



Newsletter WB 25.09.23



We have had an incredible week in school this week.

All of the children have been working hard with their learning and have had fun in lessons. All of the children have been eager to follow the Golden Rules and have enjoyed showing off their skills and achievements!

I hope you enjoy reading about our week in school!



Weekly Attendance

Our school TEAM have worked hard this week to maintain a good attendance!

As a TEAM we have managed to achieve 94.8%

The top TEAMS who will receive their £5 rewards were:

Team CH with 99.6%

Team SG with 99.2%

Well done to the two Teams! You have £5 each to go towards your end of year treat!

School events this week

Assembly time to develop your child:



This Monday's 'Significant Person' assembly was all about Greta Thunberg. We planned to get to know more about this young lady as part of our 'Going Green Week' in school.

The children learnt about her life and why she has the views she has. The children learnt about what climate change is and why Greta thinks it is so very important.

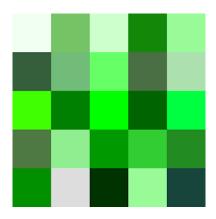
She certainly shows determination and is clear that anger should transform in to action!

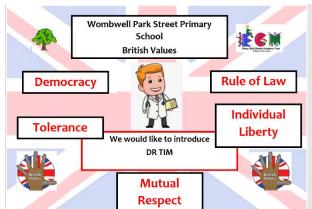
In our class collective worship time this last Tuesday, Teams were tasked with discussing together the 'thunk' below – please follow this up with your child at home and talk to them!

'How can we keep Park Street and the wider school community 'green'?'

As mentioned, this is to celebrate our 'Going Green Week' in school! Each class has taken some time out to encourage extra discussion on how we can help support our local environment. Our Eco-Reps better get ready for all of the ideas the children have! We will be discussing this further in Monday's assembly next week.







Just a reminder that in all of our assemblies we are always discussing the importance of British Values, which are on the poster opposite. We also discuss our school virtues, including the character traits we try to encourage daily amongst our teams. Please always encourage these character traits at home too! If anyone has any great examples of these at home, please take the time to fill in an 'Incredible Me!' certificate for your child and place it on the board in the entrance of school!

Civic virtue	Intellectual virtue	Moral virtue	Performance virtue
Community awareness	Reflection	Honesty	Communication
Citizenships	Creativity	Respect	Perseverance and
	Curiosity	Tolerance	determination
	Self-awareness	Compassion	Resilience
		Empathy	Confidence
			Team work
			Leadership
			Ambition

Personal Development!

As you will know, we love to promote children's personal development at WPSPS. It is something that our staff team are very passionate about and believe firmly that if we get this right, then the academic achievement and progress will follow. As such, we have spoken a lot this week about our high expectations of the children when in and around school – walking sensibly around the school site, being calm and showing positive manners and enjoying positive relationships, always!

We have also been doing some work as a staff team and from next week, we will be introducing Friday afternoons as our 'Personal Development Afternoons'. This is the time in a week where we will teach:

- our 'PSHE' lesson, with a strong focus on oracy
- celebrate our 'Time to Shine' person each week (the person who has been in the Golden Book the previous week and who therefore gets to create a 'Time to Shine' poster at home and present it back to the class) – here we will celebrate that child's 'Character' traits above and this will hopefully further impact on their confidence and performance skills
- have our usual 'Incredible Us!' time in class.

Please do talk to your child about their 'Personal Development Afternoons' and the learning they have got from them. Any extra opportunities to talk are beneficial for your child!

We think we do this well already, but there is always room for improvement! Examples of us doing this well are:

- when visitors come to Park Street, the friendly and positive ethos is always remarked upon
- when our children can always be trusted to behave appropriately when on trips and within different environments they are always amazing and a pleasure to spend time with.

Examples like this tell us our Park Streeters understand expectations around what their character should be like!

Park Street Shout-outs!

I LOVE having children sent to me for all the right reasons! Our staff enjoy showing off their amazing children who achieve well because of their hard-working attitudes. I also LOVE having information sent from parents to celebrate successes outside of school – these are also very important! This week we celebrate:

- Jax in Team CH Jax is an amazing little boy who shows excellent behaviours for learning in school. He has
 made a wonderful start to life in Mr Holmes' class and this week has been showing off some amazing
 handwriting and mark making we are so proud (and so is he)! Well done!
- Heath, Logan and Bronte-Mai in Team LL a HUGE well done to these three children who showed off their amazing writing this week. They are in the thick of the 'Dozmary Mine' with Alex Rider in the book *Storm Breaker* by Anthony Horowitz (their class Author). They are really enjoying the book and their writing shows this. The content was amazing and so was their presentation! Well done so very proud!
- Staff shout outs a HUGE well done to our new teacher, Miss Groves. She has made a brilliant start to life at WPSPS and is fitting in perfectly. We are so proud to have her on our team and we know she is proud to be here too! Well done! A BIG thank you also to Mrs Clark who has supported her so well over the past month too!

