

Park Gate Primary School News

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all the parents who were able to pop into school to share their child's work this week. I hope that the children were able to tell you all about their learning this half term.

I want to say a huge thank you to Mrs Greenfield and all the children who are taking part in the Cross Country League. Taking the time after school on Fridays to travel to Portsdown Hill and compete is a huge commitment. Thank you to the parents who give up their time to take the children. It is a day closure tomorrow, however Mrs Greenfield will still attend the cross country for any runners who are available to take part.

It doesn't seem possible that we have reached half term already! I hope that you all have a lovely break and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 19th February.
Kind regards
Lindsay McCarthy Headteacher

Chance to Shine Cricket

The children in Years 2 and 3 have now completed their Chance to Shine cricket. They have shown so much enthusiasm for the sport and this is great news for our future cricket teams. Our Sports Leaders have also completed cricket coaching and were highly praised by the Chance to Shine coach.



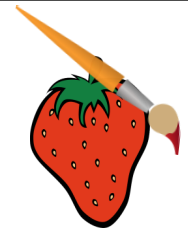
Children's Mental Health Week

It was lovely to hear the different reasons why children had chosen their particular scarf to wear to school his week. There have also been further activities in school to support the mental health of our children.



Strawberry Art

As part of our Spring Outdoor Learning Days the children will be painting the selected strawberry artwork onto large boards, ready to be displayed on the outside of the school building. Year 3 were the first ones to complete their artwork this week and it looks fantastic. Congratulations to;



Alexandra—Year 1, Heather—Year 2, Millie—Year 3, Hannah—Year 4, Nellie—Year 5 and Leyla—Year 6 whose original designs were selected to be displayed on the outside walls. Photos of the original designs can be viewed on our school Facebook page.

New PE Days for next half term

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit on the correct day. Thank you.



Year Group	Outdoor PE	Indoor PE
Year R	Friday	Monday
Year 1	Friday	Monday
Year 2	Tuesday	Friday
Year 3	Friday	Wednesday
Year 4	Monday	Thursday
Year 5	Monday	Wednesday
Year 6	Wednesday (Maple) Friday (Oak)	Tuesday

Year 4 Fareham Trip

Thank you for your understanding regarding postponing the Year 4 visit to Fareham due to the weather. The visit will now take place on Thursday 22nd February.

Congratulations to our Values Ambassadors of the Week!

It gives me great pleasure to announce our Values Ambassadors...

Willow Class – **Samuel M...Excellence...**being a wonderful member of the class. Superb effort and a fantastic role model.

Chestnut Class – **Tilly & Poppy...Partnership...** working amazingly as partners in discovery time to produce super writing.

Apple Class – **Harrison...Excellence...** spending a lot of time to create a phenomenal collage of Kam's Palace.

Cherry Class – **Kyra...Partnership ...** super engagement with all of the project work this half term.

Lime Class – **Binyamin ...Resilience...** working really hard to use his excellent maths skills.

Holly Class – **Ava.....Partnership & Kindness...** working so well with everyone, showing patience, kindness and enthusiasm for everyone's achievements.

Silver Birch Class – **Elouise...Achievement...**'marvellous music' - learning and performing tunes on the keyboard.

Cedar Class – **Sophie...Excellence...** making a great start to the Iron Man project with fantastic ideas, questions and predictions.

Yew Class – **Colby...Resilience...** being able to forgive himself with any mistakes—this is how we all learn. So proud Colby!

Hazel Class – **Aaron...Trust...** completing his learning tasks well and being kind to others.

Juniper Class – **Zane...Kindness & Partnership...** being a true Park Gater— so kind, considerate to all.

Sycamore Class – **Ava & Scarlett...Partnership...** working so well with your partner to create a fantastic outcome speech.

Maple Class – **Rosie ...Excellence & Resilience...** super progress with finding percentages of numbers—great job!

Oak Class – **Lola ...Aspiration...** having such high expectations of herself, enabling her to make amazing progress.

Diary Dates

Dates	Events
Friday 9th February	Day Closure for Staff Training
12th—16th February	Half Term
Thursday 22nd February	Year 4 Visit to Fareham
Monday 26th February	Year 6 Outdoor Learning Day
Monday 4th March	Year 6 Residential leaves
Wednesday 6th March	Year 6 Residential returns
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	Year 5 Outdoor Learning Day
Wednesday 13th March 6pm	Year 3/4 Show (Year 3 Parents)
Thursday 14th March 6pm	Year 3/4 Show (Year 4 Parents)
Friday 15th March AM	Chestnut Class Library Visit
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
WB: 18th March	Parents Evening Week
Friday 22nd March AM	Willow Class Library Visit
Monday 25th March	Year 2 Outdoor Learning Day
Tuesday 26th March	Year 4 Outdoor Learning Day
Tuesday 26th March	Year 3 Visit to Selborne
Tuesday 26th March EVE	Collaborative Concert at Brookfield (Choir)
Wednesday 27th March EVE	Collaborative Concert at Brookfield (Choir)
Wednesday 27th March	Year R Outdoor Learning Day
Wednesday 27th March	Year 1 Outdoor Learning Day
Thursday 28th March	Day Closure for Staff Training
29th March—12th April	Easter Holiday
Monday 15th April	Children return to school

Further Day Closures for Staff Training

Friday 9th February 2024

Thursday 28th March 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024

