



The Parkside Weekly



Friday 17th November 2023

Thurs 23rd Nov	Y5 Space Camp
Fri 24th Nov	Non-Uniform Day– bring a bottle
Fri 1st Dec	Non-Uniform Day– bring some chocolate
Fri 8th Dec	Christmas Fair 5.30pm-8.000pm
Thurs 21st Dec	Break up (Friday 22nd is a training day)
Mon 8th Jan	Return to school

Good afternoon everybody and welcome to this week’s newsletter. It has been another busy week filled with sporting events, trips out and special visitors which I’ll tell you about later in the newsletter.

Appeal...

In our quiet area in the school playground, the children can sit on the benches at break and lunch times to read, draw or play with Lego. We were wondering if anybody had any Lego that their children had grown out of which they would like to donate to school to be used during these times? We understand that it is an expensive resource but we would hugely appreciate any donations from families. Thank you!

Attendance Information

Our school attendance target: 97%

Last week’s attendance: 95.4%

This year’s attendance: 95.2%

The class with the **highest** attendance last week was: **Year 1 (98.9%)**

The class with the **best punctuality** last week was: **Years 1, 3, 4 and 6**

The class with the **most improved** attendance last week was: **Year 1**



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

Year 5/6 football events: On Tuesday after school, a group of children from Years 5 and 6 attended a football event. The children played competitively against other schools in this ‘come and try’ experience. Well done to all who took part.

On Thursday after school, there was another tournament for Year 5 and 6– the Pudsey Cluster Cup. The children played brilliantly, remaining unbeaten to win their group. In the quarter finals, they came up against an excellent team from Park Spring and after a goalless draw, unfortunately lost in the sudden-death penalty shootout. The teams at both events played really well and should be proud of their achievements. Thanks to Mr Cuthbert and Mr Corbin for the work they do to organise and attend these events.

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, staff were given time to reflect on elements of their teaching and their leadership development. We are ensuring that time is allocated during our meetings to allow for structured and intentional reflection, using recognised models to support this, as we believe that allowing this time will have a positive impact on the continued development of the quality of teaching, learning and leadership at Calverley Parkside.

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: Brodie, Thalia

Beech: Finley, Charlie

Chestnut: Ruby

Hazel: Benji, Jenson

Rowan: Summer, Inaya

Sycamore: Amani, Seb

Willow: Elsie, Benji



Maths awards:

Ash: George

Beech: Harper

Chestnut: Seb/ Rory

Hazel: Tyler

Rowan: Jasmine

Sycamore: Will

Willow: Lucas



Lunchtime Awards:

EYFS/ KS1: Vinnie, Rose

KS2: Max P, Vinnie

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: Anti-Bullying Week

Key Stage assembly: Are there some jobs robots could never do?

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:

James

Quote of the week

I was in Nursery watching some Maths on Tuesday.

Miss Fletcher was showing the children

some Numicon tiles to represent different numbers. She asked the children if anybody knew what they were called, and one of them said...

"Are they called unicorns?"

Good try! 'Unicorn' and 'Numicon' do sound quite similar!



Advent Calendar Appeal:

We will once again be supporting the advent calendar appeal this year which has been set up by a local resident. We are asking for donations of advent calendars which will be distributed to the children's wards of local hospitals in the lead-up to Christmas. In previous years, we have been amazed by your generosity, so thank you in advance for supporting this valuable cause. Advent calendars can be dropped off in the school office between Monday 6th November and Tuesday 28th November. Thank you.

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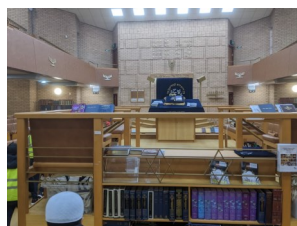
Zoolab visit to Year 1:

To enhance the Science learning in Year 1, they had a visit on Thursday from Zoolab, who brought along a wide range of different creatures for the children to see and learn about. They brought (amongst other things) some giant African land snails, a Madagascan hissing cockroach, a giant millipede and Cas, a lovely boa which some of the children enjoyed holding. They had a brilliant afternoon and learnt lots about the different animals.



Year 3 trip to the Synagogue:

On Monday morning, Year 3 visited Etz Chaim Synagogue in Leeds to support the work they are currently doing in RE. The year three children were exceptionally well behaved and respectful during their visit and it was a wonderful learning experience to introduce their new RE topic. Thanks to Mr Cuthbert and the rest of the Year 3 staff for taking the children and to Mrs Mahmood (the school's RE leader) for organising the trip.



Keep talking....

Please remember that should you have any questions about any aspect of school life, you can contact the school office or speak to a member of the senior leadership team in the playground before or after school. Alternatively, you can contact the leadership team by emailing us at:

cpsleadership@cps.owlcotesmat.org

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Christmas Clothes and Winter Coats

**CHOOSE
TO
REUSE**



**Saturday 18th Nov, 2-5pm
at The Pudsey Community Project**



**Free - charity donations and clothes swaps
welcomed if you'd like to give**

See you there!

**SAVE
the
PLANET**



Open term-time: Mon to Sat 10am-12noon and Wed 6-8pm
Find us: The Pudsey Community Project, Fartown, LS28 8LP
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www.pudseycommunity.org.uk

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