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UPCOMING EVENTS

16/11: Anti-Bullying Week
Odd Socks Day

17/11: Forest School: Year 5

18/11: Y5 trip to Cineworld (Watford)

20/11: 9:05am Y3 sharing assembly

Kindness Day – wear something with a heart on it or come dressed in heart-themed colours!

22/11: St Albans Christmas Cracker Event (choir to perform)

23/11: Whole school Stagecoach workshops

24/11: Forest School: Year 4

25/11: Y3/Y4 trip to Cineworld (Watford)
Decoration making afternoon (parents invited in)

26/11: 4:30pm How Wood Lights Switch On (choir to perform)

27/11: 9:05am Y2 sharing assembly

29/11: Christingle Service, Holy Trinity at 4pm

30/11: Occasional Day (school closed)

01/12: Y6 Advent Service: St Albans Cathedral

Forest School: Year 3

02/12: KS2 Christmas Movie Night



Flourish
LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was wonderful to welcome so many families to our Parents' Evenings this week. Thank you to everyone who attended and took the time to discuss and celebrate their child's progress. We value the strong partnership between home and school, and your support plays a vital role in helping children thrive.

Yesterday, children took part in Michael Rosen's live poetry event, which inspired some fantastic writing across the school. It was wonderful to see children engaging so enthusiastically with poetry and producing some fabulous creative work of their own.

Today, we came together to support Children in Need. Thank you to everyone who donated and helped make the day such a success by coming to school dressed in something spotty, stripy or yellow.

Looking ahead, next week is Anti-Bullying Week. We will begin with Odd Socks Day on Monday, celebrating individuality and the importance of respecting our differences. Throughout the week, children will take part in a range of activities focused on kindness, inclusion and positive relationships, before finishing with our Kindness Day on Friday. We are looking forward to celebrating the many ways we can make a positive difference to others through small acts of kindness.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support, and I hope you all have a restful weekend.

Have a great weekend!

Ms Gregory
Headteacher



Our Curriculum in Action




NURSERY

Our Nursery children have been learning about why some people wear a poppy at this special time of year. Through gentle discussions, we have been finding out how poppies help us to remember and say thank you to the brave people who helped us in the past. The children have enjoyed getting creative, designing, making and decorating their very own poppies using a range of materials and techniques. We have been so proud of their lovely creations and the thoughtful way they have joined in, showing curiosity, kindness and care as we learn about remembering together.




RECEPTION

Our Reception children have been exploring the festival of Diwali as part of their work in RE. We have been discovering how Diwali is known as the 'Festival of Light' and why it is celebrated by so many people. The children have thoroughly enjoyed dressing up, creating their own beautiful and colourful Rangoli patterns and using small world characters to retell the traditional story of Rama and Sita. It has been wonderful to see their imaginations come to life as they explored and developed their understanding of how different people celebrate special occasions.




YEAR 1

Year 1 had an amazing topic launch day by taking a trip to the farm!. We set off to Aldenham Country Park on the coach after the register for a fun packed day. When we arrived, we visited '100 Acre Wood' to find Winnie the Pooh and all of his friends, we had lots of fun finding their different homes. We made some comfy dens in the woodland area, working together with our friends. After lunch, we had a guided tour around the farm, meeting and feeding lots of the animals. Then it was time to wash our hands and hop back on the coach to school.




YEAR 2

For the launch of their topic about the Great Fire of London which started in a baker's shop on Pudding Lane, Year 2 became bakers and made their own bread rolls. They were all very good at kneading the dough and shaping the dough into a roll. As you can see from the final photo, the rolls were very successful!

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YEAR 3

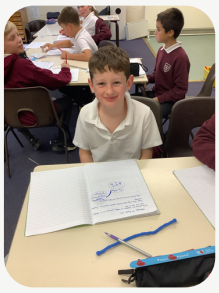
Making music together! Year 3 have been developing their listening skills and confidence, learning new notes and how to read them in written notation form. They are sounding wonderful and I will soon be sharing a date with you when you will be invited in for a special performance.

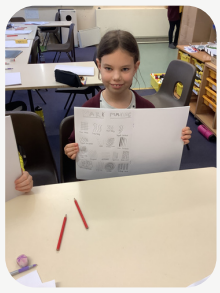




YEAR 4

Year 4 have had a fantastic start to the second half of the term. We launched our topic with a 'Roman School for a Day'. The children came in wearing Roman attire and were all addressed by their Latin names. They explored many of Rome's ancient ruins, investigating what they tell us about this amazing civilisation. We have also thrown ourselves into our science topic on Electricity. The children really enjoyed making series circuits. Our science topic linked well with our new English unit on writing explanations, where the children have been able to use their vivid imaginations to write about some interesting inventions. Great work, Year 4!





