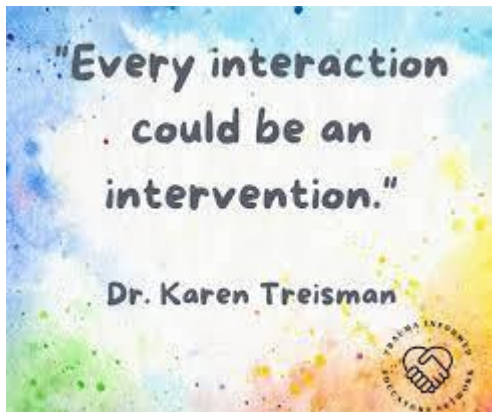




WPSPS INCREDIBLE NEWS



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We have all had a good week in school this week, with lots of good learning opportunities!

It has been bitterly cold this last week so the children haven't played out as much as usual!

Our staff have been in receipt of Special Educational Needs training from the Trust this week and came across this important quote...the more you talk, the better it is for your child's development, confidence and ability to articulate their thoughts and feelings. Keep chatting Park Street! ☺

Weekly Attendance

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

As a TEAM we have managed to achieve 93.7%.

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

Team LF with 99.3%

Team AF with 97.7%

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

We had lots of fun in Golden Book Assembly this week, handing out all of the very many 100% attendance certificates for children who were here all of the autumn term! We celebrate:

Logan A, Hazel A, Esme B, James B, Mason B, Louie B, Jesse B, Edie B, Keira B, Cody-Jay B, Ella B, Emmie-Rae B, Ethan C-W, Amber C, Harry C, William D, Solomon D, Harper D, Sophia D, Amaya D, Rae D, Tobias D, Levi D, Chloe-Louise F, Trafford F, Oliver F, Tabitha F, Harrison G, Jessica G, Joseph G, Betsy H, George H, Joshua H, Jordan H, Charlie H, Molly H, Thomas H, Miller H, Lola H, Kaeben-Oliver H, Tegan H, Elliott J, Eli J, Heath J, Jenson J, Miles J, Olivia K, Ellis L, Marshall L, George M, Millie M, Cruz M, Jenson M, Layton M, Josie M, Joeska N, Isabella P, Melissa R, Winter R, Mia R, AJ R, Olivia R, Maya S, Finley S, Aoife S, Illona S, Savannah S, Xander S, Jackson S, Toby S, Natalia S, Evie T, Ollie T, Erin W, Evan W, Bella W, Ellis W, Fraya W, Samuel W, Eaton Y!



School events this week

Incredible Me!

As many of you will know we use a package called 'Incredible Me!' to support children through school with social, emotional and behavioural needs. This is a package that was created by a member of our Trust staff (and former SENDCo), Sian Vaughton and our current Assistant Head Teacher Adam Fidment. This is a package that has evolved over time and something which they continue to add further activities and developments to too. Over the past few weeks and coming weeks we have visitors coming to school to see this in action as a number of external professionals have seen this in action and believe it to be excellent. Well done TEAM Park Street! This is definitely something which sets our school apart!

Miss Bates leaves Park Street...

We are really sad to see Miss Bates leave Park Street this next week. Miss Bates has worked at Park Street for well over a decade now. She has worked throughout school and has always been the most reliable, helpful and hard-working member of staff that we could ever have had the pleasure of working with! More latterly she has been Cover Supervisor in Team AF with Mr Fidment and Miss Rowson. We are going to miss Miss Bates tremendously, as are the boys and girls of Park Street as she is extremely well thought of and extremely well liked. We are so sad to see her go! Miss Bates will be progressing her career in a different line of work to education. We are proud of Miss Bates as she certainly does not want to leave Park Street but does want to progress her career. She will leave with a heavy heart and is sad to be moving on. She loved her Park Street family – the staff and children alike!

We will keep you informed of further recruitment and staffing changes as they arise to cover for Miss Bates.

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.

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:

- **Pupil Voice 'shout out about staff'** – Robin's shout out for a staff member this week has been awarded to **Miss Hodgson for always being so happy, bubbly and busy in and around school and bringing a SMILE to everyone's face! As always, we could not agree more. She really is such a dedicated Park Street superstar!**
- **Pupil Voice 'shout out about children'** – Robin and Eliza's shout outs for children this week have been given to **Tegan in Team LF for being an amazing Park Street Asset!**
Paisley in Team CH for being so responsible, reliable, respectful and helpful.

School Notices

Winter Weather – the dangers of frozen water:

I wanted to remind you all of some key information regarding water safety, especially in the winter and especially as we have so many water ways in and around the local area – please share these with your child if appropriate.

THE DANGERS OF FROZEN WATER

TOP TIPS TO STAY SAFE

NEVER GO ON THE ICE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES

This includes attempting to rescue another person or animal who may have fallen through the ice.

ONLY USE WELL LIT AREAS

Try to take walks in the daylight but if you must walk in the evening, only use well lit areas and avoid anywhere with water.

KEEP AWAY FROM THE EDGE OF THE WATER

Never go close to the edge or lean over to touch the ice. You may overbalance or trip and fall in.

ALWAYS WALK WITH AN ADULT OR A GROUP OF FRIENDS

Look out for each other and if someone does fall through the ice there will be others around to raise the alarm and get help

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE SOMEONE FALL THROUGH THE ICE

Shout for **'HELP'** and dial **999** or **112** if you can

DO NOT walk on to the ice to attempt a rescue

Shout to the person to **'KEEP STILL'** and offer reassurance.

If they are close enough, **LIE DOWN TO AVOID OVERBALANCING** and falling onto the ice, and try to reach them with a tree branch clothing tied together or anything else which can extend your reach.

If you cannot reach them, **SLIDE SOMETHING** which floats across the ice, such as a plastic bottle or a football, so that they can hold on to it to stay afloat whilst help is on the way.

If they are too far away, **WAIT FOR THE EMERGENCY SERVICES** and reassure the casualty from the safety of the bank.

Every year children are at risk when they are tempted to play on the ice formed on open waters and adults find themselves at risk as they attempt to save them. Over 50 % of ice related drowning involved an attempted rescue of another person or a dog.

Areas with frozen waters can be beautiful to look at but they are also extremely dangerous.

Here are some useful tips to help you enjoy these areas safely.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU FALL THROUGH THE ICE

Keep calm and shout 'help'

Spread your arms across the surface of the ice in front of you

Try to kick your legs and pull yourself out of the water and on to the ice

Lie flat, spreading your weight across the surface and pull yourself to the bank, you may find it easier to roll.

If you cannot climb out, wait for help and keep as still as possible. Keep your head above the water, press your arms by your side and keep your legs together

Once you are safe, it is important that you go to hospital immediately for a check up



Message from SYF&R:

- **Frozen water:** Do not go on to frozen lakes, ponds, canals and reservoirs under any circumstances. Children and pets are particularly at risk when tempted to play on the ice formed on open water during cold weather. Do not walk or climb onto the ice to attempt a rescue and certainly don't get into the water, you may become the next casualty.

- **Cold water shock:** The UK is a cold water country which means no open water is above 15 degrees. A public swimming pool is between 26-28 degrees. Many fatalities are caused by the cold temperature and how it affects someone when they enter the water. Firstly it causes a deep intake of breath, during which dirty water will usually be mixed with the air breathed in. Blood will be directed to their core to protect major organs, restricting supply to their arms and legs which are needed for swimming. This makes it very difficult for someone to swim and is often how lives are lost.

- **Pets:** Should be kept on leads when near frozen water and owners should refrain from throwing objects onto the ice for them to retrieve.

StayWise

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

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.

