



We hope you enjoyed your holiday!

We have had another action-packed week in school this week!

All of the children have thoroughly enjoyed their week learning and have enjoyed welcoming more special visitors in to school for great learning opportunities.

I hope you enjoy reading about our last week this half term!

We look forward to seeing you again on Monday 6th November 2023 😊

Weekly Attendance

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

As a TEAM we have managed to achieve 93.9%.

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

Team EO with 99%

Team LF with 97.6%

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

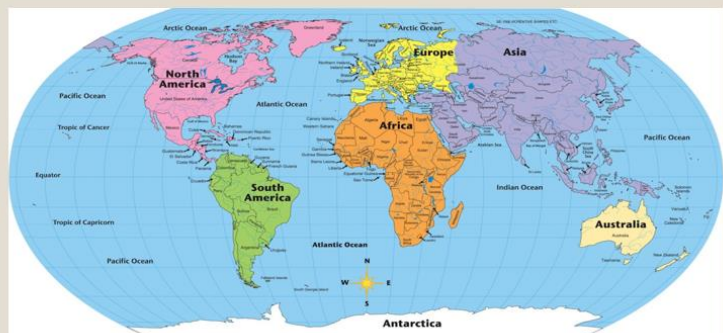
Team AF and Team LL are our joint winning Teams for the first half of the Autumn term with 96.7% and so both classes are invited to come to school in non-uniform on Monday 6th November 2023! Well done Year 6s!

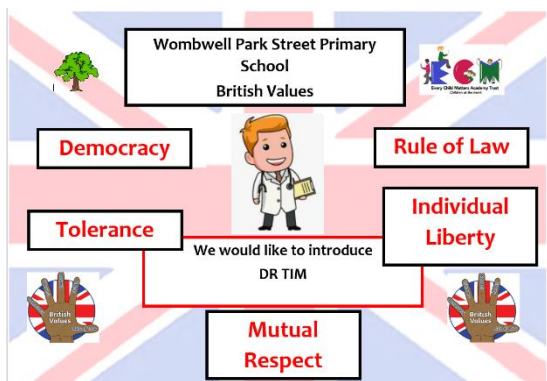
School events this week

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

This Monday's 'Significant Person' assembly was all about: Nouhalia Benzina

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This linked to the work in assemblies and collective worship sessions in class where we have been focusing on Black History Month, Stamp Out Racism and discrimination. This was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate Nathalia Benzina for inspiring other Islamic females and others in general too. She was the first female to wear a Hijab (Islamic head scarf) at a World Cup! What an amazingly brave person who showed passion, purpose and dedication. We watched a number of short videos, but thought you might like to watch this interview about her...we truly believe Nouhalia would fit in amazingly well at

WPSPS and shares the Park Street character virtues through and through! Our Year 6 boys were incredibly knowledgeable!

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The children were brilliant in talking about how this exemplified our British Values of Individual Liberty and Tolerance and our character virtues of tolerance, confidence and respect.



WPSPS Characters...

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

Harvest Festival



Thank you so very much to the WPSPS school community for their amazingly kind and generous donations of food for our Harvest Festival celebration in school. The donations have once again been outstanding, especially in times of such economic crisis. THANKYOU.

We welcomed one of our Governors Judy Milner and

Parent Group representative Louise Hall in to our Harvest Festival Assembly this Thursday to receive the donations. We will be splitting the donations between the local food bank in Wombwell to help support the local community, as well as our very own WPSPS Food Bank to help support the immediate families in the local area, who we know might be in more significant need. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about the Harvest Festival and singing their Harvest songs!





A big THANK YOU to Mrs Longden for dropping all of the food off at our local FareShare!

The workers there were extremely happy to receive all of the bags of food.

THANK YOU TEAM Park Street!

The Ramayana - The Diwali Dance Workshop for our Reception and Year 1 children



Our Reception and Year 1 children had an amazing experience in school on Monday this week!

A gentleman from the West End in Schools company visited school and engaged the children in dance workshops. The children had amazing smiles on their faces and really enjoyed the experience and learning opportunity – they really got in to the rhythm!

Well done and thank you to Mrs Holmes (RE Leader) for enriching the experiences for the children of Park Street to learn from.

