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<ul> <li>* Lunch Menu wk 2</li> <li>* Clubs go live</li> <li>* Harvest Festival collection starts</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y5/6 Baking</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Disney Stars</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>* Open Day for September 2025 Admissions (by appointment only)</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y1, 2, 3 Performing Arts</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm KS2 Netball</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y3, 4 Baking</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Individual Photographs</li> <li>*SCHOOL UNIFORM TO BE WORN **</li> <li>3.15 - 4.15 pm Y1, 2 Multisports</li> <li>3.15 - 4.15 pm Y5, 6 Gardening</li> </ul>	* Special menu (see page 5) * 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y4,5,6 Choir * 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y5,6 Crochet * 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y1/2 Dodgeball	<ul> <li>* Thursday's menu</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y1, 2 Baking</li> <li>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm KS2 Football</li> <li>* Deadline for Flu Immunisation Registration</li> </ul>

## Unique Individuals Learning Together

## Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

Our PFA this week hosted Chingo which they worked very hard on and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you to those families that were able to join us. I must also say a big thank you to the PFA for all that they do. They work incredibly hard so that we can have lots of lovely things in schools and I know they give up an awful lot of their own time. For future events they are looking for extra people to join. If you think you can spare any time at all—even if you think it's too small an amount, I'm sure it won't be—I know they would be really grateful. Without an increase in support, the PFA will struggle to survive, which will be such a loss to school. Currently, the PFA do not have enough members to run, so as such they will not be hosting any events and only applying for grant funding. Although this is still great, this money will only be for specific purposes, so things such as end of year treats, theatre visits and classroom purchases will not be able to be funded by the PFA. If you can help, please reach out to Kelly as we do rely on these fundraisers for many of the wonderful things we have in school.

This week we have also been busy interviewing and deciding upon our new Y6 team leaders as well as team members across school. I know the class teachers were all really impressed with the dedication and quality of presentations. Miss Mills and I were blown away by the quality of interviews our Y6 children gave and how they articulated their views. No matter what the outcome they should be so proud of themselves. On Monday, during assembly, we will be able to announce our new Y6 leaders after much deliberation between myself and Miss Mills. I'd like to say a big thank you and well done to everyone who applied—it's hard to put yourself forward but by doing that you demonstrated such courage and the creativity and ideas shared were wonderful. We are so lucky to have such wonderful ambassadors for Park Road across the school.

At the end of last year, our Parents Forum met and discussed steering the group to work towards a goal or focus. We currently have a number of initiatives running in school that would be excellent to form a focus for the group—such as our desire to reaccredit for the Wellbeing Award, working towards the myHappymind award and HPL to name a few. As such, the office has reached out to last years members, but I would also like to extend an invite to the wider community. It would be great to have a larger group supporting the development of school. If you think you can spare maybe an hour a term, have an interest in supporting school in it's continued development, then please let the office know via the attached form link within the Seesaw message. We hope this group will also have a Governor in attendance so that all views of people involved in school are gathered. In the meantime, whilst we re-establish, if you do have any class specific queries or suggestions, please reach out to the class teacher via Seesaw. If it is something you would like to discuss with me, I am on the gates most days to answer any queries or you can contact me via the school office.

Have a wonderful weekend as always, and see you Monday. Mrs Quigley

#### Picture News

The Picture News topic for next week is ...

## 'How important is it to know about the author behind the book?'



Book publishing company, Penguin Ramdon House UK, has revealed a new book vending machine at Linlithgow Academy, near Edinburgh, Scotland. The machine gives the pupils access to more than seventy different books from Penguin's "Lit in Colour" reading lists. The reading lists, set up around four years ago, are updated each year and aim to make works by writers of colour more visible and accessible in schools.

The "Lit in Colour" campaign was launched by Penguin Books UK and Runnymede Trust in September 2020. Its goal is finding innovative and practical ways to 'give schools the support and tools they need to introduce more books by people of colour into the classroom, for all ages'.

Things to talk about at home:

- Would you like to see a book vending machine in school? Do you think it would be popular?
- What types of books do you like to read, and who are some of your favourite authors? Ask others at home about their reading preferences.
- \* Do you feel it is important to know about the author of a book you read? Is it important to you to read books by authors from different backgrounds and with different experiences? What do others at home think?

