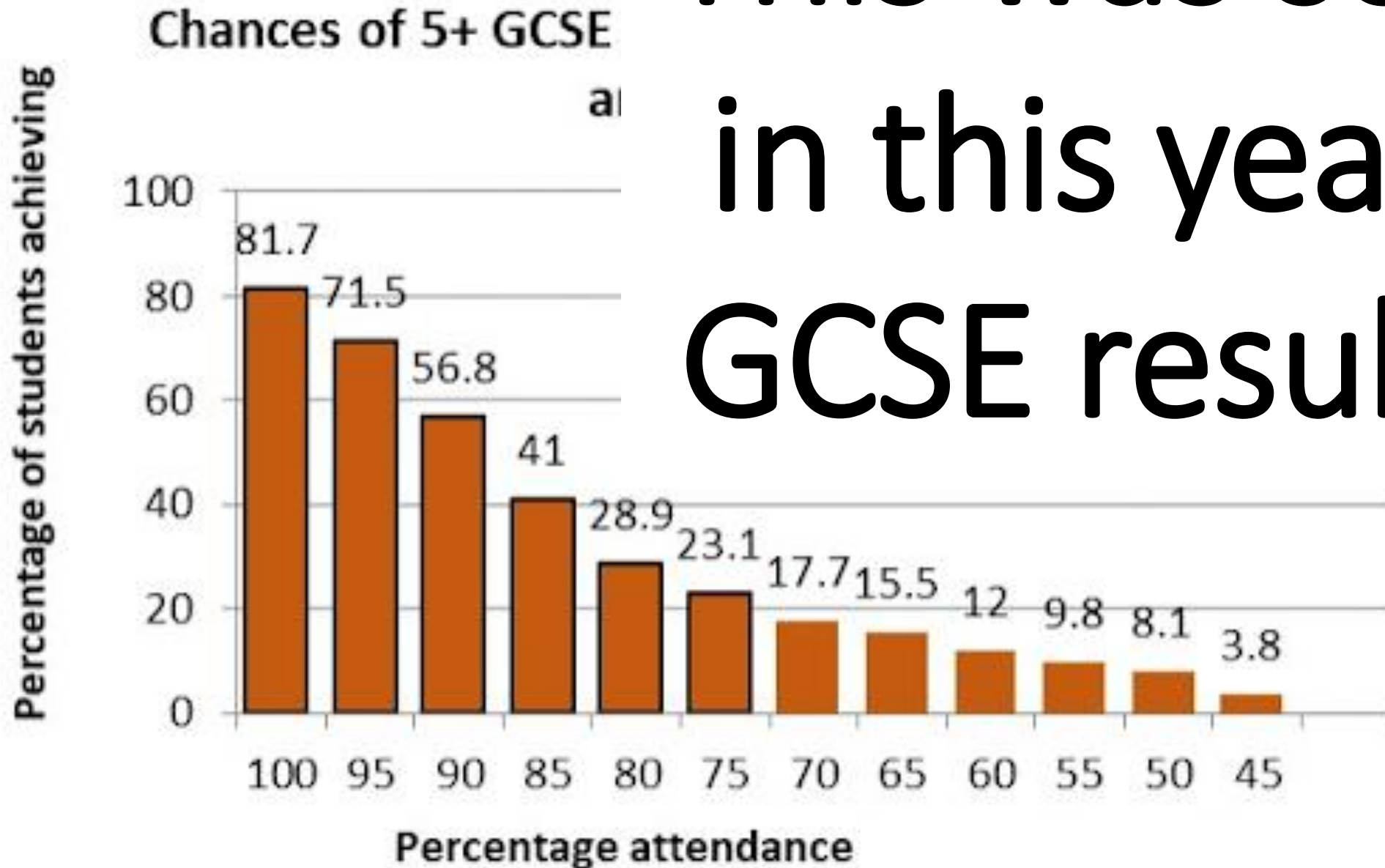
- Uniform and appearance
- Mobile phones or electronic devices: never used, seen or heard
- Equipment (including bags for books!) and readiness to learn
- Following instructions positively from any member of staff
- Polite behaviour and good manners
- Attitude and effort when learning
- Homework
- Attendance
- Punctuality