Imam visits Years 4 and 5 to discuss Islamic prayer

This week we also welcomed an Imam in to school to talk to Years 4 and 5 about Islamic prayer. This was a fabulous opportunity for the children. I popped in to Team JD to watch the sessions in action and was overwhelmed by the children's interests and the knowledge which they had already gained! They listened so intently to the Imam – they were like little sponges soaking up all of the information! They showed outstanding respect to the Imam and the Islamic artefacts which he brought in to school. Well done Years 4 and 5!

It was also lovely for our Governor Sabeena Chavan to be involved in the sessions. She said the children had had an amazing time and that the Imam had made the sessions really interactive so as the children got the most from them.

Visit from our local area PCSO, Malcom Burke

On Wednesday this week we welcomed local area PCSOs, Malc and Mel, in to school to hold two assemblies – one for Reception - Year 3 and one for Years 3 – 6. The PCSOs came to talk to the children about how the Police in the local community help to keep us all safe, how the children can keep themselves safe, about fire work safety given the time of the year and also were able to offer some answers to questions which the children had!

The children listened really well and had some interesting stories to tell! The children are keen for me to ask some Police dog handlers to come in to school next time so that they can meet the Police dogs!

Malc and Mel were particularly impressed with our children's knowledge of equality and treating people fairly and equally. They said that this knowledge really stood out to them and that they don't get that in every school! Well done Park Street! I told them it was because we talk about this all of the time so it is very much on the children's radars!

The children showed an extensive knowledge of the Police and also how they themselves keep themselves and families safe, which was great to hear! They wanted to know lots of things! Some common questions were as follows:

Q: How fast can Police cars go? A: as fast as they need to!	Q: What inspired you to become a Police person? A: because we wanted to help people in need.
Q: what is the best bit of your job? A: coming in to schools and teaching younger children about safety in assemblies and working with our Year 5 Mini Police!	Q: what qualifications do you need to be a Police person? A: depends on the role, but generally speaking you need to work hard at school and enjoy success! New rules mean you might have to have a degree.
Q: what is the worst part of the job? A: when there is a RTA and you have to be out in the cold and rain, late at night, not having a good time.	Q: do Police people go to prison if they do something wrong? A: absolutely so – anyone goes to Prison if they do something wrong. No one is above the law!
Q: what do Police do about anti-social behaviours from youths? A: talk to them, talk to their parents, write letters to their parents, arrest them if 10+ and the situation is serious.	Q: how old do you have to be to be a Police person? A: varies depending on the job, but generally you can start from 18years old. New rules are coming in to force about qualifications so work hard at school!



Halloween School Disco

We had a superb Halloween Disco on Wednesday night, which lots of children attended. The children loved it and said it was their best disco to date! A massive thank you to our parental group for their ongoing efforts, enthusiasm and dedication to the Park Street TEAM! We will keep you updated on the money raised for school funds and what we plan to spend it on for the children!

'Wear it Bright' Day

On Friday this week, we all got dressed up in something bright, to celebrate our 'Wear it Bright' Day for the five days festival of lights! This was to celebrate Diwali, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. This

also coincides with the Harvest and new year celebrations; it is a festival of new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness.

We had a great day in school and enjoyed learning about the celebration. We watched the following video to start our learning off...

