

Park Gate Primary School News

Number 8 : 3rd November 2023



Dear Parents,

Well, that was an interesting week! Thank you for your understanding with our school closure on Thursday. The safety of our families and staff is always at the heart of our decisions.

Our House Captains have presented their first House Assemblies this week. I would like to say how very proud all of the staff were of their presentations and the kind and thoughtful approach they took.

We hope that the children enjoyed the Halloween Disco. They certainly looked like they had lots of fun, dancing and playing DJ Small Paul's entertaining games! Thank you to The Friends for organising such a great event.

Kind regards
Allison Chapman
Deputy Head

Football in the Rain!

Well done to our school football team who, through the pouring rain, battled in 4 matches against Whiteley Primary to come out with a draw overall. Despite the weather, they kept their spirits up and showed many of our school values.



Have you taken part in Walktober?

Did you take part in Walktober? If so, remember to submit your completed Walktober Challenge Cards online to be entered into the prize draw. For details about the pupil competition, including the online entry form, parents and carers can visit myjourneyhampshire.com/education/walktober.



Remembrance

Our assemblies next week will focus on Remembrance and then on Friday the House Captains will lead our 2 minute silence. If your child is a member of a particular group eg; Scouts and would like to come to school wearing their uniforms on Friday they are very welcome to do so. On behalf of The British Legion, from Monday 6th November our House Captains will visit each class every day (Monday—Friday) selling poppies. You are welcome to send your child to school with a donation for a poppy if they would like to purchase one. We will be selling other items outside the office from Monday 6th November.



Safety on the Road Outside School

We have had numerous conversations, emails and phone calls from members of our school community about the road outside school. Some of the observations include; children (and adults) running in and out of parked cars, cars parking on double yellow lines, cars stopping on the zig zag lines by the gates, double parking to drop children, cars parking in front of the garages and blocking access to residents. Please can we remind you all to be mindful when driving or walking along Northmore Road. We all really do need to think about our children and safety on the roads.

Congratulations to our Values Ambassadors of the Week!

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

Willow Class – **Phoebe**...*Achievement*...fantastic writing of a list of ingredients for your potion.

Chestnut Class – **Skyrah**...*Growth & Resilience*...amazing focus in phonics and trying her best.

Apple Class – **Daisy**...*Resilience*...amazing reading which is down to her fantastic hard work.

Cherry Class – **Henry**...*Aspiration*...working hard in every lesson and always being ready to listen and follow instructions.

Lime Class – **Lara**...*Partnership*...always listening carefully and shares her great thinking with her friends.

Holly Class – **Eddie**...*Resilience & Aspiration*...a fantastic 'can do' attitude resulting in amazing work.

Silver Birch Class – **Joey**...*Excellence*...marvellous mental maths using different strategies to + and - 2 and 3 digit numbers.

Cedar Class – **Jaxon & Marcie**...*Partnership*...working with your partner on the initial planning stage of your board game.

Hazel Class – **Lacey**...*Aspiration*... working so hard to develop ideas for writing and performing dragon poetry.

Yew Class – **Ella**...*Excellence*...for learning the whole Dragon poem and giving an enthusiastic performance.

Juniper Class – **Anastasiia** ...*Trust*...using the lino cutting tools safely when creating a fantastic lino print.

Sycamore Class – **Ellie**...*Partnership*...a fantastic first week at Park Gate!

Maple Class – **Jasper** ...*Growth*...listening to feedback when checking mathematical calculations resulting in greater accuracy.

Oak Class – **Erin**...*Growth*... showing confidence in maths, allowing her to make incredible progress this week.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 8th November	Year R Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
Friday 15th November	Year 2 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
Monday 13th November 3.30pm—4.30pm 4.30pm—5.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
Tuesday 14th November	Bags 2 School clothes collection
Wednesday 15th November (am)	Choices Workshops for Year 6 pupils
Wednesday 15th November	Year 1 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
Thursday 16th November 3.30pm—4.30pm 4.30pm—5.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
Friday 17th November	Be Bright Be Seen Day (Wear your brightest clothes to school—road safety)
Monday 20th November 3.30pm—4.30pm 4.30pm—5.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
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 4.30pm—5.30pm	Tours of the School for Year R September 2024
Thursday 23rd November (am)	Choices Workshops for Year 6 pupils
Friday 24th November	Non-Uniform Day—Donation Day for Christmas Fayre
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 7.00—9.30pm	Christmas Wreath Making
Friday 1st December	Year 3 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
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
Tuesday 28th November	Year 6 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
Wednesday 6th December 2.00pm	Year R Nativity—Willow Class
Thursday 7th December 9.30am	Year R Nativity—Chestnut Class
Friday 8th December	Year 4 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
Monday 11th December 1.30-2.30pm	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

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I will continue to add Autumn Term Dates during the term. New dates will be added in blue.



Diary Dates Cont...

Tuesday 12th December 2.30pm	Year 6 Learning Outcome to Parents
Wednesday 13th December 9.30am	Beyond The Beat Concert for Parents
Wednesday 13th December 2.15pm	Year 5 Learning Outcome to Parents
Wednesday 13th December 6.00pm	Carol Service
Thursday 14th December	Year 5 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes)
Thursday 14th December -Times TBC (am)	Rock To The Beat Concert for Parents
Thursday 14th December KS1 4.00-5.00pm KS2 5.30-7.00pm	Christmas Disco
Thursday 14th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 15th December	Christmas Lunch
Friday 15th December	Last Day of the Autumn Term

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.

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.

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