



Parklands Weekly News 12/02/2026

[Message from the Headteacher](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you've all had a good week. This week we have been focusing on children's mental health and wellbeing through the theme, "This Is My Place." Across the school, children have been exploring what makes Parklands feel like somewhere they truly belong. They have been thinking about the people, spaces and experiences that help them feel connected to their class, their peers and the wider school community.

Classes have taken time to reflect on how we can strengthen these connections and make sure everyone feels valued and included. It has been wonderful to see the thoughtful ideas and creative work the children have produced. We look forward to sharing some of this with you on our website over the next couple of weeks.

Tomorrow we are also celebrating individuality as part of our wellbeing focus, and we are excited to see the children 'being themselves' and expressing what makes them unique.

Willow Class enjoyed a fantastic school trip this week, taking part in a debate at the Chichester Harbour Conservancy. From what we've heard, we may well have a few future politicians in the making!

Wishing you all a lovely half term when it arrives. We hope the weather is kind to you and your families.

Kind regards,

Charlotte Angeli

Headteacher

Online Safety Alert: "OMG" Anonymous Q&A App

We have been made aware of an app called **OMG: anonymous Q&A**, which has recently raised safeguarding concerns in another local authority. The app is marketed to children aged **9–18** and works in a similar way to dating-style platforms, allowing users to send anonymous "crushes" to one another.

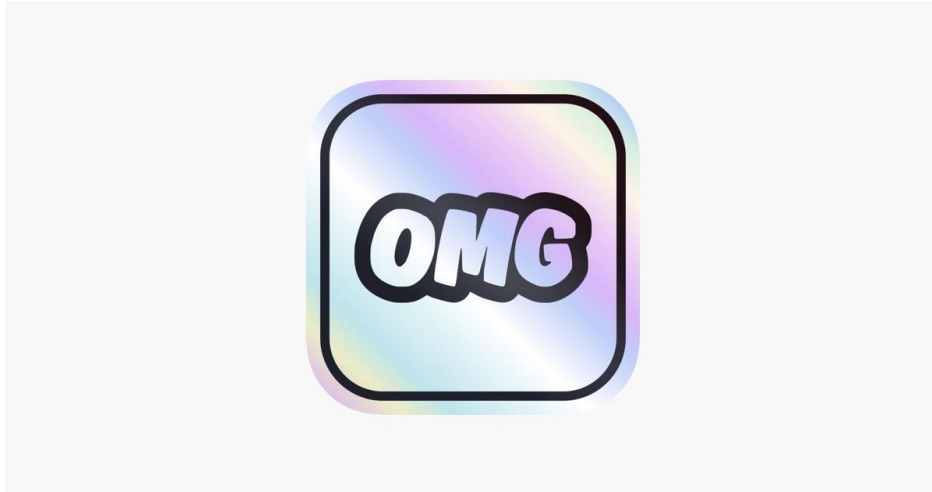
Once a message is received, young users can then **chat privately** and—most worryingly—**share their exact location** with others.

This poses significant risks around **contact with strangers, online grooming, and location sharing**.

We ask all parents and carers to be especially vigilant about the apps children are using at home.

Please continue to monitor devices, talk to your child about staying safe online, and remind them never to share personal information or locations with anyone they don't know in real life.

If you have any concerns, please contact the school's safeguarding team.



Parent Governor Vacancy

If you are interested in standing for election as one of the school parent governors, please complete the attached nomination form.

You will need to obtain the signature of two parents/legal guardians who support your nomination.

You must also include a brief election statement.

Please submit your nomination by end of school - **Friday 27th February 2026.**



PTA Movie Night 24th February

PTA Movie Night 24th February - Booking is now OPEN!

We have our next PTA Movie Night coming up on **Tuesday 24th February**.

Bookings must be fully completed online <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/parklands> by **Sunday 22nd February** to confirm a place (If you have any issues with this please contact ptaparklands@gmail.com asap, before the closing date.)

You will receive an email confirmation at time of booking if completed correctly so please make sure this arrives. Once a film screening is full you will not be able to purchase a ticket for this screening anymore.

For organising and safeguarding reasons, bookings cannot be changed after this time and tickets are not transferable to other children.

Reception, Yr 1 & Yr 2 tickets are £3.50 which include a drink and two snacks.

Yr 3,4,5,6 & Forest/Orchard tickets are £3 which include a drink and a snack and then for these year groups, there's a tuck trolley with 50p items and £1.50 hot dogs available (Hot dogs are preorder only at time of booking).

