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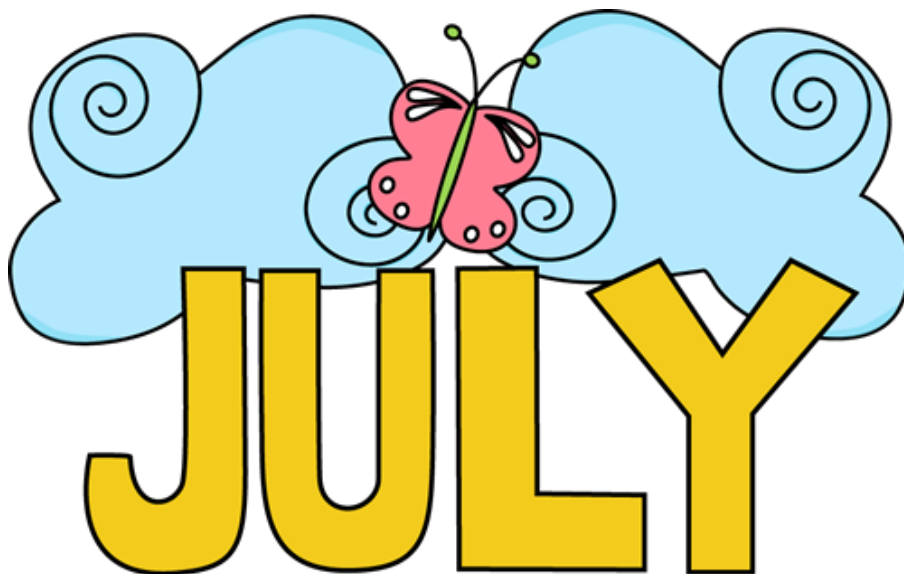
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# July 2024 Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Park House News!

Well, I can't believe how fast this summer term is going, but I am so impressed with all of the learning that is happening across school and the different activities the children are taking part in. Year 4 have had a fabulous trip to the Deep - a stunning aquarium where they were able to see marine wildlife from across the world. This trip supported their learning about Oceans and coral reefs and really did deepen their knowledge and understanding.

Park House sports teams continue to make us proud. Our Year 5/6 football team have taken part in the district finals which were held at Derby County training ground. Although the team didn't win the tournament, they showed great sportsmanship and earned themselves learning characteristics awards for team work and respectfulness, along with Derby County shirts (thank you Mr Smith).

As we come towards the end of this academic year, I have some news to share with you regarding staffing. It is with sadness that Mrs Gavan has decided not to return to whole class teaching. However, you may see her around from time to time as we hope she will cover absences and work with groups. I know that you will join me in wishing her the best in the future. Also, last week Year 3

said goodbye to Mrs Elton who has been teaching alongside Mrs Taylor. Again, we wish her all the best as she returns to her school.

In September we will welcome some new staff to Park House. Miss Burr and Ms Kirkland will be joining the Reception class team and Miss Holmes will be joining the Year 5 team to cover Mrs Watkinson's maternity leave.

As we come to the final weeks of term, please remember that the children should be in school and ready to start lessons at 8:50am. Regular attendance is very important for children to achieve the best they can. If children are absent from school, it not only affects their education but they will miss out on the social side of school which affects their ability to make and keep friends and can dent their self confidence to attempt new work and work alongside each other. We appreciate that attendance levels at this time of year can be affected by illness, particularly colds and tummy bugs. We would therefore encourage all parents to send their children into school wherever possible. However, if they have been ill with sickness and/or diarrhoea, please keep them off school until they have been symptom free for a minimum of 48 hours to prevent the bug spreading throughout the school community as this has a significant, adverse effect on attendance levels of both staff and children.

Fingers crossed that the weather is kind to us for the last weeks of term as we have lots more fun activities to complete, including sports day!

Kindest regards,

Mrs. Kavanagh

Our move up day is fast approaching!



**Wednesday 3rd July** is our whole school move up day when the children get a chance to work with their 'next year' teacher and teachers get to meet their new class.

Don't worry, the children will know where to go! They need to go to their current classes for registration, but you will collect them from the main playground. Reception will come out of the door for Year 1, Year 1 will come out from the ramp near the hall opposite Year 2, Year 2 to Year 6 will come out of the junior door.

