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The Parkland Press!



Parkland Infant & Junior Schools' Newsletter
Also available on our websites
Swale Academies Trust



Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to Parkland. We are thrilled to be back as a whole school community and have been incredibly impressed with how well the children have settled in to their new classes. We are particularly impressed with Year 3 and our wonderful new Reception children who have taken everything in their stride, despite not having the usual physical



transition to a new school. What resilience and determination they have shown! A huge thank you for your support with home learning and with ensuring the children were prepared for school.

As you know, our school routines have all been adapted in light of the pandemic so that we can maximise the safety of our pupils and staff within school. We now need to focus on ensuring that we have as much social distancing outside the school gates as possible. We are sure that you have seen the Government's new 'Rule of Six' campaign and the focus on HANDS \rightarrow FACE \rightarrow SPACE. Please ensure that the Space element of this is adhered to on your way to and from school. We have been made aware of some schools who have had to close Year Group Bubbles for periods of isolation and we are keen to protect our Parkland families as much as possible so that we can continue to teach the children in school. Please support us in doing this by following these rules whilst waiting to drop your children off in the morning and pick them up at the end of the day.

ARRIVING IN THE MORNING

- ★ Only arrive during the 5 minute slot for your child to enter the school in the morning. Please DO NOT arrive earlier than this allocated time. There should be NO waiting before your allocated time slot.
- ★ Please wait on the left hand side of the gate in a socially distanced line. We will shortly be placing markers on the pavement so that you know where to stand.
- ★ Please ensure the entrance and exit to the twitten is clear at all times. Please do not wait here as it is a thoroughfare.

- ★ Please do not gather in the road or directly in front of the gates. Our neighbours have raised this as a health and safety concern as they can not safely maneuver their vehicles.
- ★ When it is your time to come in through the gates, please do so in single file and remain socially distanced from the family in front.
- ★ We ask that only **one adult** from a family should attend in order to minimise the amount of people outside.
- ★ You may wish to wear a face mask to minimise the potential spread of COVID-19.

COLLECTION AT THE END OF THE DAY

- ★ Only arrive during the 5 minute slot for your child to be collected. Please DO NOT arrive earlier than this allocated time. There should be NO waiting before your allocated time slot.
- ★ Please wait on the left hand side of the gate in a socially distanced line. We will shortly be placing markers on the pavement so that you know where to stand.
- ★ Teachers will dismiss the children to the adults in the order that adults are lined up in.
- ★ If you have more than one child to collect, please do not wait outside the gates. Whilst we appreciate this may be inconvenient, please walk away from the entrance to allow teachers to safely dismiss the children.
- ★ Please ensure the entrance and exit to the twitten is clear at all times. Please do not wait here as it is a thoroughfare.
- ★ Please do not gather in the road or directly in front of the gates. Our neighbours have raised this as a health and safety concern as they can not safely maneuver their vehicles. Please be mindful of staff and residents at Firwood House as safe access is required at all times.
- ★ Once you have collected your child/children, please leave the site swiftly.

Your cooperation with the above would be very much appreciated and will support us to minimise the potential spread of COVID-19 to our school community. This will allow us to keep the school open for as many pupils as we possibly can. Whilst we have been blessed with some wonderfully warm weather to start the term, please do ensure you are prepared with wet weather clothing and umbrellas ready for the Autumn weather! Thank you in advance for your support in keeping everyone safe.

GUIDANCE FOR IF YOU OR YOUR CHILD HAS SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

The Government has recently released some updated guidance on what families should do if a member of the household is showing symptoms of COVID-19. Please click on the following link so that you are aware of the most up to date regulations. If your child is isolating, work will be set by the class teacher using Google Classroom. This should be completed unless your child feels unwell.

https://parklandjunior.theparklandfederation.org/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-or-confirmed-coronavirus-covid-19-infection/

Please do keep an eye on the website for all the latest guidance.

You should only require a COVID-19 test if your child has a temperature, a persistent cough or loss of taste and smell. A test is not required unless one of these symptoms is displayed. If you do need to seek a test, please take a look at the information below, found on the Gov.uk website:

https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

SURVEY REGARDING ACCESS TO HOME LEARNING

Please complete our survey regarding access to Google Classroom so that we can ensure we support your child in the correct way should they need to isolate at any point.

AMAZING NEW TRIM TRAIL AT PARKLAND JUNIOR SCHOOL

A MASSIVE thank you to the wonderful FOPS Team who arranged for the Junior Playground to have a Trim Trail installed. The cost of this project came from funding raised by the team and supported by you during events such as Fireworks Night, School Discos and Christmas Card sales. The Year 6 children have been very busy trying it out this week - and loving every second! The Trail will now be on a rota system weekly to ensure it is used within guidelines for preventing the spread of COVID-19.





