



Newsletter



July 2019

Message from Mrs Lawson

Yay! We have all successfully made it to the end of the academic year and I would like to take this opportunity to say well done children and thank you parents and staff! We have had a wonderful year at Park Street, with lots of achievements and as a team, we should be immensely proud of ourselves!

Results 2019!

I wrote to you in the last newsletter to let you know about our successful Early Years moderation and am thrilled to inform you that all of our other moderations at Year 2 and Year 6 have gone brilliantly too. All of our staff were complimented on how well they knew the children and on the vast range of evidence they had for them. All of our teacher assessments were agreed with. I am over the moon that we have got some of the best results we have had at Park Street for a long time, in Phonics, Year 2 and Year 6! All of our hard work in school has paid off! The children have worked incredibly hard and the teachers have been relentless in aiming for the best for the children of Park Street. Well done all!

Careers Week:

This last week has been 'careers week' and it has been incredible to see just how engaged the children have been, learning about the different jobs that guest speakers have spoken about. THANK YOU so much to all of the parents and staff who have volunteered or signposted family and friends to our school. We have had: accountants, air hostesses, referees, a member of the Prince's Trust, social workers, nurses / health workers and members of the armed forces—a real eclectic mix which is brilliant for the children to gain a better insight in to the jobs that are out in our world. The children have been so talkative and have got a lot from each professional's talk. They have all been truly inspired—thank you!

Staffing changes:

In September we have two new teaching assistants starting at Park Street: Mrs Sykes will be in Year 5 and Miss Stuart will be in Year 3/4. We also welcome Mrs Clamp to our SMSA team for lunch time, as well as Mrs Armstrong and Miss Hall (Relief SMSA) after the holidays. Also, Mrs Pettitt will be on maternity leave—we will let you all know when we have the exciting news about baby Pettitt! You will no doubt see Mr Holmes in school next year, as he remains at Park Street training to be a teacher, with Mr Fidment. Good luck Mr Holmes!

Governor Development Weeks:

This term we have had visits from a number of our Governors, who have met with leaders in school to look at their subject areas and support teachers in action planning and forging next steps together. Mrs Holdsworth, Mrs Chavan, Mrs Riley, Mrs Fenton and Mrs Oliver have all been in school.

Scooters and Bikes:

There have been a number of bike / scooter incidents relating to Key Stage 2 children over this half term. PLEASE ensure that your child walks with their scooter / bike on the path sensibly. From September, if they are caught using it inappropriately then they will be banned from using it for the rest of that term and/or we

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will be asking family members to pick them up/drop off at their classroom doors. Unfortunately, this strong message needs to be sent to the children; we all need to be safe!

Achievements:

Well done to our 'Little Treasure' superstars, who enjoyed a celebration event in school recently to celebrate their Tycoon successes. Also a special well done to Ria in Year 6 who has been successful in contributing to winning the East Midland Football Finals and then went on to play all the other regional final winners at Liverpool FC Academy in June. They finally finished in 3rd place, as the 3rd best schools district in the whole country! As well as this, Lia in Year 6 has won the 'Barnsley in Bloom' competition and she enjoyed a lovely reward of visiting the Mayor's parlour with other finalists at Barnsley Town Hall. Well done you Park Street superstars!

Dates for statutory tests 2019-20:

Please ensure that you consult the following link if your child is in Year 1, 2, 4 or 6 in the academic year 2019-20 for the most up to date dates and times for statutory tests...<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/key-stage-1-and-key-stage-2-test-dates>

I hope everyone has a happy, healthy and sunny summer holidays and we all come back to school raring to go on Tuesday 3rd September 2019. Many thanks for everyone's efforts!

Mrs C Lawson xxx



Forthcoming Events

Here are the important dates for your diaries...full details of these events will be sent by letter.

Date	Event
Monday 2nd September 2019	Inset Day—School Closed to Pupils
Tuesday 3rd September 2019	Back to School for Pupils
Wednesday 4th September 2019	Reception new starters transition meeting for Parents at 3.30pm
Friday 13th September 2019	World Sepsis Day – Non-Uniform Day (letter to follow)
Thursday 19th September 2019	Reception Classes (Team WM & Team CC) - Teddy Bears Picnic
Friday 27th September 2019	Team LG—Trip to Whitby
Thursday 24th October 2019	Break up for the Half Term Holidays
Friday 25th October 2019	Inset Day—School Closed to Pupils
Monday 4th November 2019	Back to School
Friday 29th November 2019	Nursery Trip to Chatsworth
Have a fantastic Summer!	

