



PARK ROAD

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY UPDATE



1
December
2023



Next Week in School at a Glance

Monday 4	Tuesday 5	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7	Friday 8	Saturday 9
<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Lunch Menu Week 3* 3.15 - 4.00 pm Disney Stars* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y1/2 Baking last one	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* 3.15-4.15 pm Y1,2,3 Performing Arts last one* 3.15-4.15 pm Y6 Crochet last one* 3.15 - 4.15 pm KS2 Boys Football last one* 3.15-4.15 pm Y1/2 Art last one	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* NO HOT DINNERS* School Christmas Pantomime* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Mixed Football last one	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Chicken Egg Raffle* NO clubs* 3.30 - 4.15 pm R disco* 4.30 - 5.30 pm Y1, 2, 3 disco* 5.45 - 6.45 pm Y4, 5, 6 Disco	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* 3.15 - 4.15 pm KS2 Girls Football last one	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* 12 - 4 pm PFA Christmas Fair

Current value/attribute: **Responsibility**

Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

This week, we are coming towards the end of our enrichment project, set by the PFA. The hall is beginning to be filled with Christmas trees with beautiful decorations. The creativity shown is clear to see—we have lovely sparkling stars, reindeers, angels and even some nutcracker soldiers! The children will be finishing this project in time for the Christmas fair and offering them for sale. The Christmas fair has many wonderful stalls and activities available, so please note the date in your diary and come and pay a visit if you can.

Next week, we also have our pantomime visit organised and funded by the PFA. The events they hold throughout the year allow them to offer these visits, as well as the wonderful work they do in our outdoor area. On this day, Carol will be offering a special panto themed lunch, as the hall will be needed for set up over lunch.

Finally, I have to share a little sad news with you all too. Over the last couple of weeks we have been investigating some fungi we have growing around the trees on the playground. Unfortunately, this has now been confirmed to be a fungi that attacks the roots of trees and as such we have been advised that the trees will need to be taken down. We are all so disappointed in school as we know that the trees are a wonderful feature of our playground and also have some lovely memories for families and children who have attended our school over the years. Sadly though, we must act in the interests of health and safety and the trees will be felled this weekend.

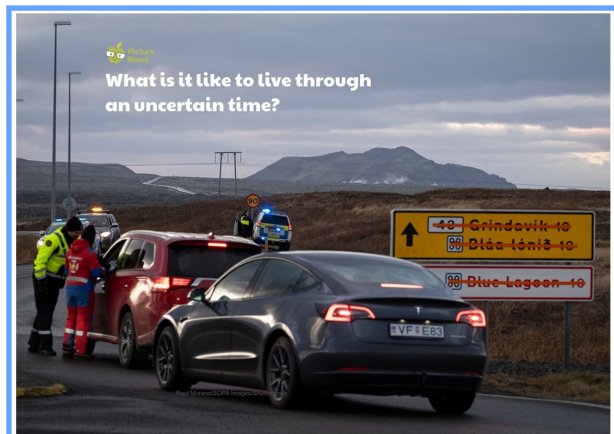
I'm sorry to end this week's newsletter with this news, but as always I wish you a lovely weekend and I will see you all next week. .

Mrs Quigley

Picture News

Next week's Picture News topic is

'What is it like to live through an uncertain time?'



Scientists monitoring a volcano in Iceland have said an eruption could happen. The Fagradalsfjall volcano previously erupted two years ago, in 2021—the first time in over 800 years. It is now thought that the volcano is the cause of a series of earthquakes, which started this October. An underground river of magma led to the evacuation of 4000 people from the town of Grindavik and Iceland has declared a state of emergency. People who live there have since been allowed to return just to collect belongings, with the likelihood of eruptions remaining high.

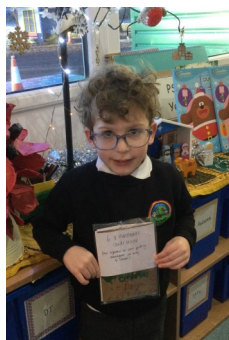
The Fagradalsfjall volcano in Iceland has been causing a series of earthquakes and an underground river of magma was discovered in October, leading Iceland to declare a state of emergency.

