



The Parkland Federation

Aim High, Work Hard, Dream Big

Au revoir- Goodbye in French



17th June 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our first newsletter of Term 6. We hope you are enjoying the glorious summer weather! It's been an exceptionally busy term already at Parkland as we begin to prepare for transition into a new academic year. You will soon receive information about which class your child will be in from September and we will hold transition visits for pupils on 5th and 6th July. This will allow children to spend time in their new classroom and meet their new teacher. We will also prepare some transition materials for you to look at at home.

A huge well done to those Year 6 children who have enjoyed their residential trip this week. They have taken part in orienteering, canoeing, rock climbing and an array of other outside activities. Teachers and staff at the camp were really impressed with how sensible and polite the children were and we are very proud of them!

We are also very excited to share that our schools have won a rather special award this term. We received our 'Hampden Park Heroes' certificate which was awarded for 'inspirational work and contributions to the community'. We were really honoured to be nominated and absolutely thrilled that we won!

Summer



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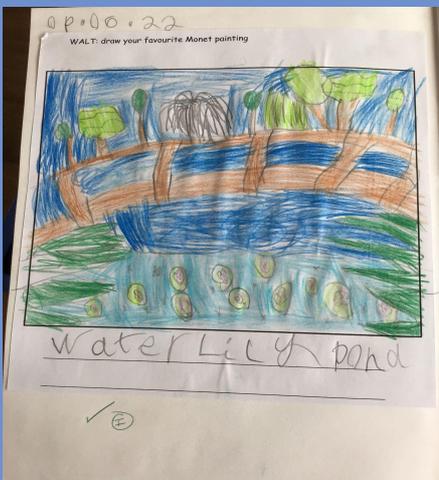


Our topic for this term is, "Under the Sea", and our classroom has been transformed into an underwater kingdom! The children have thoroughly enjoyed exploring sea creatures and their habitats for the last two weeks and we have focused on the stories, "Commotion in the Ocean" and "Pirates love Underpants". We have also been on our trip to the local library where the children had the opportunity to choose a book to borrow and take home with them! We thoroughly enjoyed exploring all the different types of books and checking our chosen stories out on the self service machine. The children were so sensible and the librarians even commented on just how wonderful they are! Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Alfie and Jaxson (Inkpen) and Miles and Milly (Kerr) and also to our Dojo winners Mason and Aoife (Inkpen) and Frankie and Alfie (Kerr).

Year 1



Year 1 has had a great start to the new term, continuing with their topic: Into The Woods. The children have been challenging themselves, working with numbers to 100. They have also been enjoying their new story, 'The Ugly Duckling' in their writing lessons.



Some of the children in Donaldson class have been creating some beautiful collages in the style of Monet while the other half have been cooking some yummy pizzas in Let's Get Cooking. Shireen class have started experimenting with moving pictures and even had a go at making their own sliders and levers.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: (Donaldson) Rogan & Holly and (Shireen) Ruby E and Lillie. Also to our Dojo winners: (Donaldson) Matilda & Cayden and (Shireen) Maya and Aurora.

Year 2

We have had a very busy few weeks in Year 2, full of new learning and excitement about our trip in a few weeks. This week we have been beginning to learn about time in Maths. The children have been making their own clocks and learning to tell the time to o'clock and half past. In English, we have started a new book called 'The Lighthouse Keepers lunch' which the children have thoroughly enjoyed and are able to relate to the pesky seagulls stealing their lunches! The children have been working in groups reading the book and finding tricky words for us to investigate and find the meaning behind them. We have also been enjoying some reading time in the new teepee!

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week Joe and Ivan (Santat) and all of Beaty class also to our Dojo winners Mollie and Nyla (Santat) and Louis (Beaty)



Year 3

Term 6 has started with a very exciting Stone Age day! The children enjoyed the opportunity to come in dressed up ready for a workshop of wonder. Jack from Portals to the Past came in and encapsulated the children with his wealth of knowledge. He took them through the Stone Age with a variety of hands on activities, including handling artefacts. The children got to hunt the mammoth, work in tribes to get their food and learn many facts along the way. The children have been able to use their experience to deepen their understanding and use in their imaginative story writing. In Science, we have started a topic on Light and Dark. Looking in to the importance of light sources to see in the dark.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week - Alannah & Ava (Harrison) & Jayden & Keira (Woodson) and also to our Dojo winners - Harley & Logan (Harrison) & Poppy & Natalya (Woodson)



