



WPSPS INCREDIBLE NEWS



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We have had a great week this week in school altogether!

We have all been working hard in the summer heat this week, finishing our assessments off ready to celebrate our progress. We have continued to have fun – enjoy reading our highlights!

Weekly Attendance

Our school TEAM have worked hard this week on our attendance, but we have got the lowest attendance this week in a good long while:

As a TEAM we have managed to achieve 94.8%, 94.9% for compulsory aged children

Well done for increasing it this week Team Park Street!

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

Team AC with 98.2%

Team CW with 98.7%

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

School events this week

This week in our Monday assembly for Years 1 – 6 we learnt about the significant person that is King Charles III, using our *Little People, Big Dreams* book collection in school. This was on the back of the Trooping the Colour parade, the previous weekend, to celebrate his birthday. The children were really knowledgeable about the life of King Charles, showing they have remembered their learning well from the work we did around the time of the Coronation. We did learn, however, that King Charles III is an avid artist, can play three instruments (Cello, Trumpet and Piano) and has a degree from a British University!



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I believe passionately that everyone has a particular God-given ability.

KING CHARLES III

Parade

We looked at some of his famous quotes too and discussed what these suggested about the type of person he is too.

Harper in Team DB showed a brilliant understanding of quotes like this one to the left. She felt that it showed that King Charles III has faith in people and always looks for the good. She felt like he was trying to say that everyone can achieve something, you just need to follow your dreams and you will find the things that you excel in!

Quite the inspiration! Other quotes suggested to our Park Streeters that he was the type of person who wanted to use his role to change the country and the world, to leave things a little more positive than before.

On Monday, some of our Year 6 children walked to Netherwood to meet some of the staff there and to have a look around the school. Also, their staff have been in to school this last week to speak to staff about transition and also to speak to the children about their upcoming move. It is always a daunting time for our Year 6s with lots of mixed emotions. Some children are very ready for the next stage in their educational career and some are understandably nervous. One thing is for sure though, we will miss them all so very much!

On Tuesdays we continue to enjoy 'Reading Together' and this Wednesday we celebrated World Music Day in school! Our Team JD and Team JF have also enjoyed their free Shine Cricket sessions this Wednesday, an opportunity which all children are loving!

On Tuesday this week, our Team CW and Team EO classes went to Whistlestop Valley. It was a rainy day, but this did not impact on the fun that was had by all! Some parents also volunteered to support the staff and children – thank you for this kindness and for taking the time out to make the trip happen! It was lovely to hear your positive comments about our amazing Park Streeters and the hard-working staff team that made it happen!

On Wednesday evening, staff welcomed our new reception starter children's parents to WPSPS. We held an information session and parents had chance to meet staff and look around our setting. If you are an existing parent, but have new children starting our school and missed the session, this will be sent out on email and of course, as always, if you have any questions then simply shout out!

Also, on Friday, Team CH visited the Library for their Incredible Us! time. They were very warm and bedraggled on their return, but had had such a fun time and staff again said that their behaviours when out walking in the community were brilliant! Well done Team CH for keeping yourselves and each other safe.

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! This week we celebrate:



- Belle in Team AF – this week we have celebrated Belle, who has achieved her brown belt 2 x black tag!

Look at her smile and how happy she is! She is super proud of her achievement and we are totally blown away with her sheer talent!

Well done Belle - black belt next!

Top Tip: self-defence classes can often really help young children. They give confidence to the children as they have the knowledge, they can protect themselves if needed and the lessons often encourage children to channel their effort and enthusiasm in a positive, but disciplined way.

- Charlie, Blake and Carter in Year 6 showed off their own Elland Road medals, where they too have been successful with their team and have been given the opportunity to play at Leeds Football Club's stadium! Well done guys! We are really proud!
- Harper in Team DB – Harper showed off her many medals which she has from all of the amazing activities she does out of school, from swimming, to Gymnastics, Dance and self-defence! Harper is very proud of these and so she should be! She always shows great resilience and effort to anything she puts her mind to and as a result succeeds. She is a real inspiration!
- Kaius and Ivy in Team JF – both Kaius and Ivy performed their solo dances this last Friday in our Golden Book Assembly. They have been inspired by some of other boys and girls in KS2, which is amazing! The boys and girls through school loved watching them perform and their own individual confidence certainly brought a tear to my eye! Well done to our little performers!

- Ellis in Team CW – we were wowed today when Ellis brought in an amazing trophy to celebrate his martial arts skills! He has won the ‘Respect Award’ for MMA 2022-23 Little Champions! Well done Ellis! We loved watching your ‘snap kick’ Ellis!