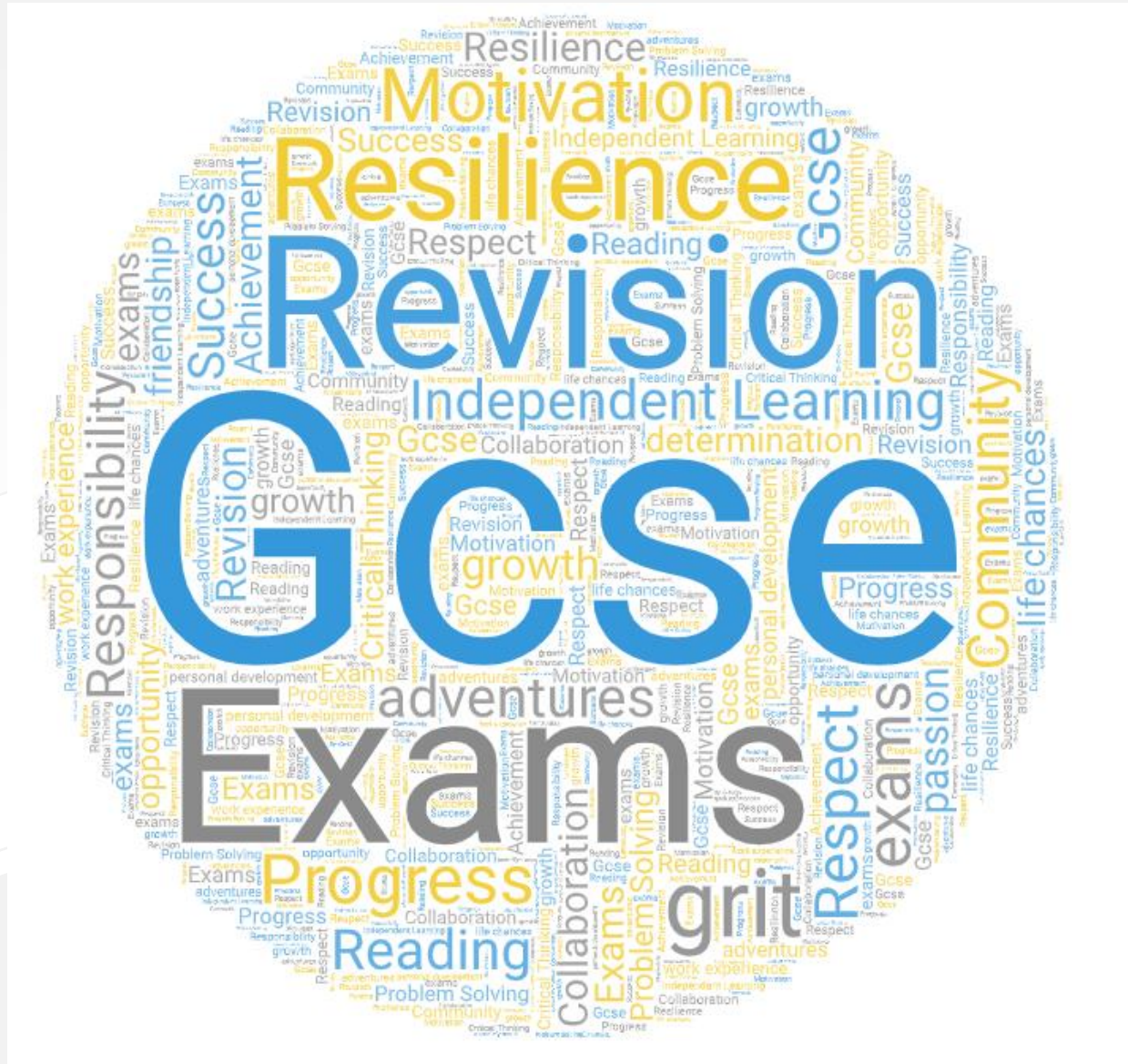


Evidence from a Department for Education  
attendance and GCSE success. The chart