ONLINE SAFETY

If you have any safeguarding concerns about online safety while your child is online, please report this by either using the link on our school website or by emailing the school office.

BEAT THE STREET

Beat the Street is a real life walking, cycling and running game for the whole community, which runs from **Wednesday 16th September 2020 to Wednesday 4th November 2020**. There are Beat Boxes all over Eastbourne ready for you to join in. Simply swipe your green fob or your card at any of the contactless boxes to earn points for our schools. As always, points mean prizes! For more information, to create your account or to see the Beat the Street map, visit https://www.beatthestreet.me/eastbourne/. Let's get moving!



Please note that the Beat the Street Box previously located outside the Parkfield Avenue gate has now been moved to support our social distance protocol outside of school.

WELCOME TO MAKATON SIGN OF THE WEEK

Each week, we will be bringing you a 'Makaton Sign of the Week'. Makaton uses signs and symbols to help people communicate. It supports the development of essential communication skills such as attention and listening, comprehension, memory, recall and organisation of language

and expression. In school, we use a lot of Makaton when we sing and when we talk to one another. In order to keep promoting and using Makaton, we will include a Makaton Sign of the Week for the children (and adults!) to learn and use. The lovely Mrs Deaves will model it for you.

This week's sign is help.

Put your dominant hand (writing hand) into a clenched fist and sit it on your non dominant flat hand.

This sign can be positional, which means you can place your hands in different places depending on who needs help. To show **help me**, bring your hands towards yourself. To show **help you**, move your hands in the direction of the person you want to help.







PE IN SCHOOL

As you know, children should now wear their PE kit to school on the days each week that they have PE. We have added a reminder of the days for each year group below.

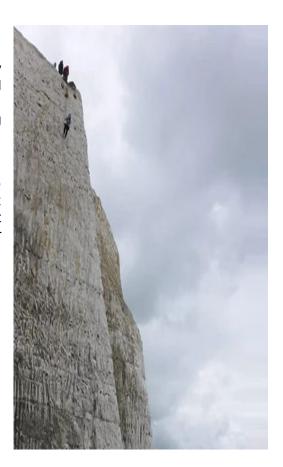
Year Group	PE Days (Please come to school wearing PE kit on these days)
Reception	Every Tuesday
Year 1	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 2	Monday and Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday and Thursday
Year 4	Monday and Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday and Wednesday
Year 6	Wednesday and Friday

ANYTHING FOR CHARITY!

Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No - it's Miss Timms! Later this month, Miss Timms is abseiling off the Peacehaven cliffs to raise money for Raystede animal shelter. The cliffs are 164ft high. that's as tall as 18 infant schools!. Some of you may know Raystede. It's an animal rescue centre here in East Sussex and they do a smashing job at nursing animals back to health as well as rehabilitation and rehoming. They can only keep running with our help...

If you would like to make a donation, please scan this QR code to take you straight to The Just Giving page that Miss Timms has set up. Or, if you would like to make a cash donation, please bring it into school in a sealed envelope and hand it straight to your teachers. Thank you so much for your support.





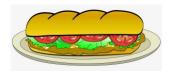
CHANGE TO OFFICE EMAIL



Please note our office email address has changed to: pkf-office@swale.at There is also an email change for the on site Nursery, Jumping Beans: jumpingbeanseastbourne@gmail.com

CHANGE TO SCHOOL MEAL PRICES

Please be aware that the cost of a school meal has increased slightly to £2.25. We understand that a few parents experienced a small charge on their parentpay account in the first week, but Pabulum have assured us that they have rectified the problem and have refunded where necessary. If this is not the case, then obviously please let the Office staff know and they will ask Pabulum to investigate for you.



PRIORITY

RETURN OF IMPORTANT FORMS (EYFS, YEAR 3 AND NEW STARTERS)

Please make sure you have completed and returned your Home School Agreement, Photo Consent, Acceptable use Agreement to the office as these are required for entering onto our digital student record system. We particularly need your photo consent form as this indicates whether your child can be included in future newsletters and displays and be photographed by our school photographer. If you require a fresh set of forms, please let the office know.

EYFS LEARNING

WOW! We've been **so impressed** with our new reception this week! It has been our first full week and the children have settled in beautifully. We are so lucky to have you here with us at Parkland and we can already tell - we are going to have an incredible year ahead of us! This week we have had lots of fun exploring our indoor and outdoor environments, getting to know new friends and learning all about our Rainbow Rules. Well done Kerr and Inkpen on an excellent week!





Welcome to all of our wonderful new families!

YEAR 1 LEARNING

We are so proud of how our new Year 1s have settled into their new classes! We have spent some time getting to know our new environment and recapping some of the learning from EYFS. Miss Jewell and Mrs Blakiston have been blown away by all of the hard work that has taken place over the past few weeks. Well done Year 1!



