| Cork Rood<br>Cork Rood<br>Cork Rood<br>Cork Rood         | PARK<br>COMMUNITY P   | RIMARY   | SCHOOL /   | 3<br>May<br>2024                 |  |  |
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| Next Week in School at a Glance                          |   |  |  |                                  |  |  |
| Monday 6   | Tuesday 7   | Wednesday 8  | Thursday 9   | Friday 10                        |  |  |
| * Lunch Menu week 1<br>* School Closed - Bank<br>Holiday | * Y4/5 Swimming - kits needed<br>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y5/6 Baking<br>Club | * 3.15 - 4.15 pm<br>KS2 Rounders<br>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm | * 3.15 - 4.15 pm Choir<br>* 3.15 - 4.15 pm R/Y1/Y2<br>Baking | * 3.15 - 4.15 pm<br>R/Y1/Y2 Yoga |  |  |

\* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Rec/ Y1/2/3 Performing Arts

# Current value/attribute: Friendship and Empathy

# Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

Finally the sun has arrived! The children have been so excited this week as the field has been open and in use. The sunshine definitely puts everyone in a great mood. I don't know about you, but I hope this is the start of the summer.

Our gardening through enrichment is coming along nicely around the grounds with seeds, bulbs and plants all being planted. There are some great themes around the school from Peter Rabbit to Magical Gardens and Space! I can't wait to see the final result.

On Wednesday, we had a group of Year 6 children travel over to Chapelford Village Primary School to take part in an athletics competition. Miss Mills was so proud of them as they showed determination and resilience, but also showed what kind and caring children we have at Park Road. The children worked so hard and gave the races their all, and I am delighted to say came in 2nd place! Well done to the Year 6, Park Road Panthers! You are our role models of the week! More information and photographs from Miss Mills are on page 3.

I had a few queries via Parent Forum about the Summer Uniform. Summer uniform is entirely optional, but children can wear this if they wish from after Easter and throughout the summer. I am more than happy if children return in September in summer uniform also as often the weather is still quite warm then.

Finally, I am very excited to share the news of my new venture—The Quigley Bar! Details of the golden ticket prizes will be released soon, and I can confirm there are some great ones! Thank you to the PFA for organising it, as without them, this event would not be possible at all!

As always, have a wonderful weekend. Mrs Quigley

#### Picture News

The Picture News topic for next week is ...

#### 'Can the past help us learn about modern life?'



A new study from the Journal of Archaeological Method and theory, using evidence found in northwestern Italy, has found that Neanderthals (an extinct relative of humans) organised their living areas in a similar way to people today. It was thought that Neanderthals' lives weren't as sophisticated as this or as similar to those of modern humans. The researchers looked at sites of both Neanderthals and Homo sapiens and compared how things like tools and animal bones were positioned in the living area. They found Neanderthals organised their items depending on the different tasks and activities they were doing.

Neanderthals had a place for a heat source, usually a fireplace in the middle of the living area and a place or area for storing waste and other rubbish. It is thought that they organised their living areas depending on things like how many people lived there, what activities they wanted to do and how long they were going to stay.

Things to talk about at home:

- \* Share your response to the new research findings about Neanderthals' lives.
- \* How is your home organised? Do you have different areas for different activities?
- Think about how organised or tidy people at your home or school are. Is everyone the same?

#### Hot Chocolate and Cake

Well done to the following children chosen this week:

| Reception | Freja P  |  |
|-----------|----------|--|
| Year 1    | Hayden E |  |
| Year 2    | Jacob H  |  |
| Year 3    | Hannah L |  |
| Year 4    | Ashley L |  |
| Year 5    | Zak K    |  |
| Year 6    | Emily J  |  |

#### Slight Change in Logo

Over the next few months, you will notice that we are introducing a new school logo. It is a very slight change and as stock runs out, the new logo will be phased in. Stock can still be ordered through Touchline and myclothing.com. Please note that there will be no option to specify which logo you receive and it is a soft change.

#### Club Places Close on Monday 6 May

Please remember to book your child on any clubs they may be interested in before Monday 6 May, when they will close.

