



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 3 Newsletter

Tuesday 18th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and 2022 – I wish you all a very Happy New Year!

Whilst we have had a hugely enjoyable start to the school year since September, conditions have also made things difficult at times and I hope that as we move into 2022 things will become easier to deal with and hopefully the shadow of Covid will not hang over us with quite so much threat. We are very much looking forward to lots of exciting activities with your children and we continue to encourage you to make sure that they are at school on time, either at 8:10am for our breakfast club, or at 8:40am for our normal school time.

With best wishes,

Mr James Williams
Executive Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school, it is lovely to see all the children in school and I hope you are all rested from the busy term we have just had. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTFA members that were instrumental in ensuring the scaled down Christmas Fair was as successful as it could be. Without the hard work of the PTFA we would not have been able to offer the events that we did.

I am sure you are all aware of the ever changing guidance that we are all receiving regarding the ongoing pandemic and I would like to thank you all for your support and patience as we implement this within the school.

The children enjoyed getting out on visits last term and I know that the teachers have many more planned for this term.

Thank you for your continued support of the school.

Mrs Anthea McLevy
Head of School

Attendance

The school continues to work towards increasing attendance across the school. Whilst we appreciate some of you might be worried about sending your children to school during these uncertain times the school is following all the guidance to ensure the children can continue to access their learning. We would ask you to ring the office by 10:00am to inform us if your child is unwell and not attending school.



School Uniform

Please remember that the children are required to wear full school uniform on the days they are not doing PE. The school have a limited stock of uniform for you to purchase. Please speak to the school office if you require any uniform and they will be able to help you.

Scooter and bikes

The teachers have completed a travel survey with the children and many of them have said they would like to use a bike or scooter to travel to school. We would welcome this and have a scooter and bike park situated in the front car park. Just a reminder that scooters and bikes should not be ridden on school site and children should push them to park the bike or scooter once they have arrived at school.



Reward time

At the end of last term some of the children enjoyed a reward session of s'mores and hot chocolate in our Forest School area. The teachers selected children from the class that always make the right choices and engage fully in their learning. We will be offering other reward activities for children every term.

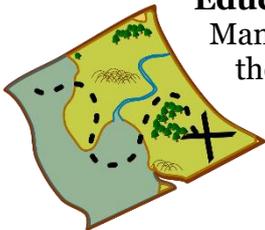
Congratulations to Miss Murphy

I would like to announce the safe arrival of Miss Murphy's baby girl. Both mum and daughter are doing well and we are all looking forward to them visiting the school. I am sure you will join me in congratulating Miss Murphy and her family on the birth of her new baby.



Educational Visits

Many of the children have had the opportunity to go out on educational visits to support their learning last term including going to the Cathedral, The Ramsgate Tunnels and the River Stour. The children were a credit to you and were complimented on their exemplary behaviour and manners. The teachers are busy planning visits for this term and will let you know the arrangements once they are finalised.



New for 2022 Bagel Bar

Alongside the regular free breakfast club that the children can attend from 8:10am the school are now running a Bagel Bar in the classes. They are able to choose a topping and enjoy their bagel whilst catching up with their friends. The school are able to provide this due to the National Breakfast Scheme.



Change of Contact Details

Please can you make sure that if you change your telephone number or email address that you inform the School Office. This is important so we can contact you in case of an emergency.