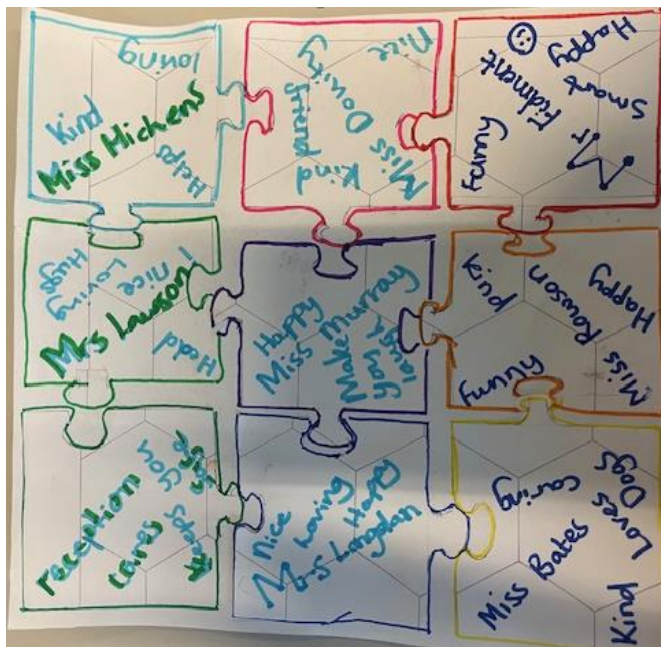
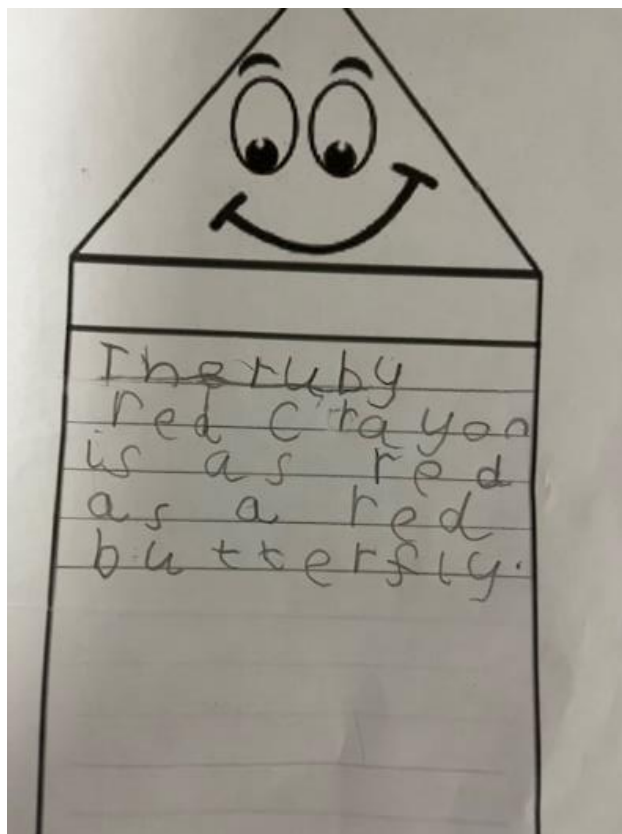
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/15451833>

Thank you to Mrs Holmes and RE Link Governor, Sabeena Chavan, for organising!

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:

- **David in Team JF** – for his epic efforts in writing! He has done some excellent writing and he has some wonderful ideas! Miss Fury was so proud of his determination to succeed. He had the biggest smile on his face and was so very proud of himself. What a FAB start to Year 2 life in team JF!
- **Layla and Winter in Team LL** – these two wonderful girls completed the picture below in their wet play time! This really put a smile on our faces! What a wonderful, thoughtful thing to do for their staff team!



- **Mrs Firth and Mrs Lawson** – have both received 'Robin's Staff Shout Out' this week!

Mrs Firth was awarded the title for being an amazing Maths Leader in school.

Mrs Lawson was awarded it for leading what Robin thinks is an 'incredible School'!

Thank you, Robin, for your kindness to staff!



School Notices

Disco Arrangements

A few parents mentioned the parking issues at the end of the Discos on Wednesday evening. As in the day, only authorised vehicles should be on a school site eg those with the code for the gates. As such, we will have to close the gates at each Disco now, to ensure safety for all parents and children. The gate will still be accessible to any disabled parents / children or any with pre-planned permits.

Parental Evenings

Please can all parents ensure that they have booked in for a Parental Evening appointment for the weeks after half term. This will be a key time to find out how your child has settled in to life in their new class, friendships, future targets and give you chance to review some of their best achievements to date.

As trialled last year, there will also be an additional parental evening for parents of children on the SEND register in school at school support and EHCP level. This will provide parents with an additional opportunity to discuss your child's EHCP and or School Support Plan. The attendance for this was quite low last summer term, which was surprising given parental feedback of parents wanting to know more about their child's SEND progress. Hopefully, these will be better attended this year. The date for the autumn term additional SEND meetings is: **Wednesday 13th December 2023, 3.40-4.40pm (meetings by request).**

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 give her 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.