Kindest regards,Your PTA Team



Year 6 Trip to Dell Quay

As part of their geography learning, Walnut and Willow class went on trips to Dell Quay to take part in a debate about Chichester Harbour.

The children had the opportunity to go on a walk to explore the man made and natural features of the harbour.

Also, they learnt a lot about the birds which visit this protected area.

They then wrote a speech in role about whether dogs should be banned in the harbour.

Excitingly, Year 6 got to perform this debate in the council chambers in Chichester.

The Harbour Conservancy staff complimented the children for their enthusiasm, respectful behaviour and informative speeches.







West Sussex Wastebusters

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're excited to be taking part in the *West Sussex Recycle it Right Competition 2026* – and we'd love your help to climb the leaderboard and win brilliant prizes for our school!

The competition is now live and runs until **midday on 3 July**. Every completed quiz earns points for our school – and the more we collect, the closer we get to winning!

Here's how your family can take part:

1. Register for a **free family account** here: <https://westsussex.wastebusters.org/competitions/> and sign up each of your children.
2. Children play the fun, interactive *Wastebuster Star Quiz* to learn how to recycle right.
3. Each completed quiz earns **1 Planet Care Point** for our school.

Every completed quiz counts – and **anyone in West Sussex can take part on our school's behalf**, whether or not they have a child here. So please invite friends, grandparents and neighbours to get involved too. The more people we reach, the more points we earn – and smaller schools like ours have a great chance to win!

Prizes for the winning school include:

- A Captain Busta Puppet Mascot
- A celebration assembly with West Sussex Wastebusters
- A compost bin or hot bin
- A school trip to the Ford Materials Recycling Facility (with transport)

- A Recycle it Right Schools Award certificate

Plus, monthly prize draws for families!

Every child who completes the quiz is entered into a prize draw to win exciting family rewards, including smart green science games, eco-themed toys, and STEM activity kits. A full list of prizes can be found on the competition page.

Visit the Recycle it Right competition webpage for full details: <https://westsussex.wastebusters.org/competitions/>

This is a fantastic, fun and enriching way to help your child understand recycling and how to care for the environment – and it's a homework activity the whole family can enjoy.

Thank you for supporting our school and the planet.

Best wishes,

Parklands School Council



Children's Mental Health Week

This week has been Place2Be's Children's Mental Health Week with the theme "**This is My Place,**" focusing on fostering a sense of belonging and community for young people.

On **Friday 13th February** we will end our Mental Health awareness week with a 'Be Yourself' **non uniform day.**

Non-uniform day!

Free Parent Workshop

Supporting my child to emotionally regulate.

This workshop explores the importance of emotional regulation and what is developmentally appropriate for children at different ages. It supports parents in recognising behaviour as a form of communication and introduces healthy, constructive ways to respond and manage behaviour effectively.

This will be held in the Community Room on **Friday 6th March, 9am -10am**

To **book a space** please email flo@parklands.school



Chartwells- New Menu

Chartwells new menu will start on 14th April 2026, booking will be open in the next few weeks.

Easter lunch is on the 26th March

MAINS

Cheese & Tomato Pizza

BBQ Chicken & Rice

Jacket Potato & Baked Beans

SIDES

Peas or Seasonal Salad

DESSERT

Easter Egg Cookie

Order via ParentPay no later than Thursday 12th March 2026

WEEK 3
W.C. 27.04, 18.05, 08.06, 19.06, 20.06

THREE WEEK MENU
2025/26

Our new menu chosen by parents and children - Your favourites available every day

Portion	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Veggie Sandwich with Cheese, Bread or Salad	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Cheese, Vegetables or Salad	Roast Chicken with Rice, Potatoes, Curry, Peas and Bread	Traditional Beef Burger with Sauces, Potatoes, Peas or Salad	Fish Fingers with Mashed Potato and Bread or Salad
2	Mousserri Cheese with Tomato, Bread or Salad	Chicken Pasta with Cheese, Vegetables or Salad	Quinn Sausage with Bread, Potatoes, Peas and Bread	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce with Mashed Potato, Peas and Bread	Quinn Sausage, Cornish Pasty with Mashed Potato or Bread
3	Jacket Potato with Salad, Bread or Salad	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Bread or Salad	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Bread or Salad	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Bread or Salad	Jacket Potato with Cheese, Bread or Salad

HOT DRINKS AND SWEETS WITH VEGETABLES

Dessert
Lemon Jack, Fresh Fruit and Yogurt, Banana Muffin Cake, Vanilla Sponge, Chocolate Biscuits

