

# Parkstone News



Parkstone Primary School takes seriously its responsibility to safeguarding all children and adults and has a rigorous procedure in place to do so. The school does not tolerate bullying and deals with all forms very seriously.

## Note from the Headteacher

We have had a very busy first two weeks back since the half term holiday! Today, CBeebies personalities came into school to present 'Rhyme Rocket' to children in Foundation Stage and KS1. This was an exciting interactive show which included a live performance of rhyme, poetry and songs. Y3/4 took part in the Singing Day at the City Hall and Y6 pupils took part in the Kid Alert training which is designed to make the children more aware of dangers around the home and how to stay safe.

As the weather is finally getting better, can I please remind you to make sure your child brings a water bottle to school as it helps the children concentrate if they keep hydrated during the day. When it is particularly hot and sunny please apply sun cream to your child in the morning and make sure they have a hat to wear when they are playing outside.

## Save the date!

### 28<sup>th</sup> June:

Y3/4 sleepover at The Deep

### 30<sup>th</sup> June: KS2

Sports day am

### 3<sup>rd</sup> July: KS1

Sports day am

### 7<sup>th</sup> July: Y6

Leavers' assembly

## Attendance

Our school attendance has dipped slightly to 96% for the fortnight. Let's try hard in the final weeks to get it up higher to at least 97%. Well done to Mrs Woollin's and Miss Draper-Martin's classes with 98%+ attendance!

## Attendance fortnight ending 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Mrs West 96.4%	Mrs Austin 96.6%	Miss Draper Martin 98.7%	Mrs Waudby 94.7%
Mrs Gill 95.6%	Miss King 94%	Mrs Derrick/ Holtby 95.5%	Miss Hume 96.6%
Miss Lamerton 97.8%	Mrs Woollin 98% ☺	Miss Eggleshaw 96.2%	Miss Dordand 96.9%
Mrs Gladwin/ Wigglesworth 91.3%			

## Foundation Stage

The Foundation Stage have had a fun couple of weeks. Firstly, learning, acting out and writing the story of 'The Enormous Turnip'. This helped to inspire some more planting within the EYFS outdoor area (we think it looks beautiful - we hope you agree). Secondly, in the run up to 'The Rhyme Rocket' we have been looking at rhyming and shape poems. The children have had a great go at writing shape poems about familiar objects. As always, maths has been taught as real life situations, and the children have been learning to problem solve more independently. They're doing a great job! Special thanks must go to 'Ings Aquatics Centre' for their donation of plants to our garden.

### Year 1 and 2

We've had a busy few weeks in Phase 1 and we are certainly enjoying the sunny weather! In our literacy lessons this week we have been reading the book 'The Tadpole's Promise' which we are really enjoying. We have looked at the characters, adjectives used and we are going to be writing our own similar story next week!

In maths in Year 2 we are doing lots of revision of the four operations, getting ready for year 3! In Year 1 we have been learning about money and all the different coins we can use to pay for things. In our science lessons we have learned all about the life cycle of a frog.

Today (Friday) CBeebies Rhyme Rocket came to visit us to help us with our rhyming words. We had an absolutely great time...even the teachers!

### Year 3 and 4

A big well done to all of the children who attended the 'Singing day' at the City Hall. The children sang their hearts out and everyone had a brilliant time singing songs which celebrate our city!

In maths, Year 4 have been reading coordinates and describing movements using directional language. There are lots of treasure hunt games on the internet that could help your child practice these skills. The Year 3 they have been measuring and comparing mass using grams and kilograms.

We have all learnt how to write newspaper reports and wrote our own based on a famous Saxon story. We had great fun coming up with some different headlines, Maybe you could try coming up with some at home?

### Year 5 and 6

In Y5 and Y6, the children have been continuing their work on How to Train Your Dragon. Year 6 have been writing letters from different character's points of view and have been analysing the characters in depth. In Year 5 the children have been writing balanced arguments based on the book.

In maths in Y6 the children have been revisiting percentages and methods for the four operations. Y5 have been working on converting between metric and imperial measures.

All classes have been celebrating 'Healthy Eating Week' by making delicious healthy snacks. The children were really keen to try things they have never eaten before; it has been great fun. We have also been learning about the positive benefits of exercise on your health.