



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



Firstly, thank you so much for all your kind donations and support for Children In Need today! It is always fun to have the children dressed up for school and to have parents/carers in to spend time with their children in the classroom. Thank you also to those of you who have completed the parent/carer questionnaire. I am very pleased that the vast majority of responses are very positive and there were many lovely comments, particularly about the fantastic staff we have here at Parkstone. Please remember that you do not have to wait to be asked to share your suggestions, concerns or questions. You can arrange to meet with myself, your child's Phase Leader or class teacher if you would like to discuss anything.

Save the date!

22nd November:

Roman Showcase
Year 3 and 4

3rd December:

Stay and Create
all Year groups
at 2.30pm

18th December:

FS Christmas
Play 1.30pm and
6pm

19th December:

Year 1 and 2
Christmas play
1.30pm and 6pm

21st December:

Break up for
Christmas

Attendance

As a school, our attendance since the last newsletter was 96.7% which is very good! Well done to all those classes that have above 97% attendance.

Keep coming to school every day so you can be a Leading Learner and earn Parkstone Pounds for your class!

Attendance for the week ending 16.11.18

Mrs West 93.9%	Mrs Austin 94%	Mrs Derrick/ Mr Rogers 97%	Mrs Waudby 97.8%
Miss Draper- Martin 90.7%	Miss King 96.7%	Mrs Gill 98.4%	Mrs Woollin 99.6%
Mrs Damary Thomson 97.6%	Mrs Holtby/ Mrs Wigglesworth 96%	Mrs Whitworth 100% ☺	Mrs Jacobs 99.2%
Miss Lamerton 98%	Mrs Wallace 98.4%		

Foundation Stage

The children have been working hard in phonics over the past two weeks. Please keep an eye out on Tapestry for sounds/ handwriting called 'Phonics Homework' videos to help at home. Our Parents' meetings are going well and if you haven't had one yet, you soon will!

Our maths mastery sessions are going well and we have just had a whole new lot of resources delivered that we are very excited about! We have started practising for our Christmas play so keep an eye out for costume request or lines to learn!

Year 1 and 2

We've had a busy few weeks in Year 1 and 2! Year 1 have started their new story 'Lost and Found' about a penguin who turns up on a little boy's doorstep! We have talked about the South Pole and how to get there. In Year 2 we have started our new book, The Tunnel. It is a super story and we have turned our corridor into a real tunnel! In maths we have been working hard at addition.

We have been writing diaries this week in our topic lesson as if we are Samuel Pepys who wrote a diary about The Great Fire of London. We even 'hot seated' in the classroom and pretended to be Samuel Pepys himself and asked lots of questions.

Year 3 and 4

In maths we have learning about column subtraction and we are certainly getting the hang of it! In English we have been reading our new book 'The Firework Maker's Daughter'. We love it so far as the story is so engrossing. We think we are going to really enjoy it! In Year 4 we have been reading The Wind in the Willows. It's such a fun book with very descriptive characters.

In our topic we have been designing Roman mosaics. We have used very detailed patterns full of colour. We learn about the process of mosaics and we found it extremely interesting! Don't forget it is our Roman Showcase and we would love to see you there! It is on the afternoon of Thursday 22nd November.

Year 5 and 6

What a fantastic few weeks we have had in Year 5 and 6! Year 6 have been tackling some very complex problems involving long multiplication and division - working as a team to make progress as always! In Year 5, we have been working on interpreting data including line graphs and tables to solve problems.

We have begun our new focus on the study of Light in Science. We were even blindfolded and had to rely on our team to lead us to safety which highlighted the importance of our sight. We have focused on the celebration of Diwali and as it is Anti-Bullying week, we have completed lessons on what respect is, and how to show it to our friends and family. 'Swap and Sing' has been brilliant too!