PARK NEWSLETTER



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

29th September 2023

Need to Know Mrs Ttoffali's Weekly Update To Park Primary's Community



It's been another busy week at Park as the Year 4 swimming has continued and the Year 5 children have had the opportunity of a one night residential aimed at bonding the children in their new classes. I was lucky enough to have my first Star of the Week lunch this academic year and it was absolutely fabulous to listen to the children explaining why they received their reward amongst other tales of 'food and fun'. It is indeed my pleasure to 'dine with the stars'.

There were no sharing assemblies this week as the theme of the assembly was 'Black History Month'. October is Black History Month (BHM) in the UK, an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years. It was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK over many generations. Now, Black History Month has expanded to include the history of not just African and Caribbean people but all black people. At Park, we feel that a deep understanding of people's contributions is something that should be celebrated all year round and therefore Black History is woven throughout our curriculum. That said, we do not wish to overlook BHM so this year we are taking additional curriculum time in October to understand the significant contributions of Black Britons.

At Park, we take our responsibility for Safeguarding very seriously. We have a large safeguarding team of senior and experienced members of staff. This team includes a School Based Social Worker and a Family Support Worker (two PT people but one FTE role). We trust that you understand that it is our responsibility to put the needs of the child above all else. Where

children speak to a member of staff about something, we log the child's words and we investigate following advice from social care. We have a very clear procedure that we are compelled to follow. These are our safeguarding procedures which are informed by our policy. Should you wish to discuss this with us, or if you have any concerns, please feel free to speak to a member of the team.

Park's Safeguarding Team

Mrs Loughran (Designated Lead for Safeguarding)
Mrs Ttoffali (Deputy Designated Lead for Safeguarding)
Miss Broadhurst (Deputy Designated Lead for Safeguarding)
Ms Sherriff (School Based Social Worker and
Deputy Designated Lead for Safeguarding)
Mrs Rehana Begum (Family Empowerment Officer)
Mrs Sharif (Family Empowerment Officer)
Mrs Sultana Khan (School Based Medical Officer)
Miss Hamlett (Reception Teacher)
Ms Phelan (UKS2 Phase Leader)

If you have a concern about the welfare of a child or a member of the school community; please speak to a member of the safeguarding team immediately.

We are also here to offer support to families who may be experiencing difficulties.



Each year at Park, we come together as a school and a community to support a charity that has supported our community. This year we are running for The Give a Duck Foundation, a charity that helps support families facing childhood cancer throughout the UK. This charity has been chosen by one of our own pupils, as they have helped him as he has began his treatment. More details of this wonderful organisation can be found here: https://www.giveaduck.org.uk/ Each class at Park will complete either a 1km or 2km run in West Ham Park, during the week beginning October 8th. On Saturday October 14th, school staff will be taking part in a 5km or 10km run in Victoria Park.

If you can, please <u>click the link</u> and donate what you are able to.

Park is launching its <u>'Get Caught Reading!'</u> competition following the success of last year.

At Park, we are invested in nurturing and fostering your child's love of reading. Encouraging your child to take part is a fun and exciting way to highlight the

pleasure of being absorbed in a good book and explore the world through the pages of a book. So go ahead, grab a book, and..... get caught reading!

Competition details:

- Children ask an adult to take a photo of themselves being 'caught' reading their favourite book in the most imaginative and unusual place.
- An adult at home needs to email the photos to info@park.newham.sch.uk FAO: Ms Osborne
- The deadline to enter the competition is November 17th and the winners will be announced in assemblies on Friday 24th November.
- There will be a winner picked from EYFS, KS1, LKS2 and LKS1.
- We will also be picking a staff winner and a parent/carer winner!
- (Please also see slides posted on all year group's Google Classroom)

That's it for us today, as always, we wish you a safe and relaxed weekend.

Please take care, Natasha Ttoffali and Clare Broadhurst



EYFS and Key Stage 1

Starling, Ayesha and Thea in Reception Amy, Melaniya and Aaron in Year 1 Ahyaan, Alexia and Sartaaj Year 2

Lower Key Stage 2

Raif, Kacper and Elizabeth in Year 3 Pedro, Amelia and Shaniyha in Year 4

Upper Key Stage 2

Alice, Daniel and Marla in Year 5 Mizanur, Amiyah-India and Inaaya in Year 6

Attendance Stars

Seacole Class in EYFS and Key Stage 1 with 100% Berners Lee Class in Lower Key Stage 2 with 98% Pankhurst Class in Upper Key Stage 2 with 95% Whole School Attendance is 94.9%

Is my child too ill for school?



Please click on the NHS logo to access their advice.

Wrap Around Care

Our Wrap Around Care Provision is open to all families to book via Scopay.



