



PARK ROAD

COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



WEEKLY UPDATE

8
May
2026



Next Week in School at a Glance

Monday 11

Tuesday 12

Wednesday 13

Thursday 14

Friday 15

SATS WEEK - limited access in school see page 2

* Lunch Menu Week 1
* 3.15 -4.10 pm - Disney Stars
* 3.15 -4.15 pm - KS2 Tennis
* 3.15 -4.15 pm—R/1/2 Baking

* Y5 Swimming
* 3.15 - 4.15 pm R/1/2/3 Performing Arts
* 3.15- 4.15 pm R/1/2 Baking
* 3.15- 4.15 pm Y4/5/6 Choir

* Y4 Swimming
* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y3/4 Gardening
* 3.15 - 4.15 pm Y5/6 Crochet

* 3.15- 4.15 pm KS2 Baking
* 3.15 - 4.15 pm R/1/2/3 Athletics

Unique Individuals Learning Together

Mrs. Quigley's weekly message:

What a lovely short week we have had! All week I have been quite confused on days and Friday seems have come round very quickly.

This week our Year 6 children have continued to blow me away with their focus, dedication and all round positive attitudes as they complete the last of their revision for their SATs next week. The whole school gave them a huge clap and 3 cheers today, as no matter what next week brings, we are proud of them and the role models they are in our school. Year 6, I am so proud of you - you have worked incredibly hard and can't do anything more than your best, like you do every day! I know you will shine next week, no matter what - enjoy showing off everything you know and everything you have learned during your time in Park Road. Make sure you have a restful weekend - you are ready!

Due to the Year 6 SATs next week, movement around school will be very limited. Please can I ask you to help by ensuring your child/children are in on time and any contact with the office is kept to a minimum. Thank you for your support.

We have some exciting news to share for our summer concert this year. Mrs Thomas, has kindly agreed to work with every class over a period of time and develop dance and music skills, alongside Mr Weibe. Mrs Thomas is a trained dancer and teacher, so for all the children to have dedicated sessions with her is a wonderful opportunity. Due to this, I would like to change the date of the concert to Friday 10 July to allow Mrs Thomas to be in school and also celebrate the hard work of the children. I hope this extended notice will help for you to be able to join us as it's always a great show - let's keep our fingers crossed though for good weather, unlike last year!!

Please may I ask for your support in not using mobile phones on school grounds. As part of our safeguarding policy and procedures, we kindly ask everyone to not be on the phone or using theirs upon entry/exit of school, and whilst waiting on the playground.

Finally, a quick reminder that we are hoping to hold sports day on the last day of term. Full details and timings are on the next page, so please do make a note.

As always, have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week.
Mrs Quigley

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

As you may be aware, next week our Year 6 class will be sitting their SATs tests. We want to give them as peaceful and relaxing a setting as possible so that they can concentrate fully.

Please could EVERYBODY help us to do this by making sure that **you are on time for school and that your child has everything they need for the day** (bookbag, snacks, glasses, water bottle, forest school clothing, swimming kits etc).

There will be limited access to the hall and staff room areas which means at certain times it will be difficult to move from one side of the school to the other so please bear this in mind if you are picking up a child for any reason and allow extra time.

Good luck Year 6 - remember, you are all AMAZING, the only failure would be not to try!



Here's a poem that says it all ...

Hot Chocolate and Cake

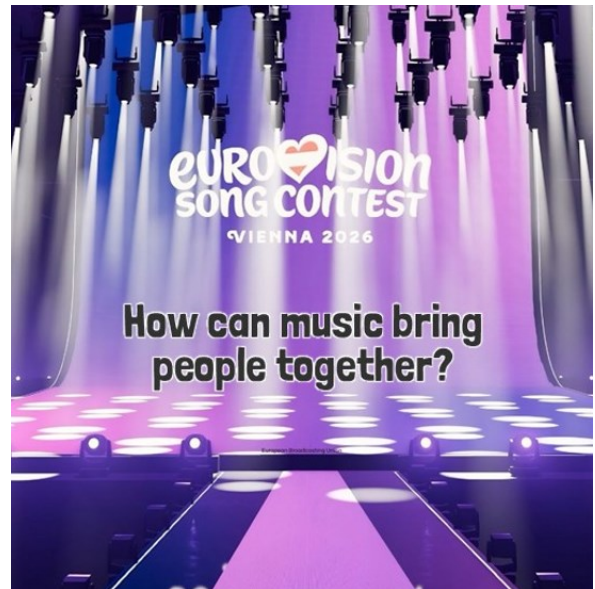
Well done to the following children chosen this week for demonstrating good manners and our school values at lunchtime:

Reception	Ace M
Year 1	Hadley E
Year 2	Scott H
Year 3	Charlie McD
Year 4	Ciara T
Year 5	Bodhi HT
Year 6	Eryn J

Picture News

The Picture News topic for next week is ...