# This was seen in this year's GCSE results!



# Welcome to KS4!



# Key dates

Y10 Key dates	Y11 Key dates
	Nov: Y11 Exam revision residential trip (TBC)
28/11 PSA deadline	28/11 PSA deadline
6/01 – 16/01 Y10 Assessment window	8/12 – 19/12 GCSE Mock exams
10/02 – Y10 Parents' evening including reports	29/01 – Y11 Parents' evening including reports
24/04 – PSA deadline	24/04 – PSA deadline
16/06 – 26/06 – Y10 Mock exams	14/04 – Y11 Parents' evening. Supporting your child through the exams
29/06 – 03/07 – GCSE English language speaking exam window 1	15/05 – 15/06 – GCSE exam window
06/07 – 10/07 – Work Experience	GCSE results day – 20 August
13/07 – 17/07 - GCSE English language speaking exam window 2	

# How can I support my child's learning?

1. Ensure your child is equipped for school each day
  - Learning pack (plastic wallet, whiteboard, whiteboard pen and cloth)
  - 2 black pens, green pen, pencil, ruler, rubber
  - Learning organiser
  - PE kit

Useful extras: highlighter pen, glue stick, calculator

# KS4 - School Day & Equipment

	Year 11		Year 10
8.25 – 8.35am	Students enter site	8.25 – 8.35am	Students enter site
8.35 – 9.00am	Mentor time	8.35 – 9.00am	Mentor time
9.00 – 10.00am	Period 1	9.00 – 10.00am	Period 1
10.00 – 11.00am	Period 2	10.00 – 10.30am	Brunch
11.00 – 11.30am	Brunch	10.30 – 11.30am	Period 2
11.30 – 12.30pm	Period 3	11.30 – 12.30pm	Period 3
12.30 – 13.30pm	Period 4	12.30 – 13.05pm	Lunch
13.30 – 14.05pm	Lunch	13.05 – 14.05pm	Period 4
14.05 – 15.05pm	Period 5	14.05 – 15.05pm	Period 5



2 x Black Pens



1 x Green Pen



1 x Pencil



1 x Ruler



1 x Eraser

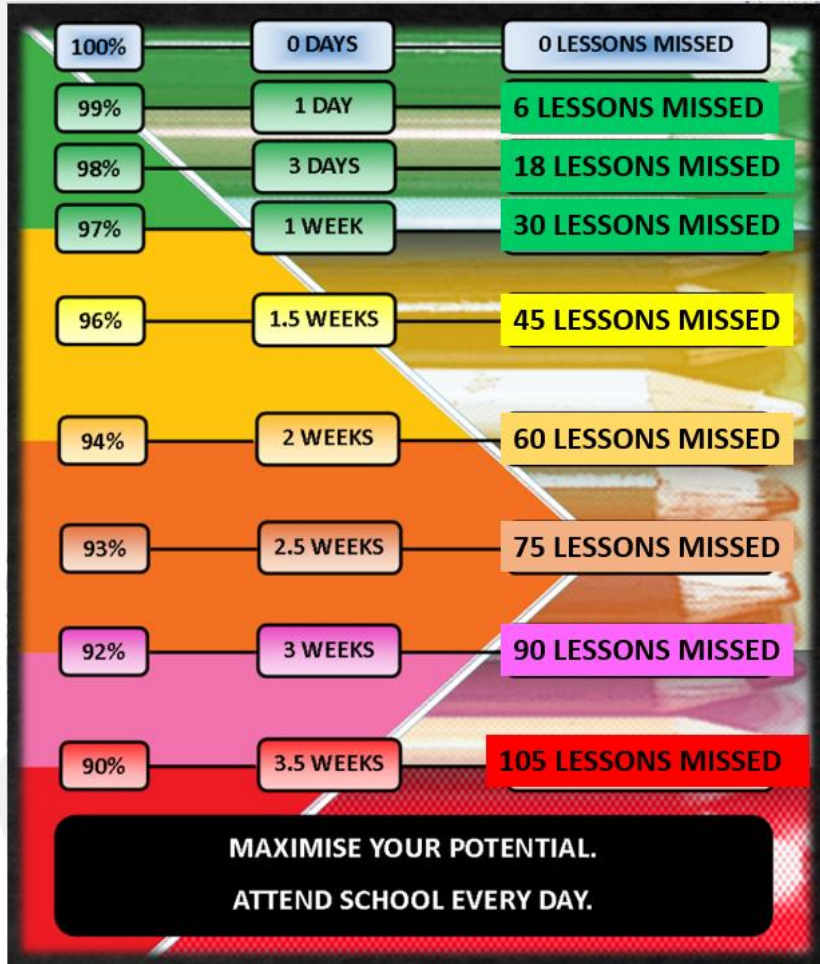


1 x Whiteboard Pen



1 x Whiteboard

## 2. Attendance



In some subjects, you will be completing coursework/controlled assessments.

