

Park Street Press



Dates for your diary

20/7: 9:30am Whole School 'Let your light shine!' Church Service

21/7: 2pm Whole school picnic

22/7: 9:15am Y6 Graduation
1:30pm school finishes (end of term)

1/9: INSET DAY (school closed to pupils)

2/9: First day back to school for all pupils

7/9: 9:05am Meet the Teacher: Year 1

8/9: 9:05am Meet the Teacher: Year 3

9/9: 9:05am Meet the Teacher: Year 4

10/9: 9:05am Meet the Teacher: Year 6

11/9: 9:05am Meet the Teacher: Year 5

14/9: 9:05am Meet the Teacher: Year 2

Love
Joy
Courage
Truth



Flourish
LET YOUR
LIGHT SHINE!

Friday 17th July 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of another fantastic academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our children, staff, governors and families for their support throughout the year. It has been wonderful to see the children grow in confidence, flourish in so many different ways and truly let their light shine. This week, you will have received your child's end-of-year report. We are incredibly proud of all that our children have achieved and hope the report gives you an opportunity to celebrate their successes, effort and growth over the past year. We have so much to celebrate as a school community.

We are looking forward to a very special final week together:

Monday 20th July– We will come together for our whole-school church service, giving us the opportunity to reflect on the year and celebrate all that has been achieved.

Tuesday 21st July– Our annual Family Picnic will take place from 2.00pm. We would love as many families as possible to join us, but please don't worry if you are unable to attend. All children will still enjoy a picnic with their class teachers on the field and be part of the celebrations.

Wednesday 22nd July– We will hold our Year 6 Graduation in the morning, marking the end of the primary school journey for our oldest pupils. We are incredibly proud of them and wish them every success as they move on to secondary school. Wednesday is also the last day of term and school will finish at 1.30pm.

As we look ahead to September, we will be holding our Meet the Teacher sessions at 9:05am on the following dates:

Monday 7th September: Year 1

Monday 14th September: Year 2

Tuesday 8th September: Year 3

Wednesday 9th September: Year 4

Friday 11th September: Year 5

Thursday 10th September: Year 6

These will give parents and carers the opportunity to visit classrooms and meet their child's new teacher ahead of the new academic year.

Thank you once again for your continued support and partnership. I wish all of our families a happy, restful and safe summer holiday when it arrives, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

Best wishes.

Monique Gregory
Headteacher

Our Curriculum in Action

Nursery

Last Friday saw the culmination of our year's learning with our sharing worship. Acorns were very excited to share some of our songs that we sprinkled throughout the worship time. Some were counting rhymes, but 2 of our songs were inspired by 2 of the stories that we read as a class - 'Car, Car, Truck, Jeep' and 'Brown Bear, Brown Bear, what do you see?' The children did a fabulous job of singing and acting out our songs!



Reception

Our wonderful Saplings had a fantastic time at Forest School this week, enjoying a fun-filled seaside adventure. The children explored our seaside-themed area, investigating the rock pool, creating imaginative play experiences and getting hands-on with the sand tray. They enjoyed building, digging, exploring and spending time relaxing in the hammock while making the most of the outdoor environment. It was lovely to see their curiosity, creativity and teamwork shine as they discovered and enjoyed everything Forest School had to offer.



Year 1

Willow Class have been working on their writing skills these past weeks and using their fabulous imagination. They created a double-page information poster on their imaginary bug using the features of a non-fiction text. They wrote their own alternative version of the Little Red story, creating a new villain to suit their new setting. They also presented their very own weather reports by using all they have learnt in Science and Geography topics this half term. They have worked hard and are ending their last weeks in Year 1 well. What a delight they have been to teach!



Year 2

Year 2 enjoyed a fun DT lesson which involved making 'Baby Bear's chair' from different materials such as paper straw, pipe cleaners and recycled materials.



Year 3

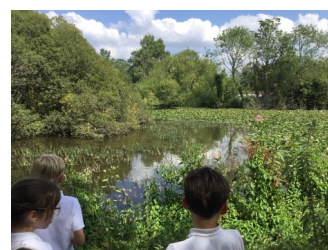
This half term in Science, we have been learning about forces and magnets. We explored pushes and pulls by using force meters and worked in pairs to pull from opposite sides to investigate how different amounts of force affect movement. We also learned about magnets and discovered that they can attract certain materials, such as iron and steel, without touching them. We enjoyed testing a variety of objects

to find out which were magnetic and using magnets to pick up magnetic objects from the floor.



Year 4

For part of their Geography topic about rivers, Year 4 investigated our local river, the River Ver. They also looked at the different habitats around the area and got to play 'pooh sticks'!



Year 5

Year 5 had an unforgettable day at Lee Valley, taking on paddleboarding and the Water Wipeout! There were plenty of smiles, splashes, and laughter, and we were especially proud of the children who faced

and overcame their fears by trying something new. Their courage, determination, and encouragement of one another made the day even more special. What an amazing adventure and a fantastic set of memories!