'How can music bring people together?'



This week, countries from across Europe and beyond are taking part in the Eurovision Song Contest. Each country performs a song, and millions of people watch and vote for their favourites. The contest celebrates different styles of music, languages and cultures from around the world.

Things to talk about at home:

- * What kind of music do you enjoy most, and why? Does everyone in your house enjoy the same music?
- * Why do you think people from different countries enjoy listening to music together?
- * Do you believe competitions like Eurovision are fair? Why?
- * In your view, does music bring people together or can it sometimes divide opinions?

SPORTS DAY FRIDAY 22 MAY

Weather permitting, it will be our Sports Day on Friday 22 May. We will let you know via Seesaw if we have to cancel Sports Day for any reason (if it is cancelled, we will let you know as soon as the decision is made so if you don't hear from us, it is still taking place). It is important that you keep an eye on Seesaw messages as each year we receive lots of calls asking for information that we don't have so please DO NOT ring school in the morning to ask for an update. Don't forget to arrange to pass on the information to anyone who does not have access to Seesaw. It will be a traditional style of Sports Day with sprints, egg and spoon race etc.

IMPORTANT: Children **MUST** wear their full PE kit (plain white, round necked t-shirt, black shorts or skort) with **BLACK OR WHITE TRAINERS** (not slip on pumps, pumps with Velcro fasteners would be ok) — they will be unable to take part without them. Depending on the weather, children will also need **NAMED sun hats and water bottles - if needed, please apply sun cream at home in the morning.**

Early Years/KS1 (Reception, Year 1, Year 2)

The **KS1 gate** will be open from 9.05 am until shortly before 9.15 am (for safeguarding reasons, parents are unable to stay on the playground at drop off).

The Early Years/KS1 Sports Day will start at 9.15 am and will end by 10.15 am. Parents and carers are welcome to come along to watch but please arrive promptly as the gate will be locked again before the races begin. The **KS1 gate** will be opened at the end of the event to allow any parents who do not need to stay for the KS2 event to leave.

KS2 (Years 3 - 6)

The **KS1 gate** will open at 10.15 am and will be shut shortly before the races start at 10.30 am. It is expected that we will finish by 11.30 am.

Parents and carers are welcome to come along to watch but please arrive promptly as the gate will be locked again before the races begin.

Please could we ask that parents/carers stay in the designated viewing area and not distract their children as they will be under the supervision of teaching staff and there are lots of races to get through! Thank you for your support!

The MAT Factor



Park Road school choir will be taking part in this year's MAT Factor, which is an annual talent competition involving all of the schools in the Omega Multi Academy Trust.

Our choir will compete in the Primary category and it will take place on Thursday 4 June at 6.00 pm at Great Sankey High School. Tickets cost £5 each and are available by scanning the QR code above.

Mr Wiebe will be working with the choir on their planned performance over the next few weeks - full details will be sent out next week.

SAVE THE DATE - Class Musical Performances

As advised in a previous weekly update, we will be holding our next class musical performance on the date shown below, these sessions are to showcase the children's learning in music lessons.

Parents/carers for these classes are invited to come and watch the performance.

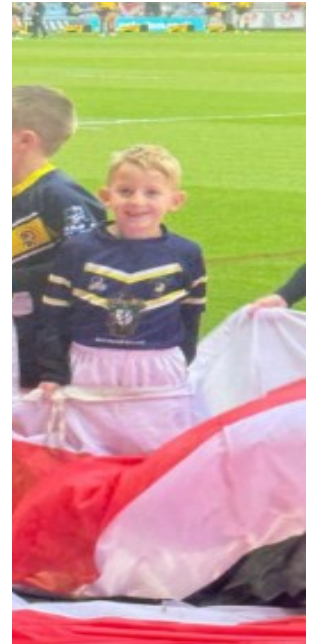
Tuesday 19 May - Year 1 and Year 5

- 2.35 pm KS2 gate opens for parents/carers
- 2.40 pm promptly KS2 gate locked and performance starts
- 3.15 pm performance ends

A Family Trio of Achievements



Isaac - Isaac is in a rugby team - Clock Face Miners U8's. In April, Isaac and his team mates took the flags onto the pitch at the start of the St Helens vs Wakefield game and played against other amateur teams at half-time (scoring a fantastic try on the last play of the match) He has also recently completed stage 4 swimming.