Year 4

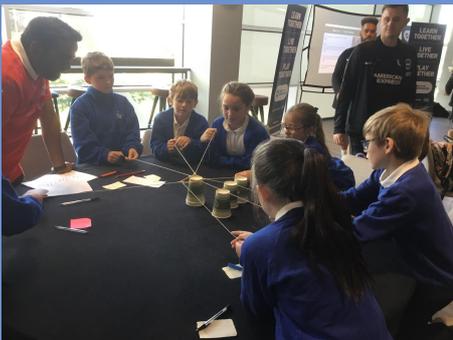


Year 4 has been creating their very own line graphs - quite literally! Using some benches to represent the axes, skipping rope to represent the line and cones to indicate the points on the graph, they were able to create their very own line graphs and represent a piece of data. Year 4 has also learned all about the artist Hokusai. The children looked at one of Hokusai's most well-known works, the *Great Wave* and drew inspiration for their sketches. A good period of time was spent sketching this fantastic work of art. Once the sketching was complete, the children then went on a gallery walk around the room, offering feedback to each other. What a talented group of artists we have!



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week: Jaiden & Jack (Blackman) Thomas and Oscar (Walliams) and also to our Dojo winners: Alexander & Dante (Blackman) Kirbie and Elizabeth (Walliams).

Year 5



It was with great excitement that a group of Year 5 children went of to the Amex stadium to take part in a football themed day. The children were competing against 11 other schools from around the county. The challenges included Maths, Literacy and STEM. All of these made the children focus on cooperation and resilience. Although we didn't win, the children were a fabulous representation of Parkland school.



Lucy and Elsie from Year 5 are running the 5K Race for Life soon in order to raise money for Cancer Research.. If you are able to sponsor them, they would be very grateful. Well done, girls! [Sponsorship Link](#)



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week, Brooke and Carlton (Zephaniah) and Logan and Jason (Wilson) also to our Dojo winners Jayden, Hanna and Neveah B (Zephaniah) and Esmee and Thea (Wilson)

Year 6



Year 6 have created some beautiful art work in the style of Georgia O'Keeffe and this is currently being displayed in the cafe at Dunelm Mill. Why not sit and enjoy a coffee whilst appreciating just how talented the children at Parkland are! Year 6 have also started working on a transition project called 'You are Awesome' ready for their move to their new secondary schools. Over the next few weeks, the children will also receive a visit from staff from their new schools so that they can ask any questions that they may have.

Those pupils who did not attend the residential trip have thoroughly enjoyed their time making pizzas, playing team sports and doing some arts and crafts.

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week, Harry (Mian) Jasmine M (Rosen) and also to our Dojo winners, Brayden (Mian) and Zarlish (Rosen)

This week's attendance:

Excellent attendance at school allows a child to have the best possible start in life. All pupils should aim for at least **97%** attendance in order to ensure they do not miss out on their education.

Inkpen Class (YR) 94%	Kerr Class (YR) 94%	Shireen Class (Y1) 92%
Donaldson Class (Y1) 93%	Santat Class (Y2) 94%	Beaty Class (Y2) 94%
Harrison Class (Y3) 95 %	Woodson Class (Y3) 94%	Walliams Class (Y4) 92%
Blackman Class (Y4) 94%	Zephaniah Class (Y5) 92%	Wilson Class (Y5) 93%
Mian Class (Y6) 95%	Rosen Class (Y6) 93%	The Highest Attendance Award goes to Harrison and Mian class. Well done!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

School Council Update



The '**Citizen of the Fortnight**' at the Junior School is Florence in Harrison Class for completing a 5k run to raise funds to help St.Wilfrid's Hospice!. Well done, Florence!

The '**Citizen of the Fortnight**' at the Infant School is Beatrice in Kerr Class who ran alongside her sister, Florence. A huge well done to both of them! What stars!



Eco Committee Update

Our **Eco tip** this fortnight is to do eco-friendly washing! You can do this by using cold water to do only full loads of washing. With the beautiful weather this week, you can dry your washing on the line! You can also buy eco-friendly washing powder and capsules for your washes to be fully eco.

The eco-committee was invited to participate in the Spring Water Festival to support Plastic Free Eastbourne. Mrs Das and Mrs Walker also participated in the event on behalf of Parkland and walked from Holywell all the way to Princes Park waving their flags! A huge 'Thank you and Well done!' to Darcey and Billie from Reception and Year 1 who were amazing representatives for our school during this event too! We raised a huge awareness in regards to becoming a Plastic Free town. We are looking forward to participating again next year! Watch this space!



Mental Health and Wellbeing Support



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If you would like any support around Mental Health and Wellbeing, please visit our website where you will find a wealth of information about support available to you.

