



# PARKHEAD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

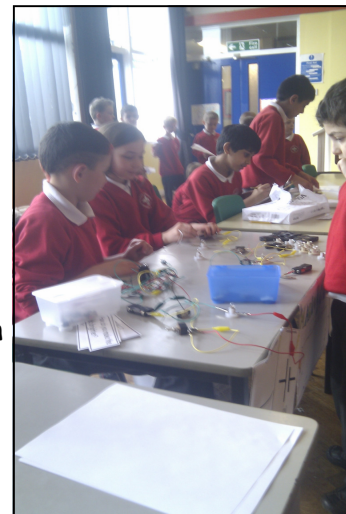


Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Friends

DATE: 18th March 2011

### Super Science Week !

This week the children of Parkhead became scientists, completing science challenges, investigations and experiments as part of National Science Week. Everyone has had a thoroughly enjoyable time. Thank you to all parents and families that joined us yesterday for our science fair. The science fair was set up in the hall and the whole school enjoyed taking part in experiments. We were making circuits, testing paper aeroplanes and even setting off rockets! Today we are sharing all of our learning with the rest of the school and this afternoon there is a music and science workshop for KS1!



Hope you are having fun at home trying out your own experiments! I would like to say a special thank you to the children in Miss Shackleton's class who organised the science fair. I was really impressed with how well you explained the experiments and activities to the rest of the children.

Mrs Bailey



### Well done to our football team

Parkhead hosted a football tournament last night. They won 2 games, drew 2, and lost 1. They lost the cup by a narrow defeat to Ryton! Well done to everyone who took part!



### Attendance and Punctuality

Well done again Mrs Kirby's class with attendance of 98.6%. Miss Moffat's class have done very well too with 97.5%! We have looked at 100% attendance from the beginning of the year until February half term and everyone will receive a shop voucher for the school shop. There are 4 winners in 6m, 3 in 6s, 5 in 5l, 2 in 5s, 3 in 4j, 4 in 4m, 1 in 3s, 2 in 2k, 2 in 2t, 5 in 1m, 3 in 1s, and 1 in reception.



### Achievers Awards

Achiever Awards were presented today to the following children:  
Well done to you all, we are very proud of you.

Year 1S: Willem Atkinson

Year 2T: Lewis Brown

Year 3AJ: Luke Jobling

Year 4J: Jaime-Lee Gibbons

Year 5K:

Year 6L: Georgia Jobling

Year 1M: Sam Newton

Year 2B: Stacey Watson

Year 3S: Carl Lucas

Year 4M: Paige Makel

Year 5S: Chloe Prior

Year 6S: Ben Postlethwaite



### SCHOOL MEAL PRICES

Dear Parent or Guardian,

#### School Meal Price increase - £1.90 per day, from Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2011

I am writing to inform you that from Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> April 2011, the school meal price will be £1.90 per day, or £9.50 per week.

Our school meals are provided by Gateshead Council's School Meal Service, which is nationally recognised for providing a quality school catering service. Gateshead School Meals have faced rising costs, yet have made every effort to keep any increase in price to an absolute minimum.

Our school meals are excellent value for money, and our menus offer plenty of fresh ingredients, often from local suppliers, served up by a skilled and experienced team. School meals offer children the chance to eat a nutritious, tasty meal in a sociable, safe environment.

Please remember the **eligibility for free school meals has changed** and you may now be entitled to claim. If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please contact 0191 433 3729 for more information.

If you would like to know more about school meals, or to see a menu, please visit [www.gateshead.gov.uk/schoolmeals](http://www.gateshead.gov.uk/schoolmeals) or ring the school meals free helpline 0800 169 2780. Menus appear in the Chronicle Extra each week, and are also available from school reception.

Please remember school meals should be paid weekly or each half term in advance.

School meals are an excellent choice for lunchtime and I hope that you will support the service in our school.

#### GOVERNOR VACANCY

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. We are looking for parents to take an active part in the monitoring and evaluation of our school and support the decision making process moving forward. If you think you can offer support and skills to the Governing body please contact Mandy Wilson on 0191 433 4146 in the first instance.

#### DANCE CLUB PERFORM AT THE SAGE

Well done to the dance club who took part in Gateshead dance festival this week and did a brilliant performance. Miss Moss and Mrs Wallwork were very proud of you all!  
Dance club will start again after the Easter holidays with Miss Moss.

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

25th MARCH	—	Year 5 family assembly
1st APRIL	—	Year 1 family assembly
5th APRIL	—	Year 2 SATS information session for parents
6th APRIL	—	Year 6 SATS information session for parents
12th APRIL	—	Family and school Easter egg competition
14th APRIL	—	Year 3 / 4 Easter production
15th APRIL	—	Year 1 singing for Easter
15th APRIL	—	LAST DAY OF TERM
3rd MAY	—	SUMMER TERM STARTS



After school club meet some snakes at Zoo lab!