

# WPSPS INCREDIBLE NEWS



### Newsletter WB 16.10.23



We have had a fun week in school this week. All of the children have thoroughly enjoyed their week learning all about anti-racism and celebrated in 'Wear it Red Day' this last Friday.

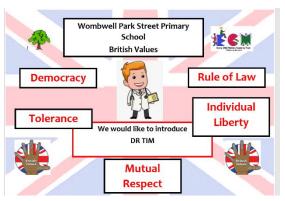
I hope you enjoy reading about our week in school!

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### School events this week

### Assembly time to add to your child's personal development:

This Monday's 'Significant Person' assembly was all about: Balraj's Story



This was to kick start our 'anti-racism' celebration week in school. We watched a brilliant video about Balraj and learnt about what an amazing figure he is, especially at such a young age. The video we watched can be found at the following website address, should you wish to watch it again with your child:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YmiGz8i-XG4

Our Park Streeters definitely felt that Balraj would have fitted in at WPSPS as he believes in talking through people's behaviours with

them and the impact that they have on others, which fits in very well with our Behaviour Policy in school. We felt like Balraj exemplifies all of our British Values in school and we are proud of him for standing up to not being discriminated against.

We also felt like Balraj's story exemplified our following Park Street characters:

Civic virtue	Intellectual virtue	Moral virtue	
Community	Reflection	Honesty	
awareness Citizenships	Creativity	Respect	
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In our class collective worship time this last Tuesday, we further



focused discussion on discrimination and how racism, in particular, makes people feel. We related this back to the 'Protected Characteristics' aimed to wipe out discrimination. On Wednesday Mrs Firth took the full school for an Assembly which introduced the concepts of 'Show Racism the Red Card', ready for us to celebrate on Friday. Should you wish to read anything further on this, more information can be found at:

https://www.theredcard.org/

### Wear it Red Day to 'Stamp out Racism'

We had an amazing day in school and were blown away by how many children joined us in wearing red to show racism the red card! We had practically 100% participation, which was fantastic to see. We spoke about how important it is to raise awareness of such attitudes and we were proud of our efforts.

### WPSPS Boys Vs King's Oak Boys

Last Friday our Boys Footballers had the opportunity to play against King's Oak in a Football match on our school fields. Thank you to parents for attending in what was a very wet afternoon! Mr Smith was keen to report back that the boys managed to win the match with a staggering 14:1 goals! WELL DONE BOYS! We are always so proud of our children's achievements in sports, both in and out of the school, but this was super impressive. We do have some real skill and talent though on our team, a lot of what is fostered outside of school (and at lunch on the Courts!). We hank parents for their support in ensuring children get opportunities to explore their talents and achievements outside of school, to help us in school!



### **Census Winners**

Thank you also to the parents who chose for their child to have a school dinner on our Census Day recently. This really helps the school with funding, which is essential currently. Thank you! As always, ISS Catering team supplied the school with two vouchers and we are pleased to announce that both Maya and Chloe-Louise are the winners for this term! They each received a £10 voucher for them to spend and were awarded this in Golden Book assembly on Friday! Well done girls – happy spending!

### Mini Police



This Friday in school saw the launch of our second year of Mini Police! We welcomed PCSO Malcolm Burke and two of his colleagues from South Yorkshire Police in to school to work with our Year 5 children. We have 10 mini-Police again this year, who will take part in learning events such as anti-social behaviours, communications, parking and speeding, CSI crime scene investigation and community events etc. I called in on the group who were all having a fantastic time in their new Police caps! This is a role that we take very seriously in school as it helps us to be able to teach the wider school community about the local area, the risks that there are and how children can look after themselves and

keep themselves safe.

This next Wednesday we welcome PCSO Malcolm Burke again in to school to talk to the children in Key Stage 1 and 2 about the Police force and what work they do in our local area. It will also be an opportunity for classes to ask questions about the Police and community safety.

### 100% Attendance Celebration



Outstanding VIPP work boys!

