



The Parkland Federation

Aim High, Work Hard, Dream Big

If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours

28th April 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 5! It's certainly going to be a busy one with our Year 6 pupils preparing to take their SATs in 2 weeks and our Year 2 pupils following suit soon afterwards. If you would like further information about how you can support your child at home, please do make use of our Virtual Parent Meetings that can be found on our school website. These will support you to help your child with homework as well as explain some of the things we do in school, such as Zones of Regulation. The link can be found here: [Virtual Parent Workshops](#) Look out for our Virtual Storytime Sessions that are coming very soon too!

Congratulations to our Year 2 families who have been offered a place for Year 3 at Parkland Junior School and also to our new families who have been offered a place in EYFS for September 2023. We had a huge amount of applications for EYFS and Year 3 and have considerable waiting lists, so please do ensure you get your admissions form back to us as soon as possible in order to secure your place. The deadline is **2nd May 2023**. Thank you!



EYFS



EYFS have had a brilliant start to Term 5! We have started our new topic 'Down On the Farm'. The children have been writing questions for Farmer Smith who kindly sent us some chicken eggs to hatch in an incubator, very exciting! This week, the children have been designing and creating their own egg safety devices linked to our key text 'Egg Drop'. The children had a fantastic time finding ways to protect their egg from a fall from height! We tested our egg safety devices and enjoyed finding out whose eggs survived or cracked! Well done to all the children for having an egg-cellent first two weeks back to school.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Frankie & Logan (Kerr) and Harry & Lia (Inkpen) and also to our Dojo winners Skylar & Theo (Kerr) and Elsie & Lucy (Inkpen)

Year 1



What a great start Year 1 have had to Term 5! Our new topic is 'Into The Woods' and the children have enjoyed learning about evergreen and deciduous trees in their Science lessons. They even had a chance to measure some trees around the school. The children have had fun creating some moving pictures in their DT lessons based on the book 'Bog Baby'. We have been working hard in English exploring suffixes in our new book 'Freddie and the Fairy'. The children gave some very entertaining performances during our hot-seating activity. We even had a special visit from a policeman this week and got to explore the police car. Some children even managed to set off the siren!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Xander & Daniel (Donaldson), Mason G & Alfie T (Blake) and also to our Dojo winners Mollie & Frankie (Donaldson), Oliver & Molly (Blake)

Year 2

Year 2 have had a fabulous start to the new term! We have started our new topic on 'Where the Wild Things Are' and in English, we have explored using different adjectives to describe the terrifying Wild Things. We also learnt a new skill - using apostrophes for contraction. In maths, we have been learning about length and height where we have been able to measure different objects around the classroom.

In geography, we have been learning about different seasons in relation to the equator and we were able to compare the different seasons in Eastbourne and Bali. In art, we have been practising techniques to create texture in our drawings. We used cross hatching to draw our very own Wild Thing.

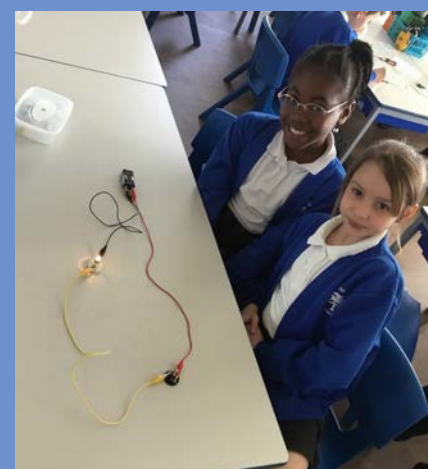
Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Bobby & Disath (Santat) and Ahmad & Victoria (Beaty) & also to our Dojo winners Olivia & Clara (Santat) and Minnie & Kitty (Beaty).



