



Another wonderful week at Parkhead. We started off with our assemblies being led by Sam from Groundworks. As it has been recycling week, his focus was on the three R's, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. He then worked with our Reception children to complete some lovely games with them. Next week we are extremely excited as both Sam and his colleague Lydia will be back in school to deliver a few workshops with our Year 5 children, where they will be focussing on sustainable waste management. As part of the workshops, they will be making their very own sock puppet and using it to create a performance to share with the rest of their friends. Please can you send a sock in with your child on Monday (Y5 only).

On Tuesday our fantastic Science/eco ambassadors took part in a litter pick with Lydia (from Groundworks) and Miss Cummings around school and on the top road. We were very impressed with them. How wonderful to be helping to keep the local area clean and tidy.

This week we have also seen the start of our woods sessions for Willow class and both Year 6 classes. I was very lucky to get down the woods on Thursday with some of our year 6 children. We are very fortunate to have our forest school trained teachers and our wonderful woods area.

On Thursday, our Year 6s enjoyed taking part in a police workshop around respectful relationships. It is always great to have our local police officers visiting school to support with educating our children.

I hope you have a lovely weekend. See you all next week.

Mrs Chard

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Macmillan and School Council

Our new School Council met for the first time this week to discuss what they would like to achieve this year. One thing they were particularly keen to do was raise money for charity.

After sharing their ideas, the children decided to organise a bake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. They have been busy designing posters to display around school and will also be spreading the word in their classes.

The bake sale will take place on Thursday 24th September at 3:20pm on the school yard. We would be very grateful for donations of shop-bought cakes, to be brought into school from Monday 21st September.

The School Council have set themselves an ambitious challenge of raising £250 for this amazing charity. We hope as many of you as possible will come along, buy a treat and help us reach our goal!



Kagan

This year, we have continued to embed Kagan Co-operative Learning strategies across our school, helping children to become more active and engaged in their lessons. These fun, structured approaches encourage every child to share ideas, work collaboratively and take an active part in their learning. Most importantly, Kagan strategies help create inclusive classrooms where every child feels valued, involved and excited to learn.

Although still new for our children, the impact has been fantastic to see. They are growing in confidence, communicating their ideas more effectively and supporting one another to succeed. We have also seen increased participation, greater independence and a willingness to tackle challenges with resilience.

We are delighted with the positive difference these approaches are making and look forward to continuing this journey throughout the year.



Great News! We are a Thrive School

We are delighted to share that our school has recently become a Thrive School. Thrive is an approach that supports children's social and emotional development, helping them to build positive relationships, understand and manage their emotions, develop resilience and feel confident and ready to learn. Through nurturing relationships, targeted activities and a whole-school approach, we will help every child feel safe, valued and supported so that they can thrive both emotionally and academically. We look forward to sharing this journey with our children and families and seeing the positive impact it has across our school community.



Last week, classes from Year 2 to Year 6 took part in the yearly vote to elect our new school council member. We are pleased to announce that the following children have been elected:

Sana, Franky, Evelyn, Theo, Madison, Maverick, Oliver, Eden, James, Olicvia, Tommy, Indi-Grace, Emilia, Marley, Lila, Imogen, Will and Lottie.



Safeguarding - KS2 Collection

When collecting your child/ren from KS2, please collect from the KS2 yard and not stand on the steps or ramp. This is to ensure a clear walk way for people and also to enable good visibility for teacher's, prior to handing over children.

Thank you.

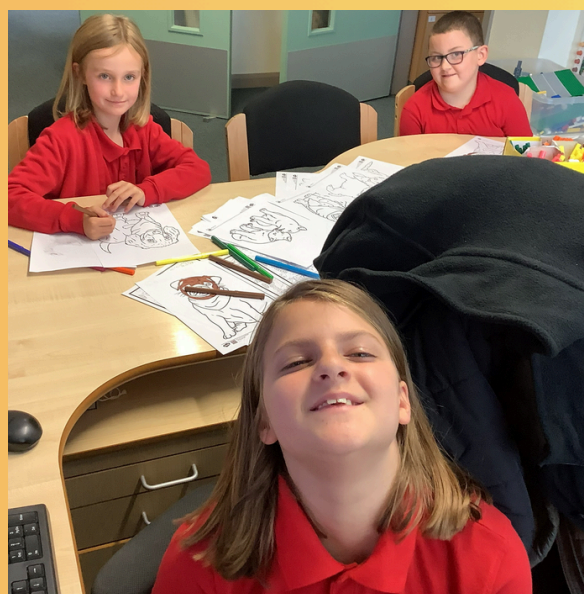


School Ambassadors

We have now selected our school ambassadors for the year and we are pleased to reveal them:

Ambassador Area	Name
OPaL	Albie, Layla, Mya, Trent, Freya, Louis, Rosie, Deniz, Lexi, Paddy Hunter, Harry, Nathan, Daisy James, Veronica, Lillie, Jensen Milco, Francis
Reading	Matilda, Leon, Archie, Alisha Seleana, Beau, Bertie Kayden, Sahand, Jayde
Science Eco	Hunter, Jacob, Jorgie, Adeeb Ryan, Myla, Will Ronnie, Tyler, Lucy
Digital	Holly, Ada, Tommy Frankie, Geordie, Penny Milli, Ycub, Adem
History	Harry, Reuben, Rex, Koben Ebenezer, Daisy, Amy Olicia, Oscar, Jack

Fun Club!



Important Date or Events

Key dates were sent with last week's newsletter. Please pop them in your diary so you don't miss out!

Macmillan cake sale

Don't forget our cake sale for Macmillan on Thursday 24th September. We can't wait to see you all there. All proceeds will go to Macmillan.





Star of the week



Class	Star	Mrs Chard's Stars of the week	
Seedlings	Francesca	Early Years	Payton
Acorns	Johnny	Key Stage 1	Reuben
Saplings	Maisie	Lower Key Stage 2	Olivia B
Y1 Beech	Hunter	Upper Key Stage 2	Arlo
Y1/2 Elm	Sana		
Y2 Willow	Lyla		
Y3 Maple	Bodhi		
Y3/4 Cherry	Rosie		
Y4 Spruce	Mya		
Y5 Oak	Bertie		
Y5 Pine	Veronica		
Y6 Birch	Lacie		
Y6 Cedar	Lacey		

Achievements at home

Remember if your child is awarded any certificates or medals/trophies at home for a sport or an interest/hobby please do encourage them to bring them into school on a Friday to show the rest of the children.



Together
we make a
difference! ♥

BAKE SALE



Date
Thursday
24th
September

Time
3.20pm

Where
KS2
Yard

Bring cakes
Please bring
cakes in to
school by
Monday 21st
September



Come along and
buy some lovely treats
and help us support
people affected by cancer
♥