YEAR 5

What an awesome week of learning we have had in Year 5! We have enjoyed so many exciting experiences, including exploring different marks and techniques in our Art lesson, taking part in the fantastic Michael Rosen workshops, and learning about the importance of friendships during our RHE lesson. It has been a brilliant start to Autumn 2, and we are looking forward to all the exciting learning opportunities and adventures that the rest of the term has in store!





YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 kicked off our exciting new Geography topic, Mountains! The children enjoyed getting creative by constructing their very own mountains, exploring their different shapes and features. The excitement continued during Forest School, where the children took part in a thrilling 'Traitors' inspired game! Working together, they completed a range of challenges, including decrypting secret messages to uncover hidden mountain names. It was a fantastic session filled with teamwork, problem-solving and a little bit of mystery! What a brilliant start to our new topic!

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Link for booking tours:
https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/QFe0sbaNX2

PARK STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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EYFS TOURS

For entry *September 2027*

We warmly invite you to visit our school and see our Early Years in action.

BOOK YOUR TOUR TODAY
Complete our online form to book your visit.

TOUR DATES

- Wednesday 4th November, 9:30am
- Tuesday 17th November, 2:00pm
- Tuesday 24th November, 9:30am
- Wednesday 2nd December, 9:30am
  Join us for a festive forest school taster session
- Monday 7th December, 2:00pm
- Friday 8th January, 9:30am

To book your place, please complete our online form using the link below:

Park Street Primary School Tours

Excellent EYFS provision
"Leaders have put in place a highly effective early years provision that gives children a secure start to school life."

Expert leadership
"Teaching in the early years is excellent."

Confident and independent learners
"Children develop the academic and personal skills needed to transition to Year 1 successfully."

WHY PARK STREET IS SPECIAL

Nurturing community
A caring, inclusive school where every child is known and valued.

High expectations
We set ambitious goals for every child and celebrate success.

Strong partnerships
We work closely with families to support every step of the journey.

Broad and balanced curriculum
Rich experiences that inspire a love of learning.

Confident futures
Children leave our Early Years ready, confident and excited for Year 1.

Come and see for yourself what makes our Early Years so special.

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Anti-Bullying Week
at Park Street

Monday 16th November: Odd Socks Day

We will kick-start Anti-Bullying Week by joining thousands of schools across the country in celebrating Odd Socks Day.

Children are invited to wear odd socks with their school uniform to celebrate individuality and remind us that it is okay to be different.

Throughout the week

Children will take part in a range of activities focused on:

- Kindness and respect
- Celebrating differences
- Friendship and inclusion
- 'Breaking the Silence' and speaking up when something isn't right
- Strengthening our caring school community

Friday 20th November: Kindness Day

To round off the week, we will be holding a special Kindness Day. Children are invited to wear something with a heart on it, a heart-themed accessory, or colours associated with kindness and love.

During the day, pupils will:

- Take part in a Kindness Circle, sharing positive messages about one another
- Send encouraging notes through our Kindness Postbox
- Be recognised through our Caught Being Kind challenge, where acts of kindness will be celebrated throughout the school

At Park Street, we believe that small acts of kindness can make a big difference. We look forward to a week of celebrating friendship, respect and the importance of treating everyone with kindness.





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News from Park Street PTA

PARK STREET SCHOOL PTA
Together helping our school to flourish



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2026 CHRISTMAS FAYRE!

Join in the festive fun from **3.20pm on Friday 11 December**.

We would love your support to help make this event special - keep an eye out for volunteer opportunities and online bookings coming soon.

Give to the PTA for free while you do your Christmas shopping!



www.easyfundraising.org.uk

- Open your phone's camera
- Scan the QR code
- Get the app



Select **'Park Street School Association'** as your cause to support. Let's see how much we can raise for free this season!

www.yourpssa.org | info.pssa@gmail.com | www.facebook.com/yourpssa
Registered charity number 1152320

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Park Street C of E Primary School & Nursery
Term Dates 2027-28

AUTUMN TERM 2027

INSET DAY	Wednesday 1st September 2027 (school closed)
TERM BEGINS	Thursday 2nd September 2027
INSET DAY	Friday 22nd October 2027 (school closed)
HALF TERM	Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October 2027
OCCASIONAL DAY	Friday 26th November 2027 (school closed)
TERM ENDS	Friday 17th December 2027 (school finishes at 1:30pm)

SPRING TERM 2028

INSET DAY	Tuesday 4th January 2028 (school closed)
TERM BEGINS	Wednesday 5th January 2028
HALF TERM	Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February 2028
TERM ENDS	Friday 31st March 2028 (school finishes at 1:30pm)

SUMMER TERM 2028

TERM BEGINS	Tuesday 18th April 2028
INSET DAY	Friday 28th April 2028 (School closed)
MAY BANK HOLIDAY	Monday 1st May 2028 (School closed)
HALF TERM	Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2028
TERM ENDS	Friday 21st July 2028 (school finishes at 1:30pm)
INSET DAY	Monday 24th July 2028 (School closed)