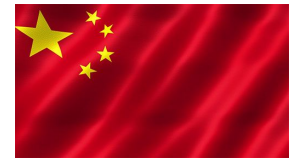




The Parkland Federation

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27th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,



A very warm welcome to the final edition of our newsletter for Term 5. It has been an exceptionally busy Term with SATs for Year 6 and Year 2, several exciting trips, a Year 4 performance, our Jubilee celebrations AND the circus came to visit! We want to say a HUGE Parkland thank you to our wonderful FOPs Team for organising the circus shows as well as the fair, the circus workshops and our jubilee lunch, all of which the children were raving about. What a wonderful way to end the term!



EYFS



It has been a fantastic week in EYFS with our trip to Blackberry Farm! We had a wonderful time learning about feeding and stroking all of the farm animals. We even got to hold a very tame and very cute rat! The rain certainly didn't dampen our spirits, as we zoomed round the playground, had a ride on a tractor and played in the soft play area too. Well done to all the children in Inkpen and Kerr Class who did Parkland very proud! A special thank you to all the wonderful grown ups who helped on our trip too - we couldn't have done it without you! We've also had very special new arrivals ourselves - some very fluffy chicks! The children have named them Sky, Sunny, Elvis, Bruno and Turbo. They are very cuddly and the children are already fantastic at looking after them!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Sam (Inkpen) and Milo (Kerr) and to all of the pupils in both Inkpen and Kerr classes. Congratulations also go to our Dojo winners; Connor and Sienna (Inkpen) and Mollie and Summer (Kerr).

Year 1

What an exciting week it has been in Year 1 with the amazing circus visiting and a fabulous Jubilee Picnic to end the term! We had an amazing time in the big tent and were taught some marvellous circus skills.

The children have also been working hard in English to make their writing more interesting by using the 5 senses in their descriptions. As we came to the end of our Bog Baby book, we found we had a few tiny visitors in the classroom... lots and lots of Bog Babies! The children have also started learning about fractions and can now identify a half and a quarter! We have been getting to know plants in Science and produced some incredible leaf rubbings today!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Yasmin R & Rudy (Donaldson) and Ava & Ahmad (Shireen) and also to our Dojo winners: Olivia & Fin R (Donaldson) and Eliza & Mackenzie (Shireen).

Year 2

A BIG congratulations to all of our children in Year 2 who are now officially Secret Agents! They all tried so hard during SATs week and we couldn't have asked for harder working children.

This week we have been working on measuring in Maths, learning how to use rulers properly and making our own measured creations outside. We had so much fun at the circus as well. The children learnt new skills like juggling and plate spinning - it was smashing!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Rhylei and Melody (Santat) & Arthur and Trisha and also to our Dojo winners James F and Joe (Santat) & Louis and Victoria (Beaty)



Year 3

In Year 3, we have had a fabulous time learning lots of new things! In Maths we have been learning how to tell the time using analogue clocks. In history we have been going back in time, learning about the Stone Age way of life. Using their knowledge of homes from the past, the children have designed and created their own Stone Age house models. The children have thoroughly enjoyed being creative and bringing their ideas to life and have enjoyed participating in this week's circus workshop and Jubilee celebrations. Thank you, FOPs!

We look forward to seeing the children all in their Stone Age costumes on the first day of term 6!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Barney & Lucy (Harrison) Zachary & Frankie (Woodson) and also to our Dojo winners Tillie & Harley (Harrison) Sophia & Eric (Woodson)



Year 4



Year 4 has been thoroughly inspired to take part in some abstract artwork this week. The children responded to some audio to create some unique pieces. They had a very exciting trip to the Sea Life Centre on Tuesday. The children departed Parkland on Tuesday morning and learned lots and lots about the wonders of the ocean. All the children had a wonderful time and really enjoyed their big day out! Congratulations also for putting on a fantastic show. Your performance was absolutely wonderful and your singing was simply outstanding. The costumes that you all wore looked phenomenal. Thank you to all of our super parents and carers for their support in producing the show.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Ciaran & Olivia-May (Blackman) Zachary (Walliams) and also to our Dojo winners - Stephan & Danielle (Blackman) Henry and Alex (Walliams)

Year 5



We have had a very busy two weeks in Year 5! We have been preparing to write our Journalistic Articles and to do so we needed to include modal verbs. We played battleships and if one of our boats sunk, we had to come up with our own sentence using modal verbs which we could include in our writing. Such fun!

