PROUD TO BE PARKSIDE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 09.02.24

Dear Parents,
It has been an extremely busy week at Parkside! There has been a Poetry Buzz around school after each class was set a 'Secret Mission' to learn a poem ready to perform to Pep the Poet today. The whole school have thoroughly enjoyed working with Pep today on performing and writing poems.
We have also raised awareness around Mental Health by celebrating Children's Mental Health week with assemblies each day led by Mrs Barton. See our Spotlight for more information.
On Tuesday we focused on E-Safety as part of E-Safety Day, our Spotlight details how to implement Parental Controls on your child's devices.
Have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday 20th February.
Mrs Bell

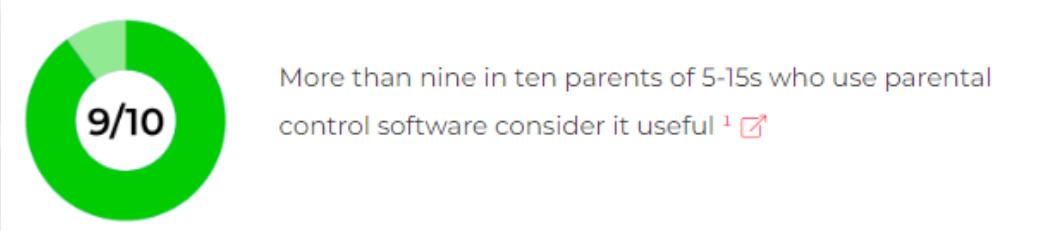
Attendance

Our attendance this week i 96%

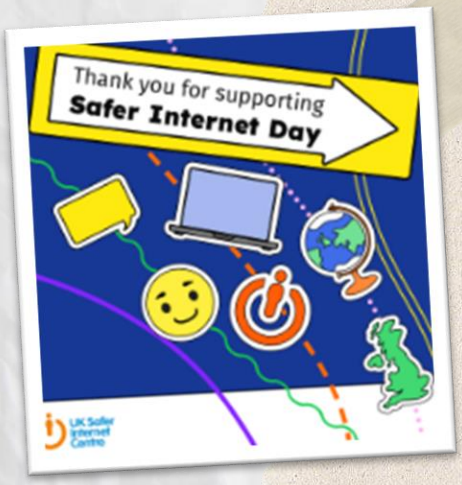
Little Treasures have achieved the highest attendance this week– well done!

Weekly Spotlight
Proud to be Parkside!
E-Safety: Inspiring Change

Our Safer Internet Day assembly this year ignited a spark of creativity and responsibility amongst the children at Parkside. Our Year 6 students took the lead during their computing lessons by crafting e-safety videos using green screens, showcasing their understanding and commitment to digital safety.



Our Year five children enthusiastically shared their knowledge with KS1, working together and offering peer support.



During our assembly, led by Mrs Dennett we talked about the role of AI: is it a force for good or potential harm? This sparked thoughtful reflections and conversations among our children, encouraging critical thinking about technology's impact on our lives.

Please see these helpful links about keeping children safe online and the previous Facebook Post guides to further support our efforts in promoting online safety.

How to add Parental Controls to an Android Phone:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v78WRojBkaQ

This website guides you through how to add Parental Controls to any device:
https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/

Let's work together to ensure a safer and more secure online environment for our children.

Children's Mental Health Week

This week we raised awareness around Children's Mental Health. Each day we held a whole school assembly, led by Mrs Barton. The themes of the assemblies have all been around 'My Voice Matters'.

Some of our children have made links between their learning about what matters to them and poetry. They even had a go at writing their own poems and performed them in assembly.

The children created their own spiral to show things that mattered to them.

On Friday the children dressed in a variety of socks to express themselves!

Each class has been given their own Listening Box for the children to share their ideas in to ensure that their voice is heard.

Community News

This week we welcomed trainee teachers from Keele University to come and shadow our Teaching Assistants for a day as part of their learning about the effective use of Teaching Assistants.

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