

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

22.11.24

Dear Parents,

We have had a wonderful week at Parkside. The children are displaying our values and working extremely hard on their learning. Next week brings our first assessment week of this academic year where the children will be able to showcase their knowledge.

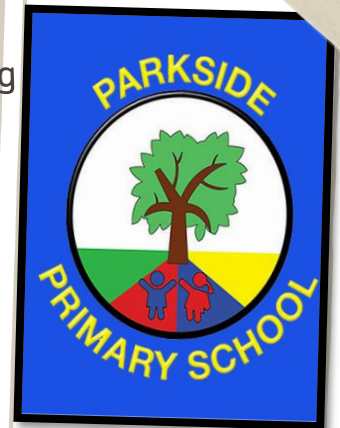
Our mini bus has had another trip out this week. Our nursery children travelled to Bishop's Offley to choose their Christmas tree. We are looking forward to future experiences we can make happen with our mini bus.

Lower key stage two enjoyed a rock concert morning today. The children, and staff, came to school dressed as rockstars to launch TT Rockstars. They demonstrated their times table knowledge and competed against each other. What fun they had!

Next Friday (29th) is mufti day organised by the PTFA. Please see Facebook and this newsletter for more information.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Mrs Salter



Attendance

Attendance this week is 96% and this week's class with the highest attendance at 99% is y4 – Mrs Salter & Mrs Blairs.



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Weekly Spotlight Proud to be Parkside Roll with it for children in need.

We are thrilled to share the amazing success of our recent fundraising event, "Roll with It", which was held in support of Children in Need!



Last week, our playground came alive with the sights and sounds of pupils on scooters as they enthusiastically rolled their way to completing a mile. It was a day filled with energy, determination, and lots of fun, all for a fantastic cause.

The event was designed to combine fitness, teamwork, and fundraising, giving our pupils a chance to contribute to helping other children across the UK. With big smiles, every child worked hard to meet the challenge. The laughter and encouragement from peers and teachers created a heart-warming atmosphere that captured the spirit of giving.

The pupils should be incredibly proud of their efforts. Not only did they conquer a mile on wheels, but they also learned the importance of kindness and community. We hope this event has inspired them to continue supporting causes close to their hearts in the future.



Parkside Pantry and Uniform Bank

Our food pantry is open to anyone that needs a little extra help.



Either drop in when is convenient, or you can email/ring us in confidence to make up a bag.



Community News

A huge thank you to Stafford Green Arts Festival who have worked with our Pupil Parliament this week. The children took part in a sustainability & environmental impact workshop.

Netta and Anne, our visitors, commented on Parkside pupils' exemplary behaviour and attitudes.

Well done, Parkside! We are very proud of you.



A huge thank you to those parents who joined Y1 to watch a phonics lesson this week.

Hopefully, this was useful for you to see how it is taught in school and how you can best support your child at home.

We look forward to holding this event again in the near future.

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RUDOLPH'S RAINBOW RAFFLE!

As part of the PTFA Christmas Fundraising, children are kindly asked to bring an item for the raffle that matches their year group colour in return for a Mufti day on Friday 29th November 24 . Donations can be anything from sweets, chocolate, snacks, soft & alcoholic drinks (if alcoholic drinks an ADULT MUST DELIVER THIS TO THE CLASS TEACHER), a bottle of bubble bath, hair accessories, candles, toys, books, or small gifts.

Raffle will be drawn online on 18th December 24 and tickets will be available at the Christmas tree light switch on, nativities and Christmas shows and on the playground at pick up (dates to be announced).

Nursery - Pink

Reception - Red

Year 1 - Orange

Year 2 - Yellow

Year 3 - Green

Year 4 - Blue

Year 5 - Purple

Year 6 - Gold or Silver



Each year group will be creating a different coloured hamper that will form part of our Christmas Raffle. We really appreciate your support 

Please note we are unable to accept items which are chilled or perishable, or have short expiry dates. We are also a nut free school.



Rainbow Hamper Ideas

Nursery

Pink fizz, Rose wine, Lindt Lindor champagne chocs, marshmallows, pink gin, rose lemonade, raspberry laces, pink wafers, strawberry Fruitellas, prawn cocktail crisps

Reception

Red wine, Maltesers, ready salted crisps, Mcvities digestives, raspberry gin, Kit Kats, Skittles, Family Circle biscuits, Pimms, Pom Bears, Foxs biscuits, Munchies, Coke, Celebrations

Year 1

Chocolate orange, Revels, Haribo Tangfastics, orange gin, Toffee Crisp, orange clubs, Mini Cheddars, Buck's Fizz, Fanta, J2O, fudge, orange shower gel

Year 2

Gordon's lemon gin, Cadbury Flake, Cadbury caramel, Jelly Tots, post it notes, Skips, Quavers, lemon Fanta, custard creams, Twix, Jelly Babies, pasta, pinot grigio

Year 3

Mint chocolates, Matchmakers, Gordon's gin, Peroni, Appletizer, After Eights, apple juice, Fruit Pastilles, sour cream Pringles, mint shower gel, mint Aero, crisps, bottled lager

Year 4

Roses chocolates, Bombay sapphire gin, party rings, Haribo star mix, Oreos, Milky Way, crisps, Heinz baked beans, Blue Dragon foods, chocolate Hobnobs

Year 5

Dairy Milk, Quality Street, Cadbury's hot chocolate, Ribena, bubble bath, nail varnish, Vimto, red wine, chocolate fingers

Year 6

Prosecco, Lindt chocolates, Baileys, Gold bars, chocolate coins, popcorn, Nescafe Gold, Toblerone, pasta, crackers, nail varnish, candles



*Come and join us!
Enjoy some Christmas Crafts, meet a
special visitor and have a special treat!*

Merry Totsmas

FOR TODDLERS IN THE LOCAL AREA - PLEASE
BRING A WARM COAT AND WELLIES!

DECEMBER 5TH - 9:30-10:15

PARKSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PLEASE BOOK YOUR PLACE BY CALLING THE
SCHOOL OFFICE ON 01785 450145

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With children accessing the internet more and more, there are some really useful links that can give you advice and guidance on how to do this safely with your child.

See below:

- [Digital Family Agreement \(Igfl.net\)](#)
- [Family Agreement | Childnet](#)
- [Swiggle | swgfl](#). A search engine for children.
- [Guide to monitoring apps for parents | Internet Matters](#)
- [Set up kids' tech devices e-safety check list](#) internet matters.
- [Swgfl online safety hub](#), guidance for parents, including security settings.
- [Online Safety Leaflets & resources - Internet Matters](#), a range of leaflets broken down into subject and age, including online grooming, the impact of seeing pornography online, grandparent online safety and screen time.
- [UK safer internet centre](#) parent tips, advice, guides and resources to help keep your children safe online
- [NSPCC keeping children safe online guides](#)
- [Social media reporting guides](#) internet matters