Year 3

What an excellent start to Term 5! We are thrilled to begin our new topic, 'Bigger and Boulder' where we will delve into the fascinating world of the Stone Age. In science, we have been exploring circuits and the intricacies of electricity. Meanwhile, our maths focus has been on fractions where we have been mastering how to add, subtract, multiply, and divide them. Additionally, in English, we have been enthralled by the captivating book 'Stone Age Boy'. This has transported us back in time and provided a glimpse into the lives of those living during the Stone Age era. Lastly, we would like to take a moment to commend our pupils on their fantastic performance during swimming lessons. We are incredibly proud of all our students who participated and demonstrated remarkable effort and improvement.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Lacie & Rhylei (Woodson) Suzie & Cailyn (Harrison) and also to our Dojo winners Layla & Claire (Woodson) and AJ & Arthur (Harrison)



Year 4

Titanic
An ocean liner on the vast ocean,
Suddenly the light spots dread.
A dreadful iceberg,
Tries to murder the head.

In a matter of minutes,
Screaming, shouting, fighting and brawling
All starts every second
Boys, girls, women and ~~or~~ aloud to be exiting



Year 4 have been learning all about poetic devices and have been coming up with their very own rhymes and rhythm - what a talented cohort! They also embarked on a fun-filled adventure to the Sea Life Centre in Brighton. The children found out so much about the layers of the ocean, the creatures that live there, as well as what else lies beneath! A tour of the aquarium ensued, with every child itching to go and see their favourite sea creature. The Year 4 team would like to pass on all their thanks to our fabulous parent helpers. We appreciate you so much! All of the children had a fantastic time and learned so much from their big day out! [Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Kian & Lucas \(Blackman\) Sophia & Logan W \(Walliams\) and also to our Dojo winners: Frankie & Teddy \(Blackman\) Lilliana & Betheny \(Walliams\)](#)

Year 5



Year 5 have been fabulous over the past two weeks! We have started our new topic - 'A Greek Odyssey' and have been busy learning all about the Greek Gods and Goddesses. We have enjoyed researching and developing character descriptions of them. We are learning about life cycles and are looking after our very own wax worms! We will be taking care of them to observe their life cycle and (hopefully!) watch them turn into moths! We have also been drawing our own Greek beach which we will be turning into a collage as part of our art this term! The Year 5 teachers would like to remind all Year 5 children and parents that next Thursday (the 4th) is our stunning start! Please come to school dressed as an ancient Greek god or goddess!

[Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Danielle and Jack \(5 Wilson\) Phoebe D and Bobby \(5 Zephaniah\) and also to our Dojo winners Joshua and Ciaran \(5 Wilson\) and Aurelia and Grayson \(5 Zephaniah\).](#)

Year 6



Year 6 have had an amazing start to Term 5. In art, they designed, made (using clay) and painted Mayan masks. There were some incredible and creative designs! The children are continuing to work extremely hard in preparation for their upcoming SATs too - the confidence they are demonstrating is wonderful to see. During our science lesson, after studying different beaks from birds on the Galapagos Islands, the children carried out an experiment to see how they adapted to their environment. When the sun has been shining, the children have been keeping up their steps by doing the 'Daily Mile'. In music, the children have been perfecting their drumming skills as they get ready for their performance later in the year.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Sean and Lewis (Rosen) and Kaelen (Mian) also to our Dojo winners Vika and Oscar (Rosen) and Phoenix (Mian).

This Week's Attendance:

Excellent attendance at school allows a child to have the best possible start in life. All pupils should aim for at least **97%** attendance in order to ensure they do not miss out on their education.

Inkpen Class (YR) 92%	Kerr Class (YR) 93%	Blake Class (Y1) 93%
Donaldson Class (Y1) 92%	Santat Class (Y2) 93%	Beaty Class (Y2) 94%
Harrison Class (Y3) 98 %	Woodson Class (Y3) 97%	Walliams Class (Y4) 95%
Blackman Class (Y4) 96%	Zephaniah Class (Y5) 92%	Wilson Class (Y5) 97%
Mian Class (Y6) 92%	Rosen Class (Y6) 94%	The Highest Attendance Award goes to Harrison class. Well done!



