

# PARK NEWSLETTER



*Ensuring every individual achieves their best through high expectations for all;  
with a focus on confidence, creativity, care and aspiration.*

15th June 2020

## ☆☆☆☆ Stars of the Week ☆☆☆☆

Thank you for continuing to share with us the reasons why your children have been little stars at home.

**Amarah** (Edison) has been a superstar - she has been busy helping her grandmother learn a few words of English as well as helping her grandad with his memory. He has suffered a stroke so Amarah has been making labels to help him remember names. She also has remembered techniques used by his speech therapist.

**Deen** (Hawking) has been a super duper star for taking a keen interest in his school virtual activities and having the attitude of 'giving it a go'. Well done we are very proud of you!

**Azeem** (Little Park) is a super star for being curious and asking new questions about lots and lots of things, well done my curious little boy!

**Muhammad Yahya** (Aldrin) has been an Amazing Superstar for the last 7 weeks, by setting himself an exciting challenge with Dad, to learn 1000 New Words, & raise money for Charity at the same time. He has been learning to read & understand Dr Edward Fry's Amazing 1000 Instant Words List. So far M-Yahya has learnt over 700 Instant Words, and he plans to learn all 1000 Words within the next 2 weeks.

For every 100 words he learns, Dad has agreed to donate at least £10 to a Local Charity. M-Yahya has raised £70 so far, and hopes to get to his bold target of £100 very soon.

M-Yahya is trying extra hard to reach his target, and is enjoying the challenge of combining fun learning with charity and helping out others.

Well Done M-Yahya 👍

**Kacper** (Little Park) has been my super star of the week for his amazing construction and trying to do his very best.



**Maisha** (Little Park) has been very happy and has been helping out at home. Not only has she been doing her activities and homework, she has also learnt how to fly a kite this week. She's made both parents proud as she said she isn't giving up and wanted to keep flying her kite.



**Oliwier** (Pasteur) has been a super star this week. For always working hard, for an improved attitude to learning, for trying so hard with his writing and for always trying his best.



## Newham Music Live Lessons

Our Key Stage 2 children are incredibly fortunate to have access to live, weekly music lessons from Newham Music on Zoom. These sessions are every Wednesday at 2:00pm until the end of term. The children are learning a song with rhythm patterns called 'We Put the Wham in Newham'. The children just need themselves and something to play the rhythms on (a chair or cushion will do). Any year 4 children who have a ukelele at home could bring that as there is a uke part they can learn.

Ms Massey posts the link to the zoom session plus joining and safeguarding info on Google Classroom just before the session. The children will need an adult with an email address to help them join the session.

The children who have been participating in them to date have really enjoyed them.

## Empathy Day

Well done to everyone who took part in the Empathy Day activities.

Here is some of the work that the children produced. If you didn't get a chance you can still take part by visiting the Empathy Lab website.



### EMPATHY DAY WORK



## Run, Oscar, Run!

Oscar in Year 5 has set himself a challenge to run 10k a week, for 10 weeks to raise money for The Trussell Trust foodbanks.

Oscar says, "I enjoy running because it makes me feel energised and relaxed, and I get to race my Dad! If you see me running, please cheer me on."

If anyone would like to make a donation towards this cause, please visit

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/10kaweeekOscar>



## Welcome Back Year 6!

It was a pleasure to welcome back some of Year 6 pupils last week. They have returned to school with a positive attitude and have proven how adaptable they can be. Well done Year 6s.

## Congratulations Ms Begum

We would like to wish Rehana Begum congratulations on the safe arrival of her daughter, Liyanah.



## Getting to know...

We continue to find out about different members of our Park staff in our *Getting to know...* feature. Did you guess which member of staff isn't allowed to play Cluedo anymore because they cheat? Find out if you're right below.



## Getting to know... Ms Allinson

### Where did you grow up?

All over Europe - my dad was in the army.

### What are you most proud of?

Moving to London and starting my career at Park.

### What did you want to be when you were younger?

A teacher

### What was your first job?

Paper round

### What is the best piece of advice you've been given or you would give to others?

Every storm in your life is followed by a rainbow. It may feel hard at times but always strive to find the positives.

