



Parklands Weekly News 15/03/24

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week. It has been as busy as ever here at Parklands.

Our wonderful children have truly excelled during assessment week. Well done everyone for working so hard.

On Monday our Year 6 students took on the role of detectives and investigated a thrilling crime scene as part of their writing activities. Their creativity and attention to detail were commendable.

Year 3 and 4 embarked on an exciting trip to Chichester College for a STEM festival. They immersed themselves in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, gaining valuable insights and sparking curiosity.

On Wednesday we held a Year 1 Phonics meeting, where we shared information about the year 1 phonics screening check that the children complete in June. Thank you to those who attended. If you want to find out more please speak to Mrs Thompson or check the school website as we will include a copy of the PowerPoint for you to view.

I really enjoyed going to support the children in years 5 and 6 who completed in the corporate challenge on Wednesday evening. Congratulations, I am very proud of you all.

Well done Cedar Class for a wonderful family assembly.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind Regards,

Charlotte Angeli



Attendance Award

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

This week our attendance is:

Whole School: 93.13%

Apple: 96.25%

Ash: 92.67%

Beech: 95.42%

Birch: 98.33%

Cedar: 84.58%

Chestnut: 88.33%

Hawthorn: 91.25%

Hazel: 97.92%

Maple: 92.86%

Mulberry: 88.79%

Pear: 99.17%

Poplar: 93.33%

Walnut: 90%

Willow: 96.67%

Forest: 100%

Orchard: 81.94%



Congratulations Birch, Pear and Forest classes! You had the best attendance this week!

I wonder who will have the best attendance next week?

Improving School Attendance

Improving our School Attendance

Below are some useful reminders of what parents and carers must do to support the school and what we will do as a school.

What YOU must do:

Try to telephone the school before 8.30am each day of your child's absence.

Tell the school in advance of any medical appointments and bring in appointment cards/letters/texts.

If you are not sure whether your child is well enough to attend school, send them in anyway as they often perk up on arrival.

Have a backup plan for if your child misses transport, call on a family member, neighbour or friend.

If you and your child are experiencing difficulties with school attendance then talk to us as a first step so we can help!

What WE will do:

Check your child's attendance every day.

Phone home to discuss your child's attendance with you.

Invite you into school for attendance meetings if we are concerned.

If we cannot establish a reason for absence, then we may make a welfare home visit.



Red Nose Day

Thank you for your kind donations and enthusiastic participation in our Red Dress Day for Comic Relief on Friday, March 15, 2024.

Your support has made a significant impact, allowing us to contribute to this vital charity.

Together, we've not only raised funds but also taught our young learners how to be a Parklands FRIEND by showing respect and plenty of integrity.

Thank you for being part of this meaningful endeavor!

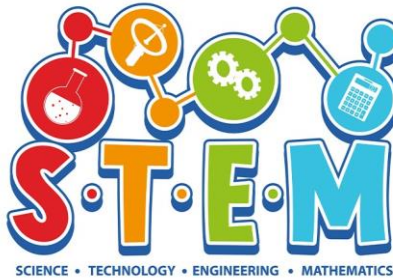




Year 3 and 4 STEM Festival

On Monday 11th March, year 3 and 4 were given the chance to visit Chichester College and take part in their annual STEM festival. As part of this festival, the children had a wonderful 90 minutes exploring a range of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths tasks. Some of these hands-on learning opportunities included the chance to make their own slime, build their own cars to propel along a race track, take their finger prints and use microscopes to examine things closely.

Technology played a huge part in our session too, with gaming opportunities and the chance to wear VR headsets to ride a motorcycle. We are very proud of Hazel, Hawthorn, Maple and Mulberry classes whose excellent behaviour was praised by member of the college staff.



Instrument Lessons Available in School

Did you know at Parklands we offer instrumental lessons in a wide range of musical instruments including: baritone, cornet, euphonium, French horn, tenor horn, trumpet, trombone, violin, viola, guitar, ukulele, bass guitar, piano and keyboard?

A number of children have shown a great desire to learn an instrument. If you would like your child to receive individual or group lessons (within the school day), please follow the link provided and select Parklands Primary School to fill in the online form and to find out more about the cost of lessons. Some

children are entitled to free instrumental lessons and information about this can be found within the link.
If you would like more information, please contact Mrs Gray.

<https://www.westsussexmusic.co.uk/make-music/music-lessons/>



Super Star Corner





1 - Superstar Chloe won 4 Gold and 2 Bronze medals for her Gymnastics on a variety of apparatus!

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

Monday

Early Bird Parent Meeting

Year 3 College PE

Headteacher's Tea Party

Brass Lessons

Tuesday

Year 6 and 4 PE with coach Ben

SEN Coffee Morning in Community Room

Wednesday

Thursday

Year 1 Forest School with Woodland Wonders

Thoughtful Parent Meeting in Studio

SSC Trip to Chichester Harbour

Reception to St Wilfrid's Church

Future Flyers Invitation Only Year 5

Year 4 Music Lessons

Guitar Lessons

Violin Lessons

Friday

Year 4 College PE

Year 5 Swimming

Piano Lessons

Girls Football Tournament

Last day for clubs



Dates for your Diary

Spring Term Dates

Thursday 19th March - SEN Coffee Morning

Thursday 21st March - Thoughtful Parent Meeting

Thursday 21st March - SSC at Dell Quay

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

Thursday 21st March - Year 6 SATS Meeting 3:15 in the studio

Monday 25th March - PTA Event Easter Crafts

Tuesday 26th March - PTA Event Easter Bingo

Wednesday 27th March - Cross Country Finals

Thursday 28th March - PTA Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday 28th March - Last Day of Term

Summer Term Dates

Friday 19th April - Disney shooting Stars Year 1 and 2

Tuesday 23rd April - St George's Day Celebrations

Tuesday 30th April - Year 4 Trip East Head

Friday 3rd May - PTA Event Dare to be Different

Thursday 9th May - Year 6 Residential Trip Meeting time TBC

Week Beginning 13th May - Year 6 SATS

Monday 20th May - Class Photos

Tuesday 21st May - Little Sing Up at Parklands

Wednesday 22nd May - SSC Marwell Trip

Tuesday 4th June - Year 6 Residential

Friday 7th June - PTA Event Non-Uniform Day

Tuesday 25th June - Big Sing at Parklands

Monday 1st July - Olympic Week at Parklands

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

Monday 8th July - Chichester Harbour Trip

Tuesday 9th July - Lioness Legacy Tournament

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

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.

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.

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Term Dates 2024 - 2025

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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.

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