



Parklands Weekly News 02/02/2024

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely week.

Thank you to all of the parents that attended our Maths parent workshop on Thursday. For those of you who were not able to attend, we have put lots of the information on the school website under Maths. I am sure this will answer many of your questions, but if you need any further help please speak to Miss Keen who is leading maths across the school.

This week has been another busy week at Parklands, the children in Orchard Class went out on their fourth visit to the Pallant gallery, where they are participating in the schools in residence programme. They have been working really hard to create a final piece of art work that will be displayed in the public gallery. I look forward to sharing some photos once it is all complete.

Hawthorn delivered the first family assembly of the term. The children have learnt so much and made such a lot of progress in such a short amount of time. Well done!

Have a lovely weekend,

Kind Regards,
Charlotte Angeli



Attendance Award

Our **Target** this year is **97%**

This week our attendance is:

Whole School: 93.48%

Apple: 97.46%

Ash: 91.38%

Beech: 94.58%

Birch: 88.75%

Cedar: 89.58%

Chestnut: 92.50%

Hawthorn: 95.42%

Hazel: 96.67%

Maple: 97.69%

Mulberry: 94.83%

Pear: 97.50%

Poplar: 91.67%

Walnut: 92.08%

Willow: 93.33%

Forest: 91.67%

Orchard: 80.56%



Congratulations Apple and Maple classes! You had the best attendance this week!

I wonder who will have the best attendance next week?

Parklands Friend

Last year we launched our NEW Parklands values.

In assembly, we reminded the children of the six values that we want all of our children to develop across their time here at Parklands.

We want all children to 'Be the Best they can Be!' and 'Be a Parklands Friend.'

Focus

Respect

Integrity

Excellence

Nurturing

Determined

Children's Mental Health Week

Next Week is Children's Mental Health Week – a nationally observed week promoting all things to do with strengthening mental well-being for children.

At Parklands, we are supporting this and will be partaking in different activities to help our children know their mental health is important to us. This year, the theme is 'My Voice Matters'. Throughout the week the activities will be based around allowing the children to air their views, find different ways to express their opinions and know that we are always here to listen.

Miss Angeli, Mrs Thompson and myself will also be making ourselves available at lunchtimes in a 'Listening Lab' so the children can come and talk to us as well. We might even pick up some interesting ideas to help improve the school, too!

At the end of the week, we will be celebrating what we have done and what the children have told us and learnt along the way.

We would like to allow the children the opportunity to express themselves with their choice of clothing on Friday 9th as well. This means that the children are welcome to come dressed as they would wish that day, rather than school uniform.

Book Week

We are really looking forward to celebrating World Book Day at Parklands.

A letter will be going out shortly sharing our plans with you all.

Monday 4th March

World Book Day launch in whole school assembly

Tuesday 5th March

Book Swap Café – 3:15 – 4:00 in the school hall for KS2

Thursday 7th March World Book Day!

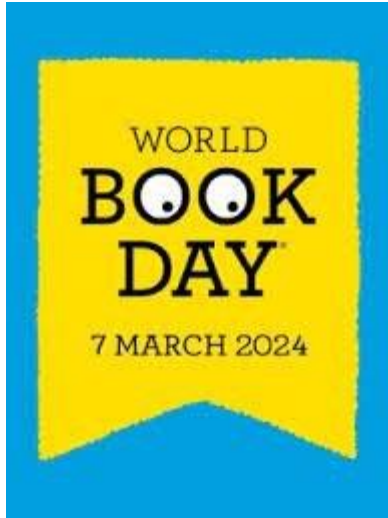
A whole day of learning linked to the whole school text.

Character / Book dress up day

Book Swap Café – 3:15 – 4:00 in the school hall. EYFS and KS1

Friday 8th March

Reading Buddies and a celebration of learning from the week.



Who is available to help?

We have a few new members of the team at Parklands so I wanted to make sure everyone knows who is available to help.

The following stepped approach can be used to answer any of your questions or queries.

1. **Class Teacher or Teaching Assistant**
2. **Admin Team**
3. **Phase Leader** Mrs Thompson (EYFS and KS1,) Miss Standing (KS2) Mrs Bright (SSC.)
4. **Deputy Headteacher** Mrs Earnshaw
5. **Headteacher** Miss Angeli

If you are worried about your child's learning or want some help with their special educational needs our SENDCOS Mrs Powell (EYFS & KS1) and Mrs Bright (KS2) will be more than happy to help you.