### What would your superpower be and why?

Being able to fly so I could be anywhere in the world at any time.

### What is the most recent book you have read?

Queenie, it was part of our book club and was about a woman growing up in South London.

### Tell us something about you that we may not know.



I was part of the National Octopush team and won in 2009. *(We had to Google this too!)*

**What do you like to do when you're not at Park?**

I love being on the beach with my dogs.

**What is your most embarrassing moment?**

Crying at seeing Enrique Iglesias on stage in Wembley.

**What's your favourite...**

**Ice cream?** Vanilla and honeycomb

**Food?** Mussels and chips

**Children's book?** 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen

**Board game?** Cluedo - although I'm not allowed to play it because I cheat.

**Film?** Deep Blue Sea

**Childhood memory?** Going to Portugal as a family. We would wake up early and buy custard tarts before the tourists ate them all!

**Park Primary memory?** Singing Boogie Beebies for the first time when I was told I was going to be working in Reception.

**Why are you proud to work at Park?**

Every day feels like I'm working with my family away from home.

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**Getting to know... Ms Siana**

**Where did you grow up?**

London

**What did you want to be when you were younger?**

It was either a teacher or a police officer.

**What is the best piece of advice you've been given or would give to others?**

Don't be in such a rush to figure everything out. Embrace the unknown and let your life surprise you.

**If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?**

I would love to travel to various destinations and experience and learn about the history and culture of countries like Egypt, Bali, Turkey and Jerusalem.

**What are you most proud of?**

During my childhood I had an amazing opportunity to visit and live in Pakistan for over five years. This visit enabled me to learn about my culture and religion. I also spent a lot of time with my



grandparents and learnt a lot from them. This is a time of my life which I am very proud of and deeply cherish.

**What do you like to do when you're not at Park?**

Like to spend time with my family, especially my two nieces.

**What is your most embarrassing moment?**

Nope... still too embarrassed to share!

**What's your favourite...**

**Sandwich filling?** My ultimate sandwich filling is Falafel, hummus and salad sandwich.....it's scrumptious

**Food?** I enjoy Turkish and Asian cuisine

**Film?** Disney's Brave, Wreck it Ralph and Wonder.

**Sport to watch?** Tennis and archery

**Sport to play?** Tennis

**Ice cream flavour?** Triple chocolate brownie ice cream

**Superhero?** Hawkeye, because of his mastery in Archery

**Quote?** Education taught me "Treat others as you wish to be treated" Langdon School.

Life taught me "Learn from the people who have walked the path before you, respect them because someday and sooner than you could ever imagine you're going to be old to. Respect your elders.

**Why are you proud to work at Park?**

It is by far the nicest place and kindest bunch of people I have come to work with in a professional environment.

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**Getting to know... Ms Abigail**

**Where did you grow up?**

East Ham

**What are you most proud of?**

My children and working for Park Primary

**What did you want to be when you were younger?**

I always wanted to be a firefighter or police officer

**What was your first job?**

I worked in Pizza Hut

**What is the best piece of advice you've been given or would give to others?**

Never judge a book by its cover and be kind to everyone, you never know what someone is going through.



### What would your superpower be and why?

To teleport so I can get more done

### If you could visit anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?

Florida because I want to go to Disney Land and meet all my favourite characters.

### The most recent book I read was...

The Ice Monster by David Williams. The story is about a 10year old orphan and her adventure to meet a 10,000 year old mammoth.

### Tell us something about you that we may not know.

I applied to join the police force before joining Park Primary.

### What do you like to do when you're not at Park?

Spending time with my children doing lots of fun activities with them.

### What's your favourite...

**Ice cream?** Twister

**Food?** Roast dinner

**Board game?** Snakes and ladders

**Sandwich filling?** Ham and cheese

**Park Primary memory?** My most recent was meeting the author of The Boy at the Back of the Class.

**Superhero?** Wonder Woman

### Why are you proud to work at Park?

I am immensely proud! It is a true pleasure to work at Park from the staff to pupils. It is genuinely a loving and caring school that really goes hand in hand with its ethos.

