



The Parkside Weekly



Friday 22nd December 2023

Fri 22nd Dec	Training Day
Mon 8th Jan	Children return to school
Fri 9th Feb	Break up for half term
Mon 19th Feb	Children return to school



Good afternoon everybody and welcome to the final newsletter of 2023. It has been another successful year at Calverley Parkside with lots to celebrate and also many things to look forward to as we prepare to move into 2024.

As you already know, there are going to be some slight changes when the children return to school in January. I will be starting in the role of Executive Headteacher and Mr Jolley will be starting in his role of Head of School. Mrs Larkin will also be taking on the new role of Assistant Headteacher. I will be in school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and working for the Trust as Head of Leadership Development on Thursdays and Fridays.

We are all excited to be starting in our new roles and are confident that the changes will bring many benefits to the children and families at Calverley Parkside.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support and to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Attendance Information

Our school attendance target: 97%

Last week's attendance: 92.3%

This year's attendance: 94.7%

The class with the **highest** attendance last week was: Y3 (95.5%)

The class with the **best punctuality** last week was: R, Y1 and Y2

The class with the **most improved** attendance last week was: Y6



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

Friends of Calverley Parkside

Over the festive period, the Friends of Calverley Parkside have been busy organising a number of amazing events such as the Christmas Fair. I am delighted to announce that they have raised an impressive total of £1984.39! Thank you so much for all of your support and to all of the volunteers who give up their time to raise money for the school, it really is greatly appreciated.

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, teachers were given time to reflect on an aspect of their teaching from this half term. Teachers were provided with models for reflection to structure their thinking and subsequent coaching conversations will take place to discuss their reflections. This is a valuable part of the continued development of the quality of teaching and learning 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: Sienna, Amelia
Beech: Vienna, Dhyan
Chestnut: Boden, Fern
Hazel: Joel, Jack
Rowan: Jessica, Ruby L
Sycamore: Mason, Darcy
Willow: Jack, Lucas



Maths awards:

Ash: Phoenix
Beech: George
Chestnut: Arthur
Hazel: Tyler
Rowan: Kamran
Sycamore: Rosie
Willow: Ava



Over and Above:

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

Teddy (Y3): For helping other children in his class when they need it.

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: Being Respectful

Key Stage assembly: No Key Stage assemblies this week

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:

Christmas music– various artists!

Quote of the week

One of our Nursery children was telling Miss Fletcher about how she goes to church. Miss Fletcher asked her what she did when she was there and she replied...

“I have a Werther’s!”

Festive activities...

Our term has ended with a number of festive activities taking place this week. On Tuesday, our Year 3 class visited St Wilfrid’s Church to take part in some craft activities. On Wednesday, our Nursery children performed their nativities to parents. It was brilliant to see them sing and act with such enthusiasm! Thank you to everyone who came to watch and thanks to Miss Fletcher and Miss Hilliard for putting at all together. Throughout the week, our classes have been taking part in their Christmas parties, enjoying some party food and a variety of exciting games and activities.

Ready

Respectful

Responsible