#### Pets' Corner

This week in Pets' Corner, we will introduce our Y5 class pets, the guinea pigs.

Meet Elvis, he is brown, fluffy and shy. He doesn't like being held but likes a little stroke.



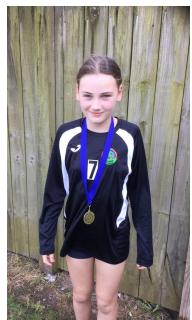


Here's Patch. He is white and patchy (hence his name). He loves a cuddle and both boys love carrots, peppers and lettuce.

This is where they live - they love playing in the tubes.



### Year 6 Athletics Competition



On Wednesday 1 May, a group of our Year 6 pupils took part in an athletics competition at Chapelford Village Primary School.

The team of 8 children competed in long distance running, sprinting, javelin and long jump and came 2nd overall in the competition.

We received two medals for great teamwork, sportsmanship and looking out for others.

The whole team were great representatives of Park Road, we are very proud of you and you should be very proud of yourselves!









#### Holiday Dates

The holiday dates for 2025/26 have now been agreed and should be available to view on our website. Please note that our website is currently undergoing a makeover and there may be times over the next few days where pages are unavailable but it should be available next week. The dates are also at the end of this update.



# Parents, Friends Association

#### Quigley Bar Event

So much time. So little to do. Wait a minute, strike that. REVERSE IT! Only 2 weeks to go...

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Available now on PARENTPAY until Thursday 9 May for presale!

The gates open to the Chocolate Factory on Thursday 16 May 2024 to collect your Quigley Bars.



Will you find a golden ticket?

We've confirmed - Gulliver's World vouchers... one month's worth of music tuition worth £75... one month's pass at Independence ... Cadbury World tickets AND MUCH MORE!!!

Thank you to everyone who has pre-purchased bars so far... please head to Parentpay to prepurchase yours. There will be a limited amount of stock for sale on the day and when it's gone, it's gone!

Volunteer sign up for the Chocolate Factory is now open - please help if you can. It's a very short event as most of the work will have been done behind the scenes on the run up to the day.

volunteersignup.org/HRRYP

#### Summer Fair Plans

Our plans are well under way for our Summer Fair, remember to pencil the dates in your diaries - Saturday 6 July from 12 pm to 4 pm. More to follow in the coming weeks.

Have a lovely weekend. Kelly PFA Chair kellyhpfa@gmail.com

## **Community Pages**

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#### Families Magazine May/June 2024

The latest issue is packed full of useful information for parents including a learn about time activity (free downloadable), story time and nursery rhyme apps, kids party food recipes, active family adventures, Fathers' Day surprises and much more

Why not have a look at the following link ...

https://issuu.com/familiesonline/docs/familiescheshiremayjune2024digital?fr=xIAEoAT3\_wzaQ





Holiday Dates 2025/26

# PARK ROAD C.P. SCHOOL

## HOLIDAY DATES 2025-26

|                          | Date of Closing            | Date of<br>re-opening         | INSET days   |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Autumn 2025              |                            | Wednesday<br>3 September 2025 | Monday<br>1 September 2025<br>Tuesday<br>2 September 2025                      |
| Autumn Half Term<br>2025 | Friday<br>24 October 2025  | Monday<br>3 November 2025     |  |
| Christmas 2025           | Friday<br>19 December 2025 | Tuesday<br>6 January 2026     | Monday<br>5 January 2026   |
| Spring Half Term<br>2026 | Friday<br>13 February 2026 | Monday<br>23 February 2026    |  |
| Easter Holidays 2026     | Thursday<br>2 April 2026   | Monday<br>20 April 2026       |  |
| May Day 2026             | Friday<br>1 May 2026       | Tuesday<br>5 May 2026         |  |
| Summer Half Term<br>2026 | Friday<br>22 May 2026      | Monday<br>1 June 2026         |  |
| Summer 2026              | Friday<br>17 July 2026     |                               | Monday<br>20 July 2026<br>Tuesday<br>21 July 2026<br>Wednesday<br>22 July 2026 |