



Principals' Letter – Autumn Term 2019 Week ending 27th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Further down this week's letter you will see some details of our first Cultural Appreciation Day. During the day we looked at, and celebrated, the huge range of different backgrounds and cultures across our school community. As the late MP Jo Cox said 'we are far more united and have far more in common with each other than things that divide us' and at a time when all we see in our media is anger and hatred, even amongst our politicians, it is vital we celebrate our whole community. This means we will continue to focus on where we have come from, and our past actions, whilst working to create and embrace a future of understanding and tolerance. Of course, we both got to find out that we are part Viking so that was exciting too!

It was great to see so many Year 9 parents/carers join us this week to hear about the journey through GCSEs over the next two and a half years. If you were unable to attend any of the five Parent Information Evenings the presentations are available on our website and if you need any aspect explaining, do please contact us.

Cultural Appreciation Day: The first Cultural Appreciation Day, at Passmores Academy, occurred yesterday and it celebrated immigration. The day opened with a launch assembly led by Mr Goddard and Miss Christie who disclosed to the whole school, and staff body, their cultural identity. Mr Goddard is 20% Scandinavian and Miss Christie is 15% Scandinavian: despite both previously believing that they were entirely Southern English. We also ate a delicious meal cooked by Christina Da Mata, in honour of her own Portuguese heritage, and students were able to label a world map with their own heritage and find flags scattered around the school, which reflect all the different cultures in our community. Lessons were laden with immigration facts and anecdotes: inclusive of how both Albert Einstein and Sigmund Freud and the founder of Google (Sergey Brin) are all immigrants. Our next Cultural Appreciation Day is on 28th November and will focus on religion.

The Bookmark Challenge: Keen Year 7 and 8 students have been seeing their Passmores Point tallies jump this week as they progress through the Bookmark Challenge. Many students have been to see their tutor with their red bookmark completed with 40 words that are new to them. They have then been tested by their tutor and awarded the points. We now have several students on their orange bookmark (we are following a rainbow) and the first two yellow bookmarks have been issued this week. Please ask your child to show you their bookmark and help them to learn these new words by testing them. Currently leading the way are:

Completed Orange: **Summer Barrett- Prince, Ashlea Gates and Maheen Anwar**

Completed Red: **Sam Morris, Lauren Fearon, Millie Humphries, Priya Sivathanu, Grace Beavis, Isobelle Jones**

Winning Form Group: U2 ACK

Black History Multicultural Music Festival on Saturday 5th October: The Black History Multicultural Music Festival is taking place in Market Square, Harlow on Saturday 5th October, 10am-3pm. Three of our wonderful Year 9 GCSE musicians are performing at this event and it would be fantastic if you were able to support them. **Stephen Hedger** will be singing and playing the piano on the numbers 'Someone You Loved' by Lewis Capaldi and 'Never Enough' from the 'The Greatest Showman'. **Louise Turner** will be singing 'Grenade' by Bruno Mars and 'Raise Your Glass' by Pink. **Joshua Brown** will perform a piano arrangement of the full version of Queen's 'Bohemian Rhapsody'. There will also be a DJ, African drumming, a range of dancing in a range of styles as well as the usual stallholders. It should be a great event celebrating multiculturalism.

Passmores Academy Music School: In the music department at Passmores Academy we run a Passmores Music School every Tuesday evening from 3.30pm-8.30pm. We offer one-to-one 15-minute and 30-minute lessons in singing, piano, drum kit, electric guitar, classical guitar, bass guitar, trumpet, trombone, violin, flute, clarinet and saxophone at very competitive rates provided by professional peripatetic music teachers. We currently have availability in most instrumental areas although spaces do fill up quickly. In order to find out further details and to arrange instrumental tuition for your child this term, please contact the Passmores Academy Music School secretary, **Liz Harrod**, on **07842 492100**.

Sports News: **Mia Rowan** was invited to the National Athletics Championships @ Bedford on 1st September. Only 28 girls had such invitations extended to them for 75m hurdles which was fantastic considering it was Mia's first year in the U15 age group. Mia ran very well and finished 7th in her heat with a time of 12:36s in very blustery conditions (slightly slower than her current PB of 12:00s). Unfortunately, that was not enough to progress to the semi-final, and she finished 22nd out of 28 overall which is brilliant for her first ever major competition - what an amazing experience for her and she did absolutely fabulously.