We are running a workshop with the Me and My Mind Team on Tuesday 21st June at 1pm. This workshop is exclusive to Parkland parents who have children in Year 6 and will support you to enable them to transition to secondary successfully after the recent global pandemic has compacted the usual anxieties around such a big change. Please do email dawn.wingett@swale.at if you would like to attend or speak to Mrs Das to book your place..

Me and My Mind - Webinars for Parents

As well as offering parent information sessions in school, Me and My Mind have produced a series of webinars for parents who are unable to attend these sessions.

Please click on the links below : -

[Who are Me and My Mind and how can they help](#)

[Supporting children with anxiety](#)

[Understanding low mood in children](#)

[Fears and Phobias in Children](#)

[Sleep Hygiene and Healthy Eating](#)



A helping hand with your mental health
me & my mind
East Sussex Mental Health Support Team

www.theparklandfederation.com

[Understanding children's mental health](#)

Please Label Pupil Belongings

One of our school rules is to look after property. Please support your child with this by talking to them about the importance of looking after things. If you could also make sure that **everything** your child brings to school is named, we can return it if it is misplaced. Unfortunately we can't return any items that are not named. Thank you in advance for supporting this.

Thank You



Pupil Mobile Phones in School

A gentle reminder that pupils are NOT permitted to bring mobile phones to school **unless** they are in Year 6 and have written permission to walk to and from school alone. Any Year 6 phones are collected before registration by teachers and kept in a locked cupboard during the day. This is for safeguarding purposes. No other year group is permitted to bring a mobile phone to school at any time. Thank you in advance for supporting this policy.



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allowed**

Year 1 Phonics Screening

We would like to say a big well done to our Year 1 children who have been busy taking part in the National Phonics Screening since 6th June. The children have all shown fantastic resilience and perseverance skills and the progress that they have made recently has been incredible. A huge thank you to parents who have been supporting them by practising at home too. Our Virtual Phonics Tuition Library will still be available on the Parkland website throughout the summer, so keep up the excellent work!

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Attendance and Lateness

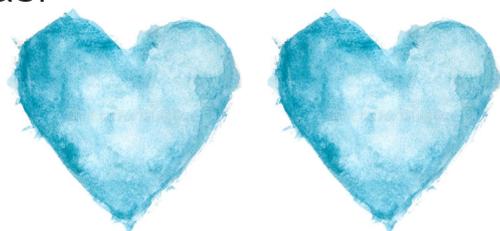
We would like to remind parents about the importance of attendance and punctuality. When pupils arrive late, staff members need to be called to collect them which can impact the learning of other pupils in the class. Please ensure that medical appointments are made outside of school hours as much as possible. The admin team will ask for evidence of these if a child does need to be collected early. Thank you in advance for your support.

**WHY IT'S
IMPORTANT
TO BE ON TIME**



Charity News

During half term, Florence and Bea completed a 5k run in aid of St Wilfreds Hospice. They helped raise over £4700! What a wonderful charity and what a brilliant achievement. We are very proud of them and they have deservedly earned themselves our Citizen of the Fortnight Awards!



Congratulations!

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies - Hurry!

There isn't much time left to order your child's Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies! If you have not already done so, please use the following link and order **before Monday 20th June**.

[Leavers' Hoodies Online Order Form](#)

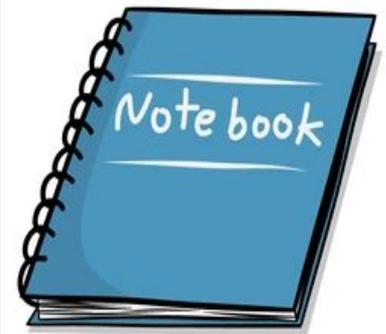
Unfortunately, orders made after this time will not be accepted.



Important Dates and INFORMATION

Diary Dates

21st June 2022	Me and My Mind Supporting your child transition to secondary school. Presentation for Year 6 Parents 1pm - 3 pm
29th June 2022	Sports Day EYFS and KS1 (PM) Ks2 Sports day (AM)
1st July 2022	Colour Run - details will be coming out soon
8th July 2022	Year 6 Prom 6-7.30pm
15th July 2022	End of Year Pupil Reports to Parents
20th July	Final day of Term 6 for pupils
September 2022	Please note that the timings of our school day may be adapted slightly from September in line with new government guidelines. More details will follow this term.



Thank you!



PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY



We are looking to recruit a **Parent Governor** who has a specific focus on The Parkland Federation. As a governor you will be able to raise questions and take part in discussion and decision making, working as part of a team to support the school. If you are interested in applying for the role or would like to know more, please call in to the Office to pick up an Application Pack. The closing date for applications is **Friday, 1st July 2022.**

We look forward to hearing from you.