



Parklands Weekly News 29/09/23

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good week.

Today we welcomed a photographer into the school to capture what we love most about Parklands. The children really enjoyed joining in and posing for their photographs. I look forward to sharing some of them on our website and our newsletter once we receive them.

We also had our wonderful coffee morning for Mcmillan which was hosted by year 6. All of the children had some squash and a biscuit across the day. Thank you for your kind donations and making this such a huge success. After school we have a cake sale and then we will find out how much money we have raised for this great charity.

Also this week Year 6 went to Priory park to support their learning in history and English. I have been very impressed with their writing; they have certainly started the year with a positive attitude. Well done!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Sole for everything she has done for Parklands over the last 18 years, she has been an enormous part of the school and will be missed immensely. We also sadly say goodbye to Mr Trinidad today, he has secured another job but I know he will be popping back to help us out.

I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Kind Regards,

Charlotte Angeli

Attendance Award



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

This week our attendance is:

Whole School: 96.32%

Apple: 96.52%

Ash: 96.93%

Beech: 97.50%

Birch: 95%

Cedar: 96.67%

Chestnut: 100%

Hawthorn: 88.36%

Hazel: 100%

Maple: 97.32%

Mulberry: 95.83%

Pear: 97.9%

Poplar: 97.92%

Walnut: 98.3%

Willow: 93.33%

Forest: 92.86%

Orchard: 87.50%

Congratulations Chestnut & Hazel class!

You had the best attendance this week!

A Message From Mrs Sole



To The Whole Parklands Community,

I just wanted to write a little something to go in the newsletter this week. I have been at Parklands School for 18 years, doesn't time fly when you are having fun? It really has been an absolute pleasure to be part of this school community for so long. Parklands is a very special school, and I want to take this opportunity to say thank you.

Firstly, and foremost, thank you to all the children over the last 18 years. You have made my job so worthwhile and so much more than just a job. You have taught me things, made me laugh, made me cry, and it has been an absolute pleasure to watch you grow and progress in your learning.

Thank you to all the parents too. The best education happens when there is a partnership between parents and teachers. It has been a delight to teach your children and have your continual support. Being at the gate in the morning and afternoon to share happy events and sometimes some sad times too has been very important to me. Thank you – I will miss you all.

Lastly, I want to say thank you to the staff team, and I say “the team” in the true sense of the word. They are supportive, kind, hard-working and want the absolute best for each and every pupil. It has been an absolute honour to work alongside such dedicated people to make the school the best it can be.

It has been a very difficult decision to leave Parklands School – it has been my second home for so long! However, when the children you taught in Year 6, now have their own children in Year 6, maybe time is trying to tell you something!

Thank you so much to everyone for making my time at Parklands School so special, I leave with so many truly wonderful memories.

Mrs Sole

Harvest Festival

On Tuesday we will have our annual Harvest Festival celebrations. Like last year, we will be popping over the road to St Wilfred's Church for a short assembly. The children will sing a song and I will lead an assembly on being thankful for all that we have.

If you would like to make a donation for our Harvest festival then I have included a list of the items they are requesting.

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

- TREATS KIT KAT, CHOCOLATE BARS ETC
- UHT MILK
- TINNED OR PACKET SOUP
- FRUIT SQUASH
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- JAM, HONEY, MARMITE
- TOOTHBRUSHES, TOOTHPASTE
- WASHING POWDER
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- READY MADE SAUCES FOR PASTA, CURRY, CHINESE MEALS
- SIZE 4,5,6,7 NAPPIES
- WASHING UP LIQUID
- LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE

- SPONGE PUDDINGS
- TOMATO KETCHUP, MAYONNAISE

Thank you to Mrs Gray for helping to organise this celebration.

Headteacher's Tea Party

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

Well done Everyone!

Orchard Class: *Noah G*

Forest Class: *Luke D*

Beech Class: *Dylan K*

Birch Class: *Erika M*

Cedar Class: *Thomas S*

Chestnut Class: *Lizzie K*

Hawthorn Class: *Daisy H*

Hazel Class: *Arlie H*

Maple Class: *Chloe C*

Mulberry Class: *Emily B*

Pear Class: *Ella K*

Poplar Class: *Isabell C*

Walnut Class: *Brooklyn H*

Willow Class: *Lewis M*

I wonder who will come next week?



Super Star Corner



Congratulations!

It has been so wonderful to see what the children have been doing outside of school.