Things to talk about at home:

- * Share any prior knowledge you have about volcanoes
- * How do you imagine the people of Grindavik feel about having to leave their homes, not knowing when they will be able to go back.

Cards for Hospital

Archie in Reception brought in some cards today for Mrs Wilkinson to give to her sister, who is a nurse, so she can pass them on to patients in hospital over the Christmas period. Year 2 have also made cards, which will be delivered to hospital over the next couple of weeks. Thanks Archie and Year 2!



Hot Chocolate and Cake

Well done to the following children chosen this week:

Reception	Freddie T
Year 1	Carter C
Year 2	Ethan B
Year 3	Adam Y
Year 4	Danielle M
Year 5	Daisy J
Year 6	Martha P

Panto Picnic Lunch

On Wednesday 6 December, as Mrs Quigley mentioned, the hall will be needed over lunch to set up for the Pantomime so there will be no hot dinners on offer. There will, however, be a Panto Picnic Lunch for the children to have in their classrooms. This will comprise a sandwich, sausage roll, chicken goujon, tangerine, festive biscuit and a drink.

Our Remembrance Garden

Year 2 and the Year 4 Gardening Club have been working hard with Mrs Wilkinson to create a lovely Remembrance Garden. We hope you will stop to have a look at our raised garden - it has a new home



outside Year 2. Over the last term, Year 2 have been learning about Remembrance Day in class and have visited St Mary's War Memorial to lay their own poppy wreath.



Fantastic Gymnastics

Congratulations to Abi W in Year 6, who competed in a gymnastic competition last weekend. She won her first gold medal in gymnastics and was so pleased that she cried.



Congratulations also to Emily B in Year 4, who competed in a competition last weekend at Penketh Gymnastics Club. She took part in the vault and floor categories and absolutely loved performing. She loves the new medal she has added to her collection.



Well done to both girls for your amazing results.



Parents, Friends
Association

Christmas Disco The disco wristbands will be sent out early next week, please ask your children to take care of them as there will be no replacements and they MUST be worn to enter the disco. It is on Thursday 7 December after school and there is no option to pay for entry on the day.

Reception Mini Disco* 3:30-4:15 pm (no wristbands issued, list held on door)
Y1,2,3 Midi Disco 4:30-5:30 pm
Y4,5,6 Disco 5:45-6:45 pm

* parents are welcome to stay for the disco and the children can get changed in their classroom and brought through to the disco straight after school



Christmas Pantomime Treat

To start off our week of Christmas events, we have organised and funded a Pantomime for all of the children in school on Wednesday afternoon.

Christmas Fair - Saturday 9 December

Don't forget to keep Saturday 9 December 12 - 4 pm clear in your diaries so that you can come along and join in the fun at school for our Christmas Fair. There are lots of stalls and fun things to do, the choir will be singing and, of course Mr and Mrs Claus will be visiting. The last few slots to see Mr and Mrs Claus are available and if you've not already booked, please do so asap to avoid disappointment on the day. We hope you will be able to join us!

Christmas Float

Lastly, the PFA have secured a street collectors permit with Warrington Council and will be looking at plans to make a Christmas float possibly with the Grinch, Santa and other festive characters to take round the streets. Our licensed dates are 19 and 20 December. If anyone would like to come and walk with us and possibly help us collect, please let us know. Once we have a plan in place we will announce our routes

On behalf of the PFA, I'd like to thank everyone for their support so far and truly hope everyone enjoys the events we have lined up.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kelly
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Join us this Christmas!



St Mary's Church Christmas Services



Thursday 14th December

Church Warrington

Carol Service, HJ Stadium, 7.00 pm.

Sunday 17th December

Nativity, 10 am. Carol Service, 6.30 pm.

Christmas Eve Sunday 24th December

Christingles, 3.30 & 5.30 pm.

First Communion of Christmas, 11.30 pm.

Christmas Day Monday 25th December

All Age Communion, 10.00 am.

Sunday 31st December

Team Communion Service, 10.00 am.

St Mary's Church, Liverpool Road, Great Sankey, WA5 1RE