YEAR 2 LEARNING

The children in Year 2 have impressed us with how well they have settled back into school! We have been working on improving our basic skills such as using scissors, following instructions and our understanding of maths. As the weather has been glorious, we have made use of our fabulous outside areas and have had learning sessions on the field and the playground. The children have all enjoyed reading stories together as a class and using the stories to help us understand the way we feel.



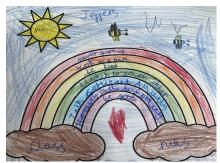






YEAR 3 LEARNING

What a busy start to Year 3 we have had! We have made some fabulous letters to our future selves for us to read once we come to the end of the year. We also created a class charter to make sure we are working as a team! Just like Year 2, we have spent time thinking about emotions and created our own emotion Monsters using different coloured tissue paper. We also made a Maths About Me where we were able to see how Maths follows us everywhere we go!

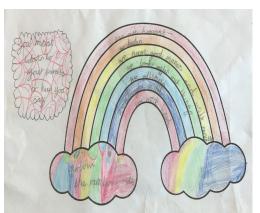








YEAR 4 LEARNING













Year 4 has been hard at work over the first couple of weeks. We have been learning all about our class author and have been immersing ourselves in a variety of texts. During these unprecedented times, we have been learning all about the Rainbow Rules and why these are important and how we can remain safe. We have also been reflecting upon what makes us all special and unique, talking about the

qualities each individual person has. We have such a wonderful year coming up, and we all wrote about what we are looking forward to in the forthcoming academic year. Thank you, Year 4, for a thoroughly enjoyable first couple of weeks - we hope you have enjoyed it too!

YEAR 5 LEARNING





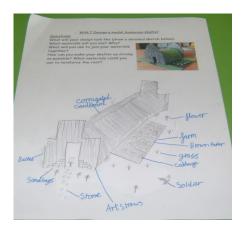
Wow! What a super new Year 5 we have. We have found out so much about our class authors - CS Lewis and Benjamin Zephaniah. When exploring rights and responsibilities, we created our class charters. In such strange times, it was important to spend time reflecting on important emotions that bring our community together. Our gratitude tree reflects some of these discussions. Our stunning start is when we launched our new topic, "One Giant Leap" great fun was had naming our Year 5 rocket and exploring the training requirements of astronauts.

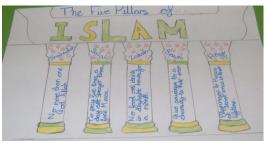
YEAR 6 LEARNING

Year 6 has made a super start to the new year, showing a fabulous attitude to learning and true creativity. They have discussed roles and responsibilities and the rights of the child. They have also started their WWII topic by designing their own Anderson shelters and looking at where WWII fits into World history.













YEAR 6 PUPILS APPLYING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL



We are aware this is an important time for our Year 6 pupils, who will be applying for their Year 7 place. Your child will have brought home a leaflet setting out the process. The deadline for applications is **31st October 2020** so please make sure you meet this deadline and submit your online application indicating your three preferences.



You will find schools in Eastbourne are offering virtual tours of their schools.

The Eastbourne Academy and Causeway School will also be visiting the children in school during the next two weeks to explain and discuss all about what these schools have to offer.

NEW TO RECEPTION AND YEAR 3 2021

We understand that Information about Reception 2021 Intake will be available from October/ November 2020. Although we are unable to offer our usual tours of Parkland Infant and Parkland Junior School this year due to current COVID-19 Safety measures, we will be preparing Virtual Tours that will be posted on our website. Watch this space...



MUSIC LESSONS



Did you know that you can have music lessons in school, at home or online? Since joining forces with Brighton & Hove Music & Arts and East Sussex Music, we are now the biggest music service in the county teaching over 4,000 children.

We are on a mission to bring the magic of music into every home and school in the county because we know learning music helps young people to unlock imagination, lifts spirits and improves literacy, numeracy and listening skills. With our expert music teachers, your child will learn to harness the magical power of music to boost their confidence and creative skills for life.

Here's what you get in a captivating musical experience with us:

- We teach over 4,000 children each week, this makes us the biggest musical teaching service in the area and our teachers are experts!
- We offer the most competitive rates and funding is available for families on low income. With over 20 instruments* to choose from, we have so much choice.
- Lessons are fun children love to learn music with friends.
- Our teachers nurturing your children with feedback and guidance given at every step.
- We are flexible with options to learn at school or at home online, or both!
- We offer opportunities for your children to play in orchestras and join bands at our music centres and projects throughout the year.

Plus this year we are offering; 50% instrument hire / free interactive demo lesson

Register your interest today!

Click <u>here</u> for East Sussex

HOME READING



We are very keen for children to still have the opportunity to enjoy texts from school. However, it will be a little different.

