

Park Street Press



Dates for your diary

27/11/23: Non-uniform Day (bring a tombola prize)
8:55am - 9:25am Prayer Group (library)
Perform Drama Workshops—YR-Y3

28/11/23: EYFS trip to St Albans Cathedral

29/11/23: No Pens Day!
Advent Carol Service— The Abbey (Y5/6)

30/11/23: Y4 trip: Roman Day- St Albans Cathedral
Exotic Animals visiting Y1
Christmas lights switch on: How Wood shops

01/12/23: Occasional Day: (School closed)

06/12/23: 9:30am EYFS Tour
EYFS 'Mrs Christmas' Kitchen' festive fun
1:30pm Beauty & the Beast Theatre trip: Y1– Y6

07/12/23: 2:15pm Parents invited in – Christmas tree decoration making

08/12/23: Tree Dressing Assembly
Christmas Jumper Day
3:15-5.00pm Christmas Fair

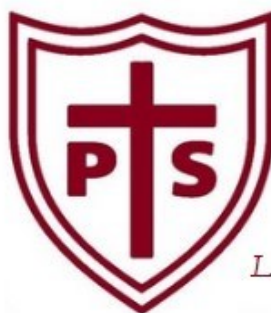
13/12/23: Christmas Lunch

15/12/23: 9:30am EYFS Nativity Play

20/12/23: 9.30am Whole School Christmas Service
Holy Trinity Church
End of term: School finishes 1.30pm

04/01/24: First day back to school

Love
Joy
Courage
Truth



Flourish

LET YOUR
LIGHT SHINE!

Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have been very busy over the last two weeks. From odd socks last Monday as we marked the start of Anti-Bullying Week to local firefighters visiting Year 2 yesterday for their exciting 'Fire! Fire!' topic. Look further on in the newsletter to see the great pictures! At the Remembrance Parade, two pupils from Park Street did a wonderful job reading the poem, 'Poppy, Poppy.' Well done Annie and Mason!

This week, children enjoyed Movie Nights in their PJs with bottomless popcorn and squash! Thank you to the PTA for their help in organising these. As we head into the festive period, we have many more exciting events planned. Please make sure you make a note of the diary dates to ensure you're not missing anything!

Our amazing choir have been busy rehearsing for their many scheduled events over the festive period and we know they will do a wonderful job for each occasion. They will be at Burston Garden Centre tomorrow at 3pm making us proud!



On Thursday 30th November, you can indulge your sweet tooth and support the PTA's Advent bake sale after school. I am sure there will be lots of delicious treats! Please remember there is no school next Friday as we have an occasional day.

Have a lovely weekend!

Monique Gregory
Headteacher

Governors' Report to Parents

The Governors spent a stimulating day in school on Tuesday 14th November. The principal purpose of the day was to review progress on writing as this is a key focus for the school this year, building on the excellent progress which has already been made on reading.

Governors visited each year group during a writing lesson and were pleased to note that pupils' work provided clear evidence of the progress which has been made.

During the day, Governors also took the opportunity to meet a group of pupils from a range of school years. This is what Governors normally refer to as 'Pupil Voice'. The pupils spoke enthusiastically about their experiences of writing and also about various aspects of their well-being. It was encouraging to see how pupils wanted to show their work and to demonstrate what they have been able to achieve.

Walking round the classrooms, Governors were able to look at displays which included some examples of work done by pupils.

Conversations were held with several members of staff, both teaching and support staff, about their own well-being. It was most encouraging to hear how they feel well supported by the senior management. They described their experiences of resources management and time management, and expressed appreciation of how external resources are used to broaden their own 'tool set'. Several spoke warmly about the family feel of the school.

The day concluded with a review of writing books from several year groups. Governors were reassured that what is being taught is giving rise to ever-improving outcomes for pupils.

As always, the Governors were grateful to Ms Gregory, the staff and the pupils for the warm welcome which they received.

News from the PTA (PSSA)



PARK STREET SCHOOL PTA PRESENTS

NON-UNIFORM DAY

MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

Wear your own clothes & bring a Tombola Prize...

On the day, please bring either an **ADULT TREAT*** or **KID'S JAZZY JAR**** FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE TOMBOLA

Thank You!

***ADULT TREAT**
Christmas is for grown-ups too! Think delicious choccies, a nice bottle of something or a yummy Christmas treat!

****JAZZY JAR**
Fill a jar with sweets, small toys, crafts or hair accessories - anything your child would enjoy. Then decorate with some Christmas jazz!



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PARK STREET PTA PRESENTS

THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE

ENTRY
£1 per adult, 50p per child
Pay on the door

Friday 8th December
3:15pm - 5:30pm

Santa's Grotto
Elf off the Shelf
Choir & iRock Groups
Raffle
Bouncy Snow Globe
Gingerbread Decorating
Milled Mine
North Pole market hall
Elf Academy games
Showtime Stage
Santa's Workshop
And much more...

Our Curriculum in Action

EYFS

We have had a super time in Acorns and Saplings class during 'Geography Awareness Week'. We have enjoyed learning about endangered animals and where they live. We especially loved getting messy using recycled materials to create models of some of these precious creatures. I am sure you will agree that they are wonderful!



Year 1

We had great fun during a very wet Forest School session. We made diva lamps, listened to a story about Rama and Sita, drank green tea and enjoyed tasting different foods that originated from India.



Year 2

Y2 had a great visit from the Fire Brigade this week. They were taught all about fire safety in the home, got to see what equipment and protective outfits they wear and got to ask lots of questions. As you can see from the photos, it was a great visit!



Year 3

Year 3 have been working hard to master the column method for addition and subtraction. They have become experts at solving challenges involving exchanging. In Thursday's maths lesson, the children played a team game of Bingo to see how quickly but carefully they could complete their calculations.