Park Run: As we are coming towards the end of National Fitness Week you might be interested in a weekly event that takes place every week in Harlow Town Park, the 5km Park Run. This is a very popular (and free) event that brings people together from across Harlow to take part in some Saturday morning fitness. Whether you run, walk and run or just walk it, why not go down for a 9 am start next to the car park and take part in Britain's largest participation event. For further details you can go to <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/harlow/>

Top Ten Passmores Points:

Year 11

Bethany Dimond	11G1EDRDBR	145	Year 11 Griffin
Jamie Scott	11D2JPLACM	138	Year 11 Dragon
Kariss March	11U2 CFY	119	Year 11 Unicorn
Rhys Coombe	11L2LPGAMN	109	Year 11 Lion
Alexander Cleverdon	11U1 PTG	107	Year 11 Unicorn
Emma West	11L1 DES	106	Year 11 Lion
Alfie Timpson	11L2LPGAMN	104	Year 11 Lion
Siobhan Bingham	11U2 CFY	101	Year 11 Unicorn
Ben McAlpine	11U1 PTG	99	Year 11 Unicorn
Leah Martin	11U2 CFY	98	Year 11 Unicorn
Owen Cornhill	11U2 CFY	98	Year 11 Unicorn

Year 10

Evie Matthews	D9 TBT	157	Year 10 Dragon
Sian Kearney	D3 JSO	131	Year 10 Dragon
Ellie Callaghan	D3 JSO	127	Year 10 Dragon
Rosie Parnell	L3 RAD	122	Year 10 Lion
Melissa McCall	L1 SGR	116	Year 10 Lion
Blaise Turnstill	D5 EJM	112	Year 10 Dragon
Mitchell Creak	D3 JSO	112	Year 10 Dragon
Summer Harrison	L2 ABM	102	Year 10 Lion
Amy McMahan	U9 CFR	101	Year 10 Unicorn
Robert Philpot	G3 SHO	100	Year 10 Griffin

Year 9

Jessica Richards	L6 JSD	162	Year 9 Lion
Daisy Hooker	G3 SHO	132	Year 9 Griffin
Lacey Acheampong	G2 SRS	132	Year 9 Griffin
Scarlet Webber	L5 ROH	129	Year 9 Lion
Maria Yordanova	L9 MMR	117	Year 9 Lion
Francesca Pickering	D9 TBT	116	Year 9 Dragon
Bailey Palmer	G7 PWN	115	Year 9 Griffin
Ryley O'Grady	G3 SHO	115	Year 9 Griffin

Hansa Bachoo	L6 JSD	114	Year 9	Lion
Jack Mascall	L9 MMR	112	Year 9	Lion

Year 8

Maria Thira	G7 PWN	197	Year 8	Griffin
Emaan Baig	U1 ARO	143	Year 8	Unicorn
Shelby Paterson	G8 DDE	141	Year 8	Griffin
Eduard Turcu	D4 BPS	138	Year 8	Dragon
Lily Quigley	G4 VNS	138	Year 8	Griffin
Charlie Golding	D8 MBY	138	Year 8	Dragon
Louise Lai	L2 ABM	137	Year 8	Lion
Aaron Bhunjun	D3 JSO	132	Year 8	Dragon
Emelia Abbott	G1 MTR	126	Year 8	Griffin
Toby Palmer	L4 KJR	121	Year 8	Lion

Year 7

Mitch Ward	G6 JKG	181	Year 7	Griffin
Emma Connell	G4 VNS	176	Year 7	Griffin
Amy Bryson	L4 KJR	166	Year 7	Lion
Freya Nash	D6 HTR	162	Year 7	Dragon
Erin Murphy	L2 ABM	155	Year 7	Lion
Archie May-Denton	L6 JSD	153	Year 7	Lion
Selene Virga	L2 ABM	152	Year 7	Lion
Gracie Morris	L1 SGR	152	Year 7	Lion
Oliver Matthews	G4 VNS	152	Year 7	Griffin
Eloisa Bellamy	D4 BPS	150	Year 7	Dragon

Also earning their "100 Point Badge"