This last Friday, Mrs Mason (PSA), Mrs Green (Attendance lead) and Mrs Dabbs (Attendance Admin) and I all had a wonderful trip to Pizza Hut with 18 amazing children! They were our 100% attendees from last academic year! We enjoyed a trip out in taxis and enjoyed a long lunchtime! We all had some delicious pizza, pasta and salad and enjoyed some fizzy drinks!

The children showed phenomenal table manners, eating sensibly, talking to their friends and staff and having fun!

One highlight was talking to the Year 6 boys who were so proud of their pizza eating achievements! Logan won eating 12 slices, Trafford a close second eating 11 ½ and in third place was Heath, demolishing 9 pieces!



The children were an absolute pleasure to spend time with and of course their behaviours were noted by members of the Cortonwood community! One lady

commented on how well behaved and quiet the children had been, saying she was very impressed with their behaviours a and attitudes!

# Well done TEAM Park Street!



### 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:

- Jacob R in Team EO for his AMAZING writing skills! It was a pleasure to look through Jacob's book this week and look at how his writing has developed already in 7 weeks of learning time! WOW! I was so very impressed and he was so happy to be doing well! I love a good writer! Well done Jacob!
- Team LF Team LF enjoyed their 'Wombwell Walk' on Thursday this week. As they went, I reminded them
  about wearing their Park Street badge with pride and they assured me they would! On their return Mrs
  Greenhalgh mentioned how FAB they had been and then we took a call...from a lovely lady in the Wombwell
  community. She went on to comment as below:

'She was sitting in the bus stop with her two dogs when Team LF passed by. She asked Mrs Firth to ask the children not to pet the dogs and was incredibly impressed that every single child listened and followed the instruction. She said the children who spoke to her

were polite and friendly. She also said the whole class was "well-behaved, courteous, and polite" as well as being "a credit to themselves, their parents, and the school" and every single one of them deserved praise.'

What AMAZING comments to hear! You can imagine I nearly burst with pride! Well done Team LF and what a beautiful thing for the lady to have done – to take her own time up to tell us what amazing children we have!

- Amelia, Wilf and Layton A MASSIVE well done to the three Y6s from Team AF! I was so impressed with their scores this week. They are all showing great 'I can attitudes' and great resilience. I am so proud! Well done guys!
- Robin in Team LF Robin has been working with Mrs Mason this week and they have decided to start a regular staff 'shout out', to be included in the Newsletter. Each week, he is writing a certificate for a member of staff and giving it them in Golden Book Assembly! What a kind thing to do Robin! Please see the shout out below!
- Mr Davison has received 'Robin's Staff Shout Out' this week!

Robin described Mr Davison as being organised and kind! He said he was an amazing part of Park Street! Here they are together!

You can imagine that Mr Davsion was beaming to be the first staff member nominated!



Well done Mr Davison!

#### **School Notices**

### A message from a staff member to families

A member of the WPSPS staff team has asked me to send this on to all families, for them to use to plan their October half term holidays. It is a screen shot of some of the places that are doing 'kids eat free' offers during the half term – enjoy!



# **Staffing Changes**

This week we have said 'Goodbye' and 'Good Luck' to one of our Teaching Assistants, Miss C Charlesworth. Miss Charlesworth had worked at Park Street since just before the Pandemic, working in a range of classes. She helped support the school well during COVID-19 and enjoyed working with a range of staff and children. She will be sadly missed by our school community. We wish her lots of good luck in her new ventures and wish her happiness. Thank you, Miss Charlesworth, for all your efforts and hard work.

A new Teaching Assistant has been recruited and will be joining our staff team soon. In the meantime, Miss Reynolds continues to support in Team AC.

## My Child's Art Work

Mrs Fitchett is once again engaging all children in designing their own Christmas Card. These pictures are sent off to be printed and soon alerts will be sent out so you can view your child's Art work. You can then order these as professional cards and other Christmas gifts! This is a wonderful opportunity and wanted to let you all know, before you maybe start spending on cards etc for this Christmas time! Thank you to Mrs Fitchett for organising for the school, once again.

# 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.