Parkland Fundraising Team



A **MASSIVE** well done and thank you to these wonderful ladies who have almost covered their 30 miles this month. What superstars! Their mission is to raise vital funds for Breast Cancer Now, a charity committed to research in order to provide life changing care. There are a couple of days left of the challenge, so if you would like to donate, every penny counts! Please support them by following the link below or using the QR code. [Parkland Breast Cancer Now Just Giving Page Link](#)



Eco Committee

Our **Eco tip** this fortnight is to use **biodegradable household products**. Biodegradable products dissolve when they come into contact with bacteria and fungi. This means that if they come into contact with nature, they won't cause any environmental harm as they disappear through natural processes. These products might include:



Recycled toilet paper

Natural ingredient shampoo

Natural deodorant

Bamboo toothbrush

Washcloths made from hemp or agave fibres



School Council



Our Junior **Citizen of the Fortnight** this week is Paige B in Blackman Class for her beautiful manners in and out of school and helping others in her class too. What a fantastic role model! Well done, Paige!



Our Infant **Citizen of the Fortnight** this week is Elsie in Kerr class for always following the Rainbow Rules and being a great role model. Bravo!

Social Media Film For Parents

The Financial Times has recently teamed up with some actors you may well recognise in order to produce a 14 minute short film for parents about pupils and social media use. It's certainly one that makes you stop and think. Please take the time to have a look when your children are not with you (the content is aimed at adults and not children). [Link to Short Parent Film: Capture](#)



Morning Gate Reminder

A gentle reminder that we operate a one way system in the mornings. Please enter through the Parkfield Avenue gates *between* 8.30am and 8.45am when they will be closed. The exit is through Brassey Avenue. Staff are on hand to wish you good morning as you come in and it makes their day when you say hello too. Modelling good manners and patience to the children is crucial as we expect these things when they are in school. Thank you so much for your support.



Blue and White Day 2023

The Albion in the Community Team were back at The Parkland Federation this week with their fabulous mascot, Gully! A huge thank you must go to our pupils, parents and carers who have done a fantastic job in raising so much money for Brighton & Hove Albion's charity, Albion in the Community! The money raised will go towards a number of fantastic causes that the Albion Team support.

As part of the day, the pupils took part in the tricky crossbar challenge with great spirit! We will let you know who won as well as how much we raised very soon. Thank you all so much for your kind and generous donations.

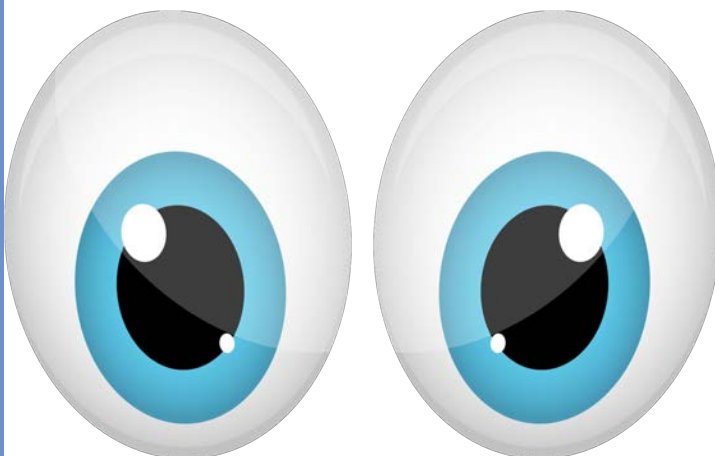


Parkland Facebook Page

We are delighted to be close to launching our school Facebook Page which will bring you up to date information about what is happening in and around school on a regular basis. Watch this space for further updates!



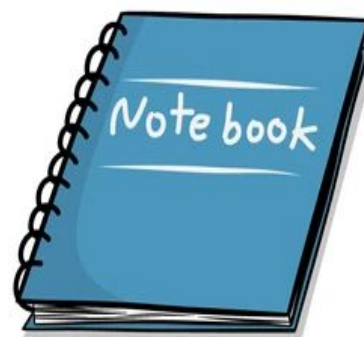
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Important Dates and INFORMATION

Diary Dates

1st May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
8th May	School Closed - Bank Holiday
9 - 12th May	Year 6 SATs WEEK - good luck Year 6.
26th May & 5th June	INSET DAYS
18th May - (am)	Whole School Class Photos - please dress smartly in school uniform Pupil Census Day
22nd May	EYFS Trip to Blackberry Farm



thank you!