Water Bottles

Some children still do not regularly bring a water bottle to school. These pupils become thirsty through the day and are spending an increased amount of time out of class requiring a plastic cup from the school office so they can get a drink. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school every day so they can keep hydrated. They are available to buy from the school office for £1.20 each. Thank you

School Meals

Following advice from BMBC to all schools, our Governors have agreed an increase to the cost of a school meal from £1.96 to £2.01 with effect from Tuesday 3rd September. Pupils from Reception to Year 2 will continue to receive 'universal free school meals'. Pupils from Years 3-6 who are not entitled to 'free school meals' are required to pay in advance for any meals ordered from school through the 'School Gateway'.

Any queries please contact the school office.

Drop in Coffee Morning

We would like to invite all parents, Grandparents and carers to our drop in coffee mornings at Park Street each Friday morning at 8.50 -10.30am. We discuss all aspects of school life and how best we can support our children through fund raising.



Thanks Mrs Hitchens—PSA

INSET DAYS 2019-2020

We can now confirm our Inset Days for the next academic year.

Monday 2nd September 2019
Friday 25th October 2019
Monday 24th February 2020
Friday 22nd May 2020
Monday 20th July 2020

End of School Day Arrangements

We politely request that where possible you give your child 'going home instructions' before they come into school and inform teachers/school office of any variations to the normal collection arrangements at the **START** of the day. We appreciate that on occasions you will need to contact school during the school day to amend these arrangements and we are more than happy to pass these on. In order for us to communicate this information with staff and pupils we need you to contact us as soon as possible in order that the message can be passed on in time for us to safeguard your child.

After School Clubs

Our after school clubs are always very popular with our pupils, so we have limited places to offer and we politely request that if your child is given a place in a club, that they attend regularly. If your child cannot attend for any reason a Parent or carer **MUST** contact school and inform us of a reason why, we cannot accept notification from pupils. Failure to inform school could lead to safeguarding issues and we will not let the children leave school unless collected by an adult.

Sleep Programme

We will be running a sleep programme starting in September for parents or carers, who are having problems dealing with children at bedtime and the routines.

The programme involves two sessions are split into two mornings. We will send out a letter at the beginning of the Autumn term with dates and times.

Stationery Shop

Each Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at morning playtime, Year 6 pupils run a stationery shop which sells items priced up to £1 each. Children from Year 1 upwards are able to buy items.

Please note - Children must be responsible for their own monies and should only buy things for themselves.



School Gates / Access to School

For safeguarding reasons, the school's main gates at the bottom of the drive are locked at 8.20am and re-open again at 8.50am. They are also locked from 2.30pm until 3.30pm. Only authorised users with the code are permitted to pass through these gates and travel up the drive during these times. We ask that the code be kept confidential and not be disclosed to anyone including members of family or children. This is very important for us to keep our pupils safe!

Music Tuition 2019-2020

Barnsley Music Services provide music lessons to school throughout Barnsley. We currently have drum lessons taking place in school but the service does offer tuition in other instruments.

If your child is interested in learning any Instruments, please contact the school office for further details. (Charges are applicable, although discounted fees through the Scheme of Aid are available).

Webster Stratton

Any parents or carers who are interested in attending Webster Stratton: this is a positive parenting group, to support parents and carers with positive strategies to improve their child's behaviour. The sessions are held on Tuesday mornings between 9.30am-11.30am, and they will begin in September. For further information please contact Mrs Hitchens.

Nursery to Year 5 Celebration Assembly

What a delight it was to welcome the parents and carers into school to our celebration assembly! At the end of each academic year, we have an 'Awards Assembly', where we celebrate key children through school who have shone out for their achievements, progress and talents throughout this academic year. Pupils are chosen by members of their class teaching team! These are very special awards in which our staff find it difficult to choose just two pupils from each team when all children are amazing!

These were this year's super stars!

Nursery AM	Noah	Millie
Nursery PM	Finley	Poppy
Team WP	Jackson	Elissa
Team CC	Filip	Rosie
Team AF	Cohen	Evie
Team AC	William	Olivia
Team CT	Bobby	Nevaeh-Rose
Team GG	Leejay	Eden
Team JF	Zach	Layla
Team CB	Noah	Chloe
Team LG	Jude	Kayleigh
Artist of the Year	Jude	

Well done to each and every one of you!

