



**Welcome back to Autumn 2!**

**We have had a busy week back in school!**

**The children have got back in to their school routines well and have behaved brilliantly!**

**We 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 94.6%.**

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

**Team SG with 98%**

**Team LF with 99.7%**

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 were invited to come to school in non-uniform on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023! Well done Year 6s!

## School events this week

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

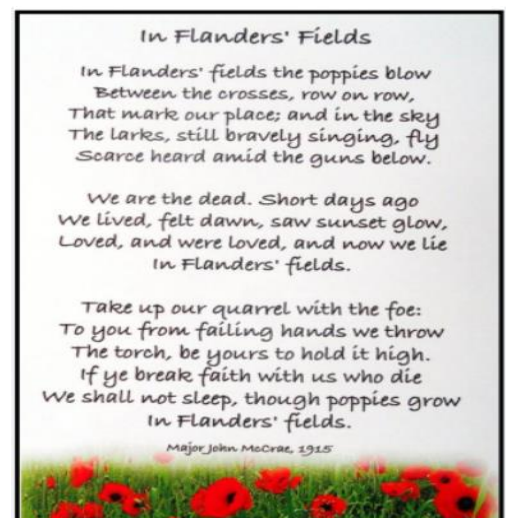
This Monday's assembly was all about: **Armistice Day and Major John McRae.**



We discussed the meaning of Armistice Day and what the Poppy symbolises. The children had an excellent knowledge already, but we did learn that a purple poppy symbolises the thanks and remembrance of all of the animals that have died in wars.

We also looked at wars from an animals perspective and watched a short video which shows how the animals in Flanders' Field, must have felt during the land battles of WW1.

We also read Major John McRae's poem *In Flanders' Field*, for a deeper appreciation of what WW1 must have been like for the soldiers who bravely fought, for the world we are lucky to have today.



The children were brilliant in talking about how soldiers' perseverance, determination, resilience and team work skills / WSPS Characters would have supported them in their work.



## WSPS 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

In our collective worship sessions in class this last Tuesday we have reminded the children about online safety, in an extra attempt to keep them all as safe as possible. Please reinforce this through discussion at home with your children.

### Multiplication Tables Check Events for parents

A BIG thank you to Mrs Firth and Mrs Bamforth for organising these events for parents.

Unfortunately, only two parents came to the afternoon workshop and none came to the after-school workshop. They were designed for parents to find out more about the importance of times tables and what to expect in Year 4 when children sit the Multiplication Tables Check.

We will run another workshop for Year 5 and 6 parents this next week and hope we have a more positive attendance.

We will also reflect on better ways to engage parents in school as opportunities like this for parents are so important for children's success and Leaders took a long time planning the information sessions.

### Parental Meetings

We have held one of the two Parental Evenings for this autumn term this week. It was lovely to see so many parents attending once again and to see happy, smiley faces on mums, dads and children after their meetings!

Once again, if you haven't had chance to book an appointment and teachers are all booked up for this next week, just simply contact school and staff will be happy to organise a different date / time which is mutually convenient.

ISS, our catering team, have been on the corridor with treats and tasters from their menu! They have been offering the children and parents the chance to try some of the food they cook for our Park Streeters! – Keep me away from the pizza, it was yummy!

### School Council

Our School Council have met for their pupil voice time this week with Miss Firth and have suggested some quality ideas for their plans for Children in Need Day! Some we have managed to make happen and others we are saving for next year as there were so many ideas. Watch out for Mrs Firth's letter to parents for your information on how we are celebrating in school.

## Year 5 / 6 Football Competition

A selection of our Year 5 and 6 children have represented school this Friday on a sporting event at Barnsley College. The children all left very enthusiastically! Mr Smith and Mrs Akyel reported that they had all shown excellent behaviours and represented the school as well as they normally do! All learners engaged in the afternoon and gave it their all!

As you can see, their efforts are really paying off and our Boys Team is in to the FINAL! Go Team Park Street! We will not take all of the credit though here at WPSPS, as many of the boys and girls in each team enjoy fabulous success outside of school, as well as in school and have great support and opportunities to further themselves within the community!

### **BOYS**

Team	W	D	L	SD	PTS
Wombwell Park Street	6	0	0	7	18
Kexborough A	3	1	1	3	10
Sandhill	3	1	2	1	10
High View	2	1	2	5	7
Wellgate	2	1	3	1	7
Laithes	2	0	4	-3	6
Kexborough B	0	0	6	-14	0

W - Games Won, L - Games Lost, D - Games Drawn  
POS - League Position, SD - Score Difference, SF - Score For  
SA - Score Against, PLD - Games Played, PTS - Points Earned

### **GIRLS**

Team	W	D	L	SD	PTS
High View	2	3	0	3	9
Snadhill	2	2	1	1	8
Wellgate	2	2	1	1	8
Wombwell Park Street	2	2	1	1	8
Kexborough A	1	2	2	-1	5
Laithes	0	1	4	-5	1

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## Team LL visit Wombwell Library

Team LL have enjoyed a trip to Wombwell Library this Friday. For a period of time, each Friday a different class will be walking to our local library. Miss Baxter organised these for the school before she began her maternity leave as the children spoke so very positively about the visits last year! The children enjoyed reading books, having them read to them and enjoyed a story about the library! We LOVE reading!

