



The Parkside Weekly



Friday 24th May 2024

Friday 24th May	Break up for half term
Mon 3rd June	Return to school
Wed 5th-Fri 7th June	Y4 residential trip
Wed 26th- Fri 28th June	Y6 camping residential
Saturday 6th July	Summer Fair
Friday 19th July	Children break up for the summer holiday

Good afternoon and welcome to the final newsletter of the half term. It has been another really busy week in school with lots going on, both in and out of the classrooms.

This week has been our Owlcotes theme week, with the focus being on 'A sense of adventure'. More details about what the children have been getting up to can be found on the back page of the newsletter.

Please remember that we break up today for the half term holiday. The children return to school on Monday 3rd June.

Summer Fair

I know that it seems like a long way off but our summer fair will be taking place on **Saturday 6th July**. The Friends of Calverley Parkside are already busy planning this event and will be in need of volunteers to help, both to prepare for the day and on the day itself. If you are able to help out in any way, please contact the Friends of Calverley Parkside via their Facebook page. Thank you in advance for your support.

Attendance Information

Our school attendance target: 97%

Last week's attendance: 93.49

This year's attendance: 95.19

The class with the **highest** attendance last week was: **Beech**

The class with the **best punctuality** last week was: **Ash, Beech, Hazel**

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



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

Y5 cricket event

On Thursday after school, a team of children from Y5 took part in a cricket event.

They did a brilliant job, winning three of their games, drawing one and losing one. This is even more impressive as they were mainly playing against

Y6 children from other schools. Well done to everyone who took part and thanks once again to the parents who provided the transport and to Mr Cuthbert for organising and attending the event.



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, Mrs Shorthouse, our Maths leader, delivered some training related to an approach we are adopting aimed at continuing to improve the children's instant recall of key mathematical facts. More information about this will be shared with parents in the coming weeks.

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:



Year 3:

Active listener: Praise

Maths: Imogen

Reading: Romaan

Independent learner: Zakariya

Handwriting: Brandon

Writing: Zak



Year 4:

Active listener: Sophie

Maths: Jake

Reading: Amaya

Independent learner: Charlie

Handwriting: Ruby S

Writing: Sophia



Year 6:

Active listener: Tabi

Maths: Rufus

Independent learner: Hazel

Handwriting: Handwriting

Writing: Libby



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:

Key Stage assembly:

Our assembly music...

Each week, we choose a different musical genre 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 music.

This week's chosen genre was:

Quote of the Week

During their VR experience on Tuesday, Tyler asked Mr Cuthbert...

'Who was the first person to die in Ancient Egypt?'

When Mr Cuthbert told him that he honestly didn't know, Tyler looked at him with visible disappointment and said,

'Well you should know, you're a teacher.'

School Trips:

In addition to the theme week which has been taking place this week, a few of our classes have been on trips which have enhanced their curriculum learning. On Tuesday, Reception visited Hesketh Farm to meet the different animals that live there and on Thursday our Year 6 children visited Malham to take part in a river study and a walk to Janet's Foss and Malham Cove. Both classes had great days out! Thanks to all the staff who organised the trips and to the staff and volunteers who supported on the visits.

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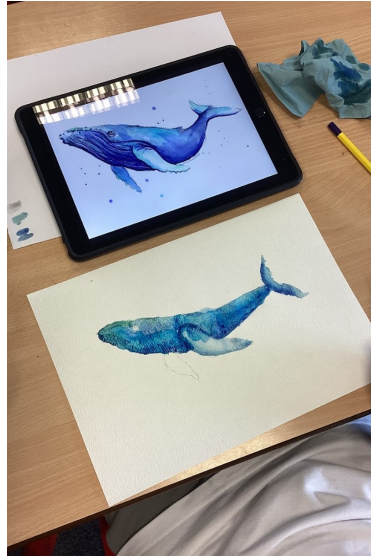
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Theme Week– A Sense of Adventure!

This week has been our Owlcotes Theme Week, with the focus being 'A sense of adventure'. The week started with an assembly led by Mrs Sherwin, during which she shared some adventurous activities staff have taken part in, including skydiving, scuba diving and mountain walking. The children were then introduced to one of their tasks for the week– to write a letter to me to persuade me that it is a good idea to take part in a particular adventurous activity, with each class having a different activity to focus on.

Throughout the week, the children have taken part in a range of activities including scaling a climbing wall, visiting the woods to work with Go Wild Outdoors and going on a Virtual Reality adventure (linked to their curriculum learning). Despite the weather at times, it has been a really successful week with the children experiencing some memorable activities and producing some excellent work.



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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