We may have some of our new Reception class arriving and leaving at the same time so please remember to not chase about or play with equipment at drop off and pick up time.

## September Staffing



Here are the teaching arrangements for September.

**Reception** will be taught by **Mrs Fidler and Mrs Mills**, along with Mrs Mosley, Miss Burr and Ms Kirkland.

**Year 1** will be taught by **Mrs Kelly**, along with Mrs Sanderson and Miss Clarke .

**Year 2** will be taught by **Mrs Cook**, along with Mrs Millward, Miss Clarke and Mrs Harper.

**Year 3** will be taught by **Mrs Taylor**, along with Miss Smallwood.

**Year 4** will be taught by **Miss Bushnell/Mrs Hopkins**, along with Mrs Deaton and Mrs Harper.

**Year 5** will be taught by **Mrs Reeve and Miss Holmes**, along with Mrs Goodwin and Mrs Monk.

**Year 6** will be taught by **Mrs Key**, along with Miss Kirkland and Mrs Ene.

Mrs Robinson, Mrs Gavan and Mrs Harris will be covering classes as needed across school.

Summer Fair - Saturday 13th July



Our annual summer fair will be held on **Saturday 13th July**. The Summer Fair is a highlight in the calendar, with the whole community coming together to take part in activities, shop at the stalls and sample delicious refreshments on the playground. It promises to be another fantastic afternoon which allows us the opportunity to socialise whilst raising some funds to enhance our children's experience at Park House.

We are looking for donations for some of our stalls, if you can help with donations, please take them to the baking kitchen.

Of course, we can't run this event without your help and support. We are in need of some volunteers still, and so if you are able to spare some time to help set up, run a stall or help us to pack away, we would be very grateful.

If you are able to help, you can sign up on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/51iDSteVtJ>

## Premier Education Summer Sports Camps



Thank you for all who completed the sports camp survey. Due to the predicted numbers we will be running the camp on the following dates, however, to cover costs we will need to charge £14 per day per child.

- The camp will run 9am to 3pm, and pupils will need to be 5 years old to attend.
- Pupils will need to wear appropriate sports wear for the weather, no crop tops please.
- Pupils will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty of drinks. Premier Sports Camps are a nut free zone, please do not send any products containing nuts such as Nutella or peanut butter.
- Pick up and drop off is via the pedestrian entrance by the school crossing.
- Pupils will need sun hats and sun cream.
- If your child needs an inhaler or medication, please bring it to the session.

Bookings will go live at the end of the week on ParentPay.

The dates will be:

- 24-25.7.24 Summer Sports Camp 9am to 3pm
- 30.7.24-1.8.24 Summer Sports Camp 9am to 3pm
- 6.8.24-8.7.24 Summer Sports Camp 9am to 3pm

## Lost Property



School uniform and items can be expensive - and we appreciate that replacing lost items can be costly so please make sure all items are labelled with your child's name. In the unfortunate event

that an item is lost, if it is labelled we will always reunite it with it's rightful owner. Please check items regularly too as names do wear/wash off.

We do have quite a lot of un-named items and we will put this on display on for parents/carers to check. The table of items will be available on sports day. Please claim any items then otherwise it will be sent to charity.

## Behaviour Policy

# BEHAVIOR



<https://forms.office.com/e/hvFesweNZV>

This term, we reviewed our behaviour policy and have trialled some of the changes. A copy of the draft policy has been put on ClassDojo on the main story page. This policy will come into effect fully from September.

The main changes are:

- \* Introduction of learning characteristic awards, if you collect all six stickers you receive a prize.
- \* ClassDojo's now show needs work (to replace stop and think), yellow card and red card dojos.
- \* Needs work dojo's have no point value but are for information to parents
- \* For low level behaviours, 5 need's work dojo's will then move to a yellow card
- \* High level behaviours may go straight to yellow or red cards still
- \* Red and yellow cards are no longer displayed in classrooms

To gather parents views of the changes, please use the link to complete the short survey. We always welcome the views of our parents.



## PHPS Behaviour Flow Chart



- Positive verbal praise and positive Dojo points.
- Star of the day (can be more than one person) and star of the week = 5 Dojo points
- Learning Characteristic stickers links to Team Point Champions = 1 Dojo point
- Class Dojo reward when they get a multiple of 500 points altogether e.g. extra playtime, golden time, dip box.
- Remind them to stop and think about their behaviour when it deviates from expectations.
- Issue a needs work Dojo point = 0 points value.



