PARK NEWSLETTER



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

1st March 2024

Need to Know

Weekly Update from Ms Broadhurst

To Park Primary's Community,

Your voice matters! It has been Children's Mental Health Week at Park this week. It has been lovely to see the children coming in each day



with their items for 'show and tell' to share a bit about themselves and coming in for 'dress to express yourself' today in their wonderful clothes to recognise the importance of their individuality. The children have also been doing activities in their classrooms to celebrate their identities. I would love to share this poem by Rona in Helen Keller Class about the importance of embracing our differences.



Thank you to Rosa Parks for your fantastic sharing assembly this afternoon. It was lovely to see how proud and articulate the children were. Thank you to all of the parents and carers that were able to come along to watch.

Just a reminder that the book fair will be starting next week and will run from Thursday 7th until Tuesday 12th March.

Some operational reminders: a few things have arisen this week which need to be stated here in order that we be able to maintain our high standards of safeguarding and general safety:

- 1. Please adhere to the school's one way system which is in operation at all busy times of the day. Please enter with your child (or to collect your child) through the gate on Matthews Park Avenue and please leave the school on Ham Park Road. The system is there for everyone's safety.
- If you are dropping your child for Breakfast Club, please call the staff and please wait to hand over to a Breakfast Club member of staff. Please do not leave your children unsupervised as we cannot be responsible for them until we know they have arrived.
- 3. Even if they are in the playground at 8:40, your children should still be supervised. There is not an adult on duty to assess who has arrived. If you are not supervising your child between 8:35 (when the gate opens) and 8:45 (when they can enter school) please be reminded that we are not responsible for your children until they enter the building at 8:45.

To any of our Welsh heritage families, I hope that you have a lovely St David's Day.

Have a lovely weekend all.

Best wishes,

Clare Broadhurst

☆☆☆ Stars of the Week ☆☆☆

Reception Key Stage 1

Sayed-Belal, Johaha and Noah in Reception Sofia M, Gurpreet and Zayan in Year 1 Jack, Khalil and Alicia in Year 2

Lower Key Stage 2

Adam, Sibtain and Obehi in Year 3 Angel, Zaynab and Yusuf in Year 4

Upper Key Stage 2

Riya, Ionut and Ayan in Year 5 Afseen, Zehra and Oliwier in Year 6

Attendance Stars

Pasteur Class in EYFS and Key Stage 1 with 98.4% Galileo Class in Lower Key Stage 2 with 97.1% Malala Class in Upper Key Stage 2 with 98.8% Whole School Attendance is 95.5%

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



Monday 4th March - Friday 8th March - DT Week

Monday 4th March - Year 2 at St Paul's Cathedral

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Thursday 7th March - Tuesday 12th March - Book Fair

Thursday 7th March - Reception Sharing our Learning

Friday 8th March - Reception Sharing our Learning

Tuesday 12th March - Galileo Class at West Ham Park

Wednesday 13th March - Edison Class and Da Vinci

Class at West Ham Park

Thursday 14th and Friday 15th March - Year 4

Stratford Easter Experience 2024

Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day

Friday 15th March - Aldrin Class at Maritime Museum

Friday 15th March - KS1/KS2 Gymnastics Festival

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd March - Year 5 Bikeability

Monday 18th - Friday 22nd March - Year 1 Sharing our Reading

Wednesday 20th March - Year 2 London Walk Trip Thursday 28th March - Last day of Term Friday 29th March - Friday 12th April - Spring Break

Tuesday 30th April - Year 4 Production

Sharing Assemblies

Please see the dates and classes for Sharing assemblies for this and next half 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	EYFS/KS1 - 9.05am	L - KS2 - 2.30pm			
Friday 8th March	Marie Curie	Brunel			
Friday 15th March	Pasteur	Da Vinci			
Friday 22nd March	Marco Polo	Malala			
Spring Holiday Break					
26th April	Aldrin	Gandhi			
10th May	Seacole	Galileo			
17th May	Attenborough Edison				
24th May		Hawking			
Half Term					

Park's Pantry



Park Primary School has introduced Park's Pantry (previously the food bank). Parents/guardians are now able to access our Pantry from Monday to Friday between 9-10am. Please note that the pantry can only be used once a week. Please email our confidential email address pastoral@park.newham.sch.uk if you would like a more discreet collection.

Curriculum Area

Reception Visit to St Matthews Church

This week, Reception children had an opportunity to visit St Matthews Church as one of the places of worship studied through our RE curriculum. They had a tour of the church and had an opportunity to ask lots of questions.







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 **Oak!** You have the highest total this week!

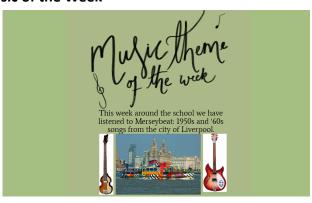
Birch 315	#	Sycamore 305	*
Maple 335	*	Oak 360	**

This week...

Thought for the Week



Music of the Week



Current Affairs



<u>Primary Picture News Resource England - 4th March - World Book Day</u>

British Values







Mutual Respect and Tolerance

Reading can help us to learn more about our world. It can help us understand and respect other people's faiths, beliefs and culture and that life is not the same for everyone.







We all have the right to rest, relax, play and take part in cultural and creative activities. World Book Day can provide us with an opportunity to do this.



Additional Information

Thank you for our Hoodies

Year 6 pupils would like to say a big thank you to the PSA for subsidising the cost of their hoodies. Without the PSA and their contribution, the individual cost of each hoodie would have been a lot higher. Thank you!



Park's Bike Bus



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.



World Book Day



World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March. To celebrate, we will be asking children to dress up. This is an effective way to encourage children, particularly reluctant readers, to engage with reading. It can also help children to express their personal reading choices and share reading recommendations. Children being dressed up also changes the learning environment to one which is more playful. We do not expect you to spend money on costumes, so we thought that half term could be the perfect time to start getting crafty in preparation! Here are some useful websites, with some ideas for costumes:

https://www.madeformums.com/toddler-and-preschool/last-minute-easy-world-book-day-costumes/

https://www.busythings.co.uk/blog/easy-world-book-day-costume-ideas/



The Book Fair will be taking place on **Thursday 7th March, Friday 8th March, Monday 11th March and Tuesday 12th March.**

We are encouraging **cash payments** this year, but in extenuating circumstances there will be a QR code available. All children will be issued with a £1 book token voucher prior to the event. As it is open for 4 days, we suggest that people do not 'rush' to the fair on the first day as we envisage that it will be very busy. Thank you for your cooperation