Year 6

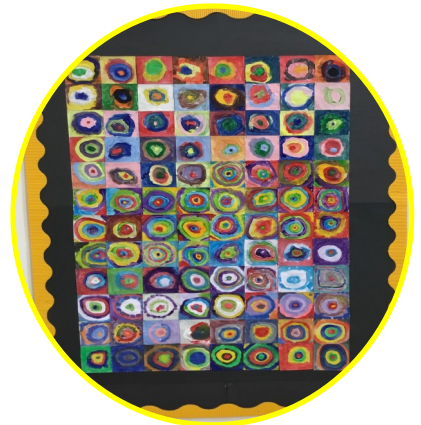
Our Year 6 trip to Southend-on-Sea was the perfect way to celebrate an incredible year! The children had an amazing day enjoying thrilling rides, showing fantastic bravery as they challenged themselves, before relaxing and having fun together on the beach. It was a well-deserved celebration of their outstanding production, fantastic SATS results and all of their hard work throughout the year. We are so proud of the way they represented our school with excellent behaviour and kindness. Well done, Year 6—you have made us incredibly proud. Thank you for such a wonderful year, and we wish you every success as you begin your next adventure!



ART WEEK

Our Art Week was a fantastic celebration of creativity, inspired by the vibrant and imaginative work of Wassily Kandinsky. Throughout the week, every child embraced the opportunity to explore colour, shape and pattern, producing a wonderful range of finished artwork that reflected both their own ideas and Kandinsky's distinctive style. The children worked with an exciting variety of media, including paint, oil pastels, wool, fabric, paper, card, clay and salt dough, developing new skills and expressing their creativity with enthusiasm.

A particular highlight of the week was our Art Festival on Thursday morning, when every child from Nursery to Year 6 took part in a carousel of creative activities, including collaging, painting, cutting and printing. The school was buzzing with excitement as pupils collaborated, experimented and enjoyed creating together. We rounded off the week on a real high with our Art Exhibition, where parents and carers were invited to admire the children's incredible work. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the talent, imagination and hard work of every pupil, and we are incredibly proud of all they achieved.



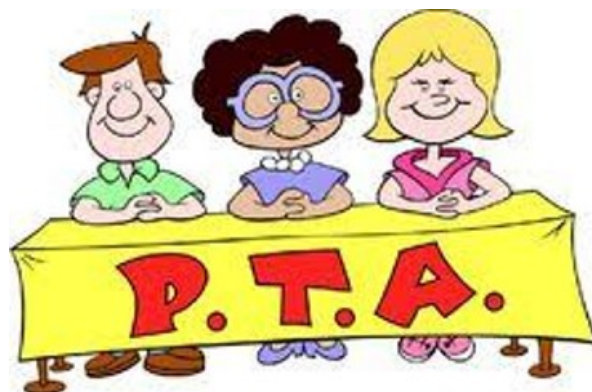
A Heartfelt Thank You to Our PTA

As we come to the end of another successful year, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to our amazing PTA for all of their hard work, dedication and support. The countless hours spent planning events, fundraising and supporting our school have made a huge difference to the experiences and opportunities we are able to provide for our children. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who has contributed their time and energy throughout the year.

We would also like to offer a special thank you to our outgoing Chair: Natalie Chambers, Treasurer: Dave Wilkinson and Events Coordinator: Hannah Wilkinson. Their commitment, leadership and enthusiasm have been instrumental in the success of the PTA, and we are deeply appreciative of everything they have done for our school community. We wish them all the very best!

We are delighted to share that a new Chair has been appointed, and further information about the PTA and plans for the coming year will be shared soon. If you are interested in finding out more about getting involved with the PTA, you can catch up with Amy Tolmie (Y1 & Y4 parent) or Amy Tatum (Nursery parent) at the school picnic next week. Alternatively, please contact the school office and we will be happy to put you in touch.

Thank you once again to all of our PTA members, past and present, for your continued support of Park Street Primary School!





SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC

Tuesday 21st July at 2pm

All members of our school community
are welcome to join us for an afternoon
to remember!

Please bring along a picnic to enjoy, as well as any
blankets, chairs or shade umbrellas that you need.



2025 - 2026
PTA FUNDRAISING
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



WHAT WE RAISED

DONUT SALE OCTOBER '25- £114

AUTUMN DISCOS - £247

CHRISTMAS FAYRE - £708

CLOTHES BANK - £21

DONUT SALE MAY '26 - £60

COLOUR RUN - £433

EASY FUNDRAISING - £62

OTHER - £350

TOTAL RAISED: £1995

WHERE THE MONEY WENT SO FAR

WHOLE SCHOOL PANTOMIME TRANSPORT - £350

YEAR SIX SEASIDE TRIP TRANSPORT - £400

CONTRIBUTION TO NEW CLASSROOM WHITEBOARDS - £1,000

**NONE OF THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT
YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT. THANK YOU,
HAVE A LOVELY SUMMER!**

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2026 - 2027

JOIN OUR TEAM!

WE NEED YOU FOR NEXT YEAR!



WE HAVE FOUND A NEW PTA CHAIR, BUT
STILL NEED HELP! WE ARE LOOKING FOR:

A NEW SECRETARY & TREASURER

WEB SUPPORT, EVENTS VOLUNTEERS

PARENTS WITH ANY TIME TO SPARE!

*JOIN OUR
Team!*



WANT TO BE PART OF THE STORY OF RAISING EVEN MORE
FUNDS, FOR THINGS SUCH AS AIR CONDITIONING UNITS?!



YOU DON'T NEED ANY EXPERIENCE - JUST A BIT
OF ENTHUSIASM AND A LITTLE TIME TO HELP OUT!



COME AND CHAT TO AMY TOLMIE (Y1 & Y4 PARENT) OR AMY TATUM
(NURSERY PARENT) AT THE PICNIC NEXT WEEK TO FIND OUT MORE



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