

Park Street Press



Dates for your diary

- 22/6:** Y6 Bikeability Week
- 24/6:** 2:30pm Cyber Awareness Parent workshop
by Herts Police Cyber Team
- 26/6:** Sports Day
EYFS: 9:05am-10:45am
KS1/KS2: parents are invited in from 1pm to 3pm
- 29/6:** 2:45pm Y3/Y4 Keycorders Performance
Art Week
- 2/7:** Y6 Transition Parent Workshop: 9:00am
2:45pm Y5 Keyboard Concert
Forest School: Y2
- 6/7:** Parent Prayer Group (8:55-9:30am in the library)
- 7/7:** 9:15am iRock summer concert
- 8/7:** UKS2 Lea Valley Water Sports Adventure Day
- 9/7:** Transition Day
Forest School: Y1
- 10/7:** 9:05am EYFS sharing assembly
Colour Run Summer Fair Event at 3pm
- 15/7:** 5pm Y6 Production
- 16/7:** Forest School: Reception
- 17/7:** Y6 Seaside trip
- 20/7:** 9:30am Whole School 'Let your light shine!'
Church Service
- 21/7:** 2pm Whole school picnic

Love
Joy
Courage
Truth



Flourish

LET YOUR
LIGHT SHINE!

Friday 19th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We were delighted to share our recent Ofsted report today. We are incredibly proud of what has been recognised: the hard work and dedication of our staff, the enthusiasm, kindness and character of our pupils, and the strong sense of community that makes our school such a special place to be.

I would like to thank all of the parents who took the time to share their thoughts with the inspectors. Your warm and supportive feedback meant a great deal to us.

It is a privilege to lead such a wonderful school community, and we are excited to continue building on our many strengths, working together to ensure the very best for every child.

We feel this line from the report captures the heart of our school perfectly:

"Pupils are happy, safe and cared for in this welcoming Church of England school."

Looking ahead, we are very much looking forward to our highly anticipated Sports Day next Friday! It is going to be a hot one, so please do remember sun cream, hats and water bottles for all children.

We hope many parents will be able to join in the fun - don't forget your running shoes for the parent race!

Have a wonderful weekend in the sunshine!

Monique Gregory
Headteacher

Our Curriculum in Action

EYFS

Our Nursery and Reception children had an absolutely fantastic time on their visit to 'Bekonscot Model Village'. Although the rain made an appearance, it certainly didn't dampen the children's enthusiasm or excitement. They were captivated by the incredible miniature world, eagerly exploring the different buildings, spotting tiny details and watching the trains chug their way around the village. The interactive workshop based on 'Oi! Get Off Our Train' was a huge success, with the children fully immersing themselves in the story and delighting in acting out the adventure. A particular highlight for many was the ride on the miniature railway, which was met with squeals of excitement and big smiles all round. The day was packed with wonder and imagination, creating special memories for everyone involved.



Year 1

Year 1 have been on a fantastic learning journey these past weeks. In maths they have been understanding place value to 100. They are learning to use number lines, number squares, and compare numbers. In English they are rewriting the story of Little Red and the Hungry Lion using their own words. In science they are exploring seasonal changes which links so well to our Geography topic. This week, we had loads of fun making a journey stick, following a map travelling around our school to collect items that tell us it is Summer.



Year 2

Year 2 had a wonderful trip to Reveley Victorian Era Lodge, where they discovered how different life and school were during the Victorian era. The children experienced a traditional Victorian classroom, using slates and chalkboards and acting out what lessons would have been like in the past. They also enjoyed a delicious afternoon tea with jam sandwiches and Victoria sponge cake. To complete the experience, the children had the opportunity to dress up in Victorian clothing, wearing dresses and waistcoats. It was a fun and memorable day that brought history to life for everyone!

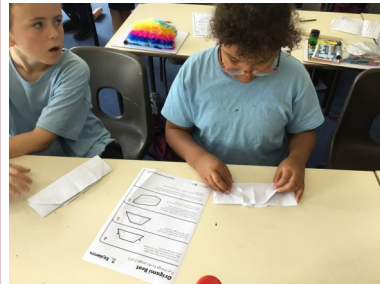


Year 3

Last week, during a KS2 STEM workshop, Year 3 were tasked with making a parachute that could land without breaking an egg. We had a lot of fun problem solving to create the softest landing possible. Incredibly all of our eggs survived the drop! Well done Year 3, you showed creativity, determination and resilience and as a school, we managed to save the most eggs out of any school that has taken part in the STEM workshop so far. Go Park Street!!