Class Trips / Activities

Team GG and Team JF's trip to the Deep!

The day was action packed and the children were, as always, outstanding in their behaviour. Time flew so quickly but not one minute was wasted observational drawings, reading facts, asking questions, taking part in the workshops and watching the amazing divers feed the fish and sharks. One was particularly cheeky in giving affection in order to persuade the diver to give them some fish. However it did not work!

Team CB at The Barnsley Music Festival

This term Year 4 participated in the KS2 Barnsley Music Festival where they worked hard to show off their fantastic skills playing the Ukulele. They have been busy mastering the instrument since the start of the academic year and I could not be more proud of the fantastic performance they put on! It was a joy to be a part of and a memory that I hope the class will look back fondly on.

Team LG—Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

As part of their Science topic this term, Team LG took a trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park on Tuesday 18th June. The majority of the day was self-guided, giving the children a chance to visit a variety of animals and learn all about their natural habitats. To make the most of the day Team LG also attended an educational workshop led by the staff at the wildlife park. Linked to their topic on Habitats and Life Cycles, this session focused on African savannahs, polar, desert and rainforest habitats and some of the animals that live there. The children were lucky enough to participate in a habitat game activity and handle live animals including snakes, cockroaches and giant snails!

End of Year Bowling Trip

Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their end of year celebration trip to Barnsley Bowl. A fantastic time was had by all and the children had lots of fun. The class were complimented by staff for their excellent behaviour and lovely manners. The children truly deserved the reward after all their hard work this year.

Year 6 Production 'This Is Us'

In a change to the usual proceedings Team LL decided to put together their own show this year. A celebration of each individual in Year 6 sharing their memories, talents and stories of friendship. The children worked hard and performed brilliantly. A fantastic evening was enjoyed by all. Well done Team LL!

Year 6 SATs

As you know our Year 6 pupils have been working hard all year in preparation for the end of Key Stage 2 Assessments. I am absolutely thrilled to say the children have done brilliantly. Each and every pupil tried their best and did themselves and us very proud indeed. Well done! Mrs Longden, Mrs Lawson, Mrs Clayton and Mrs Hinds have thoroughly enjoyed supporting you on your very successful SATs journey.

Year 6 Awards Evening

It was lovely to see our Year 6 pupils along with their families last night at our Awards Evening. Thank you to all of the pupils for their hard work over their time here at Park Street and thank you to all parents and carers for your support throughout this time.

Attendance

As you will be aware, throughout the year, the class with the best percentage attendance each week have been rewarded with a £5 credit which they saved in their attendance money bags! During the last week, classes have been able to 'cash in' their bags and spend the monies they have built up. Classes have enjoyed treats including, picnics, parties, ice-creams etc. Basically the children's choice! We are very pleased that this has been such a successful incentive around attendance and raising the awareness about the importance of good attendance, while giving the children a lovely end of year treat. We will be continuing the weekly class attendance reward in 2019-20. Please support us by encouraging your child(ren) to attend school every day. We are really proud of our improving attendance and are often complimented for our robust systems and extensive rewards for our children. We will be sending out invites today for a special treat to all of our amazing pupils who have attended school every day this academic year! Well done! Thankyou. The school attendance team and Mrs Lawson.

Wow what a fantastic year of fundraising we have had!! We have been truly overwhelmed by the generosity you have all shown.

Barnsley Hospital Tiny Hearts Appeal

In response to parental requests to fundraise for local charities as well as the larger national charities, and following a suggestion from a Parent, we chose to raise funds for Barnsley Hospitals 'Tiny Hearts Appeal'.

On Thursday 27th June, we held a non-uniform day and sold buns, and we raised a fantastic £357. On Monday 15th July, Julie Mills and 'Cheerio' from the charity joined us in assembly to accept the cheque. Julie spoke to the children about the importance of the 'Tiny Hearts Appeal' and how the money we raised will go towards helping the charity. Thank you to everyone who bought in buns to sell and donated money on the day.

School Fundraising

We have certainly had a busy term raising much needed funds for our school...

Dress Down Day in May

We invited children and staff to come to school in non-uniform, in return for donations for items for use at our summer fair. Without these donation we would struggle to be able to even put on a summer fair, so thank you very much for your kind donations, which were used on the stalls.