- 5 needs work Dojo points within the same learning characteristic = yellow card.
- Yellow card added to behaviour tracker and needs work yellow Dojo with note to parents (on Dojo)
- Yellow card = 5 mins loss of playtime outside the staffroom.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Yellow card = Interventions from pastoral team and if needed send to other classroom for 10 mins with work.
- Yellow behaviours to be dealt with by staff member dealing with the incident.



- Red card only to be issued for serious behaviours (see poster).
- Sent to Head Teacher/Deputy Head Teacher.
- Red card added to behaviour tracker and needs work Red Card Dojo with note to parents (on Dojo).
- Parents contacted by letter or phone by SLT.
- For sanctions, see poster.



- Fixed term suspensions to follow exclusion and suspension guidance from DfE and Derbyshire County Council.
- Letter, complaints policy and behaviour policy sent to parent.
- Pupil set work for duration of suspension.
- Governors informed as needed.
- Local Authority informed of suspension.



- Permanent Exclusions to follow exclusion and suspension guidance from DfE and Derbyshire County Council.
- Letter, complaints policy and behaviour policy sent to parent.
- Governors informed as needed.
- Local Authority informed of exclusion.



## Key Dates For Your Diary



### **2023/2024 Academic year Inset days will be:**

- Monday 4th September - Completed
  - Tuesday 5th September - Completed
  - Friday 22nd December - Completed
  - Friday 24th May - Completed
  - Wednesday 26th June - Completed

### **Term Dates 2023/2024**

#### **Summer Term**

**15.4.24 School starts back**

**23.5.24 last day of half term**

**24.5.24 Inset day**

**27.5.24 Bank Holiday - School Closed**

**3.6.24 School starts back**

3.6.24 Yr 1 Gymnastics Event

During June will be the Phonics Screening Check in Yr 1 and the Multiplication Check in Yr 4.

13.6.24 Yr 4 trip to The Deep

19.6.24 New Reception parents meeting

20.6.24 Yr 6 Tupton Transition Day

20.6.24 Yr 5 Ukulele performance for parents 2.40pm in the hall

24.6.24 – 27.6.24 Yr 6 Tibshelf Transition Week

26.6.24 Inset day

25.6.24 New Reception transition visit

27.6.24 New Reception transition visit

26.6.24 - 27.6.24 Yr 6 St Mary's Transition Days

27.6.24 Yr 6 Tupton Transition Day

28.6.24 Netball Team - district finals

3.7.24 Yr 6 Highfields and Hasland Transition Day

3.7.24 Move up day

4.7.24 Yr 6 Tupton Transition Day

**4.7.24 Polling Station - School closed to pupils**

5.7.24 Yr 2/Yr 6 Qualitas Sports Day at the EIS

8.7.24 Yr 3 Rivers Study trip

11.7.24 Reception Trip to Crich Tramway Museum

11.7.24 Yr 6 Tupton Transition Day

**12.7.24 Sports Day (1pm)**

**13.7.24 Summer Fair 12-3pm**

18.7.24 Reserve Sports Day (in case of poor weather)

**17.7.24 Yr 5 and Yr 6 end of year performance - Alice in Wonderland**

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**23.7.24 Yr 6 Leavers Assembly time**

**23.7.24 Last day of term**

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## **2024/25 Term Dates**

- **4 September 2024 to 25 October 2024 (38 days)**
- **4 November 2024 to 20 December 2024 (35 days)**
- **6 January 2025 to 14 February 2025(30 days)**

- 24 February 2025 to 4 April 2025 (30 days)
- 22 April 2025 to 23 May 2025 (5 May 2025 is a bank holiday) (23 days)
- 2 June 2025 to 24 July 2025 (39 days)

**2024/25 Inset days:**

- Wednesday 4th September 2024
- Monday 6th January 2025 (to be confirmed)
- Friday 2nd June 2025
- Wednesday 25th June 2025
- Thursday 24th July 2025

**School calendar 2024/25**



August 2024							September 2024							October 2024										
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Denotes Bank holidays  
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 195 days – including up to 5 days to be taken