#### Hot Chocolate and Cake

This week, the Midday Assistants have chosen the following children, who have demonstrated good manners and our school values at lunchtimes and they will join Mrs Quigley next week (or as soon after if that is not possible) for hot chocolate and cake:

Reception	Holly D
Year 1	Maggie C
Year 2	Evelyn D
Year 3	Freya L
Year 4	Isaac E
Year 5	Phoebe McM
Year 6	Abigail P

#### School Photographs - Important please read

When the photographs are taken, your child will receive a slip to bring home with a QR code and details on how you can order your child's photo. PLEASE KEEP THIS SLIP SAFE as it is the only way to order photographs!

As mentioned last week, every child will receive an individual photo and, **if you would like a sibling photograph, please email or send a Seesaw message to the office to request this by Sunday 29 September.** 

There is the possibility to have pre-school aged children photographed with your Park Road child(ren) before the start of school. If this would be of interest to you, please let the office know and they will be in touch about arrangements.

#### School Dinners Increase

From Monday 28 October, there will be an increase in price for school meals from the current £2.60 to £2.80 per meal (this is £14 per week). If you have a balance below reminder set up, please could you adjust this accordingly. If you are in receipt of certain benefits or on a low income, you may be eligible to apply for free school meals, for details, please visit:

www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals. To apply, please visit:

www.warrington.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals.

#### Harvest Festival Collection

From Monday 30 September, we will be starting our collection of donations for our Harvest Festival. All of the items collected will be donated to our local Foodbank, who will provide hampers to vulnerable adults/families in the WA5 area. With the current economic climate, the demand on the Foodbank is very high so any help you may be able to give would be very much appreciated.

Items such as:

Tinned rice pudding Tinned potatoes Cream crackers Tinned meats (hot) Corned beef Angel Delight Long life milk Pasta Chocolates/Sweets Pasta sauces Tinned vegetables Rice Soup Custard Instant potato Tinned Fruit Fish/meat paste Cat food Jelly Selection boxes Tins of biscuits Shortbread Cereal Tinned fish Tinned puddings Christmas food



Please **check the "use by" dates** and only send in food with longer shelf-lives as the Foodbank need time to sort and distribute the items.

Any donations can be given to the adult on the gates in the morning or placed in the trolley on the playground for those who access it in the mornings and for everyone after school.

#### Community Café—Monday 14 October

#### \*\*\* Date Change - please note Disney Stars and Baking clubs are cancelled on this date \*\*\*

Lindsey from WA5 Good Neighbours has kindly offered to come to school on Monday 14 October, along with Reverend Jeremy from St Mary's, to speak to the children about Harvest and how our food donations help in the community. Because of this, we have decided to move the community café to this date as Lindsey is happy to stay and speak to any families who may want to know more about their service and how they help in the local area.

The café will run from 3:30 pm (please let all the children exit the hall doors and school before trying to enter the hall) until 4:15 pm. There will also be a uniform swap shop set up, where we will have lots of uniform, some in like new condition, for you to take for free. It would be such a shame for this uniform to sit unused so please do come and have a look, even if it's to take a few top ups.

Cakes, hot drinks and juice will be available along with table top activities for you and your children to enjoy whilst having a chat and catch up with others in our community.

If you can help with donations of cakes or other refreshments, they will be greatly received.

#### **Dates for Diary Changes**

As promised, when we have to change dates, we will give you as much notice as possible. Year 5 will be taking part in the PAN (Primary Arts Network) performance at the Parr Hall on Tuesday 1 April. As a result, the Year 5 Showcase has been rescheduled to Friday 4 April at 2.30 pm, which means that school will finish at the usual time and not close early for Easter. The Dates for the Diary have been updated and are available on our website - https://www.parkroadprimary.co.uk/parents/important-dates.

#### After School Clubs

Details of the After School clubs on offer for this half term can be found below. All of the clubs will be available to book via Parentpay across next week - there are a lot of club so it may take a few days to publish so please bear with us. Club registration will close on Friday 11 October to allow time to create the registers.

The charge per session is 75p per child per club, the total cost of the club depends on the number of weeks the club is running. Please only sign up if you can attend each week as there will be no refunds if your child is unable to attend a session. There is no charge for Choir but we do ask that your child commits to attending every week. Please take care when booking as we are unable to refund mistakes.