Easter Coffee Morning

Thank you to all of the families who attended our Easter Coffee Morning, the event raised £230 which has been used to purchase curriculum resources for use throughout school.

KS1 Summer Sing-a-long

Our Key Stage 1 children put on two amazing performances recently, their Summer 'Sing-a-long' was brilliant and fun and an absolute pleasure for all involved. Thank you to all of those that were able to attend. The money raised by the tickets sales has marked the start of our 'New Stage' fund. We raised £318 in total, we will be writing to you all in the new academic year with details of further fundraising events that will hopefully enable us to purchase a new stage sooner rather than later! Watch this space...

Dress down and bring cake!

On the day of our summer fair we were totally amazed by your generosity in bringing in buns for Team JF to sell at our fair, thank you once again!

Summer Fair

Our annual summer fair is our biggest fundraising event of the year! Thank you to everyone who attended along with their children. We are delighted to report that we exceed our total raised in 2018 by over £100, by raising over £1,100. We understand that a few families were disappointed not to see the usual rides/bouncy castle, but unfortunately due to logistics / health and safety / safeguarding of pupils and staff plus the availability of our staff to organise and supervise external companies, we were unable to justify the cost in staff hours against the amounts of money these activities actually raise for the school, In 2018 all external stalls including the ice cream van and bouncy castles only raised £70 in total. Staff did a great job in planning and preparing such events, in addition to their many daily duties.

Year 5 & 6 – End of Year Performances

Our Year 5 and 6 classes both put on fabulous performances in their end of year shows, thank you to all of the staff and pupils involved. Thank you also to all of the parents and carers who purchased show tickets and raffle tickets plus for the donations towards the refreshments. We raised £430 which will be added to our 'New Stage' fund.

Sale of lollies—Maths Resources

Well I think that this fundraising campaign has definitely been the most popular of the year with our pupils, especially with the warm weather we have had recently. We have raised over £500 and Miss Garratt and Mr Fidment our Maths Leads will be busy purchasing new resources for use by all children throughout the school. Thanks everyone for buying!

We are extremely grateful for everyone's contributions to our various campaigns, thank you so much. Our fundraising efforts were recently reported to our Governors who would also like to express their thanks for your continued support!

Healthy Tuck Shop

We are lucky to have a healthy tuck shop which takes place during the morning break on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays which is prepared and sold by some of our volunteer parents. Children from Year 1 upwards are allowed to buy items on each of these days. Toast is also available to these classes on specific days. We would love to extend the days in which we run the tuck shop, if you could spare an hour between 10.00am & 11.00am on Tuesdays or Thursdays, please speak to the school office. Thank you

Price List

Bottled water 50p
Juice 50p
Toast 30p
Fruit 30p
Fruit pots 30p
Orange Slices 10p
Raisins 20p
Bread Sticks 40p

Tuck Shop Toast Days

Monday

Team AF
Team AC
Team CT

Wednesday

Team GG
Team JF
Team CB

Friday

Team LG
Team LL

School Uniform Orders

Any school uniform already ordered through school will be delivered to school at some point during the day on Monday 2nd September between 8am – 4pm, we will contact parents when it is available to collect. If you require any further uniform, you can contact 'Vortex' directly and order from them. You can then either collect it from their warehouse at Stairfoot or have it delivered to school on the date above. Please note that Vortex is a warehouse and not a shop, so better to contact them first to check on stock levels and when orders will be available. Vortex have advised that orders should be placed by the middle of August to ensure delivery on the date above or collection by the beginning of September. Vortex Clothing Company – 01226 202329

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is very important at Park Street.
If you have any concerns/issues please contact us to speak with:

Mrs Lawson or Mrs Longden
(Designated Safeguarding Leads)

Mrs Hitchens or Miss McGinnes
(Deputy Safeguarding Leads)

Also available to speak to regarding welfare and wellbeing issues are

Mrs Vaughton (SENCo) or Mrs Turner
(Office Manager & Attendance Officer)

Names in New Clothing

Please ensure all items of property and clothing are clearly marked with your child's full name, ready for the new academic year. We are saddened by the amount of clothing we keep having to dispose of because we can't find out who the items belong to.

Morning Activities & Kids Club 2019-2020

These clubs are now live and available for any bookings required for 2019-2020 through the School Gateway. Please complete a club contract if it is your child's first session which are available from the school office.

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