



School News & Updates - 18th December, 2025. A note from Mr Jolley:

We wish everyone a fantastic break over the Christmas period. It has certainly been a busy term, with lots of wonderful experiences on offer for the children, including trips, residentials, overnight stays in school, and visitors—the whole package! We look forward to coming back and offering more great learning experiences for your children in the new year. We are incredibly grateful for all the support you give us. Finally, I want to thank our fantastic staff team here at Parkside, who are committed to doing the very best they can for your children.

Sports Clubs

Thank you to everyone who submitted responses previously regarding interest in a sports club last summer. We are delighted to share that we have now organised with a provider for these clubs to start up after the February half term break. More information will follow after Christmas, including details on which days the clubs will run, the relevant year groups, associated costs, and timings.

Art Club

Art club will continue after the Christmas break. I've attached our flyer for January and here's the link for signing up:

<https://buytickets.at/artfullifeevents/1989978>

Sign up for next half term now!

ARTEFUL KIDS CLUB

Thursdays
3.20pm - 4.20pm

- ✦ Entertain your children
- ✦ Develop their creativity
- ✦ Use their imaginations
- ✦ Open to all year groups

We add an element of mindfulness into our sessions to help promote a healthy mental wellbeing!

Reserve your place...
<https://buytickets.at/artfullifeevents/1989978>

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KS1 Nativity Review

What a thoroughly sparkling set of performances we witnessed at the KS1 Nativity this year! The production was a vibrant, heartwarming, and *surprisingly* fashionable affair that left the whole audience glowing.

A huge, well-deserved shoutout must go to Miss Omelia! Her presence was the theatrical glue holding the performances together. She was incredibly engaging and provided such brilliant support—she might need a lie-down now, but her actions definitely helped the children shine brighter than the North Star!

Costume Corner: A Fashion Revelation

Let's talk about the outfits, because clearly, the bar for Biblical chic has been raised!

- Brodie and the Sunglasses: A truly inspired styling choice for, well, whoever he was! That commitment to cool under pressure deserves a feature in *Vogue: Bethlehem Edition*.
- Angel Glamour: The angelic team was positively shimmering! We loved the subtle application of lipstick. A true lesson in "heavenly, but make it fierce."
- The Three Kings: Utterly *in-sync* and perfectly matched. They were less travelling Magi, more synchronized delivery crew. Their outfit coordination was flawless—take note, future cast members!
- Shepherds & Innkeepers: I have to pause here. The sharp outfits! The pristine tailoring! Whatever happened to the good old, slightly grubby, falling off tea towels from our youth? Times have changed, and apparently, so has the standard of pastoral wear!

The absolute standout costume, however, must go to Lavinia for her Star outfit. It was so incredibly vibrant, a definite traffic-stopper. Speaking of traffic, maybe Arthur thought it was *too* vibrant, hence the helpful pointing?

Performance Highlights & Heart

The children were fabulously focused, making the whole thing feel like a strong, unified team effort! The singing was truly lovely and warmed everyone's hearts.

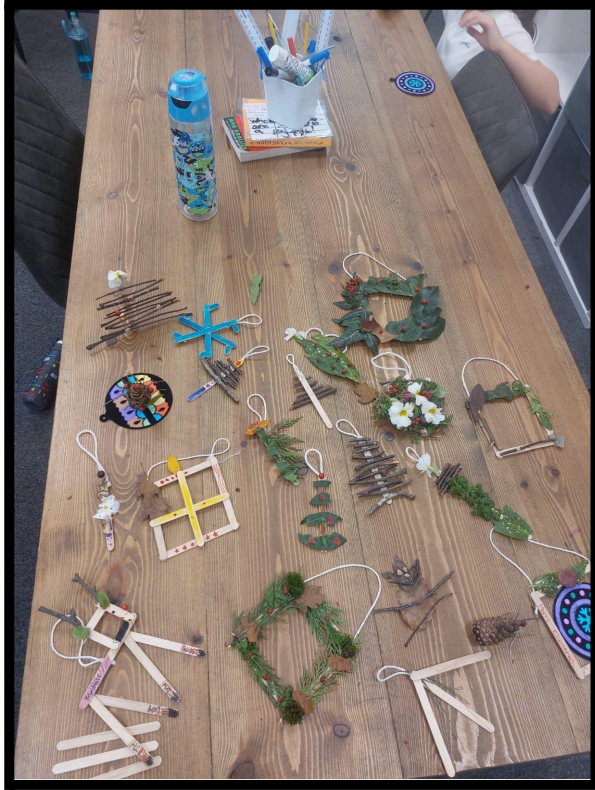
- Esey's Brave Solo: What a moment! Full marks to Esey for standing up and delivering a super-brave solo.
- Mary and Joseph: They managed to maintain a remarkably calm and cool demeanor for a couple who had *literally* just welcomed a newborn. If only all new parents were that collected!
- Generous Gifts: The Kings were so incredibly generous with their offerings... even if the gold, frankincense, and myrrh weren't always carefully placed during the presentation. Let's call it "enthusiastic gifting."

