Parkhead Community Primary School

Weekly News Bulletin



This week

What another wonderful week we have had in school. As always, full of busy with lots of extra events taking place this week.

Our Nursery and Reception children have been enjoying celebrating World Nursery Rhyme week. I hope you have enjoyed hearing them saying / singing their rhymes this week on our facebook page.

Reception invited their parents/carers in for a reading workshop. Thank you to all who came, its always great to see our families in school.

On Wednesday, Mr Boutflower and our history ambassadors led our Remembrance assembly, including taking part in a two minute silence. Some of our Ambassadors also popped over to Winton Court to share some of our excellent Remembrance work with the residents, who were very pleased to see them.

Switch off fortnight is well underway now. Our eco ambassadors are making sure lights and boards are switched off during play time and lunch times, with all of our children learning lots of key messages regarding how to save electricity.

Today we have been raising money for Children in Need. We were a sea of Pudsey clothing, spotty clothes and non-uniform. Our school council also decided that we should host a Parkhead Talent Show, which was great fun. What a lot of talent we have, from dance groups to gymnastics to telling jokes! Today has also been World Kindness day; Miss Glenton arranged for us to join in with a virtual assembly where we were set the challenge to perform at least one act of kindness. We hope the children continue on with their acts of kindness with parents/carers over the weekend!

Next week we will be marking antibullying week in school, starting off with all children and adults (feel free to join in) coming to school wearing odd socks.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Chard

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Remembrance Day



This year's Remembrance Sunday was marked on 8th November, with Armistice Day on Wednesday 11th November 2026. Within school, classes have been learning about this appropriate to their age. All classes have completed art work, with some of our History ambassadors popping over to Winton Court to share the work with the residents. Mr Boutflower and our History ambassadors also led a Remembrance day assembly within school, where all of the children took part in a two minute silence.

Interfaith week



During Interfaith week we explored the theme “Lighting the way for a shared future”. Through a range of activities and inspiring stories, the children reflected on what it means to share their own light with others through kindness, understanding, hope and positive actions. It has been a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our differences and learn how we can all help to make the world a brighter place.

World Nursery Rhyme Week



This week, Early Years have been celebrating world nursery rhyme week.
For more information about this event please click on the link:
www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com
We hope you have been enjoying watching our nursery rhyme performances on our facebook page this week. All of our children have tried very hard to learn some new rhymes and perform them.

Switch off Fortnight



Switch off fortnight runs until November 20th. Throughout this week the eco ambassadors have been making sure that boards, lights, switches etc are turned off after every use and they have been policing this in their own classroom and also in the corridors / communal areas within school. On the final Friday we will all be taking part in Switch Off Afternoon where all lights and electronic devices will be switched off. Children across school have also been looking at ways they could save electricity in their own homes.
To find out more information about the fortnight and to play some games or even sing some karaoke songs visit www.jointhepod.org/students

Children in Need



This year, we have again supported Children In Need in school. Today, it was great to see our children in school in spotty, Pudsey clothing / accessories or simply non-uniform. Any donations can be paid online direct to the charity on the following link. https://donate.bbcchildreninneed.co.uk/
As part of the day, we held a Parkhead Talent Show which was fantastic. It was so difficult to select a winner so all of our acts received a certificate for their fantastic effort and talents.

Parents Evenings



Parents evenings are week commencing Monday 23rd November. Parent evening slots are available on your Arbor app for you to book to see your childs teacher.

Be kind. Be ambitious. Be the best you can be!

