

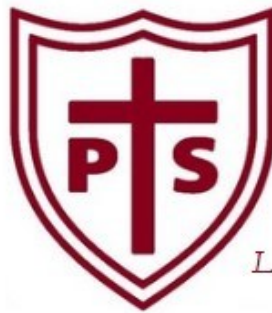
# Park Street Press



## Dates for your diary

- 20/1:** Y4 trip—Pizza Express  
Y1 trip—Radlett Synagogue
- 21/1:** Y5 & Y6 trip Science Festival St Albans Cathedral
- 22/1:** Y4 Forest School
- 29/1:** Y3 Forest School
- 5/2:** Y2 Forest School
- 6/2:** NSPCC Number Day
- 9/2:** Children's Mental Health Week  
Drama Kids 'Belonging' workshops, YR-Y6
- 10/2:** Safer Internet Day
- 12/2:** Y1 Forest School
- 13/2:** 'Wear Your Scarf' Day
- 16/2-20/2:** HALF TERM
- 26/2:** Y3 & Y5 British Museum trip
- 4/3:** Mini Police sessions begin—Y5 & Y6
- 5/3:** World Book Day  
Storytelling workshops—Nursery to Year 2  
Y5 Forest School
- 6/3:** Y2 trip to Kew Gardens

Love  
Joy  
Courage  
Truth



Flourish

LET YOUR  
LIGHT SHINE!



Friday 16th January 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic start to the new term we have had! It's been wonderful to see pupils returning happy, enthusiastic, and ready to learn. This week, we welcomed back Stage-coach, who delivered inspiring workshops themed around "Dreaming Big and Aiming High!" A great way to celebrate new beginnings and encourage our pupils to set their sights high as we start the new year and term.



Our extra-curricular clubs also launched this week and have proved very popular, offering pupils a great range of opportunities to develop their talents and interests.

Next week is set to be full of more exciting experiences for our pupils. Year 4 will be heading to Pizza Express as part of their new geography topic, Bella Italia, Year 1 will broaden their understanding of Judaism with a visit to the Radlett Reform Synagogue, and Years 5 and 6 will immerse themselves in science at the St Albans Cathedral Science Festival, taking part in hands-on activities, including a planetarium experience, to deepen their scientific knowledge.

Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to another wonderful term of learning.

Have a lovely weekend!

Monique Gregory  
Headteacher

## Attendance Matters

Regular attendance is vital for your child's learning and progress. Every day in school counts-missing lessons can make it harder for children to keep up and feel confident in their learning. We encourage all families to prioritise attendance so that pupils can make the most of every opportunity.

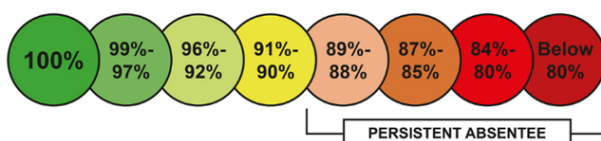
If your child is unwell, please contact the school office as soon as possible to let us know.

You can check your child's up-to-date attendance at any time through Arbor, which is a great way to stay informed and keep track. If you have any questions about attendance or need support, please don't hesitate to contact us-we're here to help.

Thank you for working with us to ensure every child has the best chance at success.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

On Time: First Time, Every Time



Which CIRCLE are you in?

## Wear Your Scarf Day

On Friday 13th February, we will be joining SCARF's *Wear Your Scarf Day* to celebrate our SCARF values, which promote children's health and wellbeing. This special day will mark the end of Children's Health Week and is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school community.

We invite everyone to wear a scarf as a symbol of support for children's wellbeing and to show that we all belong to a caring, inclusive community where every child feels valued. Let's wrap up in our scarves and wrap each other in kindness!



Wear Your

SCARF

Day



Thank you!

We would like to express our sincere thanks to the two local amazing businesses (The Overdraught & Lily Alley Florist) who recently organised raffles to raise money for our school. Your generosity and community spirit are truly appreciated. The funds raised will be used to purchase valuable resources that will support and enhance learning for all our children. Thank you for your kindness and continued support of Park Street!

