



# Parklands Weekly News 07/05/2026

## [Message from the Headteacher](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all having a wonderful week and that you enjoyed the Bank Holiday weekend. It's hard to believe how quickly this week has flown by!

We are very much looking forward to celebrating Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday tomorrow. Children will be wearing non-uniform, taking part in some lovely art activities, and reflecting on how they can contribute positively to their community.

Year 5 enjoyed a fantastic Forest School session today, making the most of the outdoors and taking their learning beyond the classroom.

Finally, a huge well done to Beech Class on their first class assembly today. You have learned so much and did a brilliant job, we are very proud of you!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind Regards,  
Charlotte Angeli  
Headteacher

Year 6 SATs



To All our Year 6 Pupils

Next week is SATs week and from all of us at Parklands we want to wish you the very best of luck.

We have seen all the progress you have made through the years and are incredibly proud of you all.

We want to remind you that although the SATs are important they do not show everything that is great about you.

This weekend relax and do something you enjoy.

Then come Monday, take a deep breath and just **'Be the best you can be!'**



## Parent Consultation: School Logo and Uniform

We are inviting parents and carers to take part in a consultation about our school logo and the possibility of introducing an active school uniform.

We want to hear your views on how well our current logo represents Parklands, including ideas you feel are important for designers to consider (such as values, nature or inclusivity). We are also exploring whether an active uniform could better support comfort, sensory needs, play, and participation in PE and outdoor learning.

Please be reassured that we do not want families to spend any money, and we are extremely sensitive to financial circumstances. If any changes were ever agreed, these would be introduced gradually through a clear, phased approach, with no expectation to purchase new items.

Parents can share their views via a short online Microsoft Form by Friday 22nd May. We will also be gathering children's views through the School Council. Feedback will be considered by the leadership team and governors before any decisions are made.

The full consultation letter is attached to this newsletter.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/aWzU4DkzCt>



## Lost property

We have a new Lost Property container!

It will be located outside the school hall - just down the side.

To ensure the safety of our students and the longevity of this unit, we kindly request that children do not climb on top of the structure.

Our last container unfortunately turned into a science experiment and grew its own habitat thanks to stray coffee cups and old fruit. Let's work together to keep this one clean, fresh, and free of miniature ecosystems!

Thank you





## Sun Cream

Please remember to apply sun cream to your children in the morning before school.

Make sure they have a hat and water bottle everyday.

Thank you



## Strawberry Allergies



To accommodate significant strawberry allergies in our school community, we would appreciate it if you could avoid packing fresh strawberries and any pre-packaged items that list "strawberry" in the ingredients for your child's snack or lunch box.

for example: yoghurts, jellies, jam and snack bars.

Thank you.

## Year 3 Trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace

Year 3 had the best time looking at Roman mosaics and the historic Roman Villa in Fishbourne.

They were able to participate in different Roman activities like making mosaics, exploring a Roman kitchen and playing roman board games.

They also loved attempting to make an arch that would be used in Roman aqueduct designs - one managed to hold for about 20 seconds!









## Class Photographs

Yellow Photography will be in in on **Monday 18th May** to take whole class photos.

We will let you know when order details and proof cards have been sent home after the event.



## Discount - Barbers on the Green

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We're pleased to offer an exclusive **20% discount** on all haircuts at Barbers on the Green for all pupils of Parklands School.

This offer is available throughout **May and June**, and applies to both new and existing customers—so whether it's your child's first visit or they're already one of our regulars, they can take advantage of this limited-time deal.

At Barbers on the Green, we pride ourselves on delivering high-quality haircuts in a friendly, welcoming environment, perfect for children of all ages.

Offer Details:

-  20% off all haircuts
-  Valid: 1st May – 30th June
-  For all Parklands School pupils
-  New & existing customers welcome

To redeem, simply mention Parklands School when booking or at the till.

We look forward to welcoming you soon!

Kind regards,

Barbers on the Green



## Year 6 Transition to Secondary school

**PARENTING WORKSHOP**

**For Year 6 Parents**  
Helping you support your child through the transition to secondary school and the start of the teenage years.

- UNDERSTAND THE TRANSITION**  
What to expect when moving to secondary school.
- SUPPORT THEIR WELLBEING**  
Practical ways to support confidence, resilience and emotional health.
- BUILD STRONG CONNECTIONS**  
Tips for positive communication and staying connected as your child grows.
- YOU'RE NOT ALONE**  
Share experiences, ask questions and connect with other parents.

**TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**  
**AT 9AM** | **IN SCHOOL**

*Together, we can help our children grow with confidence and thrive.*

Supporting you. Supporting your child. Together.

You are invited to a parent workshop to help support your child through the transition to secondary school and the start of the teenage years.

**Tuesday 30th June at 9am**

## Young Voices January/February 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](#)



For more information regarding Young Voices please follow the link:

[YV 2027 Tour | Young Voices](#)

## 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**

- Birch Class - 21st May

We look forward to seeing you there.



## Year 4 Ukulele Showcase – Save the Date

Please save the date for our Year 4 Ukulele Showcase this June.

The children have been working incredibly hard developing their ukulele skills and are looking forward to performing for parents and carers of Maple and Mulberry .

- Maple Class: Monday 15th June
- Mulberry Class: Tuesday 16th June

both at 2:45pm in the school hall.

We hope you can join us to celebrate their progress and enjoy their performances.



## 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 by handing them into the office.

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



## PTA Annual General Meeting

The school PTA will be holding their AGM at The Harbour Hotel, Chichester on Sunday 17th May at 8:00pm

We invite you to come along to support the PTA and bring any ideas you may have.

If you can make it to the meeting and make sure we book a large enough area, please let the PTA know by emailing:

[ptaparklands@gmail.com](mailto:ptaparklands@gmail.com)

We look forward to seeing you there.

Kind regards

Parkands PTA Team.



## 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](mailto:juliaktroo@outlook.com)



**Southern Karate Organisation** EMAIL: [info@southernkarate.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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: 94.04%**

Apple: 92.24%

Ash: 94.17%

Beech: 88.84%

Birch: 92.92%

Cedar: 92.67%

Chestnut: 95.98%

Hawthorn: 95.00%

Hazel: 96.25%



Next Week



Week Commencing 11th May - **SATs Week**

**Monday - Year 6 SATs Week**

**Tuesday**

Karate Club

**Wednesday**

Woodwind Lessons

**Thursday**

Year 5 Forest School

Brass Lessons

Guitar Lessons

**Friday**

**Year 6 Rewards day**

GrubClub

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**

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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