## If a child can't stay for a club, please remember to let the OFFICE know in advance so that they can update the registers and your child will be able to leave as usual rather than going to the club.

Please make a note of the details below for any of your clubs or take a photograph so you have it available on your phone - you can always look back on the Weekly Updates on our website if you do lose it.

Day	Clubs	Years	Time	Collect from	Dates
	Disney Stars	Various	3.15 - 4.15 pm	Main entrance	by invitation only
Monday	Craft Club	2, 3	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS2 Gate	28/10 - 2/12 not on 4/11, 11/11
	Baking	5, 6	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS1 Gate	28/10 - 2/12 not on 4/11
	Performing Arts	1, 2, 3	3.15 - 4.15 pm	Main entrance	<b>5/11</b> - 3/12
Tuesday	Hockey	3, 4, 5, 6	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS2 Gate	29/10 - 3/12
	Baking	3, 4	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS1 Gate	29/10 - 3/12 not on 5/11, 19/11
	Athletics	1, 2	3.15 - 4.15 pm	Main Entrance	30/10 - 4/12 not on 6/11
Wednesday	Crochet	5, 6	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS2 Gate	30/10 - 4/12 not on 6/11
	Gardening	4	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS1 Gate	30/10 - 4/12 not on 6/11, 13/11
	Choir	4, 5, 6	3.15 - 4.15 pm	Main Entrance	31/10 - 5/12
Thursday	Baking	1, 2	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS1 Gate	31/10 - 5/12 not on 7/11, 21/11
	Football	1, 2	3.15 - 4.15 pm	KS2 Gate	31/10 - 5/12
Friday	Girls' Football	3, 4, 5, 6	3.15 - 4.15 pm	Main Entrance	1/11 - 6/12

\*\*make sure you include an emergency contact and who will be picking up your child\*\* \*\*without them, they won't be able to stay\*\*

# **Special Menu Thursday 3 October 2024**

(Thursday's usual menu will move to Friday 4 October)







## <u>Menu</u>

- Crumb Coated Chicken
  - **Coated Fish Portion** 
    - Pizza
    - \*\*\*\*\*\*
    - Chipped Potatoes
      - \*\*\*\*\*\*\*
      - **Baked Beans** 
        - Peas
      - Fresh Salad
        - \*\*\*\*\*\*
  - Filled Jacket Potato
    - \*\*\*\*\*\*\*
- Cooks Choice Chocolate Crispy Cake
  - Fresh Fruit Fresh Milk or Water



Please ensure money is on the child's ParentPay account

## lf appropriate



Last night we held our first (and last) event of the year. It was our Welcome Chingo coupled with our AGM, which raised approximately £250 - an amazing amount considering it was light on attendees.

A huge thankyou to those who did make it and well done to all our bingo and raffle winners. I'd also like to thank Elisha, Helen Marston, Rachel Dyas and Emily/Louisa who helped us set up.

During our AGM, it was expressed that although we look like elegant swans swimming seamlessly along, we are in fact kicking furiously for our lives to stay afloat. The PFA cannot continue to run on the low numbers involved over the last year and in order to prevent disbanding the PFA, it was decided that unless we got the volunteers required to run the successful management of the charity, the PFA would continue with the 3 standing members but would seek funding via grants only and would run no events.

Regrettably this means that ALL events in the calendar for this year are cancelled effective immediately (with the exception of non uniform days, which we will still hold in exchange for donations). This includes the Christmas fair, Christmas disco, Christmas float, Spring disco, Quigley bars, ice cream sales, scarecrow trails.

This also means that any future events that the PFA would be intending to pay for can no longer be funded - Santa visits, pantomime trips, class resources, ice cream truck, year 6 leavers gifts/treats, Christmas gifts, sports equipment.

Luckily, we had allocated funds for a pantomime visit for this year and it has already been booked and paid for, so this will still go ahead as planned. All other items cannot go ahead.

Money we currently have in the bank has been allocated to projects and will be spent over the coming months. We will be researching available grants and working with school on the areas they wish to improve.

If anyone would like to discuss this please feel free to contact me.

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