# Park Gate Primary School News Number 6: 13th October 2023



Dear Parents,

It has been another busy week at Park Gate!

Our school football team played in their first matches of the season and have come away with 3 points in the league. All of the team showed great sportsmanship and represented Park Gate brilliantly. Year 3 have been on a trip to Butser Ancient Farm where they have been seeing all of their learning about the Stone Age come to life. They were excellent ambassadors of The Park Gate Way. A big thank you to all of our volunteer helpers who were able to attend with the children.

We would like to say a big WELCOME to Alex Hutchison, our new Chair of Governors. Alex has moved into the role from being Vice-Chair last year. Val Morgan, our outgoing Chair is now Vice-Chair for the next year.

A reminder that there will be no after school clubs next week due to Parents' Evenings. Clubs will resume after half term.

Have a lovely weekend.

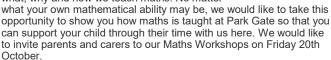
Kind regards

Allison Chapman

**Deputy Head** 

#### Maths Workshops—Friday 20th October

Would you like to find out more about how your child is taught maths at Park Gate? Come and take part in an interactive session, exploring what, why and how we teach maths. No matter



Year R and Key Stage One (Years 1-2) at 9.00-10.00am OR Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) at 10.00-11.00am.

Please ensure you sign up on the electronic form that was sent out on Wednesday. If your form does not appear to work (we think this is a an email issue), please telephone the office to book a space on the workshops.

#### Harold and SCARF

All of the children have been involved in our SCARF workshops this week. We have had such a positive response from all of the children and staff who have enjoyed meeting Harold and Lucy and taken part in some interesting activities.

#### Will your child be starting school in September 2024?

If your child is starting school in September 2024, we would like to invite you to come and have a look around and see our school in person.

Monday 13th November	3.30pm and 4.30pm
Thursday 16th November	3.30pm and 4.30pm
Monday 20th November	3.30pm and 4.30pm
Wednesday 22nd November	3.30pm and 4.30pm

All tours will take place after school. Please select a time and date from the list below then telephone the school office on 01489 575444 to

make an appointment.

#### **Parents Evenings**

Parents Evening will be taking place from 16th to 19th October. Appointment slots are available to book online if you have not already done so. The meetings will be in person and will be an opportunity to discuss



how your child has settled into their new year group, attainment and progress and any interventions in place. There will also be an opportunity for parents to ask any questions that they may have. Please enter the school building through the front entrance and a member of staff will be there to direct you to the classrooms if you are unsure of where to go. The teachers are looking forward to seeing you.

### Congratulations to our Values Ambassadors of the Week!

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

Willow Class – **Henry**...Achievement...becoming a writer and having a go at all of the writing tasks in class.

Chestnut Class - Ellis... Trust... being super helpful in the classroom, often helping everyone out.

Apple Class – **Dougie**... Aspiration... wonderful enthusiasm and engagement in our SCARF session this week.

Cherry Class - Toby... Aspiration... fantastic effort in reading and when learning in phonics.

Lime Class – Eliza... Growth... working hard on the presentation of her writing. It looks great!

Holly Class - Callie-Rose... Growth & Aspiration... super, independent writing on a certificate for Mr Grinling.

Silver Birch Class - Everyone... All the Values!... a fantastic day at Buster, experiencing life in the Stone Age.

Cedar Class - Everyone... All of the Values!... a fantastic day at Butser Ancient Farm, experiencing Stone Age life.

Hazel Class - Zoe... Aspiration... being a careful and curious scientist who always strives to improve.

Yew Class - Harrison... Achievement... taking care over the detail of his 'cactus fish tank' spy gadget.

Juniper Class - Evelyn S... Aspiration... always trying her very best in every subject, making her a Park Gate Superstar!

Sycamore Class – Max...Achievement...a fantastic background for your space art inspired by Van Gough.

Maple Class – Lexie ... Resilience... great resilience when working with decimals. Her confidence has really grown.

Oak Class – Mia S-H...Kindness... a very thoughtful and enthusiastic participant in our SCARF session this week.

## **Diary Dates**

WB: 16th October	Parents Evening Week
Tuesday 17th October 2.30pm	Silver Birch Tree Class Listen 2 Me Concert to Parents
Friday 20th October 9.00am –11.00am	Maths Workshop for Parents
23rd—27th October	Half Term
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Monday 30th October	Halloween Disco—KS1 4.00-5.00pm
	KS2 5.30-7.00pm
Tuesday 31st October	Closing date for Secondary School Applications
Monday 13th November 3.30pm—4.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
4.30pm—5.30pm	
Tuesday 14th November	Bags 2 School clothes collection
Wednesday 15th November (am)	Choices Workshops for Year 6 pupils
Thursday 16th November 3.30pm—4.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
4.30pm—5.30pm	
Monday 20th November 3.30pm—4.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
4.30pm—5.30pm	
Wednesday 22nd November 8.45am—9.45am	Join us for Coffee and Cakes (Parents & Staff : Informal chat. Pre-school children welcome)
Wednesday 22nd November 3.30pm—4.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
4.30pm—5.30pm	
Thursday 23rd November (am)	Choices Workshops for Year 6 pupils
Saturday 25th November	Family Photo Shoot
Monday 27th November 6.00pm	Year 6 SATS Meeting for Parents
Wednesday 29th November 3.00pm—4.00pm	Open Classrooms for Parents
Thursday 30th November	Christmas Wreath Making 7.00-9.30pm
Tuesday 5th December 2.00pm	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Show—Year 1 parents
Wednesday 6th December 9.30am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas Show—Year 2 parents
Wednesday 6th December 2.00pm	Year R Nativity—Willow Class
Thursday 7th December 9.30am	Year R Nativity—Chestnut Class
Monday 11th December 1.30-2.30	Tea, Cakes and Carols (for Grandparents of children in the choir and governors)
Tuesday 12th December 2.30pm	Cedar Class Listen 2 Me Concert for Parents
Wednesday 13th December 6.00pm	Carol Service
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Disco—KS1 4.00-5.00pm
	KS2 5.30-7.00pm
Friday 15th December	Last Day of the Autumn Term