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# Current value/attribute: Concern for Society

Mixed Football

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y4 Gardening Club Hockey

Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

How quickly has this half term passed? It feels like just a moment ago we were starting the new school year, and now 8 weeks have flown by. As we reach the holidays, I have been thinking about all the lovely things that have been taking place in school, and how much myself and the team have enjoyed being back for the new year. I must say thank you to you all for all of your support this term; I really do feel so lucky to be part of our wonderful community and have enjoyed every moment so far as Park Road's Headteacher.

This half term we have enjoyed a science day, supported by Menna from LJMU, the elections of teams and school representatives, a fantastic harvest assembly led by the Innov8 team and Jeremy from St Mary's, a new playground being installed along with a wonderful sensory garden along with the KS2 Crinkle Crag adventure equipment, Chingo organised by our amazing PFA and obviously lots of wonderful lessons, including everyone learning how to make a scarecrow for our PFA festival!

Today Mr Finch has put all of the scarecrows in place on the front lawn—and they look brilliant! Over the holidays, Miss Harding and I (along with Charlie the dog) will be completing the trail. Please do send us photos via Seesaw or social media if you take part; we would love to see you. Our Twitter/X handle is @ParkRoadPrimary.



Football

Have a wonderful half term break, stay safe, and we will look forward to seeing you for the second half of the Autumn term.

Mrs Quígley

HPL meeting

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm KS2

Boys Football

#### Parent Forum Feedback.

As I mentioned a few week's back, the Parent Forum for this year met and shared some feedback around things that are working particularly well in classes and things that could be points for discussion.

Therefore, I thought it would be useful to share updates linked to this as we reach the end of this half term.

You said	We did
<i>Can school engage in more inter- school sports competitions?</i>	Miss Mills has arranged for all KS2 children to take part in across school competitions following the end of their Real PE units. She hopes that this will support the development of skills linked to competition such as perseverance, celebration, resilience and determination. In addition to this, she has arranged for School to access a Y4 Girl's Football Tournament, Y5/6 Netball and Y6 WASP holiday club. Children are selected based on their PE assessments and attitude to learning in class. Miss Mills hopes to engage in 2 out of school events per half term, wherever possible.
Can sports day be moved as it's a busy time of year, and the weather may stop it going ahead?	Miss Mills has suggested we could move Sports Day to June—she is currently checking dates and the suggested dates will be shared with Parent Forum in the next meeting. We would hold the July dates, just in case, as reserves.
Can text messages be sent instead of Seesaw notifications?	Seesaw is our main communication tool and on the whole works well for most families. However, we recognise that if a critical incident were to happen having a back up would be beneficial to ensure all messages reach parents promptly; therefore we have arranged for a text message service to be in place, in case this need arises. Please note this would only be in the case of a critical incident.
<i>Can you share key websites on Seesaw for easy access?</i>	We will share key websites at the start of half term, along with the learning overview, for ease of access.
<i>Can you consider more inclusive language for non-uniform</i>	This was reviewed, and hopefully felt more inclusive following the last non-uniform day for PFA collections. Please do feedback to parent forum if you feel this is still a target to address.

#### Hot Chocolate and Cake

Well done to the following children chosen this week:

Reception	Gabriel B
Year 1	Mavis N
Year 2	Jasmine L
Year 3	Jackson L
Year 4	Blossom L
Year 5	Bea G
Year 6	Thomas J

#### Poppy Appeal

We still have a limited number of snapbands for £1.50 each or the paper poppies for a donation of your choice, unfortunately, we have sold out of all other items.

#### <u>Sports Crew Message</u>

Hello! We wanted to give you an update from the Sports Crew for this academic year!

This year we are focusing on healthy competitions within school physical activity and our half term values within PE. Over the year, we will be supporting Miss Mills, Miss Shirley and Mr Bibby within their running of PE at Park Road; overseeing competitions; supporting in Sports Day and more.

This half term, we have set up KS2 intra-house competitions through our Real PE curriculum, with KS2 having round-robin tournaments at the end of each half term applying their skills into a game they have learnt that half term.

Congratulations to the Vikings who won 4 stars this half term! Our Romans are awarded 3 stars, Saxons 2 and Greeks 1. Well done to all KS2: your determination was fantastic.

Well done to the children who represented our school at the Primary ability day and good luck to the Y6 children chosen to represent Park Road over half term.

The Sports Crew



# Non Uniform Bottle Donations

On Friday 10 November, it will be a non uniform day for the PFA Christmas Fair. The PFA would welcome a donation of a bottle towards their Christmas Fair as they rely on these donations to run their events and all funds raised are invested in our children's education. Thank you for supporting our PFA.

# **Christmas Reminders**

Just a reminder following the dates for the diary that school sent out at the start of term, our Christmas Disco will be on Thursday 7 December and a sneak peak that we will be selling tickets to our 'Santa's Grotto' shortly ... more details coming soon so watch this space!

#### **Christmas Fair**

The fair is on SATURDAY 9 DECEMBER from 12 - 4 pm. We are planning an exciting line up, however we can't deliver any of it without volunteers. Please do sign up to help if you can spare an hour or so, as we will have to cancel the event if we don't have sufficient helpers. To volunteer any help you are able to, please use the link below - there are specific items to sign up for with specific times so you aren't signing up for the whole time. The deadline to sign up is Monday 6 November. Sign up link: https://volunteersignup.org/EH7CC

# SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Our Scarecrow Festival is officially open today, Friday 27 October! Here is our trail map showing all entries. Find them, snap them, share them with us by tagging us in your posts @parkroadPFA to let us know your favourite or send us an email (address below).

<u>Next PFA Meeting</u> Tuesday 21 November 2023

Wishing you a happy half-term break

Kelly PFA Chair, kellyhpfa@gmail.com



# **Community Pages**

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# Trans Pennine Trail – Autumn/ Halloween Kids Pack Just Launched

Trans Pennine Trail have just launched our latest activity pack full of fun activities that you can do with your children. They have plenty of fun activities to keep you busy over the October holidays including getting creative with leaves, catching spider webs, no mess spider cookies and many more fun activities. The activity pack is aimed at primary school children but some older children may enjoy it too!

You can use the activity pack on the go by downloading it to your mobile or alternatively you can print it at home! If you don't have a printer and are unable to access the PDF, please let them know and they can send you out a hard copy!

Download it here: <u>www.transpenninetrail.org.uk/welcome-to-our-</u> <u>childrens-page</u>