Please email or phone the office to make contact.



Sporting News

Well done to our netball team, they have played twice this week and made us really proud.

On Monday they played in a competitive friendly against a tough Jessie Younghusband team. The game finished 8:6 but they really held their own and demonstrated excellent footwork throughout.

Yesterday the same team attended the WSW netball tournament at Bishop Luffa. They grew in confidence as the tournament progressed, winning and drawing their last two matches. Some of the passing between them was fantastic and they showed great footwork and movement to find space away from their markers. They showed wonderful team spirit all afternoon, cheering each other on throughout each match. We are all very proud of them!

Morning Gates

There are a number of children arriving really early to school. If you want your children to arrive at school early then please book them into our breakfast club where we will be more than happy to have them.

Our gates open on the key stage 1 playground just before 8:40am and then the KS2 playground gates are opened shortly afterwards. I kindly ask you to supervise your children at the gates in order to ensure their safety.

During Covid, schools were encouraged to have a staggered start in the morning, however this added to the teacher's workload. As I am sure you will remember, there were a number of strikes last year and in response to that school leaders have been asked to consider teacher's workload and their wellbeing. By opening the gates at 8:40am, I am protecting that time to allow the teachers to finish preparing for their day and to share with their support staff the plan for the day.

We will be closely monitoring the situation at the beginning of the school day, to ensure everyone remains safe.

Thank you for your anticipated support.

Parklands Breakfast Club

Bookings via 'My Child At School' app is now open until the summer holidays!

visit My Child At School app and follow these instructions:

- Tap the three lines on top left hand side
- Clubs
- Available
- Breakfast Club Spring term 2
- Enroll

Then search for the days you wish to book



Parents' Evening

We will be sending home information about parents evening very soon so you can start to book your appointments.

Parents' evening will be on Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February. Birch Class will be on Wednesday 28th and Thursday 29th February.

Headteacher's Tea Party

The following children really impressed their teacher and attended the Headteacher's Tea Party this week.

Well done everyone!

Apple Class: Amelia

Ash Class: Rosie

Beech : Albert

Birch Class: Dylan

Cedar Class: Ava-June

Chestnut Class: Sophie

Hawthorn Class: Daisy

Hazel Class: Ana

Maple Class: Elsie

Mulberry : Holly

Pear Class: Milo

Poplar Class: Francine

Walnut Class: Violet

Willow Class: Taylan

Orchard: Olivia

Forest : Henry

I wonder who will come next week?



Super Star Corner





1 - Superstar Emily for achieving grade 10th kyu in Karate



2 - Superstar Daisy and her ice skating team won the Scottish Championships in Dumfries



3 - Superstar Harry played a fantastic game of football for Chi City Colts and received a medal



4 - Superstar Ella for running the 10k around Chichester Harbour



5 - Superstar Oliver received a trophy for being Man of the Match and scoring a hat trick for his football team

Family Assembly

Our family assemblies will be continuing next term.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to share their learning with you.

They will start at **2:45pm in the hall.**

- Hazel Class - 8th February 2024
- Chestnut Class - 29th February 2024
- Cedar Class - 14th March 2024

We look forward to seeing you there.

Other Notices

Please remember we are a nut free school. The children should not have nutella, peanut butter or anything containing nuts in their packed lunches.

Thank for your support with this.

Reminder

Please do not park in the West Sussex Parking bays, these are for our organised transport only.

I also kindly ask you to use the parking bays for visitors when using the car park. Where possible, we expect families to park outside of the school and walk into the school grounds. This ensures that the children are safe at all times.

We would like to encourage parents not to enter the school building in the morning. If you have a message you would like to pass on, please speak to one of the members of staff on the gate. Thank you for helping us keep the school safe.



Coming Up Next

Mental Health Wellbeing Week

Monday

Early Bird Parent Workshop Meeting held at Parklands

Headteacher's Tea Party

Year 3 Outdoor Sports

Tuesday

Orchard Class Trip to Pallant Gallery

Internet Safety Day

Year 4 and Year 6 PE outside

Wednesday

Year 1 Outdoor Sports

Mobile Library in school

Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby

Thursday

Year 4 Forest School with Woodland Wonders

Year 2 Outdoor Sports

Year 4 Music Lessons

Guitar Lessons

Hazel Class Family Assembly 2:45pm

Friday

Non-Uniform Day - Express yourself!

