



# WPSPS INCREDIBLE NEWS



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We have all had a wonderful week back at school.

There were lots of tired faces on Monday, staff included, but everyone appears to have had a lovely Christmas time!

We would like to wish everyone a  
Happy Spring time!

Let's hope the snow stays away!



## Weekly Attendance

Our school TEAM have worked hard this week to maintain a positive attendance:

**As a TEAM we have managed to achieve 94.2%.**

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

**Team JD with 98.7%**

**Team AF with 99.1%**

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

## School events this week

### 'Thinking Differently'

This week we were due to hold the first of three sessions of our 'Thinking Differently' course. Unfortunately, this had to be cancelled as no parents took us up on the offer. Mr Fidment has emailed out some alternative dates / times and arrangements which will hopefully fit in well for more parents and we will continue to reflect on the best ways of getting such support to you. The sessions are:

- *An evening workshop, for an hour, over three weeks using Teams. The workshops will run on*  
**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024**  
**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024**  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024**  
*We will be hosting these over Teams from 6pm-7pm on all three days. A link to the sessions will be sent out prior to the beginning of them once we have details emailed in of interested parents.*
- *An 'all in one' morning session on* **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024**. *This will run from 9am – 12pm in the school's community room. This will not allow the reflection time which our hourly sessions allows in between but this should hopefully make it easier for people to attend and work around their jobs.*
- *An 'all in one' morning session on* **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024**. *This will run from 9am – 12pm in the school's community room.*

### Positive Parenting Programme: Sleep focus

Mrs Mason (Parent Support Advisor) has started her 'Positive Parenting' workshop this last week, with a focus around sleep. We have only had one parent this last week, so if you feel like you would benefit from sharing and discussing any concerns you might have about your child's behaviours at home, please contact her and you can still join the group!

### Jo Stokes from 'As Creatives' visits Y6 to work on *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare

WE ARE  
SUCH STUFF  
AS DREAMS  
ARE MADE ON;  
AND OUR  
LITTLE LIFE  
IS ROUNDED  
WITH A SLEEP.



THE TEMPEST

SHAKESPEARE

We were fortunate enough to have a lady called Jo in school this week to work with the Year 6 Teams. She is a phenomenal actress and facilitator of learning amongst different ages of pupils. She brought *The Tempest* and its characters to life through a series of drama activities and sketches. The children really got in to the story of *The Tempest* and the thoughts, feelings and lives of the characters. It was wonderful to watch how engaged the children were in their learning. Thank you to Mrs Longden for organising this amazing opportunity from the Yorkshire Shakespeare Hub.

### Reading Hut developments...

Miss Baxter has been back in school this last Friday, working with children through school on an Art / Reading project! Before she went on her maternity leave, she began work on the reading hut outside on the playground and this is what she has been working on this week with boys, girls and Mrs Fitchett! We will hopefully be launching it this next half term – watch this space, it looks AMAZING so far! This will be a space for children to further enjoy reading for pleasure in their spare time at break and lunch times!



### **Nursery News**

As you will be aware, we have been trialling a limited number of 30 hours places in our nursery during this last Autumn term. This has proved to be very popular and has been a great success so we will be continuing with the current arrangements going forward. It is lovely to have our very own full time Nursery class and the children appear to be loving their time in school. I am positive this will be getting the children off to a great start with Miss McGinnes! It is also really supporting Park Street following the COVID pandemic as we have seen a rise in numbers once again, which is fantastic news.

If any families have a child who is two years old, you can apply for a nursery place the school term following their second birthday. If you are interested in a 30 hours place for the next academic year (from September 2024) please contact Miss McGinnes for further information, to have a tour of the setting or to add your child's name to our 30 hours waiting list. Please also spread the word within the local community - we are always happy to show people around and answer any questions. We still also offer our morning or afternoon places for 15 hours per week for all families.

### Miss Taylor joins Park Street for a term

For those of you with children in Early Years, you may have realised that there is a new face in Nursery! We have a student from Sheffield Hallam University called Miss Taylor who is learning from the Park Street team in Nursery. She will be with us until the Easter holidays. I am sure you will warmly welcome her to our team.

### 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:



- **Isabella in Team EO** – Isabella came to show me her AMAZING writing this week! She showed it off with such pride, it was lovely to see. Fancy being able to write in sentences at such an early age! What super letter formation too! She was very keen to share it with you all in our newsletter!

- **Laila, Lola, Bronte-Mai, Elwood and Winter in Team LL** - these amazing Year 6s are now all scoring 30/40+ on their Arithmetic papers and wanted to shout this from the rooftops! We are so proud of your progress, well done for the hard work and effort!
- **Pupil Voice 'shout out about staff'** – Robin's shout out for a staff member this week has been awarded to Mrs Fitchett (HLTA in school). She was awarded this because of how much she does for absolutely everyone in school...she looks after children, teachers Art really well and looks after all of the Tas too...she is a true superstar and I fully agree Robin! No doubt she will put her certificate on her fridge and enjoy her chocolate reward!
- **Pupil Voice 'shout out about children'** – Robin and Eliza's shout outs for children this week have been given to **Finley in Team EO for bringing a smile to everyone's face always!**  
**Paris in Team JD for being a brilliant all-rounder at school – hard working, polite and friendly!**

### School Notices

#### Ice Hockey news for anyone who fancies it...

As you know, we are passionate about the benefits that an active life can bring to us all in terms of developing our physical and mental health. With this in mind, we thought we would share that Sheffield Steelers offer Ice Hockey game fixture tickets, every so often, for only £8 a fixture. The next ones are on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024, for any parents who might like to introduce their child to a new sport.

#### Arrangements for the beginning / end of the day

We have a growing number of children who need to access school via the main entrance for a varied number of reasons. As a result, the entrance can become busy at the beginning / end of the day. Can we please remind parents that unless agreed as part of a plan by Senior Leaders in school or as part of a prior agreement, if you are supporting your child with

access to school, they should be dropped off and collected from the external doors of school. Classes and our Admin team simply do not have capacity to be bringing children up and down the corridors.

## 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

Supported by Mrs E Oliver (Safeguarding Link Governor and Chair of Governors)

### 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)

Mrs E Green (Business Support and Attendance Lead)

**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 and Pupil Premium

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