YOU ARE INVITED TO
**A RIGHT ROYAL
KNEES UP!**

 YOU'RE INVITED TO:

Willingdon Trees Coronation Picnic

Watch the coronation live / Bring a picnic
Cream teas / Garden games / Royal photos
Crown & badge making / Dress-up royal!

 WHERE & WHEN:

**Willingdon Trees
Community Centre**
Saturday 6th May, 10am to 2pm
A FREE but ticketed event so reserve yours today!

The Coronation Big Lunch brings neighbours and communities together to share friendship, food and fun.

CoronationBigLunch.com

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PLANT AND PLAY

Willington Trees Community Centre - Eastbourne

THURSDAYS

**20TH APRIL TO
25TH MAY
2023**

10AM - 12PM



A course designed for you to get to know your garden and bring your child into the wonderful world of playing and planting. Learn how to bring family fun to gardening, and meet other outdoor loving families along the way!

It's FREE but you still need to tell us you're coming!

Email: families@sussexcommunity.org.uk

Phone or text 07796 869 402 or 01273517250

Places limited book today!



Willingdon Trees Community Centre

Starting
21st April
2023



Kids sport club

8-16
YEARS OLD

£3
suggested
donation

FRIDAYS 3.30pm to 4.30pm
multisport fun and games for all!



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Family NEWSLETTER

Hello all Families,

I am writing to let you know about our **Eastbourne Spring Water Festival**. This will be taking place between 12th and 21st May.

I have selected a list of events which are particularly suitable for younger people. Please look at these. Once you find something that you would like to take part in, either just turn up or, if you need to register, please visit

plasticfreeeastbourne.co.uk/springwaterfestival to add your name. Here, you will also find the full range of Festival events.

Things you might look at in particular:



Also, please take your refillable drinking water bottle and visit some of our newly installed drinking water refill stations along the seafront ~ becoming known as "Spring Water Way."

If you want to ask any questions, please contact me at plasticfreeeastbourne@gmail.com

I wish you a successful and rewarding summer term.

Best wishes,

Oliver Sterno

 Community Leader ~ Plastic Free Eastbourne
Coordinator ~ Refill Eastbourne



Name of Event	Date of Event
Promenade	Throughout the Festival
Spring Water Way ~ visit our Refill Stations	Throughout the Festival
Beach Sports for all the family	12th May - Friday
Eco-Stalls Fair	13th May - Saturday
Seaweed Search	13th May - Saturday
Water Sports: Sailing or Windsurfing*	13th May - Saturday
Source to Sea Clean	13th May - Saturday
Big Beach Clean	14th May - Sunday
Water Sports: Sailing or Windsurfing*	14th May - Sunday
"The Eastbourne Spring Water Festival Race" ~ watch the sailing race	14th May - Sunday
Wellbeing Wheel and Walk	15th May - Monday
Studio at the Lake . Walk, Draw, Talk, Write	16th May - Tuesday
Blue Heart @ Towner ~ "Green Roof"*	18th May - Thursday
Creative Writing	18th May - Thursday
Water Sports: Sailing or Windsurfing*	20th May - Saturday
Towner: Film Show ~ "From the Sea to the Land Beyond"*	20th May - Saturday
Studio on the Beach	20th May - Saturday
Seaweed Search	20th May - Saturday
Closing Ceremony	21st May - Sunday
Water Sports: Sailing or Windsurfing*	21st May - Sunday

*small charge

WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS/CARERS
SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE
WITH THEIR
MENTAL HEALTH



FREE TO ANY
PARENT/CARER
LIVING IN
SUSSEX

16TH MAY

5 WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE COVERING:

- > Anxiety
- > Sleep
- > Managing self-harm and suicidal thoughts
- > Autism and challenging behaviour
- > Eating disorders

Workshops will be delivered on

16TH MAY AT 9:30AM, 12:30PM AND 7PM

Workshops last 90 minutes and have a 15 minute
Q&A session (pre-sent questions only)

WANT TO BOOK YOUR TICKETS?

Scan here:



Or visit:

<https://bit.ly/3LvABw5>

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BAG OF RESOURCES
AND INFORMATION FOR
EACH ATTENDEE

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

If you have any questions, please email: Melissa.Baitmansour@spft.nhs.uk

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