This means that there are deadlines which have to be met, not only in Y11 but in Y10 too.

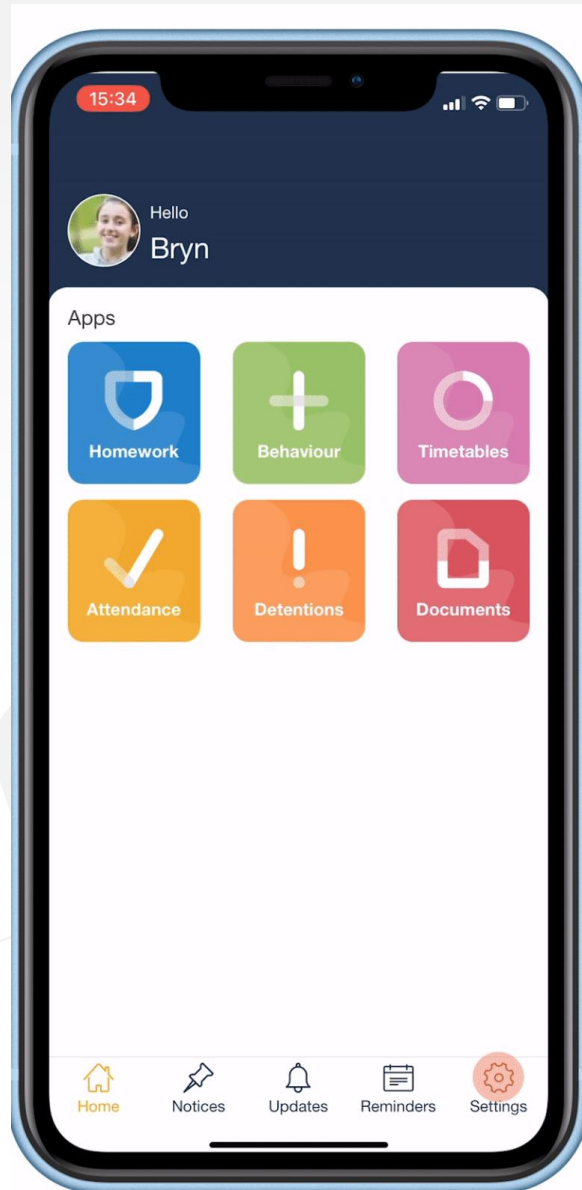
The preparation time for these assessments are crucial.

**Attendance is an absolute priority.**

E.g.

Health and Social Care, BTEC Sport, DT

# 3. Support your child with homework



## 1. Check the homework dashboard regularly

- Log into Satchel One to view all assigned homework tasks
- Use filters to check due dates, subjects, and completion status
- Encourage your child to review it with you daily or weekly to stay organised

## 2. Help create a homework routine

- Use the information from Satchel One to plan a consistent homework routine
- Break tasks into manageable chunks and set reminders for deadlines
- Praise effort and progress to build motivation and independence

## 3. Communicate with teachers if needed

- If a task is unclear or your child is struggling, use Satchel One to message the teacher
- Stay informed about feedback and submission status
- This shows your child that you're engaged and supportive of their learning

# KS4 homework expectations

Weekly	Y10 Day – 45 mins	Y11 Day – 60 mins
Maths	Wednesday	Monday
English	Monday	Tuesday
Science	Any day	Any day
History	Monday	Wednesday
Geography	Wednesday	Wednesday
Option subjects	Wednesday or Thursday	Thursday or Friday

You may also be required to attend after school sessions:

- Intervention (targeted support)
- Non-completion of homework
- Controlled assessment preparation / portfolio development

Homework support in C1 every day – 3:05pm – 4:05pm



# 4. Encourage your child to read

## 1. Boosts academic achievement across subjects

1. Enhances vocabulary, comprehension, and critical thinking
2. Supports success in all subjects including science and maths