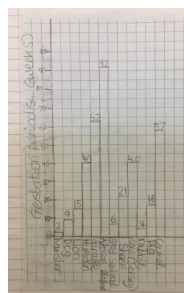
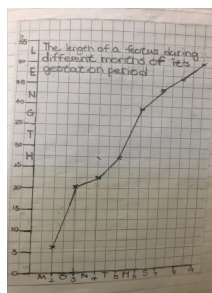
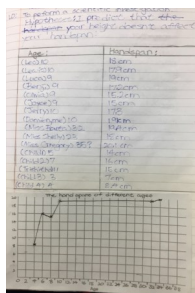
Year 4

This week has had many highlights in Year 4. From practising and performing our Sharing Worship to working on our persuasive speeches, this week has been a lovely week of learning. In this week's picture, we have our wonderful Year 4 class in their pyjamas, ready for movie night here at Park Street. This was also another highlight for us and another event we thoroughly enjoyed.



Year 5/6

Year 5/6 thoroughly enjoyed pyjama day and being able to do our learning in our comfy clothes. In Science this week Year 5/6 also enjoyed investigating whether age and handspan are related and how it changes. They've also enjoyed discussions about baby development and how babies grow and change.





PARK STREET C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

RECEPTION OPEN TOURS

We always welcome parents who would like to have a look at our wonderful school before applying for a place here. We hold Open Mornings for Reception and Nursery places for the following September, but please contact the school office by email or telephone to book a tour at another time.



'Children benefit from a strong curriculum in early years'

OFSTED, November 2021



EYFS TOUR DATES 2023

9:30AM: 10/10, 2/11, 6/12

1:45PM: 22/11, 13/12



Free Childcare
Speak to us today about your
**15 or 30 Hours
FREE Childcare
Allowance**

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COME AND CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH US



CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Sunday 26 November at 4.00pm

A family friendly service to celebrate the start of Christmas where children get their own Christingles and use them to light up the church

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Sunday 17 December at 4.00pm

Our classic service with traditional carols and choir followed by mulled wine and mince pies

CAROL SERVICE

Thursday 7 December at 12.00 noon

An event at Holy Trinity for local businesses followed by refreshments

NATIVITY SERVICE

Sunday 24 December at 4.00pm

For all ages, costumes encouraged

"NO ROOM AT THE INN" FAMILY EVENT AT THE OVERDRAUGHT PUB

Saturday 9 December at 4:15pm

BEER & CAROLS AT THE FALCON PUB

Thursday 21 December at 8.30pm

ALL-AGE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Sunday 3 December at 10.30am

With Christmas items suitable for everyone, from the youngest to the oldest

CAROLS & CANDLES

Sunday 17 December at 7pm

An informal mix of contemporary and traditional Christmas items followed by hot punch and mince pies

ALL-AGE CELEBRATION

Monday 25 December at 10.30am

Join us as we thank God for His indescribable gift. Children are invited to bring a favourite present

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

Sunday 24 December at 11.00pm

Traditional carols followed by communion

ALL-AGE CELEBRATION

Monday 25 December at 10.30am

Take some time out on Christmas morning to celebrate Jesus' birth. Children are invited to bring a favourite present to show

For more info: www.holytrinityfrogmore.org For more info: www.psbtc.org.uk

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Prayer Group

How can we pray for you?

Once a month we meet and pray for the children, staff and parents at the school.
Please let us know how we can pray for you (you can do this anonymously).
Simply pop a note in the prayer box (on the right as you go into the school reception).

NEXT GATHERINGS: Mon 27th Nov & Mon 18th Dec
WHERE: 9am in the school library
ALL ARE WELCOME: No need to pray out loud!

'Don't worry about anything, instead pray...' Phil 4:6

May
include
coffee &
croissants!



PARK
STREET
SCHOOL
PRAYER
GROUP

From the Park Street Residents Association

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CHRISTMAS EVENT HOW WOOD SHOPS

THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER
STARTING AT 4.45PM
WITH SPECIAL GUEST
ARSENAL U21 FOOTBALLER
SEBASTIAN FERDINAND

- SCHOOL CHOIRS SINGING CAROLS
- BOK 'N' ROSE BBQ • CHILDRENS LUCKY DIP
- SCOTT'S MOBILE BAR & WAFFLE TRUCK

JOIN US FOR A
*decoration
making afternoon*

THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER
2:15PM-3:00PM

Please let teachers know if
you are able to attend.

Forthcoming Events at Holy Trinity Church

HOLY TRINITY FROGMORE

A traditional family-friendly service to start the Christmas celebrations

Sunday 26 November 4.00 pm

CHRISTINGLE

HOLY TRINITY FROGMORE

Hope

Wednesday 29 November 8.00pm

PRAYER MEETING

with refreshments

A TASTE OF
Christmas

SATURDAY 2ND DECEMBER 8.00-10.30PM
HOLY TRINITY FROGMORE | £10

Kick off the festive season with a selection of tasty Christmas treats and drinks with a chance to consider the real meaning of Christmas

WELCOME DRINKS 8:00PM
DURING YOUR TIME WITH US, THERE WILL BE OPPORTUNITIES TO TASTE CHRISTMAS TREATS FROM AROUND EUROPE
THERE WILL BE A SHORT TALK EXPLAINING THE HOPE THAT THE CHRISTMAS STORY BRINGS
CARRIAGES AT 10:30PM
THE COST OF THE EVENT IS £10 PER PERSON AND THESE CAN BE PURCHASED USING THE QR CODE.
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM 30TH OCT-24TH NOV



Please note this is an event for adults only