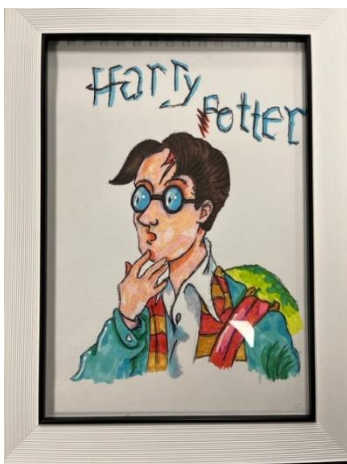
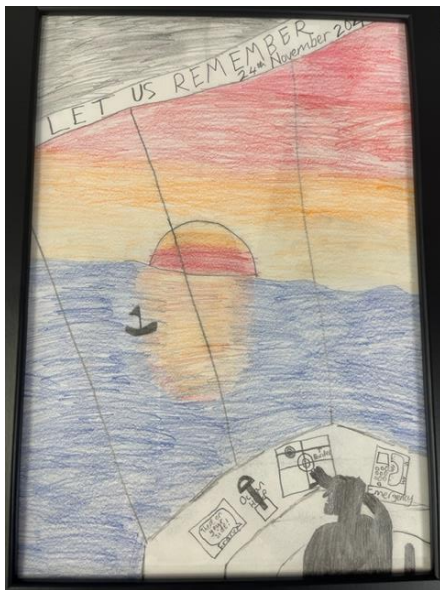
- On Friday, Jacob and Jayden had an amazing time at the Town Hall, meeting Barnsley Town’s Mayor!

This was to celebrate them winning the ‘Let us Remember’ Art competition to celebrate Refugee Week 2023!

They had an amazing morning and their achievements were well celebrated!



They returned with certificates, their Art work framed and also got a book mark and a book voucher to spend! Their AMAZING Art work is below:



- Riley in Team AF - he has shared his brilliant Art work with us in school this week and won ‘Artist of the Week’ from Mrs Fitchett. Our very creative Riley painted this for his dad for Father’s Day – what an amazing gift idea and something I bet his family will treasure for a long time!

It is an absolutely epic piece of Art work – here it is! Well done Riley!

Miss McGinnes also wants to celebrate the following children for their amazing achievements, which she has seen as EYFS and KS1 Leader:

- Jacob in Team EO - for amazing independent writing about his trip to Whistlestop Valley. I thought it was year one work!
- Daniel in Team AC - for coming to share his reading with me. He has been choosing to read and it was lovely to hear how fluent he is becoming.
- Logan in Team EO - for brilliant writing. He had used his Fred Fingers to sound out his words all by himself!
- Jenson in Team CW - for an amazing poster advertising his train ride. Brilliant phonics, finger spaces and handwriting! He convinced me to go for a ride!

WELL DONE from Team Park Street!

Nursery at WPSPS

We currently have places available in our wonderful teacher-led nursery provision for an immediate start. We offer free 15-hour sessions through either a morning or afternoon place from the term after your child's third birthday. Applications can be made once your child has turned two and they will be added to our waiting list. This is the perfect way to prepare your child for full time school by enabling them to be familiar with the routines, activities, staff and peers and therefore enable a flying start to their learning journey.

If you are interested, please contact Miss McGinnes for further information or to arrange a tour of the setting.

If you are interested in the possibility of 30 hour funded places, please let Miss McGinnes know! We will be starting this on a limited basis from September 2023!

Nursery News - Nursery have had a very exciting week learning about travelling by boat with lots of role play and new language learnt. We have pretended to row our rowing boats with our oars and then built a pirate ship and role-played being pirates - we even had some walking the plank!

We enjoyed snack and a story on a boat ride and have loved learning and singing "Yellow Submarine"!

School Notices

Items from home – there has been a recent rise in children bringing things from home in to school. This may be caps for the warm weather, necklaces or toys from home. If items need to be brought in to school (eg caps for the warm weather) then please ensure these are not expensive caps. We would hate for any caps to be accidentally damaged or to get lost. Equally, children should not be wearing necklaces, especially sentimental ones of expensive ones as again, it is a school of 347 children and sometimes things can get misplaced and lost. We would hate for children to be upset due to this. Toys and fluffy cuddly toys should not be brought from home unless this is stipulated in a child's Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Bottom gate – once again, we request that anyone accessing the school site at drop off and collection time, ensure they open the gate, drive through it, close it and lock it back up again with the designated lock. If this is left open, which it is being, then unfortunately some parent / carers try to get through and this is making the school site even busier. This does not support school with our robust health, safety and safeguarding procedures. Please, lock the gate.

Summer Fayre – a quick reminder that it is our school's Summer Fayre on Friday 30th June 2023, at 1.30pm start. We look forward to seeing you all there. Please, whilst you are there, do pass on your thanks to the small but amazing group of parents that have helped to organise the event and the parents who have volunteered to hold a stall for us, as well as our very own Mrs Hitchens who has helped the group put on this amazing afternoon for the children! We hope they have fun!

You will be required to sign your child(ren) out from their classroom doors from 1.30pm, when the gates will be opened. If you will not be coming along, don't panic, staff will still be there to look after the children in their Teams and hopefully have a wander around the stalls. If you wish for your child to be signed out by a Child Minder, then please let your child's class teacher know these arrangements before Friday. Let's hope for a sunny day!

Ice lollies – a huge thank you to WPSPS Parental Group who have been working hard to sell ice lollies each Wednesday through June. The children have loved this – thank you. Lollies are 60p - £1. Please note lollies can not be brought from home for children to eat at break, as if we allow this for one, we have to allow it for 351 and we simply do not have the space in freezers for this. Your understanding is appreciated.

Safeguarding

The Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs) in school are as follows:

Mrs C Lawson (Headteacher) and Mrs L Longden (Deputy Headteacher) – DSLs

Mrs C Hitchens (PSA) and Miss C McGinnes (AHT EYFS/KS1 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 SENDCo)

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 Hitchens 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.