## Mrs Fitchett's Poppy Decorating Competition

Mrs Fitchett has launched her poppy competition this week! The deadline is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. The awards will be handed out following this. We can't wait to see the most creative poppies! They will all make a wonderful display!

## My Child's Art

'My Child's Art' was experiencing a few problems earlier on this week and few parents said their QR codes and links were not working. Mrs Fitchett contacted them and hopefully now they have managed to sort the problems out and you will be able to order. So far, the orders have managed to raise £86 in commission for the school! Well done Team Park Street and many thanks to parents.

## Arts Council Competition

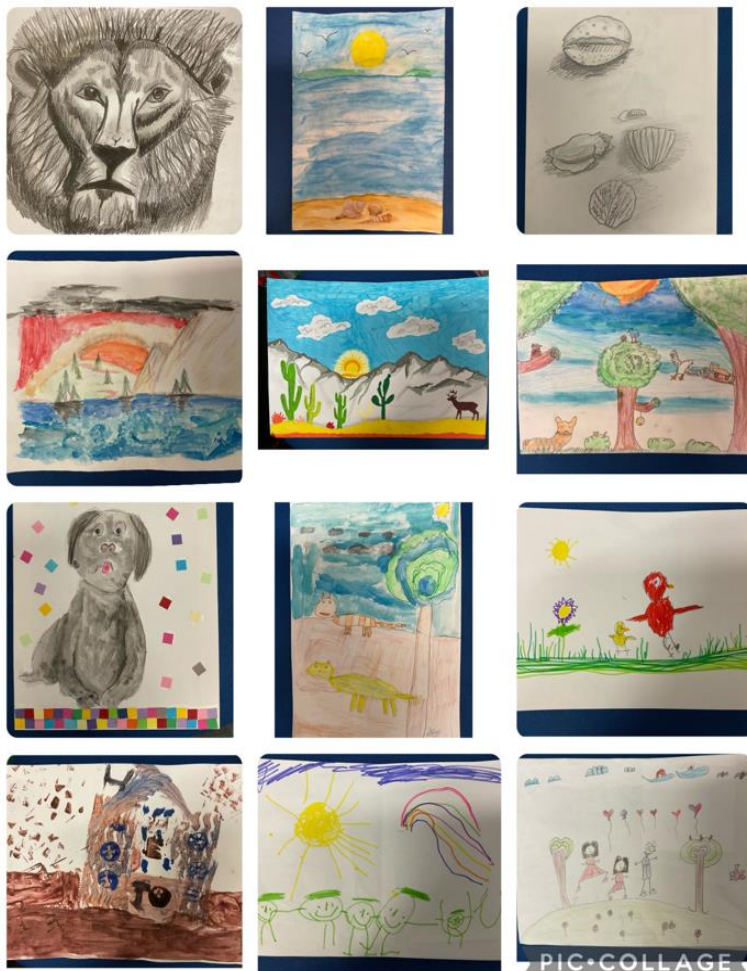
Mrs Longden and her Arts Council met this Friday and have decided to run an Art Competition in school (letter to follow). Look out for the opportunity to get crafty at home with an Art scene which depicts winter. I can't wait to have an hour next weekend with my little girl and submit an entry! It is open to Park Street children and staff! Let the competition commence! Thanks to our Arts Council!

8<sup>th</sup> December is the final deadline!





## Rotary Club Art Competition



A HUGE well done to the following children who have produced the Art work opposite.

They have been chosen by Mrs Fitchett (HLTA and Art Leader) as showing outstanding skills in aspects of Art work, so much so that they have been put forward for the Barnsley Rockley Rotary Club Children's Art Exhibition and competition. These children are:

Alfie W  
Lola D  
Alex J  
Mason B  
Alexis S  
Grasia D R  
Evie  
Josie  
Maya  
MJ J  
Kaylia B  
Molly H

The comic book illustrator Dean Ormstan will be judging the finalists! As such, the Art work will be on display at Barnsley Metrodome on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 4pm and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023 all day.

Mrs Fitchett and I will certainly be visiting the Metrodome to see the work in exhibition next Friday afternoon!