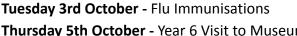
If you have any questions then please email us at

<u>info@park.newham.sch.uk</u> or if you have a message for the Wrap Around Care team directly then please email <u>wrap.around@park.newham.sch.uk</u>

Dates for the Diary

2023-2024 Term Dates

Tuesday 3rd October - Engagement Provision Panathlon Bowling Event



Thursday 5th October - Year 6 Visit to Museum of Docklands

Tuesday 10th October - Year 2 Visit to Wanstead Park **Monday 16th October** - Individual School Photographs (Professional Photographers in school)

Thursday 19th October - Parent/Carer Consultations **Monday 23rd** - **Friday 27th October** - Half Term

Park's Food Bank

Thank you to families who have already contributed to our food bank. We would like to request any families who are able to support our foodbank to please leave donations in the box in the front office. Due to storage we can only accept long lasting items such as dry food, tins and pasta. We also accept toiletries and cleaning products.

If you would like to access our food bank, please come to the school entrance on a Friday between 2.30 to 3.30pm. Please bring your own bag.

Sharing Assemblies

Please see the dates and classes for Sharing assemblies for this term. If you can make it, please do join us (KS1, you will need to drop off your child and then enter through the main office so we have a record of who is coming in.).

Date	KS1 - 9.05am KS2 - 2.30pm		
Friday 6th October	Marco Polo	Brunel	
Friday 13th October		Da Vinci	
Friday 20th October	Marie Curie	Malala	
HALF TERM			

Curriculum Area

Online Safety



'Top tips' for keeping your children safe online at home; videos and useful links and information to support conversations.

https://parentsafe.lgfl.net/

House Points

At Park we use a House Points system in which every child belongs to one of the four houses: Birch, Maple, Oak and Sycamore. House Points are awarded for children who demonstrate the school values. 5 HPs are awarded where significant examples of confidence, creativity, care and aspiration are exemplified.

Below is the total of the House Points collected this week. Well done to Birch! You have the highest total this week!

Birch 230		Sycamore 170
Maple 210	*	Oak 190

Parent Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering at Park, then please complete this Google Form.

This week...



Music Theme of the Week



Current Affairs



<u>Primary Picture News Resource England - 2nd October</u> - Record Breakers

British Values







Mutual Respect and Tolerance

The Guinness World Records provides a fantastic opportunity to see the gifts, talents and interests other people living all over the world have. I understand and respect that not everyone is the same as me.







If we choose to attempt a world record, our parents or carers will guide and help us and make sure it is safe. Adults should do what is best for children.



Additional Information

Forest School Volunteer Request



Little Park Nursery staff and children would love your help during our Monday and Thursday session. If you are available to join us for the morning or afternoon session on either of these days, and like to get stuck in and a little bit muddy, please contact the school office and a member of the forest school team will get back to you.

Thank you Mrs Nott



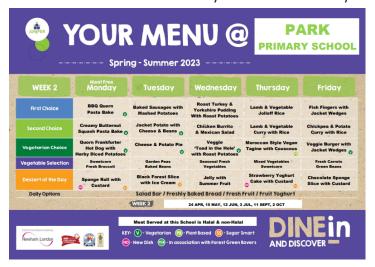
Mother Nature Science - Half Term Club

Please click on the image below to access more information.



Next Week's Lunch Menu

Please see below choices for school lunches. Please discuss the choices with your child so that it is easier for them to ask for the food they would like each day.



PSA Volunteers Wanted



Calling all parents and carers and staff at Park Primary! The PSA need your help.... We are currently a small group of volunteer parents/ carers and staff from the school who help to organise and run the bake sales and summer/ winter events to raise funds for the school. The money has helped subsidise trips, buy books, support the food bank and many more resources and activities for the children at Park.

BUT we now need more help to be able to continue to support the school in the children's experience of primary school life and the opportunities they can have at this amazing school.

If you can offer a bit of time at a bake sale, a contribution of ideas, help in organising larger events, please scan the code below and join our WhatsApp group. Thank you!



Fundraising at Park

A reminder that we are raising money:

- There is a run for adults on October 14th in Victoria Park.
- There is a run for pupils, the week before, in West Ham Park.

Parents can join pupils for the run in West Ham Park (classes will share their timings closer to the event) or on the adults run.

We are fundraising for <u>Give a Duck Foundation</u>, as chosen by our pupil recently diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Lymphoma.

Here is our JustGiving page, if you would like to support us, or we will be collecting cash in school on Friday, October 13th Park's JustGiving page

We will share details of how to enter the adult run as soon as we receive the details from the run organisers, for anyone who would like to join the staff.

These are the <u>slides</u> we shared with all the children at school.

Stratford and West Ham Children's Centre - October-December Activity Programme