• Raine in Team DB – GET READY FOR THIS NEWS! YOU MAY WELL NEED TO SIT DOWN!

Our very own Raine has been working hard for many years with her singing, dancing and acting and has experienced amazing opportunities along the way. She has worked hard, showed perseverance and now we are reaping the success of this resilience! Ladies and Gentleman, Boys and Girls, can we please announce that Raine has been given a place on the actual CAST of *Oliver* at the Leeds Playhouse Theatre from November 2023 to January 2024! WHAT AN INCREDIBLE LITTLE LADY WE HAVE AT PARK STREET! I am absolutely so full of pride to announce this! I absolutely know that Raine will go from strength to strength and achieve even greater stardom in the coming years. She is one talented human being and I for one will be booking tickets ASAP! So proud Raine – well done!



https://leedsplayhouse.org.uk/event/oliver/

Not only this, she has also had a West End debut this month and was cast to sing with the famous Stephen Schwartz – one of the most famous names in the West End! WHAT a girl!

- **Rae in Team AC** Rae brought in her dancing certificates and medals, which she has recently been awarded! How proud we are! It is amazing to hear of her successes outside of school in the virtue of performance!
- **Poppy in Team JD** Poppy brough in her 'honours' award for swimming this week! She is such a talented swimmer and her success are never ending! I am sure she will be in the Olympics one day! Well done!

School Notices

Our Curriculum Drivers:

All of the work we have been doing and continue to do with our school's curriculum is driven by our 'curriculum drivers'. Our Trust's central drivers are encompassed in 'LEAP':

L – language acquisition: many of our children enter school below age related expectations in terms of language development and speaking and listening. As such, focusing on vocabulary and oracy is massively important to us!
 E – experiences: some of our children enter WPSPS with limited life experiences and opportunities and so therefore we are passionate about ensuring our children have more opportunities to be their best selves and experience life, culture, relationships and events, for all children to learn from.

A – **aspire:** we are fully behind our Park Streeters achieving their FULL potential and having aspirations in life. We want them to *want* to do amazing things when they are older and contribute to society. As such we provide them with knowledge of significant people, their actions and their achievements, to make them want to be their best! We allow the children to follow their interests and celebrate their achievements.

P – **performance:** we have always been passionate about engaging children in having the confidence to perform in front of others, developing their resilience and ambition. As such we continue to plan in more and more opportunities for children to experience performing and assessing that of others too.

If you feel that you could possibly help and contribute to any of these key drivers, then do let school know! Oracy is a massive focus for us at WPSPS and relates to all of our curriculum drivers. This will be the focus of our INSET Day on 29.09.23, where all staff will engage in professional development in this matter.

Photograph Day 2023:

Polite reminder: Tempest Photography will be in school on Thursday 6th October to take individual and sibling photographs.

Please inform school in writing by Monday 2nd October if you **do not** want your child to have their school photograph taken.

If you would like your child to have their photograph taken with a sibling who also attends Park Street, please complete the online form by Tuesday 3rd October at the very latest.

If you would like your child to have their photograph taken with a sibling who does not attend Park Street, the photographer will be running a session at 8.10am. Please queue outside of the Main Reception and ensure all children are accompanied by an adult.

Safeguarding

The Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) in school are as follows:

Mrs C Lawson (Headteacher) and Mrs L Longden (Deputy Headteacher) – DSLs

Mrs C Mason (PSA) and Miss C McGinnes (AHT EYFS/KS1 and Reading Lead) – Deputy DSLs

Staff who are trained to DSL standard, who you could talk to if you have any concerns:

Mrs C Turner (School Business Manager)

Mr A Fidment (AHT Inclusion)

Mrs L Fitchett (HLTA, Art Therapist, DSL for trips)

Mr R Smith (Sports Coach and DSL for sports trips)

Should you have any concerns regarding the welfare of any of Park Street's children, please do not hesitate in speaking to a member of the team above. Safeguarding is our priority!

School Matters and Support



Mrs Mason is our school's Parent Support Advisor Should you need any support with parenting, behaviour at home, clothing, food, money, bereavement or housing, for example, please do giver he a call at school or see her on the drive daily!



Mr Fidment is our school's Assistant Head for SEND and Inclusion.

Should you need any support and advice, or just want to touch base with Mr Fidment, he is on the playground each Monday morning drop off time and can be reached by emailing

WPSSendco@ecmtrust.co.uk

Should you have any questions, queries or concerns, then your child's class teacher should be your first port of call. Following this, you should consult a member of the Senior Leadership in School:

Mrs C Turner – School Business and H&S

Mr A Fidment – AHT for Inclusion, Behaviour and Transition

Miss C McGinnes – AHT for Reading, EYFS and KS1

Mrs L Longden – Curriculum, Pupil Premium and National Tutoring Programme

Mrs C Lawson – all school matters, safeguarding (including Child Protection and LAC), staffing and teaching and learning.