## Our Curriculum in Action

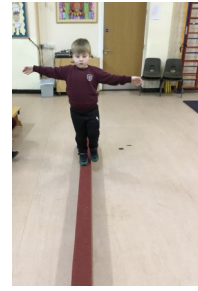
### Nursery

This week we have enjoyed lots of fun activities on our Topic Launch day. We started the day by thinking about our own superhero powers; things like kindness and helpfulness, linked to our value of Love. We then made our very own superhero masks, went on a walk around the school to thank all of the grown up real life superheroes that work in our school and enjoyed a real life superhero trail around the playground listening to clues to find the correct picture, that was so much fun! We have started to make a doctor's role play area and some of us have had a turn being doctors!



### Reception

Our super Saplings have had great fun exploring a variety of apparatus during PE, carefully climbing, balancing and moving across stools, beams and mats. Everyone has practised jumping from different heights and landing safely, showing great control and confidence. It has been wonderful to see the children supporting each other, celebrating their achievements and trying new challenges with big smiles. Well done Saplings!



### Year 1

Willow Class have been full steam ahead heading into Spring term. They launched their history topic by bringing in their favourite toys to share with the class. Some children even brought in a toy their parent played with when they were a child. They learnt all about a good sleep routine,



joined in a drama workshop and even wrote their own version of Stanley's Stick to share with their friends and family at home!



### Year 2



Year 2 had an exciting Geography launch day as they began their topic Around the World! The children enjoyed exploring different countries and cultures through fun activities and discussions. They were also thrilled to take part in a Stagecoach drama workshop, where they used their imagination, movement and teamwork to bring their learning to life. It was a fantastic day full of enthusiasm, creativity and smiles.



### Year 3

This week, we were excited to welcome Stagecoach, who delivered a 'New Beginnings' drama workshop. We got started by playing Busy Bees to warm up and get into character. Then, working together as a



group, the children showed great teamwork skills as they worked hard to create a hot air balloon through drama and imagination. Everyone had lots of fun and demonstrated fantastic creativity and cooperation!

### Year 4

Y4 started the week participating in an exciting workshop run by the theatre group, Stage Coach. The children learnt all about how to express different emotions and how to communicate with each other in different ways. The children all spoke of how much fun they had!



### Year 5

This week in Year 5, we watched water disappear! Through an evaporation experiment, the children explored a reversible change, observing how liquid water turns into vapour and can later become water again. By comparing pure water and salty water, the children made careful observations and impressed us with their thoughtful use of scientific vocabulary to describe the changes they noticed.



### Year 6

This week, the Year 6 class took part in a workshop session on Monday led by the Stagecoach Theatre Arts company, who delivered an informative and engaging workshop focused on teamwork through drama. During the session, pupils worked in groups to create and perform different scenes, encouraging them to listen to one another, share ideas, and collaborate effectively. The class produced some awesome scenes, demonstrating excellent teamwork, creativity, and confidence throughout. Overall, it was a great lesson and a thoroughly enjoyable experience.



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Together helping our school to flourish

## Christmas Fayre update



**Thank you so much to everyone who came, helped out and supported our Christmas events in 2025!  
We raised a wonderful £620!**

**Elfridges** was lots of fun, the children seemed to really enjoy that and choosing their own gifts for family. We have learnt lots about how to make this even better next year!

**The Christmas Fayre** was made really memorable thanks to our wonderful Santa's Grotto in the new nurture nook, the bouncy snow globe and festive refreshments, and the magical wonderland trail through the forest school, ending up with sparklers and marshmallows.

We hope you had a lovely time and a wonderful break over Christmas!

## New screens for classrooms!

We were delighted before Christmas to help contribute to brand-new interactive screen displays in several classrooms, which means every class now has a high-quality screen to help the children with their learning.

We look forward to continuing to support the school with updated resources and equipment as our fundraising continues through the year.



## Easy Fundraising

You may have spotted this advert in our PTA noticeboard in the playground - please do sign up to [easyfundraising.org.uk](https://easyfundraising.org.uk) and search for '**Park Street School Association St Albans**'.

The clue is in the title - it raises money really easily for the school, with no extra cost to you. All details online.