Jacob - Jacob is in a rugby team too - Clock Face Miners U6's. In May, Jacob and his team mates took the flags onto the pitch at the start of the St Helens vs York game and played against other amateur teams at half-time. Due to Jacob's age group not having enough players for an U6's team, Jacob played with and against U7's. He did amazing and got lots of the opposition teams tags to prevent them scoring. Jacob has also recently swam 10 meters unaided and has progressed to stage 4 in swimming.



Lucas - Lucas goes to Thai Boxing on a Saturday morning with his brothers. In May, Lucas got the Thai Boxing trophy for trying really hard to push himself in the sessions and showing fantastic resilience even when he finds things difficult.

Well Done Isaac, Jacob and Lucas what amazing achievements you have all had!

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about IMAGE-ALTERING FILTERS

From playful puppy ears on Snapchat to 'beauty mode' on TikTok, image-altering filters are now a routine part of how young people communicate online. While many are harmless, others subtly reshape people's faces and bodies. This can blur the line between reality and edited content, potentially influencing how children and young people see themselves and others.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ALTERED BEAUTY STANDARDS

Many 'beauty' filters smooth skin, reshape facial features, or adjust body proportions. Over time, repeated exposure to these filters can shift a child's idea of what is 'normal' or attractive, creating unrealistic expectations about their own and others' appearances.

PRESSURE TO LOOK PERFECT

Filtered images can often attract more 'likes' and positive comments. This can encourage children and young people to rely on editing tools to gain others' approval, rather than feeling confident in their natural appearance.

LOW SELF-ESTEEM

Regularly viewing heavily filtered content can lead to comparisons with unrealistic images. This is linked to body dissatisfaction and reduced self-esteem, particularly among children and teenagers.

HIDDEN ADVERTISING

Some filters are linked to beauty products or trends, subtly promoting third-party brands. Children and young people may not recognise this as advertising, while also sharing personal data – such as facial images and usage habits – with apps and third parties.

BLURRED REALITY

As filters become more advanced and natural-looking, it can be difficult for children and young people to distinguish edited content from real life, especially when filters are used in everyday photos and videos.

SEXUALISED EDITS

Certain tools can make users appear older or more sexualised. This may attract unwanted attention, increase the risk of images being shared without consent, and expose young people to unsafe interactions.

Advice for Parents & Educators

START OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Talk regularly about filters, such as how they work and why people use them. Ask the children and young people in your care how filtered images make them feel and encourage honest discussion without judgement.

REINFORCE WHAT'S REAL

Help children and young people understand that filtered images are digitally altered and are not an accurate reflection of real life. Emphasise that they don't need to meet these artificial standards.

CHALLENGE 'PERFECT' POSTS

When viewing content together, gently point out the signs of editing, filters, or posing techniques. This builds critical thinking and helps children and young people question unrealistic images.

PROMOTE OFFLINE CONFIDENCE

Encourage activities that build self-worth beyond appearance, such as sports, hobbies, friendships, and creative interests, so that confidence isn't tied solely to online validation.

Meet Our Expert

Parven Kaur is a digital parenting expert and founder of Kids N Clicks, a platform dedicated to helping parents navigate the online world alongside their children. She is an expert contributor for Internet Matters, offering practical guidance on emerging online safety issues. Her insights have been featured by the BBC, The Telegraph, TalkTV, and other major media outlets, supporting families across the UK.



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A Spring Ball!

This may half term complete our trail, find all the Objects and help the lord and lady get ready for the Spring Ball! And don't forget to stop by the crafts room to Make your own Royal Crown.

Monday The 25th and Tuesday The 26th of May.

11-3 Pm At Norton Priory Museum And Gardens.
Price Included in general admission (3 children go free with an adult ticket)

For more information check out <https://www.nortonpriory.org/events/>

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Game Design/Code

Weds-
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 **26th-27th May**

 **9am-3pm**

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