Year 4



For the launch of our new topic on Rivers, Year 4 each made an origami boat and then tested their boats on a river (made from tin foil). They also learnt where a river starts and where it ends. Unfortunately, their 'rivers' were not long enough to fully test their boats!



Year 5

This week, Year 5 enjoyed a reflective and inspiring away day at St Albans Cathedral, exploring spirituality, stewardship, and how their actions can positively shape the world around them.



A highlight of the visit was navigating a labyrinth designed to encourage calm reflection, helping the children to pause and think about their role in caring for others and the environment.

Year 6

What an exciting and memorable couple of weeks Year 6 have had! We enjoyed a fantastic STEM workshop where the children learned about rockets and parachutes, had an amazing time at our Year 6 sleepover roasting marshmallows, playing games, eating pizza and watching a movie, and today completed a Step Up workshop to help prepare them for the transition to secondary school. We are incredibly proud of the enthusiasm, maturity and positivity the children have shown throughout these experiences and look forward to making even more special memories together in the weeks ahead.



ART WEEK 2026

Our Art week this year is taking place the week beginning 29th June, with a focus on the Artist Wassily Kandinsky. We are going to be closely studying his painting 'Squares with Concentric Circles' (1913) as well as 'Circles in a Circle' (1923). We will be exploring his art through a range of different media from oil pastels to *papier-mâché*. On Friday 3rd July we will be holding an exhibition to share the children's work with you from the week. This will take place from 3:20pm. All parents and carers are warmly invited to view your child/ren's work.

Can you help? Please would you send any old newspapers or magazines you may have at home so that we can use them for *papier-mâché*. Thank you in advance for your support.



District Sports 2026—We Are So Proud!

What an incredible week we have had at the 2026 District Sports competition! Our Team represented the school and our wider community with outstanding determination, sportsmanship and enthusiasm throughout the day.

Competing across a variety of events, every child showed resilience, teamwork and a positive attitude, making us immensely proud both on and off the track. Their encouragement of one another and the way they conducted themselves truly reflected our school values.

A huge well done to all of the children who took part and gave their very best effort. We would also like to give a special mention to:

Jack (Y6) who came 2nd in the Year 6 throwing competition
Harrison (Y6) who won the Year 6 boys' high jump
Noel (Y6) who came 4th in the Year 6 boys' 600m race
Evron (Y6), Frank (Y5), Kadie (Y4), Vinnie (Y3) who made the final of their age group sprinting race.



Our Year 4 shuttle relay team (Joshua, Freddy, Peter and Zac) who came 2nd in the final of this competition. Our Year 6 boys' relay team (Jack, Zac, Harrison and Evron) who reached the final and finished an incredible 3rd place in the 100m relay final.



While medals and placings are wonderful achievements, what impressed us most was the courage, determination and team spirit displayed by every single child. They supported one another, embraced every challenge and represented our school with pride. Days like these reminds us that success is not only about winning; it is about having the confidence to try, the resilience to keep going and the character to support others along the way. Well done District Sports Team 2026—you have made us incredibly proud!

CYBER Workshop FOR PARENTS



Practical advice
to protect your
family online



Helping you keep your children
safe, secure and smart online.

IN THIS 45-60 MINUTE SESSION, WE WILL:



Explore the types of **illegal online activity** children can become involved in – and the potential **consequences**.



Share **practical advice** on how to **protect your family** from fraud and cyber crime.



Learn how to protect **identity, privacy** and **money** online.



Includes a **Q&A session** to answer any questions you may have.

A talk by Cyber Protect & Prevent Officers
from the Serious Fraud & Crime Unit at
Hertfordshire Police.

Our children are immersed in technology every day – phones, tablets, laptops, game consoles, smart devices and the internet. While curiosity and skills can be a huge positive, some children can become involved in cyber crime without realising it.

This session will help you understand the risks, the consequences and the better ways to support your child's interest in technology.