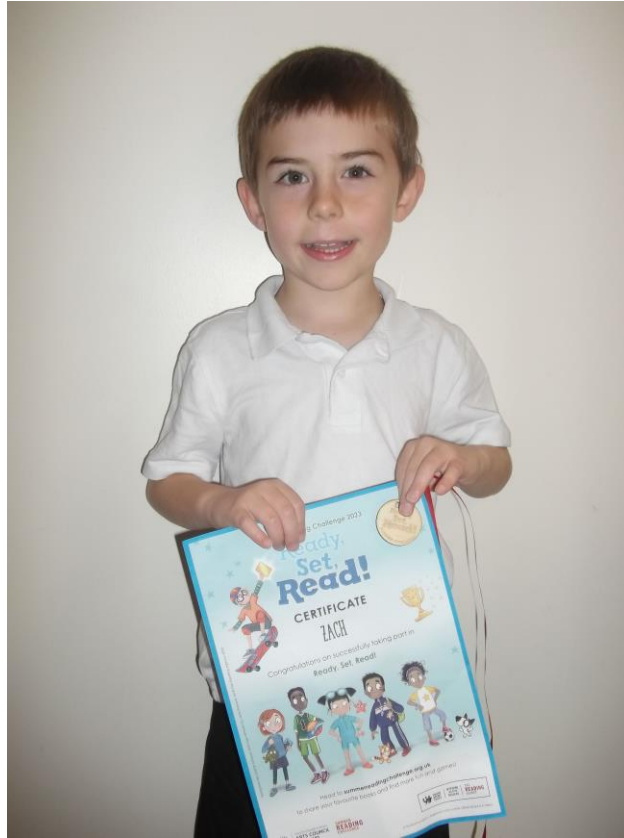
















Family Assembly

Our family assemblies will be returning this year.

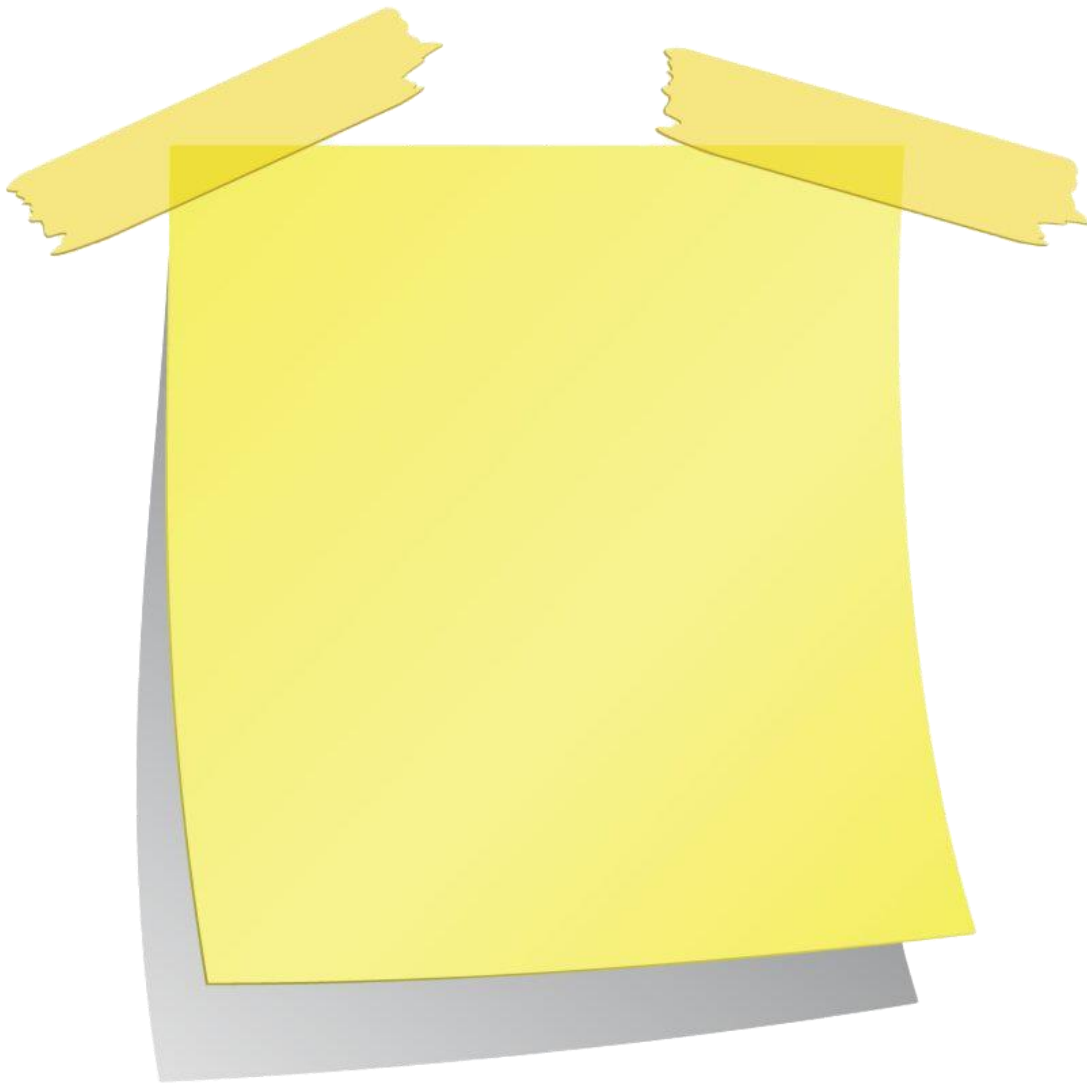
This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to share their learning with you.

