



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
FOX CLASS LETTER
TERMS 5 & 6



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the summer term! I hope you have all had a lovely Easter and a good break. The children have already made a fantastic start to their learning and are showing what fantastic role models they are to the younger children in the school. This year in year 6, we are committed in ensuring your children continue to develop their knowledge and skills as independent learners, creative thinkers, reflective pupils, team workers and effective participators as they prepare for transition into secondary school.

This term, the children have their SATS tests and we are doing lots of revision and practice in class so that the children are as prepared as they can be. If you have any questions about the SATS tests, then please do not hesitate to speak to me about them. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Groombridge

Term 5

This term, our topic of Our World is continuing. The children will be learning about how the world is changing by looking at border changes, economic development and also physical and political changes.



In English, we are continuing to read Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo which the children are all enjoying. We will be writing explanation texts about how to survive on a desert island as well as writing in character through a diary entry and a letter to another character.

In maths we are learning shape, position and direction.

In science we will be learning about 'Animals Including Humans'. The children will learn about the human circulatory system, key bones and organs and the impact of diet, exercise and lifestyle choices on the body.

Term 6

After half term, we will be starting a new topic called World Geography. The children will be learning about biomes, climates and deforestation.



In English, we will be looking at a range of poetry, including Tim Minchin's 'When I Grow Up' and a range of playscripts.

In maths, the children will be completing investigations which will allow them to apply and consolidate the key learning from Year 6.

Science this term will be our Sex and Relationships Education unit. Further information will be sent out relating to this in due course.

We will be going to the Forest School on Tuesday mornings. They will attend forest school in all weather conditions, where safe to do so and should be dressed appropriately in suitable clothing e.g. hats, coats, gloves, suncream etc. Sturdy footwear or wellies will also need to be worn. Your child may wear their forest school clothing to school.

Attendance: I would like to take this opportunity to remind you how important good attendance is for optimum learning and progress. At Parkside, we aim for 95% attendance or more to ensure our best possible learning is able to take place. It is also important that children arrive to school on time so they start their day in the best possible way and are ready to start their learning with the rest of their class.

Uniform:

This is a reminder that all children should be wearing the correct school uniform. This consists of: Parkside School jumper so children can take pride in our school logo (or a navy jumper/cardigan), a white shirt or blouse, grey/black trousers or a skirt (or short/summer dress when it is warmer) and black school shoes.

At Parkside our behaviour is:

- Gentle hands and feet
- Respect others and their property
- Expect to work hard
- Always listen
- Talk kindly



Dates:

- 4.5.26 Bank holiday
- 11.5.26 SATS week
- 18.5.26 Sports week
- 18.5.26 Book fair
- 22.5.26 Maths day and end of term
- 1.6.26 Start of term 6
- 4.7.26 Summer fair
- 14.7.26 Year 6 production
- 15.7.26 Open evening
- 17.7.26 Leavers assembly and last day of term

PE

PE will be on a **Wednesday** so children will need to ensure they wear their PE kits to school on these days and not their uniform. PE kits consist of dark shorts, coloured t-shirt (according to House colours) and plimsolls or trainers.

Homework

Children are expected to read at home at least five times a week.

REACH for the Stars

- Resilience
- Effort
- Aspiration
- Courtesy
- Honesty



Healthy snack and lunches

Children are provided with a bagel at breaktime. If children wish to bring their own snacks in from home, this must be either fruit or veggie sticks.

Packed lunches should also be healthy e.g. a sandwich, yoghurt, a piece of fruit and a snack bar.

If you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss with me, please make an appointment at the school office or send me a message on Class Dojo.

Mrs Groombridge

Year 6 Class teacher and Assessment Lead.