Road Safety Week

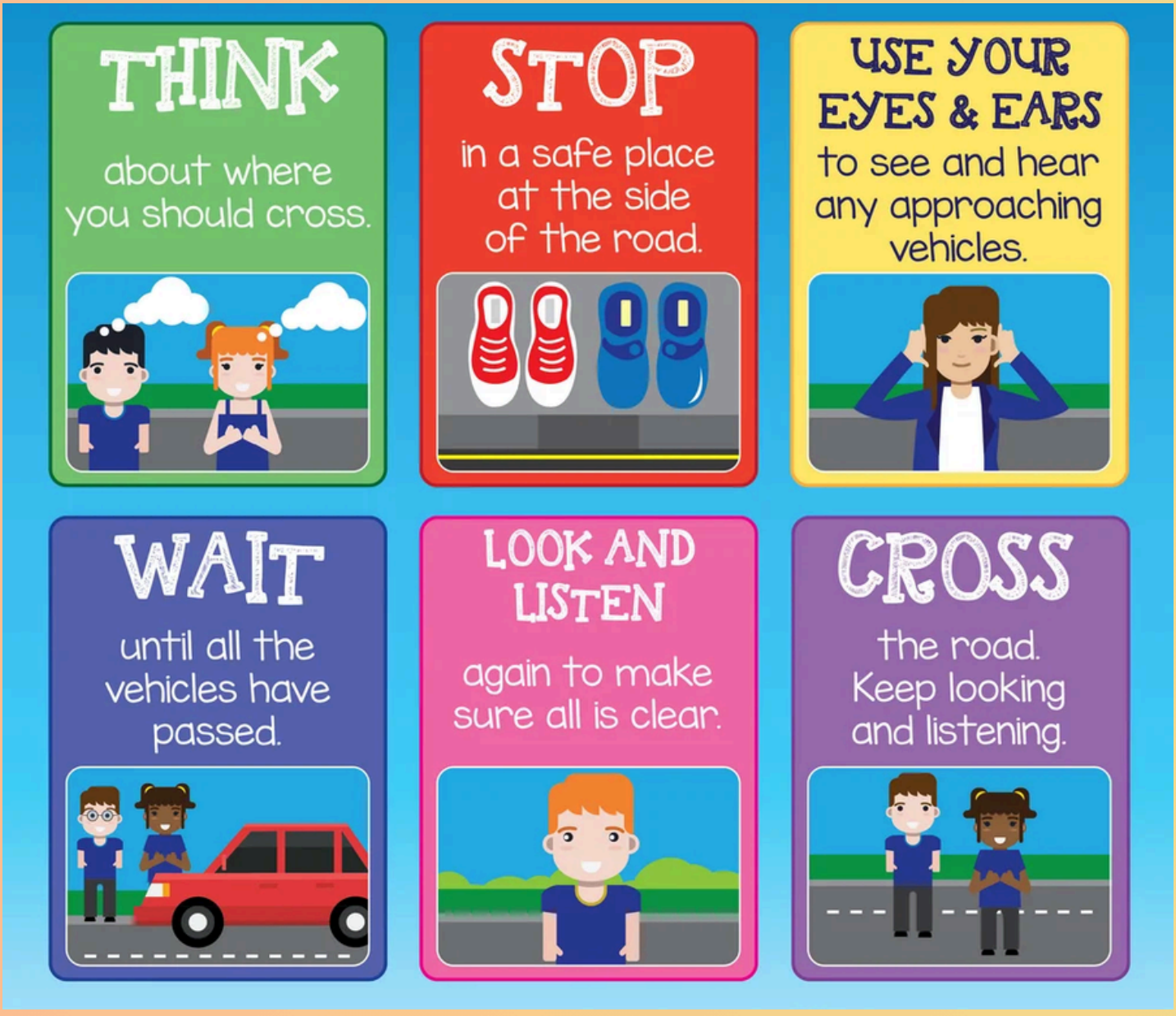
Road Safety Week (next week) is the UK's largest annual road safety campaign, organised by the charity Brake to promote safer journeys for everyone. In 2026, Road Safety took place this week. The theme this year is "Safe People on the Move", encouraging everyone who walks, wheels, rides or drives to think about how they can use the roads safely and help protect others. Throughout the week, schools, communities and organisations will take part in activities designed to improve road safety knowledge and encourage safer travel habits.

Anti-bullying week

Anti-bullying week will take place next week. The theme for this year is Break The Silence. We will be doing lots of activities throughout school to mark this important week. Odd socks day will take place on Monday; this is an opportunity for everyone to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!



Safeguarding – Road Safety Reminder



SAVE THE DATE

Please also see Key Dates emailed every Friday

Don't forget!

REMINDER

Year 3/4 and 5/6 - Sign up on Parent pay to attend the Christmas crafts with your child.

Year 3/4/5 - Please remember to log into Parentpay to give consent and make payment for your childs trip.

Everyone:

- Sign up to attend your childs Christmas performance
- Book parents evenings
- Monday 16th November - odd sock day

Christmas

We have some exciting Christmas events planned for this half term. These include singalongs, performances and carols and reading in church. Please save the dates in your diary.

Key Assessment dates

Year 1 Phonics screening checks – Mon 14th - Fri 18th June 2027
Year 4 Multiplication Checks – Mon 7th – Fri 18th June 2027
KS2 SATs Year 6 – Mon 10th – Thurs 13th May 2027



Term dates

Autumn **Last day of term:** Fri 18 Dec

SPRING **Return:** Mon 4 Jan 2027. **Half term:** Mon 15 - Fri 19 Feb. **Last day:** Thurs 25 Mar
School closed: Fri 12 Feb - Training day **and** Fri 26 Mar - Bank holiday

SUMMER **Return:** Mon 12 Apr **Half term:** Mon 31 May - Fri 4 Jun. **Last day:** Fri 16 Jul
School closed Mon 3 May - Bank holiday

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Star of the week

Class	Star
Seedlings	Eddie
Acorns	Raya
Saplings	Hunter
Y1 Beech	Albie
Y1/2 Elm	Eve
Y2 Willow	Cora
Y3 Maple	Eden
Y3/4 Cherry	Freya
Y4 Spruce	Beau
Y5 Oak	Daisy
Y5 Pine	Freddie
Y6 Birch	Oscar L
Y6 Cedar	Sophia

Mrs Chard's Stars of the week	
Early Years	Miley M
Key Stage 1	Isaac C
Lower Key Stage 2	Hunter T
Upper Key Stage 2	Charlie C

Achievements at home

This week, we were lucky to share an achievement in girl's rugby and swimming!



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.



Parkhead Community Primary School is a safeguarding school and we have a duty to pass on any concerns to Children's Services.