## 2. Supports emotional and social development

1. Builds empathy and emotional intelligence
2. Encourages self-awareness and stress relief

## 3. Improves communication and future opportunities

1. Strengthens writing and speaking skills
2. Inspires aspirations and goal-setting



# Rewards



**Rewards Raffle**

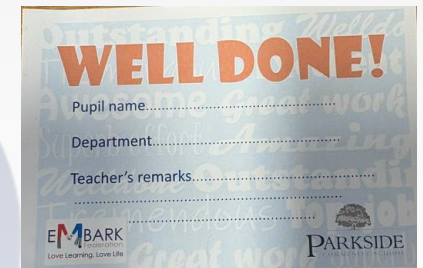


## REWARDS

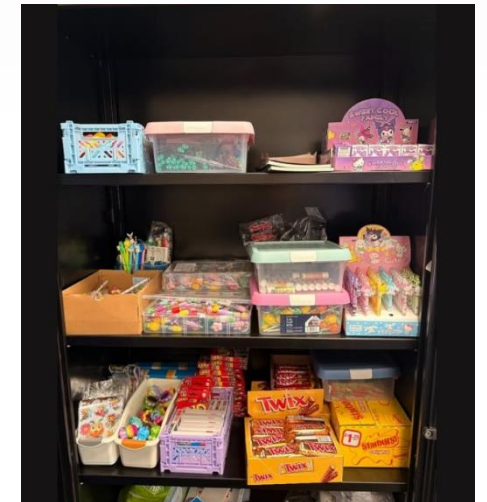
<p><b>1 DAILY REWARDS</b> Parkside Praise Points</p> <p><b>2 WEEKLY REWARDS</b> Quality, Quantity, Presentation raffle (QQP)</p> <p><b>3 PARKSIDE CALLING</b> Positive phone calls</p> <p><b>4 PARKSIDE PRAISE PASS</b></p> <p><b>5 BEST IN LESSON</b></p>	<p><b>6 TERMLY REWARDS</b> Bronze = 200, Silver = 350, Gold = 500, Platinum = 750</p> <p><b>7 YEARLY REWARDS</b> £10, £25, £75 and £100 vouchers</p> <p><b>8 HEART AWARD</b></p> <p><b>9 PRAISE POSTCARDS</b></p> <p><b>10 REWARDS SHOP</b> Tuesday and Thursday Brunch</p>
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**EMBARK**  
FEDERATION  
*Love Learning, Love Life*

**PARKSIDE**  
COMMUNITY SCHOOL



**+5 praise points**



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**X3 every lesson & a message home.**

**+5 praise points**



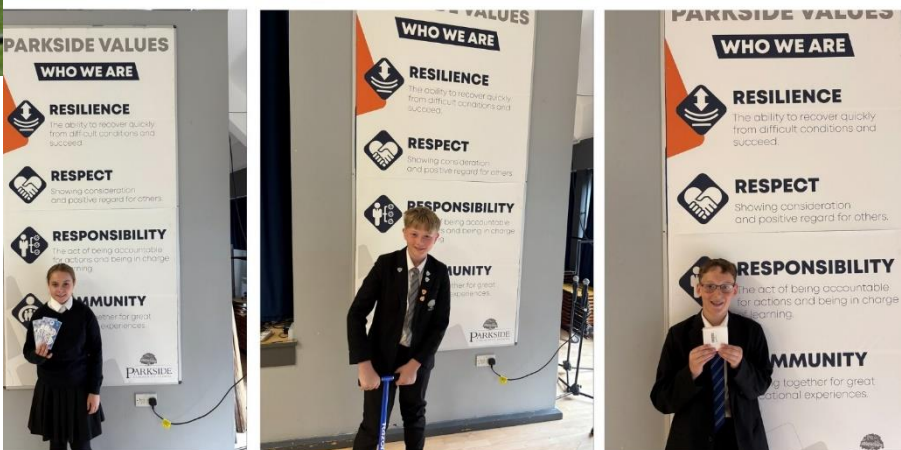
**Rewards Shop**





# Catch them getting it right

- Culture of celebrating success
- Rewarding students who do something well
- We have so many brilliant students who 'get it right' everyday