Your child should bring home at least 2 books each week:

- A scheme book, (if you feel your child's colour band does not quite match, please email your class teacher. We will be **very** short of scheme books, as all books need to go in a "quarantine box" when they return If there are not enough scheme books, your child will choose another book from the class library)
 - A book chosen from the class library.

Teachers will also load some texts on Google Classroom regularly for the children to enjoy at home. If the child does not have access to Google Classroom, this will be photocopied for them to take home.

Please continue to complete the home reading diary (reading journal). Teachers will no longer be able to write in the reading diaries but your children will show it to them so that the weekly reading score can be taken.

We will update you on reading rewards in a future newsletter. However, just to remind you, rewards will be given for the following total number of reads:

25, 50, 100, 150, 200, 250, 280

AWARDS OF THE WEEK AT PARKLAND INFANT SCHOOL

Congratulations to the following pupils

Class	Star of the Week and reason	Dojo Winner
Inkpen	All of Inkpen Class - For settling so beautifully into their first week of school! You have all been wonderful, we are so proud of you!	Thomas - For following all the Rainbow Rules and for being such a kind, caring friend.
Kerr	All of Kerr Class - For settling into Kerr class so well this week! You have all been amazing and followed our school rules beautifully. Happy weekend!	Clara - For working hard with her phonics and numbers this week! I was blown away with Clara's reading.
Shireen	Anabell - For settling really quickly into Parkland Infants! You have been a superstar settling in to the new routines and following our Rainbow Rules. Maddox - For a super start to Year 1 and always having a go at all the	Katie - is always ready to learn and a very polite little girl! Joe - For always trying his best and working hard.
Donaldson	learning activities. Sienna - For settling into Year 1 so well	Freya - for being so helpful and

	and for working so hard!	kind
	Louis - For always being such a ray of sunshine and for working his socks off!	Skye - for being a fantastic role model
Santat	Lilliana - For showing real resilience throughout all our assessments trying her hardest.	Mason- For always having a smile on his face and working hard. Lucy - For trying her best and
	Ruby - For being not only unbelievably kind but thoughtful and helpful as well.	making the right choices.
Dahl	Kian - For settling into Year 2 so well and being a good role model.	Reggie - For trying his best and working hard.
	Oti - For following all of the Rainbow Rules without fuss and working incredibly hard!	Keira - For being kind and helpful.

AWARDS OF THE WEEK AT PARKLAND JUNIOR SCHOOL

Class	Star of the Week and reason	Dojo Winner
Angelou	Alyssa - For showing determination in the assessments and trying her hardest.	Susie - For being friendly to others and taking extra care with her work.
	Beth - For being a smiley and positive role model in class and also determination in assessments.	Ethan - For being super helpful and always having a smile on his face.
Jeffers	Hollie - For being a ray of sunshine everyday and being so positive!	Alex M - for working hard and trying his best
	Lauren - For following the Rainbow Rules and being role model to the rest of the class	Mollie - for always being kind and listening at all times.
Walliams	Carlton - for such a fantastic attitude to learning!	Oscar - always polite and kind to everyone he meets.
	Elsie - for working so hard and always being polite to others.	Edward - an extremely hard worker!
Blackman	Bridie - For being an amazing role model!	Summer - for her sensible attitude
	Jay - For being a cheerful and kind member of our class!	River - For continually working hard this week

Lewis	Dexter - For working so hard and keeping focused at all times.	Gracie - An amazing start to Year 5!
Zephaniah	Jasmine M - Such a super, hard working attitude in all areas of the curriculum.	Zara - fabulous following of all the Rainbow Rules
	Erin - a conscientious attitude - all day, every day	Lottie - earning so many dojos - wow!
Mian	Owen P - For his amazing code cracking skills.	Harry P - Always following the Rainbow rules
	Abbie F - for her amazing timeline and fabulous artwork!	Revathi A - For showing amazing perseverance even when something goes wrong!
Rosen	All of Rosen Class - For a great start to Year 6.	Chloe - A super effort in all lessons.

PARKLAND WELCOME ALBION IN THE COMMUNITY



Our P.E provision in school is now supported by Albion in the Community.

We are really excited about this and the children have thoroughly enjoyed their lessons so far.

We hope to get some football clubs up and running in the next few weeks and these will be run by our new coaches, in year group bubbles. Watch this space!

In the meantime, please see the flyer if you are interested in football coaching outside of school.



A BY STAYING ALERT



WE CAN CONTROL THE VIRUS

STAY ALERT CONTROL THE VIRUS SAVE LIVES



Community Development

Willingdon Trees Community Volunteers



Coronavirus Help Point

Are you self-isolating and need help?













ARRANGING DELIVERIES

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Our team of volunteers are here to support you!

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Text: 07796869347 or 07920526216

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