Chartwells

WEEK 1 W/C 13/04 04/05 21/05 15/06 29/07					WEEK 2 W/C 20/04 11/05 01/06 22/06 13/07						
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
HOT DISHES	1	Minced Cheese with Onions, Bacon or Toss	Sausage and Bean, Fry with Onions, with Mustard, Vegetables and Potatoes	Roast Chicken with Potatoes, Carrots and Beans	Cheese and Tomato Pizzas with Toppings of Choice	1	Chicken and Tomato Puffs with Cheese Sauce or Salad	Traditional Beef Bolognese with Pasta, Vegetables and Onions	Roast Turkey with Potatoes, Carrots and Beans	Chicken Korma with Rice and Green Beans	Beefed Chicken Mince with Onions, Potatoes or Salad
	2	Vegetable Mince with Onions, Potatoes or Salad	Curry Cheese and Tomato Puffs	Quorn Sausages with Potatoes, Carrots and Beans	BBQ Chicken with Toss, Potatoes or Salad	2	Vegetable Balls in Tomato Sauce with Onions, Potatoes or Salad	Chick Pea Curry with Potatoes, Carrots and Beans	Quorn Sausages with Potatoes, Carrots and Beans	Cheese and Tomato Puffs with Cheese Sauce or Salad	Quorn Burger with Onions, Potatoes or Salad
	3	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon	Jacket Potatoes with Toss, Potatoes or Salad	3	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon	Jacket Potatoes with Toss, Potatoes or Salad	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon	Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Bacon
HOT DISHES ARE SERVED WITH VEGETABLES or salad											
dessert	Raspberry Sponge	Crispy Crackle Bar	Jammy Jack	Fresh Fruit and Yogurt	Chocolate Mousse	dessert	Biscuits Mince Tole	Crispy Crackle Bar	Vanilla Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yogurt	Strawberry Jolly
	VEGETARIAN MENU: No meat or fish. Includes vegetarian options. VEGAN MENU: No meat, fish, dairy or eggs. Includes vegan options. GLUTEN FREE MENU: No wheat, barley or rye. Includes gluten free options.						VEGETARIAN MENU: No meat or fish. Includes vegetarian options. VEGAN MENU: No meat, fish, dairy or eggs. Includes vegan options. GLUTEN FREE MENU: No wheat, barley or rye. Includes gluten free options.				

Family Assembly

Our family assemblies will be continuing this year.

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

They will start at **2:45pm in the Hall**

- Chestnut Class - 12th March
- Cedar Class - 19th March

We look forward to seeing you there.



Our Senior Leadership Team

Miss Angeli - Headteacher

Ms Earnshaw - Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Bright - Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion

Miss Laker - Leader of Learning for EYFS and Key Stage 1

Miss Standing - Leader of Learning for Key Stage 2

If you have any problems or anything you would like to discuss please speak to your class teacher initially and then if you still require further support our link leader of learning will be happy to help.

We also have Karen Coles our FLO (Family Liaison Officer) she is available every morning and afternoon to help or pass on messages.



Have your contact details changed?

Have you moved house, changed your telephone number or your place of work?

Please send the school office an email with all up to date information:

office@parklands.school



External After School Clubs



Southern Karate Organisation EMAIL: info@southernkarate.org to book your place

Tuesdays at 7:45am

Reception to Year 6 - £6 per session - PAY AS YOU GO



Dance & Beyond - Musical Theatre

Tuesdays, 3:15–4:00pm. Reception - Year 3.

Dance & Beyond - Ballet

Thursday after school 3:10-4:00pm. Available for children in years 1,2 and 3.

[Register with Dance and Beyond | membermeister](#) and complete our online enrollment form and Direct Debit set-up.

If you have any questions, please contact us at hello@danceandbeyond.com



Stagecoach run an after school club on **Wednesdays** 4:15pm to 5:45pm

<https://www.stagecoach.co.uk/chichester>

07786 336983

Chichester@stagecoach.co.uk



KTroo is **moving to Thursdays** 3:15-4:15pm

Available to children in the following year groups: 3,4,5 and 6 to book use the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/dL77DWx3KY>

Contact Julia: 07786 671266 email - juliaktroo@outlook.com



Brighton & Hove Albion Foundation

Thursday Football club - on the school field

School Year 1 - 6

End Date: 26/03/2026

Please find the booking link below:

<https://bookings.bhafcfoundation.org.uk/activities/courses/courses.htm?coursesSearch=search&venueId=411&typeId=&postCode=&startDate=DD%2FMM%2FYYYY>



Hellcat Cheerleading - Fridays after school until 4:15pm.