### **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:

- **Charlie in Team JF** – Charlie brought in his Stage 1 swimming certificate this week to show off in Golden Book Assembly! Well done you little fish! We can't wait to see your future successes too!
- **George in Team LF** – George is being celebrated for two reasons this week! Look at the wonderful gardening work he has been up to! He grew these pumpkins all ready for Halloween! What an achievement! I am sure he will be a successful gardener or farmer when he is older...what about Cannon Hall Farm! He has also completed a recent successful grading at Kickboxing! What an absolute super star we have at Park Street! Well done George!



- **Oscar in Team CH** – once again Oscar has been to see me to show off his incredible writing! I even managed to get a picture of it this time to share with you!

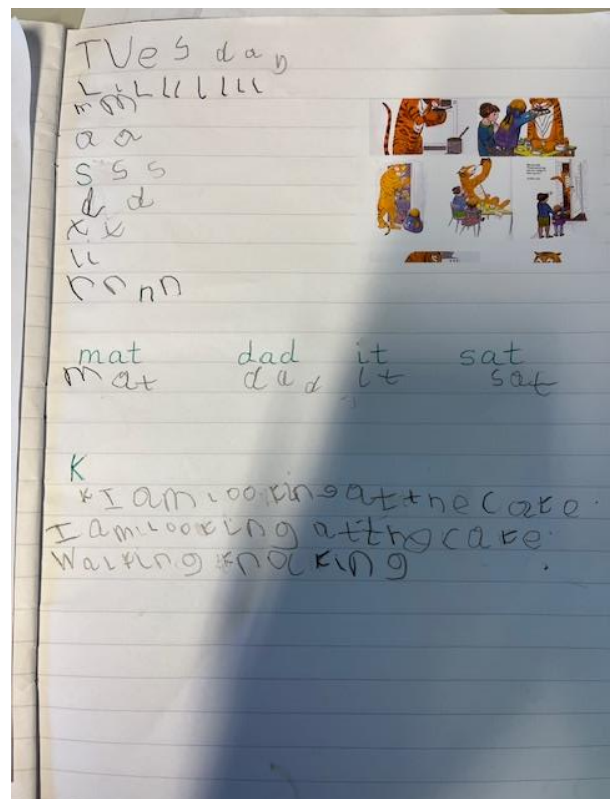
What a super star!

He has been working so hard at:

- ✓ Letter formation
- ✓ Letter size
- ✓ Writing on the lines
- ✓ Finger spaces

**We couldn't be prouder of his progress!**

- **Liam in Team LF** – Liam is working so very hard this year to get himself ready for Year 6! He has completed his tables race in 5 minutes and 53 seconds this week! What a superstar!



- **Mrs Mason and Miss Fury** – have both received 'Robin's Staff Shout Out' this week!

Mrs Mason was awarded the title for being such a support to absolutely everyone in the school from children to parents and to staff!

Miss Fury was awarded it for being such a very caring teacher.

Thank you, Robin, for your kindness to staff! We all agreed with your choices this week!





## School Notices

### Orbeez – please don't allow your child to bring them in to school



Orbeez are currently quite popular amongst children nationally and at Park Street. For those of you that have not heard of them, they are a small ball which when it meets with water, it expands. They are a really good sensory toy and a lot of children have access to them and enjoy playing with them. However, please can you ensure you do NOT allow your child to bring them in to school. Also, please could you remind your children that these are definitely not sweets and should NOT be ingested as they can cause complications, some of which are really serious.



Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

### The importance of Multiplication

Mrs Firth and Mrs Bamforth, our Maths Leads in school, have asked me to share with you our policy for teaching times tables through school, for your information. This will hopefully help you in practising the right times tables at home, with your children. Should you wish to discuss this with your child's class teacher further, you know where we are!

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS	Have an understanding of: Unitizing Equal/Unequal Groups					
Year 1	Have an understanding of: Unitizing More Than One Group Equal/Unequal Groups					
	Counting in steps of 1 Counting in steps of 2 Counting in steps of 5 and 10					
Year 2	Have an understanding of: Unitizing More Than One Group Equal/Unequal Groups Early Relationship between + and ×					
	Re-cap Counting in 1s, 2s, 5s & 10s	Introduce Multiplication Terminology x1	(x1) → x2	x5	(x5) → x10	Consolidation
Year 3	Re-cap x2s, x5 & x10	(x2) → x4	(x4) → x8	x3	(x3) → x6	Revision
Year 4	(x6) → x12	x9	x7	x11	Consolidation and MTC	
Year 5	Audit: Individual classes to identify gaps Multiplication Tables, Mega Facts, Mini Facts, Mastery					
Year 6	Audit: Individual classes to identify gaps Multiplication Tables, Mega Facts, Mini Facts, Mastery					

## 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](mailto: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.

