



The Parkside Weekly



Friday 12th January 2024

Friday 9th Feb	Break up for half term
Monday 19th Feb	Back to school
Thurs 29th Feb	Y5 Shakespeare in Schools Performance



Good afternoon everybody and welcome to this week's newsletter. Happy New Year to you all! I hope that you have all had a lovely Christmas break and managed to spend some quality time with family and friends.

As we start the new term, I would like to remind you about the importance of children attending school every day where possible. We have analysed our attendance for the first term and next week we will be sending out individual attendance reports for all children to keep you updated about your child's attendance. Alongside the attendance report there will be a covering letter which explains our attendance monitoring procedures in more detail.

Last term, our whole school attendance was 94.7% which is significantly below our target of 97%. We will be monitoring things carefully over the next few months in an attempt to increase this figure.

Attendance

Ash: 95%

Beech: 92.76%

Chestnut: 96.9%

Hazel: 96.79%

Rowan: 99.33%

Sycamore: 93.44%

Willow: 89.03%



Well done to Rowan who had the highest attendance last week with 99.33%

The overall school attendance last week was 95.17% which was below our target of 97.5%

Please remember how important it is for children to be arriving at school on time and attending every day where possible.

Y4 trip to the Church:

On Tuesday morning, Year 4 visited St Wilfrid's Church in Calverley to take part in a heritage workshop. I asked Jake and Sophia what they did whilst they were there and they excitedly told me about how they had learnt all about how the Church has changed over time. They described how some of the children had dressed up as Lords and Ladies and how they had done some art and craft activities. It certainly sounded like they had a brilliant time and learnt a lot about this element of our local history.

School Development:

At Calverley Parkside, we are continually reflecting on our provision and working hard to move our school forwards. This is what we have been focusing on this week:

This week in our professional development meeting, our subject leaders took part in some training linked to developing their understanding of the fundamental purposes and principles of coaching. We learnt about the benefits of using a coaching approach and the importance of attentive listening and skilful questioning during coaching conversations.

Parkside Superstars...

Well done to the following children for being awarded an achievement certificate this week to recognise their hard work and positive attitudes towards their learning:

Star awards:

Ash: Clara, Phoenix

Beech: Connie, Nancy

Chestnut: Oscar Ch, Leo P

Hazel: Ayat, Hiba

Rowan: Kamran, Kaysan

Sycamore: Kendall, Millie

Willow: Edie, Freya



Maths awards:

Ash: Russell

Beech: Harper

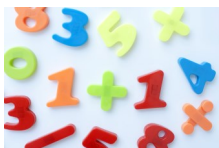
Chestnut: Rose

Hazel: Maisie

Rowan: Ruby S

Sycamore: Henry

Willow: Elsie



Over and Above:

These children have gone over and above with their behaviour and attitudes this week...

No certificates were awarded this week.

Our Assembly Focus...

Each week, children in years 1 to 6 have an assembly on a Monday morning during which we focus on something linked to our school values. We also have a Key Stage assembly every other week in which we look at something linked to current affairs.

These have been our assembly themes this week. Please ask your children about what we have been discussing in assemblies.

Monday assembly: Sports Achievement Assembly

Key Stage assembly: Are emojis an important part of communication?

Our assembly music...

Each week, we choose a different band, artist or composer to listen to as the children enter and leave assembly. The intention is to provide the children with additional opportunities to listen to a wide range of different musical genres.

This week's music has been brought to us by:

Noel Gallagher's High Flying Birds

Quote of the week

When one of the children in Y2 saw the new shoes I was wearing, I asked him what he thought of them. He told me that he thought they looked old. I told him that they were brand new, and he said,

"No, I didn't say they looked old. I said that they made *you* look old!"

I appreciate your honesty!

Sports Achievement Assembly

We started off this half term as we always do– with our sports achievement assembly. It was great to see so many children receiving certificates to recognise their participation in a wide range of sporting events. It was also lovely to see so many children bringing things in from home and talking so confidently and enthusiastically about their sporting experiences. Thanks go to Mr Cuthbert for organising and leading these assemblies each half term.

Ready

Respectful

Responsible