It was genuinely heart-warming to have all the families come together and share in the joy. Thank you to all the parents for their superb costume support, and a massive thank you to all the staff for their monumental efforts.

Well done, KS1! A truly fabulous, fashionable, and festive set of performances!

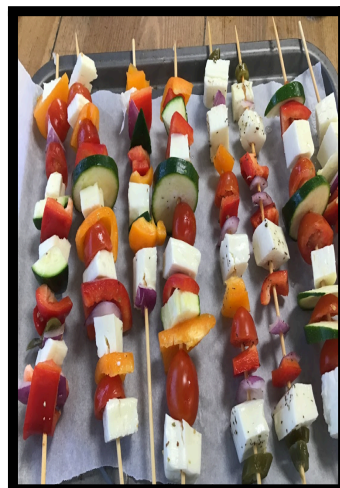
AWE Days - Christmas Decorations

This week, as part of our Active Wellbeing Experience days with Miss Parker, the children have been busy making beautiful Christmas decorations using natural materials. How fabulous do these look! The creativity and focus on display were outstanding, and we are delighted that the children have been able to bring these lovely, unique creations home as a special keepsake to enjoy over the festive break.



Year 6 Cooking (halloumi kebabs, coleslaw and salad)

Year 6 have had a lovely end to the half term by cooking up some healthy dishes! They have prepared these from scratch, yes, including chopping all the ingredients for their delicious halloumi kebabs, coleslaw, and salad. It was a wonderful and hands-on way to finish the term!



Church Performances - Y3/Y4 and Y5/Y6

The two church performances were a truly heartwarming experience for us all to share as a community. We are grateful for everyone who attended, and their presence certainly made us all feel festive and ready for the break. A huge thank you goes to the children for their wonderful enthusiasm, the staff for organizing and supporting the event, and to all parents and carers for joining us. This looks like the start of a lovely new annual tradition.



Make sure you check out our Instagram for more from this term.

Please see important dates for the next half term

Date	Event
Thursday 18th December	School closes
Friday 19th December	Training day - School closed to children
Monday 5th January	School opens
Wednesday 14th January	Y1 Abbey House Museum
Tuesday 20th January	Y4 Roman Experience Day
Tuesday 20th - Thursday 22nd January	Y1 Balance ability
Friday 30th January	Y5 Shakespeare Workshop
Monday 9th February	Wonderdome Experience - Whole school
Monday 9th February - 13th	Theme Week - Literature Festival
Friday 13th February	School closes
Monday 23rd February	School opens



PUDSEY COMMUNITY PROJECT



YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

ABOUT US....

Pudsey Community Project exists to transform Pudsey and its surrounding areas with and for the local community.

At our youth/children's clubs we have a team of youth workers and volunteers that are fully DBS checked and have a vast experience of working with young people.

We provide a safe, friendly, and nurturing environment for young people to learn, grow and develop social skills whilst having fun!

All of our youth work is term time only.



MONDAY



Games Cafe

(School years 4-9)
Board/card games, Lego and tuck shop.

6-7.30pm £1.50 entry.



TUESDAY



Cooking Club

(School years 6-11)
A 6 week course running each half term to learn basic cooking skills. £2 per session.



Limited places so booking is essential, please contact...

youth@pudseycommunity.org.uk



THURSDAY



Youth club (School years 4-6)
Snooker, air hockey, table tennis, Wii, Xbox, board games and tuck shop.

6-7pm £1.50 entry.

Youth club (School years 7-11)
Snooker, air hockey, table tennis, Wii, Xbox, boards games and tuck shop.

7.15-8.30pm £1.50 entry.



Pudsey Youth & Children's Activities

Pudsey Community Project, Fartown, LS28 8LP

For more information, or to register your child in advance, please contact youth@pudseycommunity.org.uk

Registered charity number 1191152

Is your child due to start primary school in 2026?



Applications are open for Reception places to start in **September 2026**

You can apply online until **Thursday 15 January 2026**

www.leeds.gov.uk/apply