# Opportunities and Trips



ALTON  
TOWERS



GE  
GRAPHY

LONDON

Art



EMBARK  
FEDERATION

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Variety of extra-curricular clubs:

- Chess, art, choir, needle felting, drama, Warhammer, book club, sports
- Transition Ambassador
- Mentor Ambassador
- Parkside Parliament
- Sports teams
- Work experience Y10
- Reading Mentor
- Duke of Edinburgh
- Junior Leadership Team
- Y11 prom

## Upcoming Trips 25/26

- London, Houses of Parliament
- Y11 revision and wellbeing residential
- Rewards trips (cinema, bowling + many more!)
- Y7 and Y9 residentials
- International trips (Spain and Italy)
- Alton Towers
- Subject specific visits
- Careers and college visits

Alongside a number of events and external visitors.

# Communication & Key Dates

## SEPTEMBER

Th	4	INSET Day
Fr	5	INSET Day
M	8	School open for all year groups
M	8	Parent Information Evening Y7-9, 5pm. Y10 & 11, 6.15pm.
W	10	School Photographs
M	29	Y5/6 Open Evening – 5pm-7pm

## OCTOBER

Th	23	Last day of term – normal finish, 3.05pm
F	24	INSET Day – School closed to students

## NOVEMBER

M	3	School open
F	7	INSET Day – School closed to students

## DECEMBER

M	1	Y7 Parents' Evening 3.30pm-6.30pm
M	8	Y11 Mock Exam – all week
M	15	Y11 Mock exams – all week
F	19	Last day of term – early finish, 12.30pm



# Arbor

10:57 Ava Brown

Calendar – Fri, 13 Oct 2024

Prev Day Today Next Day

Parents Evening

Date	Time
Fri, 13 Oct 2024	17:00 – 19:30

Location  
Site 1: 416

Statistics

Attendance (2024/2025)

99.4%	100%
Year	Last 4 weeks

Merit – this term

2	1
Year	Last 4 weeks

Payments

Total outstanding

-£1.00

Click to review accounts and add payment

A reminder that Callum is on a school trip tomorrow – don't forget a packed lunch

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# SAFEGUARDING

**CLEAR, CALM, CONSISTENT AND CARING**

Mr Mills

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Mrs Mitchell

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead (DDSL)

Mrs Browes

Safeguarding Officer and Mental Health Lead



# STRATEGIC INTENT

The school has an open and positive safeguarding culture that promotes the welfare of and puts pupils' interests first.

The school follows the latest statutory guidance in 'Working together to safeguard children' and 'Keeping children safe in education'.





All staff are members of the  
**Safeguarding Team**  
and are responsible for  
safeguarding  
children.



# Special Educational Needs

Universal, Targeted and Specialist Support



Highest  
Expectations  
for all pupils



# STRATEGIC INTENT

Inclusive practices across the school identify and meet the needs of SEND pupils and remove their barriers to learning, participation and belonging and lead to the highest positive impact on pupil outcomes and life chances.



# Your SEND TEAM

Mr Mills<sup>(DMI)</sup>  
SENDCo

Mrs Spencer<sup>(HSP)</sup>  
SEND Manager

Mr Windle<sup>(TWI)</sup>  
Assistant SEND Manager

Mrs Clewes<sup>(LCL)</sup>  
SEND Administrator

Mrs Bates<sup>(JBT)</sup>  
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Galler  
Teaching Assistant

Mr Sykes  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Wigston  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Myers  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Roe  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Tuckley  
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Barnett  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Matkin  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Newton  
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Horvath  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Lawrence  
Teaching Assistant

Miss Anson  
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Hunt  
Teaching Assistant

Craig Yates  
EMBARC SIP

Nic Godfry  
EMBARC SENDCo

Derbyshire SEND  
DCC SEND Officers

Floss Hayden  
DCC Inclusion (ISAS)

Nuala McNair  
Education Psychologist

Lauren Nash  
DCC Nurture



# Our commitment

- We are committed to support your child to reach their full potential; everyone matters at Parkside!
- We are a human organisation and we are focussed on only the best being good enough
- We know it is an important year for them
- We know your child and we are prepared to meet their needs to the best of our ability
- I look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child being the best version of themselves

# Thank you for coming!

- If you have any questions please speak to us