A big thank you to FOPs - We thoroughly enjoyed the circus experience. We are now experts in spinning plates and juggling now! The children really enjoyed the challenge and showed great resilience learning new skills.



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Sam and Lucas (Wilson) and Bobby and Kayden (Zephaniah) and also to our Dojo winners Jason and Shasmeen (Wilson) and Jesse and Tommy (Zephaniah)

Year 6



Year 6 have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a variety of activities this week. The week started with a trip to the Sovereign Centre and a dip in the pool! You would be impressed by how many children can now swim the required distance confidently and skillfully.

On Tuesday, the children helped with setting up for the circus and school fair and on Wednesday morning they had great fun learning new circus skills. These included juggling and plate spinning and the climax was a knife throwing finale involving a very special participant who was not expecting such a surprise on his birthday!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Chloe (Mian) and Grayson (Rosen) and also to our Dojo winners - Summer (Mian) and Annabelle (Rosen)

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) 94%	Kerr Class (YR) 94%	Shireen Class (Y1) 91%
Donaldson Class (Y1) 94%	Santat Class (Y2) 94%	Beaty Class (Y2) 94%
Harrison Class (Y3) 95 %	Woodson Class (Y3) 94%	Walliams Class (Y4) 92%
Blackman Class (Y4) 94%	Zephaniah Class (Y5) 92%	Wilson Class (Y5) 93%
Mian Class (Y6) 95%	Rosen Class (Y6) 93%	The Highest Attendance Award goes to Harrison and Mian class! Well done!

Llama Birthday Update

It was lovely to have our llamas, Star and Luna, out for a meet and greet last week in celebration of their second birthdays. They were thoroughly spoilt! A very special thank you to Annabelle of <https://www.facebook.com/AnnaBakes/> for the beautiful birthday cake. Star and Luna were hugely impressed, as were the school staff! It tasted absolutely delicious! We also had a visit from the local paper who visited the schools to see how the llamas support pupil and staff wellbeing:

<https://www.sussexexpress.co.uk/education/pictures-animal-therapy-with-llamas-in-hampden-park-3709820>

Congratulations to our raffle prize winners - Lilly and Kian. We really hope you enjoy your prizes.



Sportsperson of the Term

Congratulations to Kai from the Junior School and Ava from the Infant School. Kai and Ava have shown great commitment, dedication and hard work during this term's PE sessions. Congratulations to you both for radiating resilience, agility, empathy, cooperation and the ability to communicate clearly. You are fabulous role models!



Science Scholars of the Term

Well done to Shasmeen from 5 Wilson for her work in science. She has shown a particular interest in life cycles recently. Bravo, Shasmeen.

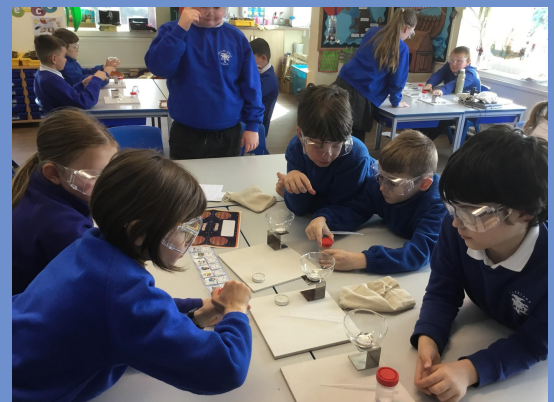
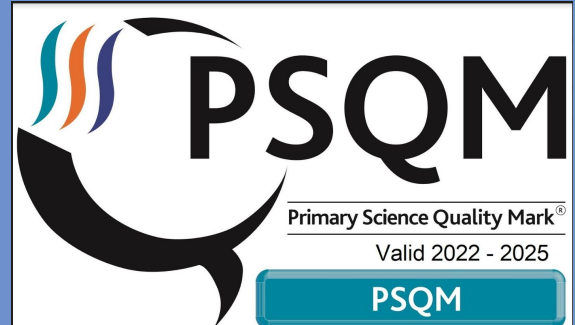


Well done also to Alfie from Inkpen class for being so confident and caring with the reception chicks and for asking lots of fantastic questions on the trip to the farm! We love how curious you are!



