



Parklands Weekly News 27/03/2026

[Message from the Headteacher](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and have had a great week. It's hard to believe we've already reached the end of the Spring term! Spring hasn't shown itself too much just yet, but hopefully it will join us over the next two weeks.

This week has been wonderfully busy. Thank you to all the parents who joined us for the phonics morning, we hope you found it helpful. We will share the PowerPoint for anyone who was unable to attend.

Year 6 parents also joined us for their information meeting, where children and families heard all about what to expect next term. The children have worked incredibly hard practising their arrangements. Well done, Year 6!

Our Year 4 pupils ended the term in true Tudor style, looking fantastic in their costumes. Year 5 also welcomed families in to share their Extreme Earth showcase, which was a brilliant celebration of their learning.

Our lovely reception team welcomed parents for a stay and learn session, I know the children really enjoy sharing their learning with you all.

Last Friday we wrapped up the week with our very own Parklands Talent Show. The children were simply amazing. The atmosphere was warm, supportive, and full of encouragement. I was moved to tears on several occasions. A huge thank you to the School Council and to Mrs Mainwaring for organising such a special and uplifting event.

As we finish the term, we also say goodbye to a few members of staff.

Mr Harris, who has been teaching in Blossom Group as an agency member of staff, is moving to Brighton to be closer to his family as they await the arrival of their first baby. We wish him and his family all the very best. Blossom Group will continue as normal next term.

Mrs Walker has now started her maternity leave, and we send her our warmest wishes as she prepares to welcome baby number two.

We also say farewell to Miss Hawkins, who is leaving us for a promotion as Deputy Manager in a nursery. We wish her every success in her exciting new role.

Thank you to the PTA for running two fabulous Easter themed events. Thank you to the parents and staff for giving up their time to make these events possible.

I wish you all a wonderful and restful break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 14th April 2026.

Kind regards,

Charlotte Angeli

Headteacher

Parklands Got Talent

Well done to all that auditioned for Parklands Got Talent last week. The children were so brave and showcased numerous different talents, from gymnastics, dancing, singing and playing instruments. We even had an array of Spidermen!

The three joint winners were as follows:

Edith in Year 5

Yeva in Year 3

Alanna in Year 2

Fantastic performances and we raised £130.15 for Comic Relief.



Textile and Battery Recycling

Dear Parents/Carers,

Parklands School Council are working with Wastebuster (wastebuster.co.uk), a not-for-profit environmental education company and are taking part in their initiative RECYCLE TO READ, which will give us books in exchange for unwanted textiles and battery recycling.

On Wednesday 15th April we are having a textile collection. This is a great opportunity to have a clear out over the Easter holidays. Please drop the items below off at the studio tied up in plastic bags. You can help us turn textiles into books!

What can we collect?

- Clean clothes in good condition
- Shoes (in pairs, ideally bagged together)
- Handbags
- Belts
- Bed sheets
- Covers and pillowcases (but not pillows or duvets)

We CANNOT accept:

- Workwear
- Uniforms (including school uniforms)
- Wet/Soiled Clothes
- Duvets, pillows, blankets, cushions
- Tablecloths
- Linens
- Carpets

We also have a battery recycling box in the school office reception area. Please use this to recycle any; AA, AAA, C, D, 9V and button batteries but posting them into the box. We are also able to exchange the batteries for books for school.

Many thanks for your support and happy textile and battery hunting!

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Reception - Stay and Play

Please see the following dates for Apple and Ash class 'stay and play' sessions:

- Understanding the World / Communication & Language Focus - Tuesday 19th May 2:30-3pm

- Celebration Picnic - Thursday 9th July 2:15-3pm

These sessions are a great opportunity for the children to share their learning with you and to find out how you can best support them at home.



SEND White Paper chat with Mrs Bright

Dear Parents / Carers

If your child has an Educational Health Care Plan you are invited to a 'tea and chat' with Mrs Bright our Head of Inclusion to discuss the new SEND white paper.

This will be on Wednesday **15th April at 2:30pm**



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](#)

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 **Allergy Aware 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: 93.86%

Apple: 93.79%

Ash: 87.33%

Beech: 85.36%

Birch: 91.33%

Cedar: 97.59%

Chestnut: 98.21%

Hawthorn: 92.67%

Hazel: 98.67%

Maple: 93.79%

Mulberry: 95.52%

Pear: 93.81%

Pine: 92.22%

Poplar: 97.14%

Walnut: 96.21%

Willow: 94.00%

Forest: 93.33%

Orchard: 96.00%

Wednesday

SEND White Paper chat with Mrs Bright 2:30pm

Woodwind Lessons

Thursday

Year 2 Forest School

Brass Lessons

Guitar Lessons

Fitness Friday

Year 4 Swimming

GrubClub

Violin Lesson

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

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 1 st 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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