Please follow the link for bookings:

[Hellcats Cheerleaders Parklands Afterschool Club Details | Customer Portal | Customer Portal](#)

February Half Term clubs



[Dance Workshops In Chichester - Dance & Beyond](#)

February Half term workshop - K-POP Demon Hunters

Chichester College

Chichester College February Half-Term Holiday Club, running from Monday 16th to Friday 20th February 2026.

All information, including booking links, FAQs, and policies, can also be accessed via our Linktree for ease. The Linktree - <https://linktr.ee/chichestercollegetholidaysclub>

Other Notices

Please can we ask that adults **do not enter** the school building at the beginning or the end of the school day.

If you need your child needs to use a toilet or retrieve something from inside school please ask at the School Office.

Thank you for your continued support.

We aim to be a **Nut Free School**.

Please remember that the children should not have any food items that contain nuts in their packed lunches.

Thank you for your support with this.

Reminder

Please can we ask you **not to park on the grass** areas in Durnford Close. Local residents have phoned school to complain about vehicles parking inconsiderately.

Parking in the Surrounding Streets

We have been approached by residents in Cedar Drive to ask if parents can avoid leaving their engines idling when they are collecting or dropping their children at school.

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

Thank you in advance for your support.

St Wilfrid's Car Park

We have been approached by St Wilfred's Church regarding parking in their car park. Please can we ask members of the school community parking there to be respectful towards everyone and to vacate the spaces as soon as possible at each end of the school day.



[Attendance Award](#)

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

This week our attendance is:

Whole School: 91.67%

Apple: 90.00%
Ash: 90.67%
Beech: 88.15%
Birch: 93.79%
Cedar: 92.07%
Chestnut: 93.21%
Hawthorn: 88.00%
Hazel: 96.67%
Maple: 93.10%
Mulberry: 95.00%
Pear: 95.00%
Pine: 83.89%
Poplar: 87.14%
Walnut: 94.29%
Willow: 90.00%
Forest: 91.11%
Orchard: 95.00%



Congratulations Birch and Hazel Classes!

You had the best attendance this week!

I wonder who will have the best attendance next week?

After Half Term



Week Commencing 23rd February

Monday

Year 2 Continents Day

Brass Lessons

Tuesday - PTA Movie Night

Chichester Ambassadors at Westgate

Karate Club

Wednesday

Woodwind Lessons

Thursday

Year 3 Forest School

College PE

Brass Lessons

Guitar Lessons

Fitness Friday

Meet and Chat with FLO 3pm

Year 5 Swimming

College PE

Violin Lessons

Piano Lessons

Dates for Your Diary



Please follow the link to our **whole school calendar** page on our **school website**:

[Parklands Community Primary School - Calendar](#)

Term Dates 2025 - 2026



Spring Term

Friday 13th February 2026 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026 - Half Term

Monday 23rd February 2026 - Children return to school.

Friday 27th March 2026 - Children break up for the holidays.

Summer Term

Monday 13th April 2026 - INSET DAY - School closed for staff training.

Tuesday 14th April 2026 - Children return to school.

Monday 4th May 2026 - School closed for the May Bank Holiday.

Friday 22nd May 2026 - Children break up for half term.

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2026 - Half Term

Monday 1st June 2026 - Children return to school.

Wednesday 22nd July 2026 - Children break up for **Summer holidays!**



Term Dates 2026 - 2027

Autumn term 2026

Tuesday 1st September – INSET day school closed for pupils

Wednesday 2nd September – children return to school

Friday 23rd October – children break up for half term

Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October – half term

Monday 2nd November – INSET day school closed for pupils

Tuesday 3rd November – children return to school

Friday 18th December – children break up for the holidays

Monday 21st December – Friday 1 st January 2027 – school holidays

Spring term 2027

Monday 4th January – INSET day school closed for pupils

Tuesday 5th January – children return to school

Friday 12th February – children break up for half term

Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February – half term

Monday 22nd February – INSET day school closed for pupils

Tuesday 23rd February – children return to school

Thursday 25th March – children break up for the holidays

Friday 26th March – Friday 9th April – school holidays

Summer term 2027

Monday 12th April – INSET day school closed for pupils

Tuesday 13th April – children return to school

Friday 28th May – children break up for half term

Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June – half term

Monday 7th June – children return to school

Wednesday 21st July – children break up for the holidays



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