



PARK ROAD

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



WEEKLY UPDATE

13
December
2024



Next Week in School at a Glance

| Monday 16 | Tuesday 17 | Wednesday 18 | Thursday 19 | Friday 20 |
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| * Lunch Menu week 1 * Festive Forest School Day Reception/Year 1 | * Christmas Dinner/ Christmas Jumper Day | * 2.15 pm KS2 Performance - tickets needed for entry * 6.00 pm KS2 Performance - tickets needed for entry | * | * 2.00 pm School closes for Christmas holidays |

Persevere, Respect, Collaborate

Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

This week has been filled with festivities around school. We all enjoyed Reception and Key Stage 1's performance as a school, and of course I got to enjoy it two more times with parents/carers. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us. As I'm sure you will agree, the children were amazing and certainly provided a lot of joy!

Key stage 2 are working hard on their performance as I'm sure for those families attending you will have just as much of a delight. For the afternoon performance, the Key Stage 1 gate will open at 2:00 pm for families, where you will need to present your ticket. As we have explained before, we are limited with capacity to ensure we meet fire regulations and therefore it is essential you have your ticket with you for you to be admitted to the show. The same system will be in place for the evening performance, with gates opening at 5:45 pm for a 6.00 pm show. Teachers will contact you about drop off arrangements for the children returning to school in the evening.

Today (and on Monday coming for our Reception and Year 1 children), the school have enjoyed a Festive Forest School session. Thank you to Miss Taylor, Mrs Preston and Miss Pick who organised an excellent session for all of the children. Children enjoyed a campfire, toasted marshmallows and hot chocolate along with craft sessions and games. Since starting our forest school again, funded by the PFA, we have had many classes enjoying outdoor learning, which will continue in the new year. It's a great addition to our school, and something we couldn't have resourced as well as we have without the PFA.

Finally next week we have Christmas Dinner Day on Tuesday, when children can wear Christmas jumpers/clothes, or festive outfits, we then have our party day on Friday. All children will enjoy party games and a disco during the day, before an early finish at 2.00 pm.

Have a lovely weekend, and I'll forward to seeing you all for the last week of Autumn term—where has the time gone!

Mrs Quigley

Picture News

The Picture News topic for next week is ...

'How can we show others we care?'



It is thought the number of cards sent this festive period will be lower than in previous years, as stamp prices have increased. The price of a first-class stamp rose by 30p in October, to £1.65. This rise (the fifth increase in less than three years) has also led to fears that the money reaching charities through card sales will be lower this year.

Shop bought cards first appeared nearly 200 years ago. Sending them to friends in November and December has been an annual ritual for many people in the UK and other parts of the world.

In 2023, Royal Mail estimated around 150 million Christmas cards were delivered by them.

Things to talk about at home:

- * Share your experience of giving and receiving cards and ask someone at home about theirs
- * Fewer cards are being sent each year, talk about why you think this is the case
- * What other ways can you think of to show loved ones that you care and are thinking of them?

KS2 Christmas Performances

The KS2 Christmas performances will be next week on Wednesday 18 December at 2.15 pm and at 6.00 pm.

For the Wednesday 2.15 pm performance, the KS1 gate will be opened at 2.00 pm to allow time for everyone to be seated by 2.15 pm - the gate will be locked promptly at this time.

For the Wednesday 6.00 pm performance, children should return to school via the office entrance between 5.15 - 5.30 pm. The KS1 gate will be opened at 5.45 pm to allow ticket holders time to be seated by 6.00 pm - the gate will be locked promptly at this time.

As there is restricted access to the performance, **please do arrive promptly as we may not be able to admit late arrivals.**

The tickets are numbered and **MUST** be presented to be admitted to the performance - it is not the number of chairs that matters, it is the number of people/children/babies and this is why anyone attending must have a ticket.

If you forget to bring your ticket with you, we will ask you to wait until everyone else has been admitted, so we can ensure there is capacity/a seat available for you.

Forest School Festive Fun

As mentioned by Mrs Quigley, there was lots of Festive Fun today, here are a few photographs for now and there will be more next week!



Choir's Trip to Ikea

Last night, Mr Wiebe, Miss Harding and Mrs Quigley had the pleasure of taking the choir to Ikea to perform as part of the Santa Lucia festival and feast. The choir led a procession around the store, singing Santa Lucia, followed by a concert with some of the songs they have been working on. The comments from the public were just lovely and all of the children were commended for their performance—and rightly so! They were amazing! All of the children were excellent representatives of school, singing beautifully, and a special mention to Phoebe who accompanied everyone on guitar!

Well done choir—I'm looking forward to the next concert we can arrange. The choir had a collection bucket, and managed to raise an impressive £64.41. This money will go towards our music provision in school—thank you choir for doing this.



Christmas Raffle



Chocolate house and sleigh, filled with sweets.



Tickets only £1



Tickets £1 each available via the classes or at the Christmas performances.

All proceeds will be added to the PFA funds and be used for the enrichment of the children.

Pantomime Fun

It was Pantomime time this time last week and everyone enjoyed a performance of Beauty and the Beast, brought to life by the visiting Chaplins Panto. Thank you to the PFA for arranging it for us, using funds raised throughout the year. Thanks to Carol and the school kitchen for their festive Panto Picnic for lunch.



Christmas Cheer

Christmas has fully arrived at Park Road! Our Happiness Heroes, HPL Ambassadors, Animal Welfare Ambassadors, Head Boy and Girl have decorated the tree in the hall, assisted by Mrs Robinson, and the stage was transformed ready for our Christmas performances!



Community Pages

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Where to find support over the Festive period

Childline
Open 24/7 for under-19s. Call **0800 1111** or chat online

Mind
Helplines are open during the day time Mon-Fri (except 25th-26th Dec & 1st Jan)
Call **0300 102 1234**

Samaritans
Open 24/7 for all ages. Call **116 123**

Shout
Text **SHOUT** to **85258** for support over text message.
Open 24/7 for all ages.

Kooth
Visit www.kooth.com

Happy? OK? Sad?
Visit www.warrington.gov.uk/happy-ok-sad



Trans Pennine Trail

Embark on a Winter Treasure Hunt, solve a word scramble, and test your knowledge with a fun quiz by following the link to the Trans Pennine Trail Kids Activity Pack. You'll be able to craft a hanging star decoration and make wildlife-friendly magic reindeer food to spread a little holiday magic. Plus, you'll be able to delight family and friends with a selection of Christmas cracker jokes guaranteed to bring a smile to the face.




<https://www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/welcome-to-our->



Christmas Edition
Kids Activity Pack

Packed full of family friendly fun activities and challenges for everyone!

Trans Pennine Trail
www.transpenninetrail.org.uk



Woolston Neighbourhood Hub
KS3 & GCSE English, maths & science
Monday 5-7pm

OUR OTHER CLASSES

- Lymm Rugby Club**
Monday & Tuesday: 3.45-5.45: Yr7 to GCSE
- Newton le Willows Cross Lane United Church**
Monday: 4.30-6.30: Yr7 to GCSE
- Grappenhall Ex-Servicemen's Club**
Wednesday: 4.30-6.30: Yr7 to GCSE
- Sandy Lane Community Centre Stockton Heath**
Wednesday 4.30-6.30
Thursday: 4.15-6.15: Yr7 to GCSE
- St Wilfrid's Parish Centre Grappenhall**
Wednesday: 4.30-6.30: Yr1 to Yr6

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2nd-3rd January 2025
9am-3pm
11am-3pm for FREE* funded sessions

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FREE PLACES*

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