They will start at 2:45pm in main hall.

- Walnut Class - 5th October
- Poplar Class - 21st October
- Pear Class - 2nd November
- Maple Class - 9th November
- Mulberry Class - 16th November
- Willow Class - 23rd November

We look forward to seeing you there.

Other Notices



Please use the bike sheds available to store the children's bikes. Thank you for keeping the railings clear!

Please be careful when driving into our school car park. Please pull into a visitors bay to drop off children and do not stop on the zebra crossing. It is very busy at the beginning and end of the day so we must make sure our children and families are kept safe.

Cyclists must dismount before entering the school grounds and must also ride carefully. Thank you for your support with this.

The school gate will open at 8:35am and close at 8:50am.

In the afternoon, the gate will open at 3:05pm and close at 3:25pm.

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. Please keep a look out for a letter that will be coming home with your eldest child.

We kindly ask you not to play on the equipment before and after school. Thank you for your support.

Coming Up Next Week

Monday

New Reception Family Tour 2024

Tuesday

Harvest Festival *Donations welcomed but not expected*

Wednesday

EYFS Parent Meeting 2pm

Years 3 and 4 Book Fest

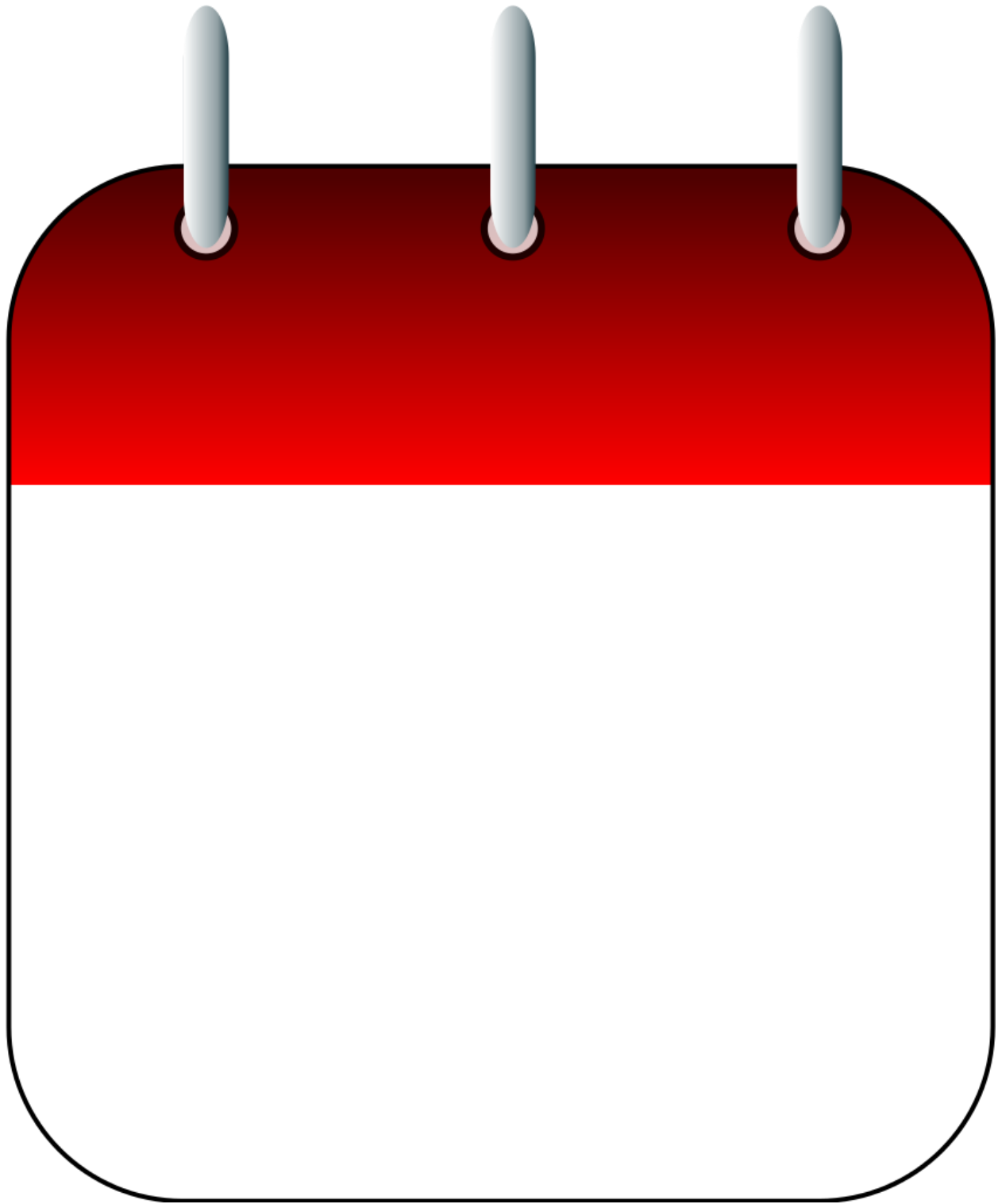
Thursday

Years 2, 5 and 6 Book Fest

Friday

PTA Non Uniform Day - Dare to be Different

Dates for Your Diary



Autumn Term Dates

Tuesday 3rd October - Harvest Festival (Food donations welcome and will go to the foodbank)

Wednesday 4th October - EYFS Parent Meeting 2pm

Friday 6th October - PTA Dare to be Different Non Uniform Day

Tuesday 10th October - Flu Vaccine

Tuesday 10th October - Parents Evening

Wednesday 11th October - Parents Evening

Monday 16th October - Year 5 Victorian Day

Tuesday 17th October - PTA Movie Night

Wednesday 18th October - Year 1 & 2 Phonics Meeting at 2:30pm

Thursday 19th October - Year 4 Trip Mary Rose

Tuesday 31st October - Year 1 Trip to the Farm

Monday 6th November - PTA Event Sparklands Bingo

