



Parklands Weekly News 16/04/2026

[Message from the Headteacher](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful break and enjoyed some well-deserved time together.

It has been lovely to welcome the children back to school so positively and with such enthusiasm for the summer term ahead. They have already been busy taking part in exciting lessons as they begin their new topics, with plenty of engaging hook activities to capture their interest and set the scene for learning.

New curriculum leaflets will be sent home shortly, so please look out for these to find out more about what your child will be learning this term and how you can support them at home. We are also really looking forward to our Fitness Fridays, especially with the beautiful weather we have been enjoying, which has allowed us to spend more time learning and being active outdoors.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards,

Charlotte Angeli

Headteacher

Teacher Led Clubs for the summer term

Club bookings open tomorrow, Friday 17th, at 9pm and close on Monday 20th at 9am.

Screen Free Childhood coffee and chat

You are invited to come along and share your views on Smartphone and Screen Free childhoods in an informal coffee and chat with other parents.

Date: Friday 24th April

Time: 9am



New telephone number for Wraparound Care

If you need to contact Breakfast club or Afterschool Club (Hideout) **whilst your child is attending** during the hours of 7:30am to 8:30am and 4pm to 6pm.

please call their new number : **07715 580 444**

NEW PHONE NUMBER

Awards for Parklands!

To everyone at Parklands Primary School,

A huge congratulations to all of you on achieving your **Planet Protector Bronze Award** status!

You have all been working so hard to help make the planet a better place to live. We hope you enjoy celebrating this and sharing this with all of your school community.

Congratulations again! Best wishes from the Wastebusters Team





We are delighted to share that Parklands has been **awarded a Picture News Award**. Picture News supports one of our four pillars, being community-minded, by helping children understand the world around them in a thoughtful and age-appropriate way.

Through engaging weekly news stories, children explore local, national and world events, developing curiosity, empathy and respect for others. Each story is carefully linked to our **Parklands values** and British values, encouraging pupils to think, discuss and reflect on important issues while learning how their actions can make a positive difference.

Picture News is a wonderful way to help our children grow into informed, caring and responsible members of our community.

Young Voices 2027

Thank you to the pupils who have already expressed an interest in joining the Young Voices Choir starting in September.

If your child will be in year 4, 5 or 6 from September 2026 and would like to join, please complete this form:

[Young Voices expression of interest](#)



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.



Family Assembly

Our family assemblies will be continuing this term.

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

They will start at **2:45pm**

- Beech Class - 7th May

- Birch Class - 21st May

We look forward to seeing you there.



Year 4 Tudor Day and Mary Rose Trip



Lo: To learn about Tudor Food

Really good!

Design a Menu for Henry VIII's Banquet

Use the boxes below to create and design your own menu for Henry VIII's banquet. Which foods could you include on the menu to show Henry's wealth? Don't forget to draw the courses and label them!

Salmon with tender stem broccoly

broccoly

Seasonal Course

Third course

Fourth Course

First Course
Well done salmon with tender stem broccoly.

Second Course
~~Crab~~ Sauce ~~and~~ and fresh peas with herbs and parsnips.

Third Course
B. Lettles with ice cream and sugar/honey.

Fourth Course
Cake with cream and fruit. With beer.







BookFest Cinema Trip

Children's BookFest and Chichester Cinema invited some of our year 4-6 children to a screening of the new *Stitch Head* movie.

Author Guy Bass attended to discuss the creation of *Stitch Head*, the process of transforming a book into a film, and the similarities and differences between the two.

Each child received a copy of the book signed by Guy Bass.

The children had an great time.



Recycle your Batteries

We 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 handing them into the office.

We are also able to exchange the batteries for books for school.



External After School Clubs



KTRoo is now on MONDAYS 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



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



FOUNDATION

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

St Wilfrid's Car Park

Please remember that this is the Church property and they can close the car park at any time due to private functions.

Can we remind all 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.

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.



Attendance Award

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

This week our attendance is:

Whole School: 95.23%

Apple: 97.7%

Ash: 90.00%

Beech: 88.10%

Birch: 92.78%

Cedar: 97.70%

Chestnut: 98.81%

Hawthorn: 94.44%

Hazel: 96.11%

Maple: 97.13%
Mulberry: 95.40%
Pear: 99.21%
Pine: 95.37%
Poplar: 92.86%
Walnut: 94.83%
Willow: 97.22%
Forest: 94.44%
Orchard: 100.00%



Congratulations Chestnut, Pear and Orchard Classes!

You had the best attendance this week!

I wonder who will have the best attendance next week?

Next Week



Week Commencing 20th April

Monday

Tuesday

Karate Club

Wednesday

Woodwind Lessons

Thursday

Year 2 Forest School

Brass Lessons

Guitar Lessons

Friday

Screen Free Childhood - Coffee and Chat 9am

Year 4 Swimming

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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