

Park Primary School



16th September 2016

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the coffee morning today. It was lovely to meet you and I thank you all for such a warm welcome to Park Primary School.

We have had a busy week in school as we have now settled into our daily routines after the summer holidays. I was lucky enough to be invited to a Greek Museum Exhibition in Heron Class yesterday. The children acted as tour guides and showed myself and children from Flamingo Class around the exhibition. I was very impressed by how much the children had already learnt and how well they were able to explain what they had discovered to others.

The Year 6 children have all been given responsibilities throughout the school and are proudly wearing their new badges which were presented in assembly today. They are doing a fantastic job helping around the school.



We have had a very busy week. We have been getting to know the other adults around the school, learning to count to 10 and we have even been given our first reading book. How very exciting! We can't wait for another week at school.



Puffin class has been enjoying our hospital role-play area. We have had fun pretending to be doctors and nurses. Puffins have painted self portraits and used a mirror to help us with the detail. During our first P.E lesson we practised taking off our shoes and socks, then we played with the parachute.



This week Swallows have been learning the story of 'The Gingerbread Man' through the use of actions which help us to be able to retell the story. In maths we have been exploring numbers by counting up and down to 10 and ordering numbers. Headteacher's award has been presented to Ruby for trying her best in every lesson especially her accurate counting and work in maths.



Owls had an adventure trail to follow this week! It took us around our school grounds to find characters from our new story 'The Ginger Bread Man! We read and learnt the story and also tried some tasty gingerbread men—yum! In maths we have been looking at numbers to 10. Headteacher's award has been presented to Owen for trying really hard in phonics and remembering some difficult sounds.



This week we have been learning the story of 'The Rainbow Fish'. We have also been sorting using Venn diagrams in Science. In computing, we have been forming our algorithms! Headteacher's award has been presented to Tommy-Lee for writing a superb recount of the Goldilocks story.



This week we have been writing instructions on how to trap a dragon. We have also created our own version of the instructions. In P.E we have been creating a dragon dance using exaggerated movements. Head Teacher's award has been presented to Logan for fantastic place value work, partitioning numbers.



Another hardworking week in Pelicans. We have continued with our work on place value and solved some rather tricky problems in maths. We have started our Beowulf topic in literacy which started unexpectedly when our classroom was destroyed by the monster 'Grendel'. Headteacher's award has been presented to Lily for showing outstanding perseverance all week.

Hérons have had a busy week—in maths we are looking at place value in 8 digit numbers. We had a 'Greek Day' too, we tried some Greek food, explored ancient artefacts and turned our classroom into a Greek museum.

Diary Dates

INSET Days
4 May 2017

Year 6 Connaught
Open Evening
20.09.16
5.45pm—8pm

Y6 Residential Trip
21st-23rd Sept

KS1 Harvest
Festival
18.10.16 9.10am

KS2 Harvest
Festival
21.10.16 9.10am

Parents' Evenings
18.10.16
20.10.16

Half Term
24.10.16—28.10.16

PTA Children's'
Disco
7.11.16

School Photographs
9.11.16

Listen to Me
Concert
24.11.16
2.15pm
Years 2,3,4

Homework Exhibition

Mrs Nettle: A healthy baby boy was born during the Summer holidays. Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Nettle who have named him Oliver.

Breakfast Club: Our breakfast club is open from 8am every morning so if you would like your child to attend, please visit the school office. The cost is £2 per day per child and includes breakfast.

Rushmoor in Bloom: As you may already be aware, Park Primary School won a very impressive total of four awards in the 2016 Rushmoor in Bloom competition including the prestigious 'Best School Grounds Award.' A number of staff and children went to the awards ceremony last night where we were presented with a spectacular silver cup which is displayed in the main reception area. We also received £100 in vouchers to use at Squires Garden Centre. A big congratulations to the current Year 5 children who worked on Mr McGregor's vegetable patch last year and to all the adults who helped you with this and who work so hard to make our grounds so beautiful.

Meet The Teacher: Please come along to meet your child's teacher on either Monday 19th September or Wednesday 21st September from 2.45pm. Mrs Harrision will be available on Monday only due to the 'Runways End' residential but you can book an appointment for another day through the Office or class teacher if your unable to make it.

Uniform: As it is the start of term I would like to gently remind everyone of our school uniform and dress code policy. Earrings should be small plain studs —no jewelled or coloured earrings or sleepers should be worn; if these are seen a child will be asked to change them for the following day. No make-up is allowed and all hair should be tied back if it is shoulder length—this applies to boys and girls. Children should not have their hair dyed or coloured. School shoes should be black. Please remember no boots are allowed, just school shoes. Your help in enforcing this is greatly appreciated. No false nails or nail varnish please.

And yes, we have lost property already - largely jumpers with no names in! Please do name EVERYTHING in case your child happens to misplace it.

Application for Infant, Junior and Secondary School

Applications for children due to start secondary school in September 2017 will open on

Monday 19 September 2016.

Applications for children due to start primary and junior School in September 2017 will open on

Tuesday 1 November 2016.

Out of School Achievements: Sophie T has been awarded a Blue Peter badge for drawing a picture.

If your child has won any awards or certificates over the summer, please either send in photographs to the office via email, attention of Mrs Cree, or send your child in with the award. It's important that we celebrate success in and out of school.

Attendance: Congratulations to Owls and Ravens who have all had 100% attendance this week.

Governors: I am pleased to inform you that Mr Mark Stacpoole has been appointed as our new Chair of Governors. We thank Mr Melvyn Buckett, the outgoing Chair for all his hard work and service on the governing body over the years. We currently have vacancies for Parent Governors. We will be writing to you with more details about the role in the next week or so. If you are have any questions about being a gover-