Wednesday 8th November - Individual and Sibling Photos

Friday 10th November - Remembrance Day 1 minute silence

Monday 13th November - Odd Socks Day

Monday 13th November - Anti-Bullying Week

Friday 17th November - Non-Uniform for Children in Need

Friday 24th November - Non -Uniform Day for PTA cups

Thursday 30th November - PTA Non-Uniform Day (Bottles for the Winter Fayre)

Friday 1st December - Winter Fayre

Tuesday 5th December - Key Stage 1 Production 2:30pm

Wednesday 6th December - Key stage 1 Production 9:30am

Thursday 7th December - Year 3 & 4 Carol Concert

Friday 8th December - Year 5 & 6 Carol Concert

Wednesday 13th December - Reception Nativity at 9:30am

Wednesday 13th December - Xmas Dinner Day (Please remember to order in advance)

Friday 15th December - Xmas Jumper Day and Class Party

New Reception Starters 2024



We would love for any prospective Parklands families to visit the school and meet the senior leadership team.

We are holding a number of tours across the Autumn term, if you would like to book a place please contact the office on 01243788630.

Tuesday 26th September 9:30am

Monday 2nd October 9:30am

Thursday 12th October 2pm

Thursday 9th November 9:30am

Tuesday 14th November 9:30am

Thursday 23rd November 2pm

Tuesday 9th January 9:30am

Applications for a reception place open on the Monday 2 October 2023.

Apply online, a link can be found on our website.

Term Dates



Autumn Term

Friday 1st September 2023 - School closed for staff training.

Monday 4th September 2023 - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 5th September 2023 - Children return to school.

Friday 20th October 2023 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October 2023 - Half Term

Monday 30th October 2023 - Children return to school.

Friday 15th December 2023 - Children break up for the holidays.

Spring Term

Tuesday 2nd January 2024 - School closed for staff training.

Wednesday 3rd January 2024 - Children return to school.

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.

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