



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
OWL CLASS LETTER
TERMS 5 & 6



26th April, 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday and managed to enjoy the days of sun that we had. I would like to thank you all very much for support in helping the children access their home learning and Zoom lessons last term; this has enabled the children to come back into school and carry straight on with their learning.

It is fantastic to all be back together again and see the children's smiling faces and enthusiasm for learning each day ☺

Miss Murphy

Term 5

This term our focus in Maths is Statistics where the children will be looking at different ways of interpreting and presenting data, including line graphs. In Science we are continuing to look at Forces and there are lots of hands on investigations this term which I am sure the children will enjoy.

In English, we are continuing to explore Shakespeare's plays as the children enjoyed Macbeth so much last term! We have started looking at Romeo and Juliet and the children were very shocked by the ending!

Our topic will continue to be 'Off with Her Head!' and will focus on The Tudor's and whether or not Anne Boleyn was murdered or executed! We will be looking at the political and religious build up to the beheading of Henry VIII's second wife and the legacy of the Tudor dynasty. The children will end the term by reenacting the trial of Anne Boleyn – who knows, Year 6 may even rewrite History find her innocent!

Term 6

In term 6, our Maths lessons will focus on consolidation of the four operations and place value to help the children be in the best position they can be for secondary school.

Our Science lessons will be about the Properties and Changes of materials with some very exciting experiments!

Our topic will be Alchemy Island which will allow the children to write their own Fantasy Narratives, poetry and even their own lyrics. The children will have the opportunity to compose their own atmospheric music which I am sure they will enjoy.

In term 6, we will also be covering our SRE (Sex and Relationships Education). Please check your emails for a letter detailing this and with a link to a zoom meeting with myself and Mr King, where we will explain what will be covered and answer any questions you may have.



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.

Golden Rules

Always be kind and courteous to one another.

Follow the 'new normal' routine of school and listen to adults in order to stay safe.

Try and be honest at all times.

If at first you don't succeed, try again!

We will all aspire to be the best that we can be!



PE

PE will be on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon 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 or leggings, coloured t-shirt (according to House colours) and plimsolls or trainers.

Homework

The children will be set times tables and spellings on a Friday to practise at home so they are ready for a short test the following Friday. Children are also expected to read at home at least five times a week.

Healthy snack and lunches

Children may bring in their own snacks for breaktime – this must be a piece of fruit or vegetable sticks.

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

REMINDER – we are a nut free school so please do not send your children in with any items that contain nuts as we have members of our school community with serious nut allergies.

REACH for the Stars

Resilience

Effort

Aspiration

Courtesy

Honesty



If you have any questions or anything you wish to discuss with me, please make speak to me after school, make an appointment at the school office or email me at:

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Miss Murphy

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