Primary Science Quality Mark

Hot on the heels of our Wellbeing Award, we are absolutely delighted to announce that The Parkland Federation has been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark. The reviewer reported that the pupils at our school are benefitting from a wonderful range of activities and strategies. It is evident that children and staff are confident in working scientifically and developing subject knowledge. What a team!



Our Jubilee Lunch



What a wonderful time we had today with our Special Jubilee Lunch! The children loved having a red, white and blue themed picnic with their friends on the field and waved their flags while they sang along to some retro music. A massive thank you once again to the **incredible** FOPS Team for organising it. The children were all in agreement that it was one of the best days ever!

Year 4 Tennis Festival

Year 4 competed fantastically well at the Hampden Park Tennis Festival this week! The children were an absolute credit to the school and demonstrated skill, sportsmanship and all the school values. Competing against ten other schools, the children finished in an incredibly impressive second place! Congratulations to all of the children who were an absolute delight to take to the festival. You have done your school proud - we may even see you at Wimbledon one day!



SCHOOL COUNCIL



School Council Update

The '**Citizen of the Fortnight**' at the Junior School is Noah in 4 Blackman class for his amazing initiative and ideas to improve the playground for all children! Well Done, Noah! We are so proud of you.

The '**Citizen of the Fortnight**' at the Infant School is Alex in Donaldson for always being a kind friend during lunchtimes. We are lucky to have you, Alex!



Eco Committee Update

Our **Eco tip** this fortnight is to **reduce** the amount of **single use plastics** that we use in our homes and in our lunchboxes. We are developing links with **Plastic Free Eastbourne** and want to look at cutting down plastic within school as well as encouraging others to do so in their own homes. Together we can make a difference!

We are very excited to share our recent visit from the Herald yesterday! They came to meet our fabulous llamas and speak to some of the members from our Eco Committee about the wonderful things that we have been doing in our school towards our Green Flag. You can read the article for yourselves using the link below:

<https://www.sussexexpress.co.uk/education/eastbourne-primary-school-explores-animal-therapy-with-llamas-and-chickens-3709847>



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YOUR VIEWS MATTER

At Parkland we are really keen to hear your views and opinions on how we can improve the support we offer.

Therefore, we have arranged an informal `Drop in ` Coffee Morning on Tuesday 7th June at 9am for all parents from EYFS to Year 6

Come and have a free coffee and cake whilst having an informal chat with our wonderful pastoral team.

To book your place, [click here for the free parents coffee morning](#) - or just turn up on the day!



Personal items in school

Please can we remind parents and carers that personal items should not be brought into school. This includes games or toys, including Teddies and other soft toys. We have had an increase in this recently and several have been lost or misplaced causing additional work for staff. If you have any questions about this, please do speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you in advance for your support.



thank you!

Uniform

Don't forget to ensure that your child attends school in school uniform. The link can be found here: [Website - Uniform Link](#)

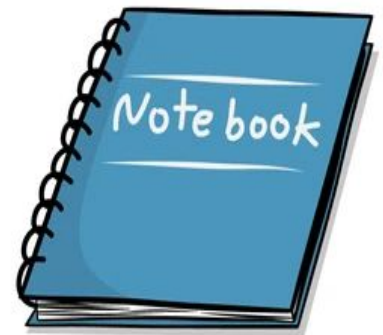
Please remember that children should not wear any jewellery other than stud earrings. Bracelets, rings and necklaces etc are not permitted for health and safety reasons. We would really appreciate your support with this.



Important Dates and INFORMATION

Diary Dates

27th May 2022	Final day of Term 5
6th June 2022	First day of Term 6
7th June 2022	Drop in parent and carer coffee morning in The Dahl Studios - come and share your views on how to improve our Pastoral Provision.
15th - 17th June 2022	Year 6 Residential Trip
1st July 2022	Colour Run - details will be coming out soon
8th July 2022	Year 6 Prom
20th July 2022	Last day of Term 6 for pupils



thank you!



PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY



We are looking to recruit a **Parent Governor** who has a specific focus on The Parkland Federation. As a governor you will be able to raise questions and take part in discussion and decision making, working as part of a team to support the school. If you are interested in applying for the role or would like to know more, please call in to the Office to pick up an Application Pack. The closing date for applications is **Friday, 10th June 2022**.

We look forward to hearing from you.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about CROSS-PLATFORM SHARING OF INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Creepy characters like Slender Man or Huggy Wuggy. Dangerous online challenges. Songs or videos that aren't suitable for youngsters. When things like these begin trending online, it can be difficult to prevent children accidentally stumbling across them – especially if they use a range of platforms, like online games, social media, streaming sites or messaging apps. A trend can originate in one online space and rapidly spread to other platforms or via chat apps. The frightening Huggy Wuggy character, for instance, first emerged as part of a game on Steam; now there are parody songs on TikTok, videos on YouTube and more than 45,000 results for #huggywuggy on Instagram.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

UNSUITABLE VIDEOS AND IMAGES

Anyone can upload footage to a video-sharing platform, which has resulted in clips that appear age-appropriate but actually aren't so innocent. The audience for Peppa Pig, for instance, is very young – but there have been reports of Peppa cartoons with extreme violence spliced into them. Likewise, footage of the razor-toothed game character Huggy Wuggy has been inserted into numerous child-friendly videos (even on YouTube Kids), scaring many young viewers.

INAPPROPRIATE LANGUAGE

On a similar theme, there is always the possibility that user-uploaded video content could include language which really isn't suitable for children. The on-screen imagery may look child-friendly, but if your child is wearing headphones, then you'll remain unaware of what is being said: some videos have featured songs containing explicit language or characters graphically describing violence.

COPIES OF LIVE STREAMS

Social media and messaging apps can inadvertently spread extremely harmful content very quickly. Footage of violent attacks (such as the recent Buffalo supermarket shootings) can often be viewed on multiple platforms as people start to share the video. Moderators try to react swiftly to remove upsetting content, but the rate at which it goes viral makes it difficult to prevent the spread completely.

ACCIDENTAL EXPOSURE

Even if your child doesn't have access to social media platforms or video-streaming platforms (where the majority of issues arise), they might still use messaging apps to communicate with family and friends. There is always going to be a risk, therefore, of them seeing something which isn't child-friendly; either shared by one of their peers or sent accidentally by a relative.

Advice for Parents & Carers

USE SAFETY FEATURES

Enable safety settings like Google SafeSearch and the optional restrictions on video-sharing platforms like YouTube. Whenever possible, stick to YouTube Kids for young children, as the software will help to filter out unsuitable content. Remember that filters aren't always enough to block all inappropriate material – especially when child-friendly videos have been edited maliciously.

LESS IS BEST

Manage the number of online platforms your child has access to, based on their age and maturity. Just because their friends use a certain game or app, it doesn't mean your child must have it too. Follow the age guidelines for games and apps, and check regularly that privacy settings are in place.

KEEP IT COMMUNAL

Encourage your child to stay in a communal family space when they're watching videos or playing online games on their devices – without headphones, if possible. This will make it far easier for you to keep one eye (and ear) on what they are seeing and hearing while they're online.

AVOID FAN-MADE CONTENT

If your child watches cartoons and shows on YouTube, spend time with them making a playlist of videos that you're comfortable with them watching. Always source videos from official channels, as opposed to fan-made content: you can never be completely confident about material that another user has created or uploaded.

REACT CALMLY

If you hear or see anything unsuitable on your child's device, calmly ask them to turn off the game or video in question. Explain that they haven't done anything wrong, but that you didn't like what you saw or heard and you would much rather they watched or played something else instead.

SUPPORT AND REASSURE

Remind your child regularly that *anyone* can post *anything* online – and that not everything online is real. If your child is sent something that scares or worries them, ask them to show you. Watch it alone (to avoid unnerving them further), then praise them for coming to you and talk about what upset them. Recommend a break from their device to do something which helps them feel calm and happy.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at BCyberAware, who has developed anti-bullying and cyber-safety workshops and policies for schools in Australia and the UK. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government, comparing the internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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