



The Parkside Weekly



Friday 20th October 2023

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| WB 23rd Oct | Owlcotes Theme Week |
| Fri 27th Oct | Break Up |
| Mon 6th Nov | Back to school |
| Wed 8th Nov | Meeting for prospective Reception parents 9.45am-11.15am |
| Thurs 9th Nov | Meeting for prospective Reception parents 6.00pm-7.30pm |

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's newsletter.

Halloween Disco:

On Tuesday evening, the Friends of Calverley Parkside held the Halloween Disco, which was a great success! Thanks to everyone who came and to the volunteers who organised it and attended on the evening.



Attendance Information

Our school attendance target: 97%

Last week's attendance: 93.8%

This year's attendance: 95.4%

The class with the **highest** attendance last week was: **Year 1 (98.5%)**

The class with the **best punctuality** last week was: **Year 3 and Year 5**

The class with the **most improved** attendance last week was: **Year 6**



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

Open events:

It is that time of year again when parents of children who will be starting Reception in September 2024 are making the decisions about which school they would like their children to attend. We will be holding some open events on the following dates:

Wednesday 8th November (9.45am-11.15am)

Thursday 9th November (6.00pm-7.30pm)

These will be a chance for prospective parents to come and have a look around, to find out about our school ethos and about what makes Calverley Parkside a special place to learn.

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, we spent the time finalising the arrangements for the Owlcotes theme week which is taking place next week. The theme for this one is 'Art Beyond A4' and during the week the children will learn about the work of different artists (linking to Black History Month) and will have the opportunity to create a number of different pieces of artwork which aren't confined to a piece of A4 paper!

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: Maisie, Freddie

Beech: Vivienne, Nancy

Chestnut: Isla, Annie

Hazel: Elliott, Elsie

Rowan: Jasmine, Inaya

Sycamore: Ibrahim D, Darcy

Willow: Lucas, Freya



Maths awards:

Ash: Leo

Beech: Toby

Chestnut: Oscar Ch

Hazel: Zakariya

Rowan: Finn

Sycamore: Imogen

Willow: Kayah



Over and Above:

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

Rosie (Y5): For her consistent contribution to tidying up and organising the classroom.

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: Recognising Prejudice

Key Stage assembly: Singing assemblies

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:

Gershwin

Quote of the week

I was in Nursery earlier in the week and overheard the most wonderfully polite conversation which I wanted to share. Harper and Acacia were working together at the same table.

Harper: Please could I use one of those pens Acacia?

Acacia: Yes, of course you can.

Harper: Thank you.

Acacia: You're welcome

It was such a pleasure to witness such young children sharing so well!

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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Winter Coat Event



Saturday 21st October, 2-5pm
at The Pudsey Community Project

Free Coats, Hats, Scarves, Gloves

Choose To Reuse this Winter
Save Money - Help the Planet - Open to All



ZERO WASTE LEEDS
LEEDS WINTER COAT APPEAL



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£25 PER CHILD

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT OFFER ENDS VERY SOON!

OUR FUN ACTIVITIES INCLUDE









DATES + LOCATIONS

2ND-3RD NOVEMBER
CALVERLEY COFE PRIMARY
10-4PM

WRAPAROUND CARE @ (CALVERLEY COFE DATES ONLY) + INDOOR FACILITIES AVAILABLE
ALL CHILDREN IN RECEPTION (23/24) ONWARDS ACROSS DISTRICT ARE WELCOME

FSA Forest School Provider

BOOK YOUR CHILDS PLACES VIA-

WWW.GOWILDOUTDOORS.ORG.UK

Christmas Clothes Swap:

On Friday 24th November, the Friends of Calverley Parkside will be holding a Christmas Clothes Swap. This will be an opportunity for parents to buy a selection of Christmas clothes for their children at a low price.

In preparation for this, the Friends are asking for donations of freshly laundered Christmas jumpers, Christmas dresses or Christmas pyjamas which your children have outgrown but could be used by someone else. Donations can be brought into school from Monday 6th November. Thank you in advance for your support and thanks to the Friends of Calverley Parkside for organising this opportunity.



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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Firework Safety:

We have been asked to pass on this information from West Yorkshire Police...

Dear Parent/Guardian

RE: Firework Safety and Legal Responsibilities

I hope this letter finds you in good health. I am a Chief Inspector working for West Yorkshire Police and I am the Strategic Partnership Lead for the Leeds area. A lot of my work involves working with schools and young people to keep them and the wider community safe.

As we approach the Bonfire season, I want to take a moment to discuss an important matter that concerns the safety and well-being of your children. Fireworks, although thrilling, can pose serious risks when handled irresponsibly or without proper supervision. It is crucial for you, as parents and guardians, to ensure your children's safety and prevent them from misusing fireworks.

The use of fireworks is regulated by various laws and regulations to minimise the risks associated with them. The primary legislation governing fireworks is the Fireworks Regulations Act 2004, which restricts the sale, possession, and use of fireworks, especially among individuals under the age of 18. It is essential that you familiarise yourselves with these laws and regulations to uphold your responsibilities as parents and guardians.

Here are some key points to consider:

1. **Age Restrictions:** Under UK law, it is illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to possess category 2 and 3 fireworks in public places. Retailers are also prohibited from selling category 2 and 3 fireworks to individuals under this age limit.
2. **Responsible Supervision:** If your child is under 18 and wishes to enjoy fireworks, please ensure that they are always under the supervision of a responsible adult. Fireworks should never be left in the hands of children or teenagers.
3. **Noise and Nuisance:** Fireworks should not be used in a manner that causes distress to others or constitutes a nuisance. Misuse can lead to noise complaints and potential legal consequences.
4. **Legal Consequences:** The police take firework-related offences seriously. Robust action will be taken against anyone found committing offences such as underage possession, antisocial behaviour, or misuse of fireworks.

This Bonfire season let's work together to ensure children enjoy fireworks safely and responsibly. By doing so, we can help prevent accidents, protect our communities from unnecessary disturbances, and avoid any legal repercussions.

If you have any questions or concerns about firework safety or UK legislation, please visit the West Yorkshire Police website - www.westyorkshire.police.uk

Wishing you and your family a safe and enjoyable Bonfire season.

Sincerely,

Lucy Leadbeater

Chief Inspector

Leeds Partnerships