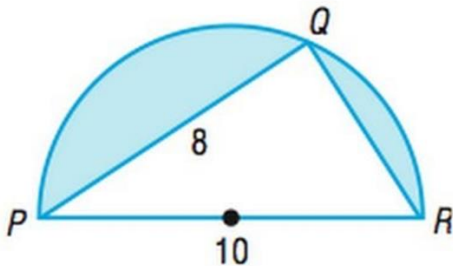
Jack Last L8 GMR	James Forde G4 VNS	Cade Ford U1 ARO	James Malyon D1 MHT
Kiera Glover L1 SGR	Harry Hodgson G5 KFS	Frankie Dorrington D8 MBY	Molly Watson L3 RA
Grace Kearns G6 JKG	Isabella Rich D3 JSO	Ronay Koker G9 TST	Daisy McIntyre U7 DME
Lucy Clay G1 MTR	Dixie Hughes U5 ASA	Lui Ciuffa D2 CLN	Michael Anfom D7 ALL
Misty Eren D7 ALL	Sydney Cass G2 SRS	Joe Savage D4 BPS	Dylan Hammond U8 SWT
Kasie Hansen D2 CLN	Riley McFall L1 SGR	Josh Sanderson U8 SWT	Jake Nolan L1 SGR
Nilavan Anpalagan G9	Marcus De Freitas Sousa L2 ABM	Charlie Holmes U5 ASA	Daisy Cleverdon U3 AMT
Kayden Andersen-Hamm G2	Amelia Reid D5 EJN	Caitlyn Daly L3 RAD	Amy Kenway G5 KFS
Daisy Burbeck L5 ROH	Maheen Anwar L7 AFY	Ruby Guinness G6 JKG	Oliver Enderson D5 EJN
Reece Fenton D5 EJN	Elizabeth Chung U3 AMT	Tristan Thira G7 PWN	Blaze Hibbert U8 SWT
Joel Defor D9 TBT	Faith Horn L2 ABM	James Evans L8 GMR	Rocky Vinter D8 MBY
Aimee O'Connor L3 RAD	Alyssa Crandle U4 AHN	Ronny Bostock D4 BPS	Amelia Wator U6 THR
Sienna Ismail G7 PWN	Grace Stevens U1 ARO	Huey Lai U8 SWT	Callum Burch G7 PWN
Lola Clark D9 TBT	Alex Pickering D9 TBT	Isabelle Mimms G8 DDE	Reece Malyon D1 MHT
Bethany Akers U5 ASA	Lacey Dedman D4 BPS	Angel Boorman U9 CFR	Niamh Warman L2 ABM
Lawrence Osagie-Ighodaro D6	Brooke Pugh D5 EJN	Maya Pearce D4 BPS	Jessica Kiddell G2 SRS
Haydn Kearney D3 JSO	Alfie Liddle L3 RAD	Kallie Jackson D3 JSO	Harry New D1 MHT
Drew McIntyre G9 TST	Millie Jones L5 ROH	Freddie Seow L5 ROH	Lucy Martin L3 RAD
Tamara Khabbازه D3 JSO	Sienna Mensah L6 JSD	Razvan-Stefan Jipa U8 SWT	Orla Daniels L8 GMR
Demi Pite L6 JSD	Megan Norris D7 ALL	Madeleine Hooker G3 SHO	Ashlea Gates D9 TBT
Maicey Collins G6 JKG	Renea Coppeard G4 VNS	Sonny Brooks U1 ARO	Willow Taylor L8 GMR
Lois Jones U5 ASA	Narece Barnsley D9 TBT	Shay Woolmore U6 THR	Shayla Surer D5 EJN
Yousef Aggouche G5 KFS	Lexi Bowles-Miller D2 CLN	Emily Smith G3 SHO	Maisie Gibbs G9 TST
Larrissa Eke L2 ABM	Hayden Cook L2 ABM	Bailey Pearce G1 MTR	Sonnie Mowat D1 MHT
Maddie Kimble D3 JSO	Abi Dukes G6 JKG	Carmen Sunshine G1 MTR	Milena Muliolyte L5 ROH

Louise Matlock-Jeffery G3 Riley Dedman D4 BPS
 Leland Tyrrell G1 MTR Fin Tovell U9 CFR
 Poppy Jackson L1 SGR Daniel Campbell D3 JSO
 Alfie Collins D6 HTR Austin Bull L4 KJR
 Jayden Almond U2 ACK Megan Ingram D7 ALL
 Hannah Islam D3 JSO Mia Fuller U5 ASA
 Isla McGrath G7 PWN Heidi Peppard D8 MBY
 Amber Donaldson G1 Sophie Daniels G6 JKG

Connor Battell D8 MBY
 Kyla Tombs-Stevens U5 ASA
 Ben Mascall L9 MMR
 Lexi KENT G3 SHO
 William Forde G4 VNS
 Kayley Wigger L8 GMR
 Fleur Peppard D8 MBY

Karys Bailey U8 SWT
 Evie Rocha D4 BPS
 Rex Dance-Bishop D1 MHT
 Tony Johnson L4 KJR
 Chloe Collins G8 DDE
 Oliver Jones U6 THR
 Rayan Khamis G1 MTR

Maths Problem of the Week: FIND THE AREA OF THE SHADED REGION



Maths Solution for last week:

Solution:

All sides of the pentagon are the same so $x+6 = 5x-2$
 Adding 2 to both sides $x + 8 = 5x$
 Subtracting x from both sides $8 = 4x$
 Dividing through by 4 $2 = x$
 Substituting $x = 2$ in to both $x+6$ and $5x-2$ we see that they both equal 8

Therefore the perimeter of the pentagon is $8 \times 5 = 40$

Perimeter of pentagon = Perimeter of square = 40, Hence the sides of the square are $40/4 = 10$ and the area of the square is $10 \times 10 = 100$ units squared.

Forthcoming Events

- Wednesday 23rd October - Post 16 Careers Evening at the Park Inn 4pm – 7pm
- Wednesday 23rd October - Awards Ceremony 6.30pm
- 28th October to 1st November - Half term

Natalie Christie & Vic Goddard
Co-Principals of Passmores Academy