

Park Gate Primary School News

Number 9 : 10th November 2023



Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to thank you all for being so welcoming on my return. Park Gate is such a lovely place to work!

I have been in school part time this week, but expect to be back full time from Monday.

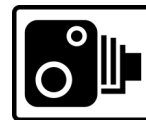
It was lovely to see the uniforms of children from Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Rainbows and Brownies in school today.

Thank you to our House Captains who did a fantastic job of leading our Remembrance and silence with the houses this morning.

Kind regards
Lindsay McCarthy

Family Photo Day – Saturday 25th November

If you would like to book a Family Photo slot please contact the school office. There are only 4 spaces left!



Outdoor Learning Days

It is fantastic to see the start of our Outdoor Learning Days. We are looking forward to enhancing the outdoor environment further with the arrival of a poly-tunnel, which has been kindly donated by Swanwick Lions and Bargate Homes. We are expecting the tunnel to be erected in January ready for the growing season!



Bags 2 School Clothing Collection

Just a reminder that any unwanted clothing/shoes/textiles/towels/bag items can be left under the canopy for collection on Tuesday 14th November by 9.00am. Thank you.

Be Bright Be Seen Friday 17th November

A letter has been sent home regarding our Be Bright Be Seen Day. The brighter the better!



Anti-Bullying Week 2023 13th – 17th November

We would like to invite the children to come to school on Monday 13th November wearing odd socks in support of Anti-Bullying Week. We will be talking to the children about what bullying is and how the school can help them if they or a friend are being bullied.



Congratulations to our Values Ambassadors of the Week!

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

Willow Class – **Tommy**...*Growth*...super phonics and fantastic writing. Brilliant work this week.

Chestnut Class – **George**...*Growth & Resilience*...excellent participation in all phonics lessons and group work.

Apple Class – **Mert**...*Resilience*...impressive listening and enthusiasm during phonics.

Cherry Class – **Teddy**...*Growth*...great focus and contributions during science learning.

Lime Class – **Dominic**...*Excellence*...writing some amazing sentences about how a bird steers and glides.

Holly Class – **Ebony**...*Aspiration*...super, independent work when creating sentences about how birds fly.

Silver Birch Class – **Ruby**...*Excellence*...using amazing adjectives to describe a crayon character from our class book.

Cedar Class – **Armin**...*Excellence*...impressive questions to ask Yellow and Orange Crayons from the class book.

Hazel Class – **Sullivan**...*Growth*... working hard to improve knowledge in maths.

Yew Class – **Joshua**...*Excellence & Resilience*...writing a brilliant dragon poem and performing it in front of an audience.

Juniper Class – **Max** ...*Partnership & Kindness*...being an amazing partner and such a helpful member of the class.

Sycamore Class – **Loukya**...*Achievement*...creating her own verse of The Highwayman, using structure and wow words.

Maple Class – **Ethan** ...*Excellence*...a positive and resilient attitude in all areas of the curriculum.

Oak Class – **Belle**...*Aspiration*... excellent research on the Ancient Maya and Greeks, creating a super graphical organiser.

Diary Dates

Monday 13th November	Year 2 Outdoor Learning Day (Wear old clothes) CHANGE OF DATE
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 3.00pm	Christmas jumper and pre-loved uniform sale
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
Thursday 23rd November 2.20pm	Year 2 Learning Outcome to Parents
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)
Saturday 2nd December 11.00am—2.00pm	Christmas Fayre
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 9.00am	Year 3 visit to St Johns Church
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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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 Year 1, 2, 4 & 6
Friday 15th December	Christmas Lunch Year R, 3 & 5
Friday 15th December	Last Day of the Autumn Term

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



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