

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. Safeguarding and Child Protection coordinator: Mr J Rogers. Safeguarding Governor: Mr M Hillerby.

Note from the Headteacher

We have a very busy term ahead of us. Please check that you have received, via email, the list of important dates and events which we have planned. Please just contact us if you need any further information.

I would like to say how proud I am of all of our Year 2 and 6 children. They have worked incredibly hard over recent weeks to prepare for the SATs which they have to complete next week. Thank you to all our parents/carers too, who have supported their children with completing extra homework, reading and attending SATs cafe in order to make sure that every child achieves their potential in the tests. Good luck Year 2 and Year 6!

Save the date!

- 14.05.18:**
SATs week for Y6
- 17.05.18:**
SATs for Y2
- 25.05.18:**
Break up for half term
- 5.06.18:**
Children return to school

Attendance

Our whole school attendance for the last fortnight was 95.7%. This is slightly down on the previous two weeks so we need to make sure that we come to school every day!

Attendance for the fortnight ending 11 th May 2018			
Mrs West 91.5%	Mrs Austin 94.5%	Mrs Gill 95.4%	Mrs Waudby 93.9%
Miss Draper-Martin 95.4%	Miss King 96.3%	Mrs Derrick/ Mrs Wigglesworth 94.8%	Mrs Woollin 95.6%
Mrs Damary Thomson 97.6% 😊	Mrs Jacobs 95.4%	Mrs Whitworth 96.2%	Miss Tindall 97.6% 😊
Miss Lamerton 98.6% 😊			

Foundation Stage

The children in the Foundation Stage have been enjoying the wonderful weather. They have been exploring the sandpit, caring for the flowers in the garden, looking after the wildlife and researching pollution and how to care for our environment. We have been learning some new songs related to summer and changes in the seasons. The children have enjoyed watching the trees change as the weather improves. Our baby guinea pigs, Dotty and Betty, have settled in well and the children are doing a fantastic job of caring for them.

The Foundation Stage daily timetable remains the same as it always has been; we pride ourselves on play based learning, following the children's interests throughout the day.

Year 1 and 2

Year 1 and 2 have had a busy fortnight! We have been growing plants and herbs in Year 2 and we are looking at how they grow and what they need in order to stay healthy. In Year 1 we have been looking at the parts that make a plant.

The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch book has been the focus of our English lessons and we have been writing our own version of the story changing the characters. We even had to use conjunctions and suffixes!

In maths in Year 1 we have been practising our multiplication and division skills and we are getting very good at it! Year 2 have been practising ready for their 'quizzes' next week! Good luck!

Year 3 and 4

Year 4 have just finished their swimming at Ennerdale and have loved every minute! The children made so much progress in such a short period of time. They particularly loved the fun session on the last day! In Year 3 and 4 we have been learning all about Ancient Egyptians. We looked at mummification and it was a bit gory and gruesome!

In maths Y3 have been learning all about fractions and Y4 have been learning all about decimals which they have found really enjoyable. Egyptian Cinderella proved popular in Y4 as the text they were reading and next week they will be writing their own version. Y3 pupils have been writing non-chronological reports all about the Ancient Egyptians.

Year 5 and 6

Year 5 have been doing Bikeability and learning all about how to keep safe on the roads and how important this is. Spring onions have been the topic of conversation in science lessons recently and they have been observing them over time to look at the changes that occur.

In Y5 maths, the pupils have been learning and revising angles and now know the degrees of lots of different angles. In English they have been reading Stig of the Dump which they have been enjoying. They have looked at newspaper reports and have written newspaper reports about the story.

Y6 have of course been revising for their SATs. They have worked so, so hard and we just know that next week, all their hard work will pay off! Good luck!