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### Getting to know...???? Next Week

In next week's newsletter, we will be finding out which member of staff wanted to be the Pink Power Ranger when they grew up! Who do you think it could be?

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## This week...

Thanks to get you Thinking!



### Key Stage 1 Think

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Think about this...

Would you rather have a flying carpet OR a car that could drive underwater?



Sentence starters:  
I think...  
I believe...  
I feel that...  
I would rather...

### Key Stage 2 Think

Monday 15th June 2020

Think about this...

Is it more important to be a leader or a follower?



Sentence starters:  
In my opinion...because  
I believe that...because  
On the other hand...  
However...

### Learning Power Focus



This month we are focusing on being a **'Creative Chameleon'**. The Creative Chameleon reminds us to think about things in different ways.

You can show your teacher that you are a Creative Chameleon by:

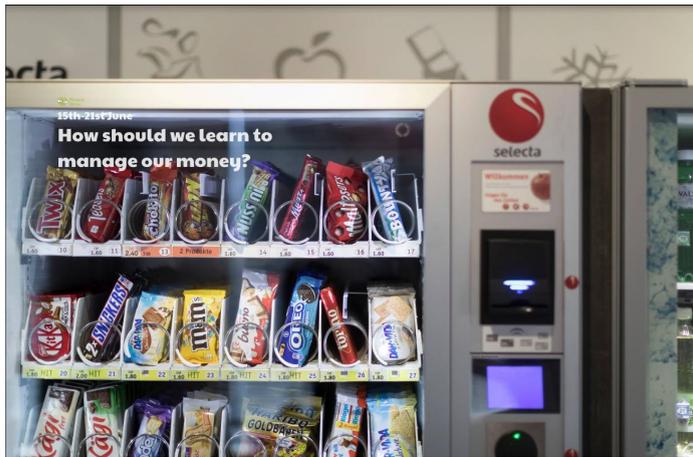
- Letting your imagination go
- Thinking up new ideas and questions
- Being creative
- Being adaptable
- Suggesting alternative strategies to answer questions or solve problems



## Thought for the Week



## Current Affairs



*Early Years: What jobs could you do at home?*

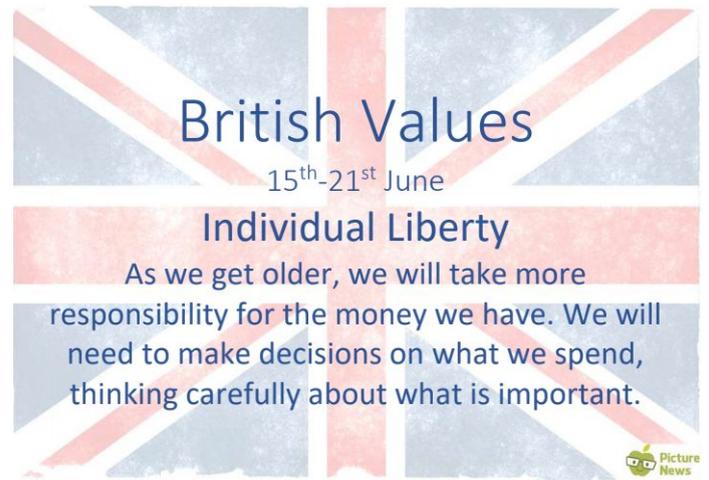
*KS1 & KS2: How should we learn to manage our money?*

A mother from Northumberland recently spent £100 on a second-hand vending machine to provide an opportunity for her children to learn about money after tiring of them arguing over snacks and other items during lockdown. Mother of four, Sarah Balsdon, was getting so fed up with her children's constant arguments she and her husband, Kyle, came up with the idea to provide them in a limited and controlled way, whilst helping the children learn how to manage money.

### Things to talk about at home...

- Have you received pocket money before, or do you receive it now?
- Do you think the idea of getting pocket money is a good one? Why?
- What age do you think children should start receiving pocket money?
- Can you think of other ways that you can learn about money?

## British Values Link: Individual Liberty



## Home Learning Gallery

This week's home learning gallery includes a selection of work from across the school.