Year 4 Outdoor Sports

Year 5 Swimming

Piano Lessons



Dates for your Diary

Spring Term Dates

Monday 5th February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 6th February - Orchard Class Pallant Gallery

Wednesday 7th February - Year 3 and 4 Tag Rugby at Bishop Luffa (Invitation Only)

Thursday 8th February - Hazel Family Assembly

Friday 9th February - Express Yourself Non-Uniform Day

Week beginning Monday 12th February - Half Term

Monday 19th February - School closed for staff training

Week beginning Monday 19th February - Bikeability

Tuesday 20th February - PTA Event Movie Night

Thursday 22nd February - Thoughtfull Parent Meeting

Thursday 22nd February - Future Flyers at Westgate (Invitation Only)

Week beginning Monday 26th February - Bikeability

Tuesday 27th February - Parents' Evening

Tuesday 27th February - No Clubs

Wednesday 28th February - Parents' Evening

Wednesday 28th February - No Clubs

Thursday 29th February - Thoughtfull Parent Meeting

Tuesday 5th March - Reading Cafe Book Swap Ks2

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day Dress Up Day

Thursday 7th March - Reading Cafe Book Swap EYFS & KS1

Thursday 7th March - Year 1 Forest School and SSC

Thursday 7th March - Thoughtfull Parent Meeting

Thursday 14th March - Thoughtfull Parent Meeting

Friday 15th March - Sports Relief Day

Thursday 19th March - SEN Coffee Morning

Thursday 21st March - Thoughtfull Parent Meeting

Thursday 21st March - Future Flyers at Westgate (Invitation Only)

Monday 25th March - PTA Event Easter Crafts

Tuesday 26th March - PTA Event Easter Bingo

Thursday 28th March - PTA Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday 28th March - Last Day of Term

Summer Term Dates

Tuesday 23rd April - St George's Day Celebrations

Friday 3rd May - PTA Event Dare to be Different

Week Beginning 13th May - Year 6 SATS

Monday 20th May - Class Photos

Tuesday 4th June - Year 6 Residential

Friday 7th June - PTA Event Non-Uniform Day

Monday 1st July - Olympic Week at Parklands

Thursday 4th July - Sports Fun (Details to follow in the Summer term)

Tuesday 16th July - PTA Event - School Disco

Tuesday 23rd July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9:30am

Tuesday 23rd July - Last Day of Term

Term Dates

Spring Term

Friday 9th February 2024 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2024 - Half Term

Monday 19th February 2024 - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 20th February 2024 - Children return to school.

Thursday 28th March 2024 - Children break up for the holidays.

Summer Term

Monday 15th April 2024 - Children return to school.

Monday 6th May 2024 - School closed for the May Bank Holiday.

Friday 24th May 2024 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024 - Half Term

Monday 3rd June 2024 - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 4th June 2024 - Children return to school.

Tuesday 23rd July 2024 - Children break up for the holidays.



Term Dates 2024 - 2025

Autumn Term

Monday 2nd September 2024 - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 3rd September 2024 - Children return to school.

Friday 25th October 2024 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2024- Half Term

Monday 4th November 2024 - Children return to school.

Friday 20th December 2024 - Children break up for the holidays.

Spring Term

Tuesday 6th January 2025 - School closed for staff training.

Wednesday 7th January 2025 - Children return to school.

Friday 14th February 2025 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2025 - Half Term

Monday 24th February 2025 - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 25th February 2025 - Children return to school.

Friday 4th April 2025 - Children break up for the holidays.

Summer Term

Tuesday 22nd April 2025 - *School closed for staff training.*

Wednesday 23rd April 2025 - Children return to school.

Monday 5th May 2025 - School closed for the May Bank Holiday.

Friday 23rd May 2025 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 26th May to Friday 30th May 2025 - Half Term

Monday 2nd June 2025 - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 3rd June 2025 - Children return to school.

Tuesday 22nd July 2025 - Children break up for the holidays.

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