**Knowledge today,
protection for tomorrow.**



WEDNESDAY
24TH JUNE



2:30PM



SCHOOL HALL



**HERTFORDSHIRE
POLICE**

Serious Fraud & Crime Unit



LET'S WORK TOGETHER
TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE ONLINE.

We look forward to seeing you there!



BOOKINGS OPEN:
WWW.YOURPSSA.ORG



PARK STREET SCHOOL 2026 COLOUR RUN

FRIDAY, 10 JULY
3.20-5PM

INDIVIDUAL TICKET - £5
FAMILY - £20



DID YOU KNOW THAT AS A PARENT AT PARK STREET SCHOOL YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE PTA?



We're looking for parents and carers to help rethink what our PTA could be. With some long-standing volunteers moving on, this is a great chance to reshape things so it works for busy families.

We all want fun events for our children and to raise funds for the school, but we need fresh ideas and realistic ways to make them happen.

What would you love to see at school for families and children? If you'd like to be part of the conversation, we'd love to hear from you.

- ✉ Email: info.pssa@gmail.com
- 🗨 Or catch Amy Tolmie in the playground (parent in Year 1 and Year 4)

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- Helps fuel learning and concentration
- Quick and easy for parents to register
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Registering only takes a few minutes

www.coolmilk.com/parents

REGISTER BY 25/08/26
TO BE ENTERED INTO OUR PRIZE DRAW!

FOR PARENTS:
You could WIN a supermarket voucher or free milk for a year!

FOR SCHOOLS:
Your school could WIN

- £750 for learning resources
- £250 for School trip
- £250 for Sports/arts fund
- A visit from CBeebies Mr Bloom and more!

T&Cs apply

Cool Milk

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Cool Milk

As you may be aware our school has a milk scheme, administered by Cool Milk. Mid-morning milk provides a much-needed nutritional boost and keeps children hydrated between breakfast and lunch. Children receive free milk until the age of 5. After that, they can continue to reap the benefits of fresh mid-morning milk at a subsidised cost. If you'd like to opt in and have not already done so, simply register your child at www.coolmilk.com/parents. If you register by 25/08/26 you could win a supermarket voucher or free milk for a year once your child turns 5!

iROCK PARTNER SCHOOL

WELCOME TO YOUR NEW SCHOOL!

You've joined a school that rocks...literally! Every week, children get to jam together in real bands with iRock School of Music. Whether they're on keys, drums, vocals or guitar, they'll learn their favourite songs and even perform live for their grown-ups to cheer them on.

But, iRock is more than music – it's about confidence, friendship and imagination. Our youngest iRockers in Reception start their musical journey through play, rhythm and teamwork, building foundational skills whilst having fun!

It's great to see our child having the confidence to go on stage and sing. Such a proud moment and he was so chuffed with himself!

– Proud Parent of Reception iRocker, 2025

All About iRock

- Band-based lessons for Reception to Year 6
- Real instruments and music pupils love
- Taught by expert Band Coaches in small groups
- Bands grouped by age
- Regular concerts and rewards
- Exam-free Group Performance qualification awarded by RSL
- Journey through the engaging iRock curriculum
- Simple monthly subscription service
- Log in to the iRock Parent Portal to view your child's progress.



iRock

4- to 5-year-olds in a rock band...
how does that work?

At this early stage, your child is developing language, coordination and emotional awareness – all the things iRock supports naturally through music.

Being in a band is about so much more than just learning notes – the benefits of iRock help develop so many vital skills during early childhood.

Social
Children learn to take turns, share ideas, and play as a team. Listening is essential, and bandmates build empathy, situational awareness and reasoning whilst working towards a shared goal.

Language
Children follow musical cues, learn new words, and grow confidence in speaking and listening. iRock builds strong language and listening foundations through music-led communication.

Motor Skills
Strumming, tapping, and pressing keys develop fine motor control. iRock strengthens hand coordination and muscle memory through clapping and instrument use each week.

Cognitive
Reception pupils build focus by keeping rhythm and solving musical challenges through play. iRock boosts attention spans and early reasoning in a fun, structured way that supports classroom learning.

Emotional
Playing music helps children release energy and feel proud of what they achieve. iRock builds a sense of belonging, responsibility, and joy—key emotional tools as they enter structured school life.

www.irockschool.com/enrol

